

**CITY OF TALLADEGA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
September 14, 2026 – 5:30pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, September 14, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Talladega City Hall Chambers. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Steve Dickerson, Council Member Vickey R. Hall, Councilman Hugh Sims, Council Member Betty C. Spratlin, Councilman Charles Keith, City Manager Danny Warwick, and Mayor Ashton Hall.

Invocation by Council President Dickerson.

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Councilman Sims for the approval of the agenda. AYES: All.

Council President Dickerson opened the public hearing concerning the weed abatement for seven properties identified in Resolution #6798 to Resolution #6814. No citizens appeared to speak, and the public hearing was closed.

Motion by Councilman Sims with a second by Council Member Spratlin to approve invoices and expenditures. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Total Invoices & Expenditures from 8/15/2026 to 8/31/2026	165,434.27
General Fund	161,857.35
Corrections Fund	26.92
Capital Projects Trust Fund	3,550.00

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Council Member Hall to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 24, 2026. AYES: All.

Motion by Council Member Sims, seconded by Council Member Keith, to approve the parade permit request for the Alabama School for the Deaf Homecoming Parade on October 31, 2026. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Sims with a second by Councilman Keith to approve Rhonda Barker’s application for re-appointment to the TOP Trails Board. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Mayor Hall administered the oath of office to Ms. Barker.

Leighann Butler, EMA, presented the 2025 Talladega County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Ms. Butler stated that the plan had been developed with input from municipalities and local departments and had been accepted by FEMA. She explained the adoption requirement for eligibility to apply for certain disaster-related funding and noted that the City’s portion of the plan included storm shelters and generators.

Council President Dickerson stated that City Manager Warwick had reviewed the plan and recommended its adoption. Mr. Warwick offered to provide copies of the portions pertaining to the City. Adoption of the plan was considered under Resolution No. 6820.

Weed Abatement – Public Hearing

Resolution #6798 approving the weed abatement for property located at 215 Brecon Circle

Resolution #6799 approving the weed abatement for property located at 801 Nimitz Ave.

Resolution #6800 approving the weed abatement for property located at 109 Dianne St.

Resolution #6801 approving the weed abatement for property located at 117 Brecon Access Rd.

Resolution #6802 approving the weed abatement for property located at 109 Meleah Drive

Resolution #6803 approving the weed abatement for property located at 281 Grogan Rd.

Resolution #6804 approving the weed abatement for property located at 265 Grogan Rd.

Resolution #6805 approving the weed abatement for property located at 245 Grogan Rd.

Resolution #6806 approving the weed abatement for property located at 1511 Taylors Mill Rd.

~~**Resolution #6807** approving the weed abatement for property located at 219 Edgewood Ave.~~

Resolution #6808 approving the weed abatement for property located at 110 Nassau St.

Resolution #6809 approving the weed abatement for property located at Lot on Howard St.

~~**Resolution #6810** approving the weed abatement for property located at 128 Jackson St.~~

Resolution #6811 approving the weed abatement for property located at 740 Grant St.

Resolution #6812 approving the weed abatement for property located at 914 Washington St. (1)

Resolution #6813 approving the weed abatement for property located at 914 Washington St. (2)

~~**Resolution #6814** approving the weed abatement for property located at 412 Spring St. South~~

Motion by Council Member Sims, seconded by Council Member Hall, to adopt Resolution Nos. 6801, 6804, 6808, 6809, 6811, 6812, and 6813. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #6815 approval of a User Agreement between the City of Talladega and Ingram Dean for the use of Meeting Room A at the Spring Street Recreation Center for dance and ballet instruction, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement

Motion by Council Member Keith, seconded by Council Member Spratlin, to adopt Resolution #6815. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #6816 authorizing the purchase, delivery, and installation of playground equipment and engineered wood fiber safety surfacing from Kompan, Inc. through Omnia Partners Public Sector in an amount not to exceed \$278,093.33

Motion by Council Member Sims, seconded by Council Member Keith, to adopt Resolution #6816. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Travel Requests

Resolution #6817 approving the travel request for Joanna Medlen and Emily Light to attend the AAMCA Region III Conference on February 10, 2027 to February 12, 2027 in Point Clear, Alabama

