



Meeting Minutes City of Midfield, Alabama City Council

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in regular session on Monday October 22, 2012 at 7:00 pm with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Elder Orlando Robinson, Jr. presented the invocation.

Gertrude Thomas called roll. The following members were present: Terry Adams, Janice Anderson, Velma Johnson, Reginald Wilson and Jimmie Robinson. Gertrude Thomas acted as clerk. A quorum being present, the meeting opened for transaction of business.

Approval of Agenda: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes of the last regular scheduled council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of payment of bills: Councilor Jimmie Robinson made the motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration and pay October #2 bills in the amount of \$78,339.69. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. Roll call vote: Adams yes, Anderson yes, Wilson yes, Robinson yes, Johnson yes and Mayor Richardson yes. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to pay the October #2 bills in the amount of \$78,339.69. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. Roll call vote: Adams-yes, Anderson-yes, Wilson-yes, Robinson-yes, Johnson-yes and Richardson-yes. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-59: Declaring Weeds a Public Nuisance. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No, 2012-59. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-60: Public Hearing for 105 Vann Street, 312 Midwood Avenue and 811 10th Avenue. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-60. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-61: Accepting Donations to Defray Cost of Alabama Conference of Black Mayors. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the Resolution No. 2012-61. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. Roll call vote: Anderson- yes, Adams-yes, Wilson- nay, Robinson- yes, Johnson- yes and Richardson- yes. Motion passed.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-62: Authorizing the Expenditure of Donated Funds. Councilors Janice Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-62. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. Roll Call vote: Adams- yes, Anderson- yes, Wilson- yes, Robinson- nay, Johnson- yes and Richardson- yes. Motion Passed.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-63: Authorizing the use of city van to transport conference attendees. Motion died.

Approval of Cost Report Notice: Councilor Jimmie Robinson made a motion to approve Cost report Notice for Weeds Nuisance. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Budget: Motion died for lack of second.

Approval of New Business License for Hatchers’ Angel to be located at 101 Woodward Road. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve New Business License for Hatchers’ Angels. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Report from the Mayor: The Mayor yielded the floor to the Department Heads.

Police Chief Belcher reported hiring process on the way for the cops grant position. Red Light Camera is up and running. 90% of the cases reported at last council meeting on Birwood Avenue were already under investigation.

Jeff Zissette, Public Works Director, announced Fall Festival is scheduled for October 25, 2012 at 6pm.

Fire & Rescue Chief Manning reported the Fire Department assisted City of Lipscomb with a major fire.

The Mayor announced this council meeting represents the last meeting of this Mayor-Council term. The New Mayor-Council term begins November 2012 and James Reasor will take Reginald Wilson’s place. Mayor Richardson presented Councilor Reginald Wilson a plaque of appreciation for his many years of service to the City of Midfield.

Report from the Council: Councilor Terry Adams thanked Councilor Reginald Wilson for his many years of service and said he will miss him. He commended the police department on several arrests made.

Councilor Janice Anderson told Councilor Reginald Wilson she will miss him.

Councilor Reginald Wilson stated he will be around and everyone knows how to reach him.

Councilor Jimmie Robinson thanked Councilor Reginald Wilson for time served. Councilor Jimmie Robinson asked the Mayor not to assign him a committee without discussing with him first. The Mayor asked the council to submit to him in writing their areas of interest.

Councilor Velma Johnson thanked Councilor Reginald Wilson for his years of service and she will miss him from the bottom of her heart.

Open Meeting to the Public: Mr. John Thomas thanked the Department Heads for addressing his concerns. He mentioned concerns about losing the Safe route to school grant. The Mayor reported he is proactively addressing the grant requirements.

Adjournment: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion unanimously.