

MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF MIDFIELD
CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in a regular session on Monday, December 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via zoom with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams led attendees in prayer and all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Carolyn Wilson, Acting City Clerk called roll. The following members were present: Councilor Wendy Merriweather, Mayor Pro-Tem Terry Adams, Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor Velma Johnson, Mayor Gary Richardson and Councilor James Reasor.

Approval of Agenda: Councilor Wendy Merriweather made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. 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 Mayor Pro Tem, Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Bills. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve December #1 bills \$98727.92. Councilor Velma Johnson seconded the motion. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2020-66: Authorizing Mayor Richardson to enter into an agreement with Emergency Reporting for Data Collection tools for the Midfield Fire Department. A motion was made by Councilor Janice Anderson to approve Resolution No. 2020-66. Councilor Wendy Merriweather seconded the motion. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Approval of Resolution No. 2020-67: Authorizing Mayor Richardson to enter into an agreement with Dean Harbison d/b/a DH Grants for grant consulting /writing services for FY 2020 assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. Councilor James Reasor made a motion to approve the Resolution No. 2020-67. Councilor Velma Johnson seconded the motion. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Business License Approval for Trye Super Soak Car Wash & Detail, LLC located at 1030 Woodward Road, Midfield, Alabama 35228; was tabled for more information primarily to verify zoning. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to table approval for business license. The

motion was seconded by Councilor James Reasor. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.

Business License Approval for Garcia Wholesale, LLP, 580 Bessemer Super Hwy, Midfield, Al 35228. A motion was made by Councilor Janice Anderson to approve the business license. Councilor Wendy Merriweather seconded the motion. All members present voted aye, with one abstention, Councilor Wendy Merriweather.

Report from Mayor:

Mayor Gary Richardson –ALDOT advanced The City of Midfield \$137,000 on the Midfield Elementary sidewalk project we were able to pay off our vendor Triple J. We made an agreement to pay ALDOT back when funds become available

We GMC and Engineering firm \$ 130,000.

Got MPO to add that amount to the January list to pay them.

Will put out a newsletter at end of year submit any info that you may have please submit it

Chief Jones – 4 fireman out with COVID 2 confirmed, 2 in quarantine, 1 return tomorrow, 1 will return later in the week.

Will be hire 3 firefighters/paramedic in next 30 days

Chief Jesse Bell – made some good arrest this week ...

Have Filled 3 open police position 2 will have to go into training.

1 able to work the street, just have to take a refresher course

Encourage people to mindful of surroundings, if you see something going on, give the police a call

Jeff Zissette – Leaf truck back out on the street. He and Inspector received their QCI Certification Required by the State. Still working on the SWMPP.

Arthur Smith – A new medical clinic will be opening next to the new Advance Auto Parts store

Report from Council:

Mayor Pro-Tem Terry Adams – asked about finding funds to replace two trucks at Public Works

Councilor Janice Anderson – Still working on our finances, they are getting better

Councilor Wendy Merriweather – Having a candle light vigil for a Midfield High School student who lost his life

Councilor Velma Johnson – asked city telephone service, the phones has not been working for a while

Informed that ATT has to change out some wiring and switches for the system to operate properly

Councilor James Reasor – asked about the Midfield Court Prosecutor’s contract

The Mayor stated he will contact her regarding agreement and contract amount

Closed to Public due to COVID

Adjourn:

Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather.