

## Meeting Minutes City of Midfield, Alabama City Council

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in regular session on Monday, June 9, 2014 at 7:00 pm with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Dr. P. Ronald Wilder led attendees in prayer. Mayor Gary Richardson led attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tameeka Vann acted as clerk and conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor James Reasor, Councilor Jimmie Robinson, Councilor Terry Adams and Councilor Velma Johnson.

Approval of Agenda: Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to amend the agenda to add Resolution No. 2014-36: Appropriating \$2000.00 to the Library for their Summer Reading Program, Resolution No. 2014-37: Appropriating \$250.00 to Midfield Youth Sports for Awards Ceremony and Resolution No. 2014-38: Authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract for grass cutting services. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present vote aye except Councilor Terry Adams abstained. The motion passed with majority consent. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted "aye" except Councilor Terry Adams abstained. Motion passed with majority consent.

Approval of Minutes from regular meeting: Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes from regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of June #1 Bills \$68,745.18:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve and pay June #1 Bills \$68,745.18. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-31: Declaring Weeds a Public Nuisance: (A) 4132 Jefferson Avenue, (B) 1413 Creel Street, (C) 1421 Creel Street, (D) 1321 Rayfield Drive, (E) 116 Parkwood Street, (F) 239 Bessemer Super Highway, (G) 212 3rd Avenue, (H) 600 8th Avenue, (I) 1007 Cherry Street, (J) 1105 Wilkes Road, (K) 309 Highland Drive, (L) 691 Woodward Road and (M) 716 Owen Avenue. Councilor Jimmie Robinson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-31. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted "aye", passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-32: Declaring Weeds a Public Nuisance: (A) 913 9th Avenue, (B) 911 8th Avenue, (C) 919 14th Street, (D) 900 12th avenue, (E) 334 12th Avenue and (F) 618 8th Avenue. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-32. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-33: Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Community Development Block Grant Cooperative Program. Councilor Jimmie Robinson made a motion to table Resolution No. 2014-33. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-34: Approval of Community Development Block Grant Agreement: Councilor Jimmie Robinson made a motion to table Resolution No. 2014-34. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-35. Authorizing the mayor to submit an application to the U.S. Department of Justice 2014 COPS Program. Councilor James Reasor made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-35. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-36: Appropriation of \$2,000.00 to Library for Summer Reading Program. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-36. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-37: Appropriation of \$250.00 to Midfield Youth Sports for Awards Ceremony. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-37. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted "aye" except Councilor Terry Adams-abstained. Motion passed with majority consent.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-38: Authorizing the mayor to enter into a contractual agreement for grass cutting services. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-38. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Business License for Pink Kisses to be located at 390 B.Y. Williams, Sr. Drive Suite B. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Business License for Pink Kisses. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Business License for Heritage Coach & RV Center to be located at 614 Woodward Road. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve business license for Heritage Coach & RV Center. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously.

**Report from Department Heads:** Chief Belcher reported a high number of sexual abuse cases in Midfield. He requested prayers for the police department.

Chief Manning reported the Fire Department is no longer testing fire hydrants.

Jeff Zissette, thanked the mayor and council for out sourcing grass cutting for vacant lots.

**Report from the Mayor:** During pre-council meeting, the Mayor on behalf of the Council, presented plaques to all employees with 7-28 years of service. In addition, the Mayor and Council provided an appreciation dinner to all employees and thanked them for their years of service. The Mayor informed attendees that the city will include a cost of living increase in the next fiscal budget.

The Mayor thanked everyone for their input in the 2nd Quarterly Newsletter. Construction has started at Save A lot.

Report from the Council: Each council member thanked the employees for their years of service.

**Report from the Public:** Pastor Spencer announced New Beginning Church scheduled a Men of Encouragement Conference June 27-29, 2014.

David Beach asked the council to apply for a grant to pay high school students to work during the summer months.

**Adjournment:** Mayor Richardson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted "aye" passing the motion unanimously.