Motion by Council Member Spratlin, seconded by Council Member Sims, to adopt Resolution #6817. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #6818 approving the travel request for Isaac Albarran, Holley Chatman, and Marissa Comeaux to attend the RSA ESS Portal training on September 10, 2026 in Montgomery, Alabama

Motion by Council Member Sims, seconded by Council Member Keith, to adopt Resolution #6818. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #6819 declaring the building at 232 West Battle Street to be an unsafe public nuisance and ordering its demolition

Motion by Council Member Keith, seconded by Council Member Sims, to adopt Resolution #6819. Roll Call. AYES: Council Member Hall, Councilman Sims, Council Member Spratlin, and Councilman Keith ABSTAIN: Council President Dickerson

Resolution #6820 adopting the 2025 Talladega County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Motion by Council Member Keith, seconded by Council Member Hall, to adopt Resolution #6820. AYES: All.

Contract Extensions

Resolution #6821 approving a contract extension for the third year with RK Allen Oil Company, Inc. for aviation jet fuel per bid specifications

Resolution #6822 approving a contract extension for the second year with Kirkpatrick Concrete for concrete per bid specifications

Resolution #6823 approving a contract extension for the third year with Fleet Analytics for fleet tracking services per bid specifications

Resolution #6824 approving a contract extension for the third year with Mitchell Mowing for ground maintenance for the Water Department facilities per bid specifications

Resolution #6825 approving the contract extension for the third year with Mitchell Mowing for ground maintenance for Oak Hill Cemetery per bid specifications

Resolution #6826 approving the contract extension for the third year with RK Allen Oil Company, Inc. for petroleum products per bid specifications

Resolution #6827 approving the contract extension for the second year with Suburban Propane for propane per bid specifications

Resolution #6828 approving the contract extension for the second year with Dunn's HVAC Plumbing & Electric for HVAC maintenance per bid specifications

Council President Dickerson asked about HVAC services and referred to a previous review of potential cost savings. City Manager Warwick stated that he did not have a job description.

Motion by Councilman Sims with a second by Councilman Keith, to adopt Resolution #6821 through 6828. AYES: All.

Resolution #6829 approving the contract extension for the second year with Taylor Sudden Service for generator services per bid specifications

Resolution #6830 approving the contract extension for the second year with Thomas Vaults for grave opening and closing services per bid specifications

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Council Member Spratlin to adopt Resolution #6829 and 6830. Roll Call. AYES: Council Member Hall, Councilman Sims, Council Member Spratlin, and Councilman Keith ABSTAIN: Council President Dickerson

Resolution #6831 approving the contract extension for the second year with Knox Pest Control for pest control services per bid specifications

Resolution #6832 approving the contract extension for the second year with Denali Water Solution for sludge removal services per bid specifications

Resolution #6833 approving the contract extension for the second year with Mitchell Mowing for mowing services for nuisance overgrown lots per bid specifications

Resolution #6834 approving the contract extension for the second year with Alexander Construction for street patching services per bid specifications

Resolution #6835 approving the contract extension for the second year with Guardian Solutions for water and sewer testing services per bid specifications

Resolution #6836 approving the contract extension for the second year with Living Water for water and sewer testing services per bid specifications

Resolution #6837 approving the contract extension for the second year with Central Alabama Training Solutions for personal protective equipment (PPE) for the Fire Department per bid specifications

Resolution #6838 approving the contract extension for the second year with CVR Computer Sales for ink and toner per bid specifications

Resolution #6839 approving the contract extension for the second year with Alexander Construction for sidewalk restoration per bid specifications

Motion by Council Member Keith, seconded by Council Member Hall, to adopt Resolution Nos. 6831 through 6839. AYES: All.

Annual Contracts

Resolution #6840 approving the contract with B&S Sports for sports uniforms per bid specifications

Resolution #6841 approving the contract with Deep South Apparel for sports uniforms per bid specifications

Resolution #6842 approving the contract with Vulcan Materials for stone products per bid specifications

Resolution #6843 approving the contract with Shannon Chemicals for water chemicals per bid specifications

Resolution #6844 approving the contract with C&S Chemical for water chemicals per bid specifications

Resolution #6845 approving the contract with Brenntag Mid-South for water chemicals per bid specifications

Resolution #6846 approving the contract with Pennco for water chemicals per bid specifications

Resolution #6847 approving the contract with Service Chemical for water chemicals per bid specifications

Resolution #6848 approving the contract with Univar for water chemicals per bid specifications

Motion by Council Member Keith, seconded by Council Member Spratlin, to adopt Resolution #6840 through 6848. AYES: All.

