

## MEETING MINUTES

### CITY OF MIDFIELD

### CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in regular session on Monday, November 14, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Chaplain Dumas led attendees in prayer. Mayor Gary Richardson led attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**Approval of Agenda:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. 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 the 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 Minutes from Organizational meeting November 07, 2016:** Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes from the Organizational meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of November # 1 Bills of \$78,078.69:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve November # 1 Bills of \$78,078.69. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2016-82: Public hearing for weeds.** (a) 601 10<sup>th</sup> Ave., (b) 536 Henson Street, and (c) 340 Bessemer Super Highway. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-82. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Cost report notice 11-14-2016 totaling \$2,866.47:** Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the Cost report notice 11-14-2016 totaling \$2,866.47. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of new Business License for Page Co. Inc., (Liberty Tax Service) located at 210 B.Y. Williams Sr. Dr. Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to

approve Business License for Page Co. Inc., (Liberty Tax Service). The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of new Business License for Tameka Crawford Hairstyles located at 212 B.Y. Williams Sr. Dr. Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Wendy Merriweather made a motion to approve Business License for Tameka Crawford Hairstyles. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of new Business License for Cato South located at 129 Bessemer Super Highway Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve Business License for Cato South. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Report from Mayor:** Mayor Gary Richardson informed all of the Tiger Grant, funds for High School Road, being placed on the City of Birmingham's agenda for approval on November 15, 2016. Once approved, the City of Midfield will be able to receive the funds shortly thereafter.

Chief Larry Manning stated that the Midfield Fire Department responded to several wrecks and house fires within the community. He also encouraged all in attendance to be careful with burning things outside, due to the dryness.

Jeff Zissette gave a briefing on AMIC's visit, which is to insure that the City of Midfield remains in compliant with safety standards. He didn't foresee any problems. Also, Jeff encouraged everyone to call the Midfield Police Department, if they saw someone dumping illegally.

Sgt. Bell stated that the Midfield Police Department is in the process of upgrading its technology, which would decrease an enormous amount of paperwork. Citizens will eventually be able to text 911 for emergencies, due to the upgrades. Also, Sgt. Bell discussed the increase in crime within the Midfield community.

**Report from Council:**

Councilor Terry Adams suggested giving out a Beautification award to Midfield citizens with the best Christmas decorations. He proposed forming a committee to view the homes in the community by December 19, 2016.

Councilor Janice Anderson stated that she was very excited about the new team, and encouraged everyone to work together.

Councilor Wendy Merriweather informed all in attendance of the Midfield Football teams participating in the Sugar Bear Bowl at Legion Field.

Councilor Velma Johnson thanked everyone for attending the Inauguration celebration.

Councilor James Reasor- none.

**Report from Public:**

L'Tryce Slade, Slade LLC, discussed the meeting held on November 11, 2016 with the citizens of Midfield. The purpose of the meeting was to get input on the City of Midfield becoming ADA Compliant. Ms. Slade also passed out surveys to the Mayor and Council.

**Adjourn:**

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