

## Meeting Minutes City of Midfield, Alabama City Council

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in regular session on Monday October 8, 2012 at 7:00 pm with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Councilor Janice Anderson presented the invocation.

Tameeka Vann called roll. The following members were present: Janice Anderson, Velma Johnson and Jimmie Robinson. Absent- Councilors Adams & Wilson. Tameeka Vann acted as clerk. A quorum being present, the meeting opened for transaction of business.

**Approval of Agenda:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of payment of bills:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration and pay October #1 bills in the amount of \$52,081.27. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. Roll call vote: Anderson- yes, Robinson- yes, Johnson- yes and Mayor Richardson- yes. Motion passed.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2012-56: Public Hearing for Weed Nuisance.** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No, 2012-56. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members voted "aye", passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-57: Approve Certification Training for Carolyn Wilson and Police Officers Swat Training. Councilor Jimmie Robinson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-57. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-58: Declaring Weeds a Public Nuisance. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-58. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Ordinance No. 2007-G: Amending Ordinance No. 2007-7.** Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2007-G. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members voted "aye", passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of 2012-2013 Holiday Schedule:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the Holiday Schedule. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members voted "aye", passing the motion unanimously.

## Approval of 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Budget: Item Tabled

**Report from the Mayor:** The Mayor announced Walgreens purchased Shell Service Station on Bessemer Super Highway. Walgreens requested a parking variance from the Zoning Board of Adjustments. The hearing is scheduled for October 22, 2012 at 10:00 am.

## Report from Department Heads:

Police Chief Belcher reported he is interviewing people to fill the Cops Grant position. He is obtaining proposals for cameras to be placed in high crime areas.

Fire & Rescue Chief Manning admonished everyone to take extra precaution when traveling. The Fire Department has been real busy working a lot of automobile wrecks.

Jeff Zissette, Public Works Director, reported several ATRIP Grants were submitted to ALDOT for paving B.Y Williams, Sr. Drive, Rutledge Drive, Martin Luther King Jr. Drive and Woodward Road.

**Report from the Council:** Councilor Velma Johnson reminded everyone the Neighborhood Association meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at Midfield Community Center.

**Open Meeting to the Public:** Mr. John Thomas reported the house located at 900 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue is vacant and kids are utilizing the property for reckless behavior. He also noted a hole in the street at 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 9<sup>th</sup> Street. Jeff Zissette acknowledged his concerns and stated he will address the issues.

Louis Hill Jr., Valerie Williams, Patrice Blankenship and Latrecie Durrough are residents on Birwood Avenue; they complained about burglaries in their area. Chief Belcher stated he is aware of the problem, made several arrests and will add extra patrol in their area.

Nay Hutton presented the Council the 2012 Midfield Football Schedule.

**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.