

MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF MIDFIELD

CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in a regular session on Monday, April 10, 2017 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 called roll. The following members were present: Councilor Wendy Merriweather, Councilor Velma Johnson, Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor Terry Adams, Councilor James Reasor, and Mayor Gary Richardson.

Approval of Agenda: Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to amend the agenda to include an appropriation of \$1,667.00 for Orlando Robinson Jr., Midfield Neighborhood President, to attend the 2017 Neighborhoods USA Conference from May 24-27, 2017. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. 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 James Reasor. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Bills. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve April #1 bills of \$42,228.79. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2017-04: Resolution granting Mayor Gary Richardson the authority to enter into an agreement with the State of Alabama, acting by and through the Alabama Department of Transportation for right of way acquisition for streetscape and sidewalks along B.Y. Williams Sr. Drive in the City of Midfield. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Resolution no. 2017-04. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2017-05: Resolution granting Mayor Gary Richardson the authority to enter into an agreement with the State of Alabama, acting by and through the Alabama Department of Transportation for a utilities project for streetscape and sidewalks along B.Y. Williams Sr. Drive in the City of Midfield, Alabama. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-05. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2017-6: Resolution authorizing travel advance for Velma Johnson and Terry Adams to attend 2017 Recon Convention in Las Vegas to promote the City of Midfield, and complete continuing education classes. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-6. The motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2017-7: Declaring weeds a public nuisance. (a) 155 West Brookwood Rd., (b) 1213 Gale Dr., (c) 1213 Woodfall Dr., (d) 837 Alden Ave., (e) 900 12th Ave., (f) 1454 Short St., (g) 556 B.Y. Williams Sr. Dr., and (h) 1513 Griffin Dr. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-7. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2017-08: Resolution appropriating \$5,000.00 to the Midfield High School Basketball Program. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-08. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, except Councilor Wendy Merriweather (abstained). The motion passed by a majority vote.

Approval of New Business for Urban Smoke (mobile food truck) in Midfield, Alabama. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Business license for Urban Smoke. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson.

School Board Member: Mayor Richardson recommended appointing Felicia Minor to serve an additional five years on the Midfield School Board. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve appointing Felicia Minor to serve an additional five years on the Midfield School Board. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, except Councilor Wendy Merriweather (abstained) and Councilor Velma Johnson (abstained). The motion was passed by a majority vote.

Report from Mayor:

Mayor Gary Richardson deferred to department heads.

Jeff Zissette stated that Public Works are running behind on trash pickup, due to the weather. He also thanked those, who helped with the Easter egg hunt.

Captain Golden stated that the Midfield Fire Department have been busy assisting Fairfield with fires, and heroin overdoses are down.

Lieutenant Logan- None

Report from Council:

Councilor Terry Adams thanked the Public Works Department for their work during the storm. He also discussed creating a walk at the Walking Trail.

Councilor Wendy Merriweather stated that the Easter egg hunt was a success.

Councilor Velma Johnson invited everyone to Midfield's cleanup day, April 22, 2017.

Councilor Janice Anderson stated that she really enjoyed Midfield's Easter egg hunt.

Councilor James Reasor discussed a complaint, by a Midfield Neighbor, of dogs howling all night.

Open to Public:

Tonya Marshall complained that Reginald Wilson's clients, allegedly, urinated and dumped trash on her property.

Orlando Robinson Jr. thanked everyone for attending the meet and greet, and for approving his trip to attend NUSA.

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.