Meeting Minutes City of Midfield, Alabama City Council

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in regular session on Monday, October 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Pastor Mark Spencer led attendees in prayer. Mayor Gary Richardson led attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tameeka Vann acted as clerk and conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor Jimmie Robinson, Councilor James Reasor, Councilor Velma Johnson and Councilor Terry Adams.

Approval of Agenda: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present vote aye, passing the motion unanimously.

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

Approval of October #2 Bills \$177,675.25. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve October #2 Bills \$177,675.25. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present vote aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-72: Declaring Property Surplus. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-72. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present vote aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-73: Authorizing Property to be sold at Midfield Auction: Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-73. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present vote aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-75: Declaring Weeds a Public Nuisance. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-75. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jimmie Robinson. All members present vote aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-77: Authorizing the mayor to enter into an agreement with Sheppard-Harris & Associates to perform auditing services at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to table Resolution No. 2014-77. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present vote aye, except Councilor Jimmie Robinson voted nay. The motion passed with majority consent.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-78: Repealing Resolution No. 2006-09. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-78. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice

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Anderson. All members vote aye except Councilor Jimmie Robinson abstained. The motion passed with majority consent.

Approval of Resolution No. 2014-79: 3% Cost of Living Increase for all employees effective October 1, 2014. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-79. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members vote aye except for Councilor Jimmie Robinson abstained. The motion passed with majority consent.

Report from the Mayor: Mayor presented Pastor Spencer with a Proclamation acknowledging his accomplishments and contributions to the City of Midfield.

Department Heads: Chief Belcher reported the Police Department is in the process of working sexual abuse cases. Wendy's was robbed with guns last Monday. Keep everybody in your prayers. Jeff Zissette, Public Works Director, the Fall Festival is October 30, 2014 at 6 pm. Chief Manning congratulated Chief Belcher on his recent nuptials and acknowledge that he has a glow about him. Chief Manning will be traveling to Wisconsin to look at the plans for the new fire truck.

Report from the Council: Councilor Terry Adams announced that the Christmas Parade is scheduled for December 6, 2014 at 10 am. Councilor Janice Anderson congratulated Reverend Spencer of New Beginnings Church for his receipt of the Mayor's Proclamation. Councilor James Reasor updated the attendees of his continuing efforts to strengthen the neighborhood watch activities within the City of Midfield. Councilor Velma Johnson announced that the city is having a "Coat Swap" on November 15th, 2014 between the hours of 9-11am. She encouraged everyone to come out and participate. She congratulated Pastor Spencer, as well as City Clerk Tameeka Vann for having been elected President of the Jefferson County Municipal Clerks Association and Jeff Zissette for serving his 2nd term as President of Birmingham Municipal Administrators Association.

Report from the Public: Mrs. Debra Oliver of 424 Rutledge Drive appeared before the council to request more time to move vehicles and other debris from their property and the surrounding area. Jeff Zissette advised the council that the circumstances of this situation was such that immediate action was required by Mr. & Mrs. Oliver. After hearing their case and the advice of Midfield's Attorney, the request was not granted. Mr. David Beach off 210 2nd Avenue inquired as to whether or not "call outs" could be made to the citizens of Midfield to inform them of city council meetings and other special events. After some discussion, the council decided that it could try "call outs" in the future.

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