

Meeting Minutes City of Midfield, Alabama City Council

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in regular session on Monday, November 8, 2010 at 7:00 pm, with Mayor Richardson presiding.

Council-member Janice Anderson gave the invocation.

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

Approval of published minutes from last Council meeting: Council-member Janice Anderson made the motion to approve the published minutes from the last regular Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Council-member Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of payment of bills: Council-member Jimmie Robinson made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration and pay November #1 bills for \$45,619.92. The motion was seconded by Council-member Velma Johnson to approve the payment of November #1bills for \$45,619.92. All members present vote aye passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2010-64: Notice of Public Hearing. For the following addresses: (A) 641 Bessemer Super Highway, (B) 1400 Creel Street, (C) 545Lovoy Street (D) 521 Lovett Street (E). 1317 8th Avenue, (F). 504 12th Street, (G). 1454 Short Street, (H). 1513 Collier Drive, (I) 504 Lovett Street. Council-member Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2010-64. The motion was seconded by Council-member Jimmie Robinson to approve Resolution No. 2010-64. All members present vote aye passing the motion unanimously.

Report from the Mayor: The Mayor opened the floor to the department heads to give report.

Chief Manning reported that the Fire Department will be conducting fire hydrant tests the month of November. Chief Manning also reported that the Fire Department received a grant to purchase a new compressor.

Chief Belcher reported that Midfield Police Department is moving in a positive direction and is the place to work and that he thanked everyone for their prayers and support.

Jeff Zissette thanked everyone for supporting the Annual Halloween Festival and that almost 245 people attended. He gave a special thanks to Council-member Janice Anderson for working tirelessly at the carnival. He also reported that the Street Department has begun the ground work for the splash pad project.

Report from the Council: Council-member Reginald Wilson reported that the Midfield Youth Program will be in the Championship game and encouraged everyone to come out and support them. He also gave a special thanks to everyone that helped to keep the football field lined.

Council-member Terry Adams thanked the Council for considering revisiting the longevity pay for the employees.

Council-member Velma Johnson reported that the Chamber of Commerce will have open house at the community center December 6, 2010 at 6:00 pm and invited everyone to attend.

Open Meeting to the Public: Otis Davis, 918 12th Avenue, questioned why when the City of Birmingham calls Midfield Police Department to pick up individuals with outstanding warrants, Midfield Police Department declines to do so. Chief Belcher responded by saying that it depends on man power among other reasons. He stated that when the City of Midfield calls the City of Birmingham they decline to pick up individuals with outstanding warrants as well, but that he doesn't call to question. He figures that the police department has a valid reason for not doing so.

John Thomas, 901 12th Avenue, had several questions concerning crime in the Fairfield Highland area.

Sherry Harbin, 607 12th Avenue, had questions concerning the status of the two burglaries that happened at her home.

Buddy Casey, 606 10th Avenue, requested a moment of silence in observance of Veterans Day.

Adjournment: Council-member Velma Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council-member Terry Adams seconded the motion. All members present voted aye passing the motion unanimously.