

Meeting Minutes City of Midfield, Alabama City Council

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in special session on Monday, June 11, 2012 at 7:00 pm with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Pastor Nichols gave the invocation.

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

Approval of Agenda: Councilor Reginald Wilson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion with unanimous consent.

Approval of Published Minutes from last Council meeting: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve minutes for regular & special call meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion with unanimous consent.

Approval of May #2 & June #1 Bills: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve payment of May #2 and June #1 Bills. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. Councilor Jimmie Robinson inquired about Sheppard -Harris invoice and Municipal Code. The clerk stated, "Sheppard-Harris invoice is for the auditing of certain businesses for tax compliance and Municipal Code is for the codification of the city's ordinances." The mayor stated, "The invoices you're inquiring about were past and approved at previous meetings." Councilor Jimmie Robinson stated, "Are you saying, I have no right to ask questions concerning bills?" Mayor responded, "No, I am only stating the facts, council pre-approved the items in question several months ago." Roll call vote resulted as Adams-yes, Anderson-yes, Wilson-yes, Robinson-no, Johnson-yes, Mayor-yes. The mayor asked, "What is your reasoning for not approving the payment of bills, the public has a right to know?" Councilor Jimmie Robinson stated, "I said 'no' because there seems to be a problem when I ask questions." The Mayor stated, "You are acting like a spoiled brat!"

Motion failed for lack of unanimous consent.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-21: Declaring Weeds a Public Nuisance. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-21. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams to approve Resolution No. 2012-21. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion with unanimous consent.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-22: Public Hearing for the attached address listings. Councilor Adams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-22. The motion was seconded by Councilor Johnson. All members present vote aye voted "aye", passing the motion with unanimous consent.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-23: Public Hearing for the attached address listings. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-23. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion with unanimous consent.

Approval of Ordinance No. 2012-2: Pitbull Regulation. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2012-2. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion with unanimous consent.

Approval of Resolution No. 2012-24: Approval of Travel for Public Safety, Public Works, Municipal Court and Administrative Assistant I. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-24. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion unanimously

Approval of New Business License for Young Performers Performing Arts Studio to be located at 621 Bessemer Super Highway. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve the new business license. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion with unanimous consent.

Approval of New Business License for Carson Corner Convenience & Package Store to be located at 804 10th Ave. Tabled

Appoint Library Board Member: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to appoint Mr. Ellis Fowler. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion with unanimous consent.

Appoint Zoning Board of Adjustments Board Member: Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to appoint Mrs. Tracy Reeves to the Zoning Board of Adjustments. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present vote aye voted "aye", passing the motion with unanimous consent.

Report from the Mayor: The mayor announced Town Hall Meeting scheduled for June 21, 2012 at 6:00 pm. The mayor yielded the floor to Chief Belcher.

Chief Belcher announced the following promotions in his department and awarded plaques: Donna Logan to Lieutenant, Jesse Bell & Timothy Yearwood to Sergeant. He thanked the public for their support and prayers.

Report from the Council: Councilor Terry Adams, Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor Velma Johnson congratulated the police officers on their promotions.

Councilor Reginald Wilson thanked everyone for coming to his Movie Night in the Park and announced the next one is scheduled for July 6, 2012 at 8:00 pm. The mayor stated, "This is not 'your' Movie Night in the Park, it is a city sponsored event paid with city funds."

Councilor Jimmie Robinson asked about a transfer of funds he noted on the revenue and expense report provided by the City Clerk. The City Clerk stated, "Every pay period (which occurs biweekly), a transfer is made from general fund to payroll to cover payroll expense."

Open Meeting to the Public: Mr. David Beach mentioned he noticed there are some council meeting minutes missing on the city's website.

Mr. Stanton provided information concerning the next Valley Clean Up Day.

Adjournment: Councilor Reginald Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Janice Anderson seconded the motion. All members present voted aye passing the motion unanimously.