

CITY COUNCIL of the CITY OF MIDFIELD Regular Council Meeting Dec 27, 2023 6:00 P.M. AGENDA

- 1. Invocation
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Approval of Agenda
- 5. Approval of Minutes from the last regular scheduled meeting.
- 6. Approval of December Bills List #2, \$44,077.27
- 7. Review of Business License for Capital Auto & Equipment Sales He will be selling and repairing cars. There will not be any salvage vehicles but he is anticipating two 18wheelers or Hot Shots.
- *The review will continue at the next scheduled Council meeting on 1/8/24.

- 8. Report from the Mayor
- 9. Report from Council
- 10. Meeting open to the public
- 11. Adjourn

MEETING MINUTES

December 11, 2023

Regular Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met for a regular council meeting at City Hall on December 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

- 1. Orlando Robinson provided the invocation.
- 2. Mayor Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Roll Call:

The following were present at roll call:

Mayor Gary Richardson

Councilor Velma Johnson

Councilor Wendy Merriweather

Councilor Janice Anderson

Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams and Councilor James Reasor were absent.

A quorum was established, and the meeting was open for the consideration of city business.

4. Approval of Agenda:

Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed; agenda was approved unanimously.

5. Approval of Minutes from the last regular meeting:

Councilor Janice Anderson motioned to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. The motion was passed and the minutes were approved.

. 6. Report from the Mayor

Mayor Gary Richardson-Had a meeting with a team from a developer on Industrial Blvd. They are building a distribution center and looking to hire 145 people and have access to two different rail companies.

Chief Jesse Bell- There were 243 calls for service, 13 accident reports, 8 arrests, and 56 incident reports. The police are requesting community cooperation in reporting crime in their neighborhoods. 4 arrests were made from a neighborhood shooting, and 2 guns and drugs were recovered.

Chief Kenneth Davis-We are above average with paramedics. One paramedic is leaving, and his contract will be bought out because he did not fulfill his three-year contract.

Mike Lloyd(Public Works Director)- The truck is back up and running, and three additional city workers including a truck driver were hired. The Highlands Center is almost complete, the paint is just being touched up. Moses Hill (City Inspector)- Sited three different homes for zoning violations, and stopped one fire-burning incident. I was looking to clear out old building permits. Changes were made with Alabama Power to involve inspections on tenant homes.

7. Report from Council.

Councilor Janice Anderson- The Annual Safety Meeting will be on December 14th at the Community Center at 1 pm lunch will be provided. Councilor Wendy Merriweather- Midfield is playing Indian Springs tonight at Indian Springs and tomorrow at Fairfield. The girls will be playing first and the boys immediately afterward. Representative Patrick Sellers was recognized for his generous gift of \$1,000.00 to Midfield Cosmetology School, of which Councilor Merriweather is the instructor of that department.

Councilor Velma Johnson- Jessie's Place needs clothes, coats, and children's clothes. Donations can be left at the community center or Jessie's place.

8. Meeting open to the public

Reginald Wilson- inquired about the Youth Sports Program and the library opening. Councilor Johnson informed him of the vandalizing and repairs that must be made.

Ledford Bolar Jr.- Have concerns about paper, trash, furniture, and leaves, along Rutledge Dr. The traffic is out of control and there are concerns about the ditches as well. The Public Works Director will have addressed the debris issues, and the Mayor has spoken with the Alabama Department of Transportation regarding repairs.

9. Adjourn: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma. Johnson. All members present voted aye, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED ON THIS 28th of December 2023

Falencia Ratcliff, City Clerk

Gary Ricardson, Mayor