



Meeting Minutes City of Midfield, Alabama City Council

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in special session on Tuesday, April 27, 2015 at 6:00 pm with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Pastor Dumas led attendees in prayer. Mayor Gary Richardson led attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Debbie Wagner acted as clerk and conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Councilor Jimmie Robinson, Councilor Velma Johnson and Councilor James Reasor.

Approval of Agenda: Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of April #2 Bills \$141,582.26. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve April #1 Bills \$141, 582.26. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2015-13: Declaring Weeds a Public Nuisance: (A) 601 10th Avenue, (B) 1454 Short Street, (C) 612 12th Street, (D) 902 8th Avenue, (E) 525 B. Y. Williams Sr. Drive, (F) 716 Owen Avenue, (G) 691 Woodward Road, (H) 1462 12th Street, (I) 541 Lovoy Street, (J) 1243 Wycliffe Road, (K) 1400 Creel Street, (L) 1365 Creel Street, (M) 556 B. Y. Williams Sr. Drive, (N) 560 B. Y. Williams Sr. Drive, (O) 1213 Gale Drive, (P) 155 West Brookwood Road, (Q) 600 8th Avenue, (R) 507 8th Avenue and (S) 525 8th Avenue. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-13. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2015-14: Authorizing the mayor to execute certain contracts with The Retail Coach not to exceed \$15,000. Councilor James Reasor made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-14. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2015-15: Appropriation of funds for advertising and promotion of city not to exceed \$5,000. Councilor James Reasor made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-15. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of business license for A & D Services LLC, for mobile car wash. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the business license for A & D Services LLC. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Appoint School Board Member: Mayor Richardson opened the floor for nominations. Councilor James Reasor nominated John Ware. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously. The mayor announced John Ware is hereby appointed to School Board Position.

Appoint Zoning Board of Adjustments Member: Mayor Richardson entertained a motion to appoint Reginald Wilson to the Zoning Board of Adjustments. Councilor Jimmie Robinson and Councilor Velma Johnson voted yes and Councilor James Reasor and Mayor Richardson voted no. The motion failed due to no majority vote.

Mayor Richardson entertained a motion to appoint Ellis Fowler to the Zoning Board of Adjustments. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously. The mayor announced Ellis Fowler is hereby appointed Zoning Board of Adjustments member.

Report from the Mayor: None

Department Heads: Public Works Director, Jeff Zissette, announced paving work has begun on BY Williams Road and the county will be paving Woodward Road after May 1st. Safe Routes to School has 14 days to begin that job and the Community Center renovations are waiting on the county’s approval to begin. The splash pad is scheduled to open May 9, 2015.

Chief Manning announced that we have a new rookie in Fire College and he has new pictures of the Fire truck. He also encouraged all residents in attendance to complete the Hazard Mitigation forms he passed out. The residents input are vital to the plan that he and Public Works Director, Jeff Zissette are working on.

Chief Belcher reported that 1500 speeding tickets have been issued even though they give drivers 14 miles over the speed limit before tickets are issued. This year they have issued 1900 Red light tickets this year. Chief Belcher and Lt. Logan had a meeting with Walgreen’s management to address security concerns. DriveTime reported some internal thefts.

Report from the Council: Councilor Velma Johnson informed the residents that the City clean up was rescheduled to May 30th and invited all to participate.

Councilor Jimmie Robinson reported a hole on Parkwood Street.

Report from the Public: Arthurine Burton addressed the council regarding a summer program.

GeNeise Fuller with A.C.C.E.S.S., asking the City to assist by providing the Splash pad and community center for the Out of School Celebration. Mayor Richardson asked Mrs. Fuller to provide the council with more information about the program and she will be put on the agenda in two weeks to present the proposal to the council.

Valerie Moore wanted to let the City that she is leaving Gateway and wanted to thank the City and told council that she had enjoyed working with them.

Adjournment: Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

