

## MEETING MINUTES

### CITY OF MIDFIELD

#### CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in a regular session on Monday, July 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 Janice Anderson, Councilor Terry Adams, Councilor Velma Johnson, and Mayor Gary Richardson. Councilor James Reasor, and Councilor Wendy Merriweather were absent.

**Approval of Agenda:** Councilor Velma Johnson 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 Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Bills.** Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve July #1 bills of \$24,104.55. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2017-25:** Resolution accepting donations to defray costs of the Annual Back to School Rally and Fun Day. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-25. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2017-26:** Resolution authorizing travel advance for Councilor Janice Anderson and Councilor Velma Johnson. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve travel advance for Councilor Janice Anderson. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, except Councilor Janice Anderson (abstained). The motion was passed by a majority vote. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve travel advance for Councilor Velma Johnson. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, except Councilor Velma Johnson (abstained). The motion passed by a majority vote.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2017-27:** Declaring weeds a Public nuisance. (a) 208 Vann St., (b) 1804 Collier Dr., (c) 1657 Collier Dr., (d) 501 Karen St., (e) 1454 Short St., (f) 531 Swann Dr., (g) 906 8<sup>th</sup> St., (h) 917 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., (i) 1009 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., and (j) 1005 Herring St. Councilor Velma

Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-27. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2017-28:** Public hearing for weeds. (a) 1661 Collier Dr., (b) 1804 701 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., (c) 510 Swann Dr., (d)1243 Wycliffe Rd., (e) 812 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., (f) 1012 Rutledge Dr., and 309 Highland Dr. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-28. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of cost report totaling \$3,183.07.** Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve the cost report. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2017-29:** Resolution approving funds to purchase tax deed on 1454 Short Street, Midfield, Alabama 35228 (30-00-24-1-016-003.000) as required by the Alabama Department of Revenue contingent upon receiving CMAQ funding. This is for the completion of the sidewalk project. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-29. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of new Business license for VP's Novelties** to be located at 1421 Carol Circle, Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve the business license. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of new Business license for GP Enterprise, LLC dba/Pippen Motor Co.** located at 588 Bessemer Super Highway Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the business license. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

### **Report from Mayor:**

Mayor Gary Richardson - None

Jeff Zissette stated that the Public Works Department is picking up trash and cutting grass as fast as possible. The process has been a little slow, due to vehicles being out for repair.

Chief Larry Manning stated that the fire department received assistance from Fairfield and Birmingham in dealing with several fires. He also suspected that one of the fires was arson.

Chief Frank Belcher thanked everyone for their input in assisting him with finalizing grants for bulletproof vests.

### **Report from Council:**

Councilor Terry Adams inquired about Birmingham being the dominant city using zip code 35228.

Councilor Janice Anderson inquired about painting the storm shelter.

Councilor Velma Johnson asked the Police Department to start ticketing cars that are just sitting on the street and not running.

**Open to Public:**

Orlando Robinson Jr. invited everyone out to movie night.

**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.