

MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF MIDFIELD

CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in a regular session on Monday, December 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Chaplain Mark Spencer 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 Wendy Merriweather, Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor James Reasor, Councilor Terry Adams, Council 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 Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from last regular scheduled meeting: Councilor Wendy Merriweather made a motion to approve minutes from the last regular scheduled meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2016-86: Resolution authorizing travel advance for Mayor Gary Richardson, Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor Velma Johnson, and Councilor Wendy Merriweather to attend NLC classes. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-86. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2016-87: Resolution approving agreement with Volkert, Inc. for engineering services on Rutledge Drive. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-87. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Opening of bids:

Jones Valley

(1)536 Henson St.

\$3,774.00

(2)1413 Creel St.	\$2,500.00
(3)1333 Creel St.	\$5,500.00
(4)408 Newton Dr.	\$6,500.00
(5)600 8 th Ave.	\$9,500.00
(6)1317 8 th Ave.	\$4,500.00
(7)1243 Wycliffe Rd.	\$6,250.00
(8)340 Bessemer Super Hwy.	\$6,250.00

Total \$44,774.00

Report from Mayor:

Mayor Gary Richardson encouraged all in attendance to read the Birmingham Times article on the Tale of Three Cities (Midfield, Fairfield, and Brighton).

Jeff Zissette gave an update on Arthur Jackson, City of Midfield employee. Mr. Jackson is home recovering well from surgery. He has a tumor located on his brain, and is dealing with stage four cancer. Lastly, Jeff commended the Public Works employees, who donated time to Arthur Jackson to help with his finances until the end of January.

Chief Larry Manning stated that fires are up, due to the usage of portable heaters. He encouraged everyone to be careful when using portable heaters, and advised them to check their smoke detectors on a regular basis.

Chief Frank Belcher stated that the Midfield Police Department received reports that illegal gambling was taking place at 1336 Creel Street, Midfield, Alabama 35228. After investigating, a gentleman was arrested for running the operation. During a routine traffic stop, marijuana was discovered in a gentleman's car. He became very violent towards the Officers when asked to vacate the vehicle. The Midfield Police Department eventually apprehended the individual.

Report from Council:

Councilor Terry Adams thanked all in attendance for their participation in the Christmas Parade.

Councilor Janice Anderson said that she really enjoyed the Christmas Parade, and wished everyone a merry Christmas.

Councilor Wendy Merriweather talked about plans to issue trophies to Midfield's 85 pound football champions at the next City Council meeting.

Councilor Velma Johnson wished everyone a merry Christmas. Also, Councilor Johnson said that she is looking forward to working with everyone in 2017.

Councilor James Reasor- none

Open to Public:

None

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.