



Meeting Minutes City of Midfield, Alabama City Council

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in special session on Monday, August 12, 2013 at 7:00 pm with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Reverend James Johnson presented the invocation. 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 Terry Adams, Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor Jimmie Robinson, Councilor James Reasor and Velma Johnson.

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

Councilor Janice Anderson left the meeting at 7:05 pm..

Approval of minutes from last regular scheduled meeting and special call meeting. Councilor Robinson stated his recorded vote for Resolution No. 2013-37 was incorrect and requested it to be changed. After necessary revisions, Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. A roll call vote resulted in unanimous consent. Motion passed.

Approval of payment of bills: Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of August No. 1 Bills \$41,336.20. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. A roll call vote resulted in unanimous consent. Councilor Jimmie Robinson made a motion to pay August No. 1 Bills \$41,336.20. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. A roll call vote resulted in unanimous consent. Motion passed.

Approval of Resolution No. 2013-39: Declaring Weeds Public Nuisance. Councilor Velma Johnson made the motion to approve Resolution 2013-39. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2013-40: Public Hearing for the attached listing: Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2013-40. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Ordinance No. 342C: Amending Ordinance No. 342A Section 22: Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 342C. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members voted “aye”, with the exception of Councilor Jimmie Robinson. Motion passed by majority vote.

Approval of Business License for Cell Touch Inc. to be located at 26 Phillips Drive. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve the Business License for Cell Touch, Inc. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Report from the Mayor: The Mayor reported the Back to School Rally and City of Midfield’s Family Fun Day was a success and thanked the volunteers.

Will Baylor, Assistant to the Mayor, announced a meeting is scheduled August 16, 2013 at 6pm at Midfield Highland Center. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Safe Routes to School Grant and all interested parties are invited to attend.

Chaplain Johnson announced the Chaplain Unit scheduled a revival for August 14-16 starting promptly at 7pm to be held at New Beginnings Church. The mayor yielded the floor to the department heads.

Jeff Zissette, Public Works Director, echoed the Mayor’s sentiments about the success of the Back to School Rally and Family Fun Day. He also thanked his staff and the administrative staff for their assistance. Valley Creek Cleanup is scheduled for August 15-16, 2013. David Beach asked Jeff to consider soliciting help from Midfield High Students for the Valley Clean Up. David said he had discuss this with the school superintendent. The contractors broke ground and unloaded the equipment at the Storm Shelter Site.

Chief Manning reported the medic call volume has increased significantly. He met with the Superintendent of Bessemer Water Service to discuss water pressure issues in his area. He’s hopeful the issue can be resolved expeditiously. He commended C shift for the way they responded to the Fire Fatality Saturday.

Sgt. Bell commended the Fire Department & Chaplain Unit for the way they responded to the Fire Fatality Saturday. The fire and deaths are still under investigation. He requested quotes for telephone recorder for dispatch.

Report from the Council: Councilor Terry Adams announced registration has begun for Midfield Youth Sports.

Councilor James Reasor thanked the Police & Fire Department for their response to the Fire Fatality. He fellowshipped with New Covenant Gospel Church located at 800 11th Avenue and Rev. Allen Hopkins is the Pastor. He welcomed them to the community.

Councilor Jimmie Robinson inquired about the Housing Demolition Project. Jeff Zissette stated we are in the process of soliciting for bids and the house on Gale Drive that Councilor Robinson is inquiring about is the first on the list.

Councilor Velma Johnson thanked the City Clerk and Police Chief for keeping the council informed about incidents around the city.

Report from the Public: None

Adjournment: Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present vote aye, passing the motion unanimously.