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## Office of the Mayor

City of Tallulah  
Regular Council Meeting Agenda  
Thursday, February 13, 2025  
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 January 23, 2025, Regular Meeting
6. Approve A Resolution Supporting The Application Of The City Of Tallulah For Repairs And Fixtures For The City's Community Center To Be Funded By The State Of Louisiana Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP).
7. Adjourn

### Special Accommodations

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Tallulah Regular City Council Meeting  
Thursday, January 23, 2025  
5:30 PM

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council was held on Thursday, January 23, 2024 at 5:30 P.M., in the Council Room Chamber of Tallulah City Hall. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer by Councilmember Wells.

A roll call of councilmembers is shown as follows:

Scott	Present
Houston	Present
Harris	Absent
Day	Present
Wells	Present

Approval of the January 9, 2025, minutes, with the correction of showing Councilperson Houston absent made by motion from Councilperson Day and second by Councilperson Scott. Motion passed unanimously.

Section 8 Update was tabled until the information requested regarding make up of the Tallulah Section 8 Board is received from HUD. Motion to table by Councilperson Day and seconded by Councilperson Wells. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Entity/State Agreement Between the City of Tallulah and DOTD for the Tallulah City Center Sidewalks Project made by motion from Councilperson Scott and seconded by Council person Day. Roll call vote was as follows:

Scott	Yea
Houston	Yea
Harris	Absent
Day	Yea
Wells	Yes

Motion carried.

Approval of the Resolution Authorizing Mayor Charles Finlayson to execute the Entity/State Agreement between DOTD and the City of Tallulah for the Tallulah City Center Sidewalks made by motion from Councilperson Houston and seconded by Councilperson Day. Motion carried unanimously. The Resolution presented to the Council was in draft form and the Council asked to ensure that (1) the correct date be shown and that (2) the correct attendance of Councilmembers be corrected.

Under Public Comments:

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1. Citizen Joy Jackson made comments regarding her water bill and flushing the lines at her home.
2. Councilperson Wells asked for an update on the Capital One banking outage. He was informed that the outage was related to Capital One and a third party vendor that they use.
3. Councilperson Wells asked whether or not Census information had been updated for the City. He also asked about the City's boundaries being re-evaluated by an outside party as well as an overview of ordinances related to city boundaries (annexation, etc).
4. Councilman Wells asked about the condition of and repairs at the Community Center.
5. Councilperson Wells asked about the status of the audit. He was informed that the audit had been recalled and that an extension had been requested.
6. Councilman Wells asked if anyone from Tallulah has considered if Tallulah ties into Walnut Bayou for water and Walnut Bayou has a water outage, how would that affect Tallulah?

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest

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Gerald Odom, City Clerk

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Charles Finlayson, Mayor

Council:

In your packets is a draft Resolution for our submission of this year's LGAP Grant for \$50,000.

The Grant will be for the following at the Community Center:

1. Sprinkler System in kitchen
  2. New flooring in lobby area and down hallway to restrooms
  3. New stage curtains
  4. New range for kitchen if funds permit
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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF TALLULAH FOR REPAIRS AND FIXTURES FOR THE CITY'S COMMUNITY CENTER TO BE FUNDED BY THE STATE OF LOUISIANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LGAP)**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council that the Tallulah Community Center, used as a disaster shelter by the Department of Homeland Security/Disaster Preparedness and the Department of Children and Family Services, is in need of repair and maintenance as well as the installation of new fixtures.

**WHEREAS** The City does not have funds to budget for these necessary repairs and maintenance of the Tallulah Community Center; and,

**WHEREAS** funds for such repairs and fixture additions can be obtained from the Louisiana Local Government Assistance Program;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Tallulah approves the City's submission of an application for Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to the State Office of Community Development to be used toward the cost of the Community Center maintenance and repairs.

**YEAS:**

**NAYS:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**ABSENT:**

**THUS ADOPTED** at the special meeting of the Mayor and Council Members of the City of Tallulah on this \_\_ day of February, 2025.

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**Charles M. Finlauson Mayor**  
**City of Tallulah**

Attest:

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**Gerald Odom**  
**Clerk**