

SPECIAL CALL
MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF MIDFIELD
CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met in a special call session in the City of Midfield, Alabama at City Hall on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

1. Mayor Pro Tem, Terry Adams, led attendees in prayer.
2. Mayor Gary Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance
3. Carol Wilson, acting as City Clerk, called roll. The following members were present: Councilor Janice Anderson, Councilor Velma Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Terry Adams, Councilor Wendy Merriweather, and Mayor Gary Richardson. The following members were absent: Councilor James Reasor

The Mayor stated that a quorum was present and that the meeting was open for the transaction of business.

4. **Approval of Agenda:** Councilor, Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor, Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.
5. **Approval of Resolution No. 2021 – 38:** Resolution of the City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama giving notice of a public hearing concerning closing Fairwood Road at one end so as to prevent ingress and egress onto or from the Bessemer Super Highway. Councilor, Janice Anderson, made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021 – 38. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.
6. **Report form Mayor:** Archwell Clinic is coming along well. Crab Barrack sign is up and will be opening next week. Working with the County to get a Senior Center at the Highlands.
7. **Report from Council:**
 - **Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams** – The shortage going on for ambulance service. We have paramedics for our city. Why don't we look into transport for our city only? Mayor replied, "Chief Jones and I looked into that a while back. Right now we do not have a problem with ambulance service. The Mayors have met and are trying to get Jefferson County Commission to put in some kind of supplement in the next budget since it is affecting a lot of the small cities."

- **Councilor Janice Anderson** – Have we found anyone for Public Works Director? The Mayor replied, “No, however offer the position to a guy and he has turned it down due to his wife being pregnant.”
- **Councilor Wendy Merriweather** – Clean up on July 7th was very successful. I’ve been receiving a lot of complaints from city workers regarding work load and pay. I received complaints from citizens about the lack of police presence and complaints from police officers about the police department. Also COVID19 cases at the elementary school. Unfortunately had to shut down the summer camp due to COVID19. I want to let everyone know that COVID is still out there.
- **Councilor Velma Johnson** – I want us to look at our dog law. Is there anything we can do if a person is chased by a dog and need to report it? Chief Bell replied, “They will need to file a report for a warrant in order for anything to be done.” Also have we received all of our CARES Act money? The mayor replied, “Yes, we have. It went towards reimbursement for police department overtime.”

8. Meeting open to public – no one came forward to speak

9. Adjourn: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. All members present voted aye, passing the motion unanimously.