Resolution #6849 approving the contract with Polytec for water chemicals per bid specifications

Resolution #6850 approving the contract with Industrial Chemical for water chemicals per bid specifications

Resolution #6851 approving the contract with Empire Pipe for water construction supplies per bid specifications

Resolution #6852 approving the contract with Ferguson for water construction supplies per bid specifications

Resolution #6853 approving the contract with Southern Pipe for water construction supplies per bid specifications

Resolution #6854 approving the contract with Core and Main for water construction supplies per bid specifications

Resolution #6855 approving the contract with Consolidated Pipe for water construction supplies per bid specifications

Resolution #6856 approving the contract with Advanced Asphalt for cold mix per bid specifications

Resolution #6857 approving the contract with Staples Contract and Commercial for janitorial supplies per bid specifications

Resolution #6858 approving the contract with Staples Contract and Commercial for office supplies per bid specifications

Resolution #6859 approving the contract with Fayne Creek Tree Work for tree removal services per bid specifications

Motion by Council Member Keith, seconded by Council Member Sims, to adopt Resolution #6849 through 6859. AYES: All.

Resolution #6860 declaring as surplus a 2013 Ford Fusion and authorizing the transfer of ownership to the Talladega Municipal Airport Board

Motion by Council Member Sims, seconded by Council Member Spratlin, to adopt Resolution #6860. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Councilman Sims to approve invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. AYES: All.

Water Department Expenditures for 8/15/2026 to 8/31/2026 214,748.43

Water/Sewer Fund 214,748.43

City Manager Warwick reported on a matter involving Tractor Supply and vendors. He stated that he reviewed the matter with the Revenue Officer and Finance Director and that a proposed solution had been developed. City Manager Warwick planned to review the proposal and send it to the Council that evening, with review by City Attorney O'Brien to follow the Council's consideration. He also recognized September as Suicide Awareness Month and encouraged those present to take informational flyers emphasizing that their lives matter, they are not alone, and help is available.

Mayor Hall asked when the recycling bin would be emptied. City Manager Warwick stated that he would check on the matter and post an update on the City's website.

Council Member Hall inquired about an audit presentation. City Manager Warwick stated that a presentation would be made next month on the 2022 audit. Council President Dickerson asked whether the presentation would also include the 2023 audit. City Manager Warwick clarified that the presentation would cover 2022 and expressed hope that the 2023 audit would soon be brought current. In response to further inquiry from Council President Dickerson, he confirmed that work on the 2023 audit was ongoing.

Council Member Hall also encouraged organizations not to take discussions regarding appropriations personally, emphasizing that public funds must be allocated fairly.

Councilman Sims thanked the Tractor Supply manager and vendors for attending and expressed appreciation for the efforts to resolve the matter regarding the Saturday event.

Councilman Keith commended the Water Department employees for repairing a culvert. He thanked Talladega High School's JROTC for conducting a September 11 remembrance program and acknowledged the participation of police and fire personnel. He also reported receiving a commemorative coin set for the Hall of Heroes in recognition of the 25th anniversary. He also described the community service activities of American Legion Post 17, including providing snacks to students and assisting nursing home residents. He also recognized Buster Braswell, age 97, whom he described as the oldest active American Legion member in Alabama.

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Councilman Sims to approve a \$1,500.00 donation to American Legion Post 17, consisting of \$1,000.00 from Councilman Keith's discretionary fund allocation and \$500.00 from Councilman Sims's discretionary fund allocation. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Sims with a second by Council President Dickerson to adjourn the meeting. AYES: All.

AUTHENTICATION

I, Joanna Medlen, City Clerk of the City of Talladega, Alabama, do hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the City Council of Talladega, Alabama, which met in a regular session on Monday, September 14, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. in the City of Talladega, Alabama City Hall Council Chambers.


Joanna Medlen, City Clerk