



Meeting Minutes City of Midfield, Alabama City Council

The City Council of Midfield, Alabama met in regular session on September 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson Presiding.

Chaplain Orlando Robinson Jr. led attendees in prayer. Mayor Gary Richardson led attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recarda Cobb acted as clerk and conducted roll call. The following persons were present:

Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor Jimmie Robinson, and Councilor James Reasor. Councilor Terry Adams and Councilor Velma Johnson were absent.

Approval of Agenda: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes from last regularly scheduled meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of September #2 Bills \$72,803.01: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve September #2 Bills \$72,803.01. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution 2015-49: Declaring Weeds a Public Nuisance: (A) 333 Belcher Drive, (B) 504 10th Ave, (C) 221 Nail St., (D) 1213 Gail Dr., (E) 1243 Wycliffe Rd., (F) 1300 Woodward Road, (G) 1513 Collier Dr., (H) 300 Olon St., (I) 913 13th St., (J) 915 13th St., (K) 1448 12th St., (L) 1344 Rayfield Dr., (M) 415 Highland Dr. Councilor James Reasor made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-49. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution 2015-50: Public Hearing for weeds: (A) 1001 12th St., (B) 1214 5th St., (C) 719 Owen Ave., (D) 601 10th Ave., (E) 1454 Short St., (F) 556 B.Y. Williams Sr. Dr., and (G) 560 B.Y. Williams Sr. Dr. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion approve Resolution 2015-50. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution 2015-51: Resolution authorizing travel advance for Zykeisha Dock, Gertrude Thomas, Chief Frank Belcher, Sergeant Jesse Bell, Renita L. Martin, and Carolyn Wilson. Councilor Janice Anderson made the motion to approve Resolution 2015-51. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution 2015-52: Resolution to fund the TAP PROJECT NO# TAPAA-TA14 (903), the construction of the downtown streetscape and sidewalks along B.Y.Williams, Sr. Drive. Councilor Jimmie Robinson made the motion to approve Resolution 2015-52. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Business License for Sheehan Enterprises, LLC for automatic ice machine to be located in West Hills Plaza near Sav-A-Lot. Councilor Janice Anderson made the motion to approve the business license application for Sheehan Enterprises, LLC. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted “aye”, passing the motion unanimously.

Report from Mayor: Mayor Richardson spoke about the Community of excellence award. He also spoke about the lighting in the park grant moving on to the next phase.

Jeff Zissette stated that the work on the park will began in approximately 120 days. Final inspection on the sidewalks and road paving will be soon. Mr. Zissette stated that there were about 230 volunteers come out to participate in the community cleanup. Mr. Zissette concluded that there were 156 violations on weeds within the City of Midfield.

Fire Chief Manning wanted to commend the City for work done on the sidewalks and the patching of holes in his area. He also spoke on educating citizens on fires.

Police Sergeant Jesse Bell spoke on the progress of junk vehicles being moved from the streets. He reported issuing 40 tickets, towing 8, and having citizens move 18 inoperable vehicles from the streets.

Report from Council: Councilor Janice Anderson talked about the cars being moved on Carol Circle. She also discussed being aware of the activities going on at the park.

Councilor James Reasor thanked everyone for the well wishes sent to his son.

Councilor Jimmie Robinson commended the department heads for their efforts. He also stated that it was an honor to be a part of the team responsible for improving the City of Midfield.

Report from the Public: Scott Hofer from the Jefferson County Department of Health stated that the Valley Creek cleanup was a success. He thank the City for its help. Mr. Hofer also stated that the Jefferson County Department of Health plans to continue educating citizens on keeping it clean.

David W. Beach, concerned citizen, spoke on the bad street patching job done on Woodward and Forest.

Orlando Robinson Jr., neighborhood president, talked about the upcoming movie night for the citizens of Midfield. He also discussed the We Are Not Targets conference being held October 3, 2015 at Midfield High School. This conference is geared towards fostering healthier relationships between law enforcement and the community.

Adjournment: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted “aye”, passing of the motion unanimously.