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City of Tallulah
Office of the Mayor
Regular Council Meeting Agenda

Thursday, September 8, 2022
5:30 P.M., City Hall

Charles M. Finlayson
Mayor
Joseph Scott
District 1
Lisa Houston
District 2
Carla Turner-Harris
District 3
Marjorie Day
District 4
Toriano Wells
District 5

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance & Prayer
3. Roll-Call
4. Public Comments on the Agenda
5. Approve Minutes of the August 25, 2022, Regular Meeting
6. Presentation from Roosevelt and Terry Washington for De-Annexation from the City of Tallulah
7. Approve Hiring of Personnel for Police Department:
 - a. Germaine Stewart
 - b. Jesi Monroe
 - c. Sharena Murray
 - d. Javarion Johnson
 - e. Symotriana Long
8. Approve Sale of Police Department Surplus Vehicles:
 - a. 2011- Ford Crown Victoria – VIN2FABP7VVX8X183472 – out of service
 - b. 2011- Ford Crown Victoria – VIN2FABP7BV88X183471 – out of service
 - c. 2011- Ford Crown Victoria – VIN2FABO7BV2BX183448 – out of service
9. Public Comments (please limit to 3 minutes)
10. Adjourn

Special Accommodations

Any person needing reasonable accommodations to attend a public meeting held by the Tallulah City Council should contact Gerald Odom at 318-574-0964 three (3) days prior to the meeting date. If further information is needed, please contact Mr. Odom at the number listed above.

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Regular Council Meeting
City of Tallulah
August 25, 2022

A regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was held on Thursday, August 25, 2022, at 5:30 P.M., in the Council Room Chamber of Tallulah City Hall.

Mayor Charles M. Finlayson called the meeting to order, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and allowed time for silent prayer.

A roll call of Council Members is shown as follows:

Scott	Present
Houston	Present
Harris	Present
Day	Present
Wilson	Present

Mayor Finlayson allowed time for comments from members of the public regarding items on the agenda, but there was none.

Motion and second to approve minutes of the August 11, 2022 meeting were made by Councilmembers Houston and Harris respectively and carried unanimously.

Councilmember Day moved for the approval of A Resolution Adopting a Residential Anti displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan. Councilmember Harris seconded, and motion carried. Councilmember Wells voted nay on the resolution.

Cindy Thomason, CPA, Allen, Green & Williamson, was present to explain to the Council some of the contents of the contract with the city and to further clarify certain statements in the contract that had been questioned by Councilmember Wells in a prior meeting.

Subsequent motion to approve the contract was made by Councilmember Houston, seconded by Councilmember Day, and carried. Councilmember Wells, not totally satisfied with explanations given, voted nay on the contract.

City Clerk Gerald Odom presented a financial overview of the city's General Fund for the month of July, the first month of the city's new fiscal year. He stated that all departments made a very good actual to budget performance and pronounced the month of July as very successful for General Fund.

At this juncture, Mayor Finlayson allowed a public forum for citizens to express their thoughts to him and the Council not to exceed three minutes each. Several people spoke expressing their ideas, opinions and advice. Subjects discussed included city adjudicated properties, city clean up, flash flooding problems and solutions, culvert clean out actions, and trash pick-up in certain areas.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by the Mayor.

Attest

Gerald L. Odom, City Clerk

Charles M. Finlayson, Mayor



Property owners petition city council for de-annexation from the City of Tallulah, LA

- Location: Louisiana
SUPPORTERS IN LOUISIANA

JUNE 24, 2022

The City of Tallulah annexed property currently owned by Roosevelt J. Washington and Terry A. Washington in 1993. The city leaders did not extend water, sewer, road maintenance or trash service to this property yet have been collecting city taxes for these services since 1993.

The owners have a building on the property located at 123 Savannah Drive. A written request for water and sewer service be installed was sent to the Mayor's Office in November 2018 and April of 2020. Meetings with Mayors Haden and Finlayson along with representatives from the city's water and sewer services to assess what is required for the city services requested. The owners have been maintaining and improving this property being productive citizens but must leave the premises if personal needs arise while working.

The City of Tallulah's current financial deficits/budget would be greatly impacted as the cost to purchase and install necessary equipment to supply water and sewer lines are significant, therefore we respectfully request de-annexation be granted the property owned by Roosevelt J. Washington and Terry A. Washington @ 123 Savannah Drive, Tallulah, LA 71282. Approval of de-annexation will thereby release the city from the expenses they would incur allowing the property owners the responsibility of following parish guidelines for water and sewage.

If any objections from the property owners adjacent to the property address identified above, please contact your council representative prior to the next scheduled city council meeting.

receive the petition to de-annex
they had to present this
to council



Chief Buster McCoy
Executive Officer

Tallulah Police Department



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TALLULAH POLICE DEPARTMENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. The hiring of new employees

- a. Germaine Stewart
- b. Jesi Monroe
- c. Sharena Murray
- d. Javarion Johnson
- e. Symotriana Long

2. Surplus Vehicle

- a. 2011- FORD CROWN VICTORIA- VIN- 2FABP7VVBX183472- out of service
- b. 2011- FORD CROWN VICTORIA- VIN- 2FABP7BV8BX183471- out of service
- c. 2011- FORD CROWN VICTORIA- VIN- 2FABO7BV2BX183448- out of service
- d. 2008- DODGE DURANGO- VIN- 1DBHD38NXBF146098 - (will be on next agenda.)

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A nighttime photograph of the New York City skyline. The Statue of Liberty is prominently featured in the center, holding her torch. To her left is the One World Trade Center, and to her right are other skyscrapers. The sky is a deep blue, and the city lights are visible.

City of Tallulah
9/11 Memorial Ceremony

Friday, September 9, 2022

9:00 am

**Madison Parish
Courthouse Lawn**

**Please Come Out And
Show Your Respect To The
Victims Of 9/11/2001**