

MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF MIDFIELD  
CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in a regular session on Monday, October 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Chaplain J.J Johnson 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 Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

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

**Approval of October #2 Bills of \$65,057.90:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve October #2 Bills of \$65,057.90. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2016-73: Public Hearing.** Resolution declaring property a Public Nuisance and ordering and abatement. (a) 1413 Creel St.,(b) 1333 Creel St., (c) 536 Henson St., (d) 408 Newton Dr., (e) 600 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., (f) 1317 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., (g) 340 Bessemer Super Highway, and (h) 1243 Wycliffe Rd. Roll call was taken. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2016-74:** Public hearing for weeds. (a) 401 Oakland Dr., (b) 1315 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., (c) 1317 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., (d) 504 10<sup>th</sup> Ave., (e) 600 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., (f) 616 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., and 618 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-74. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2016-75:** Resolution approving the agreement with Goodwyn, Mills, and Caewood for engineering services. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-75. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Ordinance No. 2016-5:** Ordinance amending Section 6.00 Non-Conforming uses of Midfield, Alabama Zoning Code. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to consider Ordinance No. 2016-5. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2016-5. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of New Business License for Innovative Housing Solutions & Services LLC. Located at 1545 Carol Circle, Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Business License for Innovative Housing Solutions & Services LLC. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Report from Mayor:**

Mayor Gary Richardson presented Councilor Jimmie Robinson with a plaque, and thanked him for the many years of service.

Jeff Zissette informed all of the Fall Festival at the Midfield Recreation Center on October 27, 2016 from 6-8pm. Also, he stated that the ATRIP Project on Rutledge Drive is moving ahead, Dunn Construction is correcting a few problems on High School Road, and fencing at Midfield Park is moving ahead.

Chief Manning thanked the Council for absorbing the insurance increase. He also spoke of Dewayne Jennings, a midfield resident, who assisted in saving a neighbor's house from being destroyed by fire.

Chief Belcher stated that he has a new hire, who will be starting school on November 21, 2016. He also stated that the Midfield Police Department arrested copper thieves on Creel Street, have suspects in the 10-14-2016 shooting, and is increasing patrol in the Highland area.

**Report from Council:**

Councilor Terry Adams stated that he enjoyed working with Councilor Jimmie Robinson and wished him good luck.

Councilor Janice Anderson thanked Councilor Robinson for his years of service and wished him well.

Councilor James Reasor wished Councilor Robinson well.

Councilor Velma Johnson stated that she will really miss Councilor Robinson. Also, she encouraged him to continue to work within the Midfield Community.

Councilor Jimmie Robinson a brief background of his rise to becoming a Councilmember. He discussed the sacrifices made to build a better Midfield.

David Sullivan, City of Midfield attorney, wished Councilor Robinson well and thanked him for his consistency with following rules.

**Report from Public:**

Bobby Rainey inquired about letter received from the City of Midfield concerning weeds. Jeff Zissette informed Mr. Rainey that his property has been cleared.

Nay Hutton wanted to know the process to take in order to replace his damaged trash can. Also, Mr. Hutton suggested that the City invest in improving the actual baseball fields at Midfield Park.

**Adjourn:**

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