

MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF MIDFIELD

CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in a regular session on Monday, August 22, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

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

Recarda Cobb called roll. The following members were present: Councilor Jimmie Robinson, Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor James Reasor, Councilor Terry Adams, Councilor Velma Johnson, and Mayor Gary Richardson.

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

**Approval of August #2 Bills of \$58,145.78:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve August #2 Bills of \$58,145.78. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Ordinance No. 2016-3:** Ordinance establishing Telecommunication regulations. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to consider Ordinance No. 2016-3. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously. Councilor James Reasor made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2016-3. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2016-57:** Declaring weeds a Public Nuisance: (a) 155 West Brookwood Rd., (b) 625 Bessemer Super Highway, (c) 369 McPherson Ave., (d) 1217 Rutledge Dr., (e) 805 9<sup>th</sup> St., (f) 615 8<sup>th</sup> St., (g) 619 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., (h) 700 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., (i) 1413 Creel St., (j) 1421 Creel St., (k) 537 Karen St., and (l) 300 Olon St. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-57. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2016-58:** Public Hearing for weeds: (a) 1005 12<sup>th</sup> St., (b) 1001 12<sup>th</sup> St., (c) 538 Fairfield Blvd, (d) 618 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., and (e) 837 Alden Ave. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-58. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2016-59:** Resolution authorizing travel advance for Councilor Velma Johnson to attend NLC City Summit in Pittsburgh. Councilor Jimmie Robinson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-59. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2016-60:** Resolution authorizing travel advance for Chief Frank Belcher and Jessie Bell to attend the 2016 Alabama Nena Gulf Coast 9-1-1 Conference. Councilor Jimmie Robinson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-60. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Business License** for Gotcha(mobile carwash) located at 1310 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the Business License for Gotcha. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

#### **Report from Mayor:**

Mayor Gary Richardson thanked the Midfield Police Department for capturing Glenn Hardy's alleged murderer.

Jeff Zissette stated that Dunn Construction is finishing up the sidewalks on High School Road and will begin striping shortly afterwards. Mr. Zissette informed all of the finished parking lot at the Midfield Recreation Center, and the progress of replacing the fencing. He also thanked those who participated in the Village Creek clean-up.

Sergeant Bell thanked all for the information that led to the capture of Glenn Hardy's alleged murderer.

Lieutenant Johnson discussed the visit Midfield Fire Department made to Rutledge Middle School to advise them on their flood plan and fire drill. Lieutenant also encouraged all in attendance to wear their seatbelts.

#### **Report from Council:**

Councilor Terry Adams thanked everyone for coming out to the Dollar General grand opening, and wished the candidates good luck in the upcoming election.

Councilor Janice Anderson encouraged everyone to come out and support Midfield High School in Football and Volleyball. Councilor Anderson also stated that she was very proud of High School Road.

Councilor James Reasor thanked the Midfield Police Department for what they do on a daily basis, and wished the candidates good luck.

Councilor Jimmie Robinson stressed his concern about speeding on Carol Circle.

Councilor Velma Johnson encouraged everyone to get prepared for the upcoming garage sale.

**Open to Public:**

David Beach suggested that the schoolboard should install new bleachers on the home side at Midfield High School

Nina Rainey said that she was glad to see the grass cut at her neighbors' home.

Nay Hutton inquired about establishing an ordinance to stop the blowing of grass into the streets. Mr. Hutton also discussed possible solutions to eliminate the dumping of trash behind the thrift store, and encouraged Councilmembers to continue getting out to meet the neighbors.

Larry Merriweather encouraged everyone to be respectful of others while campaigning.

L'Tryce Slade, of Slade Environmental Consulting, inquired about a response from the Council concerning her proposal.

**Adjournment:**

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