### MEETING MINUTES

### CITY OF MIDFIELD

### CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in a regular session on Monday, June 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Chaplain J. J. Johnson. 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 Terry Adams, Councilor Velma Johnson, Councilor James Reasor, and Mayor Gary Richardson.

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

**Approval of Bills.** Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve June #1 bills of \$56,143.58. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2019-25.** Resolution declaring weeds on the listed properties a public nuisance and orders that the public nuisance be abated: (a) 919 13<sup>th</sup> St., (b) 915 13<sup>th</sup> St., (c) 1345 Woodward Rd., (d) 935 Woodward Rd., (e) 928 Woodward Rd., (f) 536 Henson St., (g) 517 Lovelin St., (h) 1368 Creel Ct., (i) 1424 Rayfield Dr., (j) 1216 Rutledge Dr., (k) 1001 12<sup>th</sup> St., (l) 1005 12<sup>th</sup> St., (m) 1109 Wilkes Rd., (n) 209 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Councilor Wendy Merriweather made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-25. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Approval of Resolution No. 2019-26.** Notice of public hearing on the following properties: (a) 1030 Wilkes Rd., (b) 1016 Wilkes Rd., (c) 401 Oakland Dr., (d) 1417 Creel St., (e) 1421 Creel St., (f) 1313 Creel St., (g) 211 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., (h) 212 3rtd Ave., (i) 337 McPherson Ave., (j) 1201 12<sup>th</sup> Ave., (k) 504 10<sup>th</sup> Ave., (l) 601 10<sup>th</sup> Ave., (m) 605 Fairfield Blvd., (n) 538 Fairfield Blvd., (o) 911 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. (p) 1005 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. (q) 1003 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Councilor Wendy

Merriweather made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-26. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Resolution No. 2019-27.** Resolution declaring the following properties a nuisance and ordering an abatement: (a) 64 Wilkes Cir., (b) 601 11<sup>th</sup> Ave., (c) 915 13<sup>th</sup> St., (d) 1345 Woodward Rd. (e) 1300 8<sup>th</sup> St. Councilor Wendy Merriweather made a motion to approve Resolution no. 2019-27. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Resolution No. 2019-28.** Resolution authorizing travel advance for Chief Frank Belcher to attend continuing education classes. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-28. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

**Resolution No. 2019-29.** Resolution approving the renewal of the City of Midfield's Property and Casualty, and Workmans Comp Insurance Policies (Travelers) with Valent Group, formerly S. S. Nesbitt. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-29. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Business License for Business license for Duke's Razor Cuts Barbershop, located at 5323 Bessemer Super Highway, Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve business license for Duke's Razor Cuts Barbershop pending providing proper Jefferson County Barbers license. The motion was second by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, except Councilor Wendy Merriweather (abstain). The vote passed by a majority vote.

Boss G Auto Repair Hearing. Attorney J. D. Terry argued on behalf of Boss G Auto Repair. He discussed the error made by his client in obtaining a proper Business license. Attorney Terry stated that his client was paying Jefferson County instead of the City of Midfield. Also, he stated that his client is willing to do whatever is required to secure a valid business license. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to close Boss G Auto until proper Business License is obtained. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

# **Report from Mayor:**

Mayor Gary Richardson read a letter from Dr. Frederick Hamilton, Jefferson County, explaining why \$200,000 grant approved for Storm drainage will not be granted. This was due to the funds not being enough to rectify the drainage problem.

Jeff Zissette stated that the Midfield Football field lighting is moving forward, B. Y. Williams streetscape bid opening is June 30, 2019, and Housing demolition bid opening is July 08, 2019.

Chief Larry Manning stated that the Midfield Fire Department was reported to the news for not having an operable fire truck. Also, he thanked Jeff and the mechanic for repairing on of the fire trucks.

Sgt. Bell stated that several suspects were apprehended for breaking in Mutual Savings.

## **Report from Council:**

Councilor Terry Adams - none

Councilor Janice Anderson – none

Councilor James Reasor – none

Councilor Wendy Merriweather thanked Public Works for their work during her church's event, discussed gym membership registration, and thanked Orlando Robinson Jr. for during a great job within the community.

Councilor Velma Johnson introduced the Midfield Summer workers.

## Open to Public:

None

## Adjourn:

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