

MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF MIDFIELD

CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in a regular session on Monday, October 12, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via phone with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson 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 Terry Adams, Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson, Councilor Velma Johnson, and Mayor Gary Richardson. Councilor James Reasor was absent.

Approval of Agenda: Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. 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 Terry Adams made a motion to approve October #1 bills of \$28,952.37. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Ordinance No. 2007-7a. Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2007-7 to increase business license fees. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to consider Ordinance No. 2007-7a. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson. Roll call was taken. The motion passed unanimously. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2007-7a. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson. Roll call was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2020-55. Resolution declaring weeds on listed properties a public nuisance and orders that this public nuisance be abated:

(a) 508 9th Ave., (b) 900 12th Ave., (c) 906 12th Ave., (d) 908 12th Ave., (e) 910 12th Ave., (f) 809 Alden Ave., (g) 524 Lovoy St., (h) 1503 9th Ave., and (i) 612 12th St. Councilor Terry Adams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-55. The

motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2020-57. Resolution accepting a donation from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation to purchase extrication equipment. Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-57. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2020-58. Resolution approving entering into a financial agreement with AT&T for new IP Phones for Public Works Department. Councilor Wendy Merriweather made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-58. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Adoption of Personnel Board of Jefferson County holiday schedule for fiscal year 2020-2021. Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson made a motion to adopt the Personnel Board of Jefferson County holiday schedule. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Business License for Advance Stores Company, Incorporated d/b/a Advance Auto Parts #9340. Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson made a motion to approve business license for Advance Stores Company, Incorporated. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Business License for Hoover Auto Credit, LLC located at 506-A Bessemer Super Highway, Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve business license for Hoover Auto Credit, LLC. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Business License for BBVA located at 7200 Aaron Aronov Drive, Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Wendy Merriweather made a motion to approve business license for BBVA. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Business License for Atco Auto Repair LLC d/b/a/ ATCO located at 1030 Woodward Road, Midfield, Alabama 35228. Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson made a motion to approve business license for Atco Repair LLC. The motion was seconded by

Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Business License for Kidd Marketing Services (online marketing) located at 1455 Short Street, Midfield, Alabama 35228. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve business license for Kidd Marketing Services. The motion was seconded by Councilor Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Report from Mayor:

Mayor Gary Richardson congratulated Chief Donald Jones on securing several grants for Midfield Fire Department. Also, he talked about his wife being featured on the front page of the Birmingham Times as the ambassador for breast cancer.

Chief Jones stated that they've receive 46 call since the last meeting, the fire department is continuously testing fire hydrants, and assisted the City of Fairfield in several shootings.

Chief Jesse Bell informed everybody of the passing of Edward Miller, Midfield dispatcher. He also stated that the new dispatcher is doing a great job, and the Midfield Police Department is gearing up for the holiday season.

Jeff Zissette stated that they are winding down on grass cutting, working on getting the trash truck repaired, and on November 07, 2020 the Master Gardner Project starts. Seeking volunteers. Also, he stated that the news media will be on hand and they would like the Mayor and Council to be present between 11:00 and 11:30am for photos.

Arthur Smith stated that a restaurant will be moving into Henderson's, a construction company is looking at property on Industrial Blvd., and that there are a large number of residential remodels.

Report from Council:

Councilor Terry Adams - None

Mayor Pro-Tem Janice Anderson inquired the Mayor's revenue projections for the upcoming year's budget, list of candidates for City Clerk opening, and installation of Mayor and Council at City Hall. Mayor Richardson said that he will be interviewing for the Clerk's opening soon, and that the installation will take place without public attendance.

Councilor Wendy Merriweather discussed the voters registration being held at New Hope Baptist Church on October 24,2020 at 3 pm.

Councilor Velma Johnson asked Mayor Richardson to draft a letter to Commissioner Lashunda Scales requesting funds to assist in revitalizing some of Midfield's buildings. Mayor Richardson said he will work on it.

Open to Public:

None

Adjourn:

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