

# City of Midfield 725 Bessemer Super Hwy Midfield, Alabama 35228 (205) 923-7578/ (205) 923-7570 Fax

### Gary Richardson, Mayor

David Sullivan, City Attorney
Terry Adams, Mayor Pro Tem
Janice Anderson, Councilmember
Wendy Merriweather, Councilmember
James Reasor, Councilmember
Velma Johnson, Councilmember
Carolyn Wilson, Court Clerk

Falencia Ratcliff, City Clerk Jesse Bell, Police Chief Kenneth Davis, Fire Chief Michael Lloyd, Public Works Moses Hill, City Inspector Donna McKenzie, Park Director

## November 25, 2024

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 February Bills List #1, \$70,348.49
- 7. Report from the Mayor
- 8. Report from Council
- 9. Meeting open to the public
- 10. Adjourn

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

November 07, 2024

## Regular Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met for a regular council meeting at City Hall on November 07, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

- 1. Councilor James Reasor provided the invocation.
- 2. Mayor Gary Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3. Roll Call:

The following were present at roll call:

Mayor Gary Richardson Councilor Janice Anderson Councilor James Reasor Councilor Velma Johnson Councilor Wendy Merriweather

Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams arrived after roll call.

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

- **4. Approval of Agenda:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilor Wendy Merriweather seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed; the agenda was approved unanimously.
- 5. Approval of Minutes from the last regularly scheduled meeting: Councilor Wendy Merriweather made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilor Velma Johnson seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed; The minutes were approved.

- 6. Approval of Bill List for \$75,047.35: Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve the Bill's List. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed.
- 7. Approval of Travel Resolution 2024.08-129: A Resolution of the City of Midfield, Al authorizing travel for City Clerk Falencia Ratcliff to travel to Orange Beach, Al for the 2024 Annual Clerks Meeting/Election training November 20<sup>th</sup>- November 22<sup>nd</sup> in the amount of \$1,131.32. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilor Velma Johnson seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed.
- **8. Approval of Travel Resolution 2024.08-130:** A Resolution of the City of Midfield, Al authorizing travel for Ahrianna Plata to travel to Orange Beach, Al for the 2024 Annual Clerks Meeting/Election training November 20<sup>th</sup>- November 22<sup>nd</sup> in the amount of \$1,131.32. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilor Wendy Merriweather seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed.
- **8. Report from the Mayor**-The City of Midfield Mayor and City Council received a the Professional Designation of Certified Municipal Officials. The newsletter is out, and is currently working on the winter edition.
  - **a.** Chief Bell- Informed everyone to be very vigilant about their surroundings to increase in crime due to time change, and it getting dark early. There will be extra patrol on Sundays at the soccer field.
  - b. Lt. Emerson (Fire Department)-There has been no fire for major incidents in the Fire Department in the last few weeks. The Fire department has carried on with public relations projects and being present in the community. Smoke detectors are still available at the fire station for residents who need them. Reminded everyone to change the batteries on their smoke detectors at least twice a year.
  - c. **Donna Mckenzie-**Will be cleaning out overgrown trees and bushes, and cleaning out the rooms in the community center. Also, will address lightning in the rooms, parking lots also paining in and around the community center as well.
  - d. **Moses Hill-** 4 inspections, no stop work orders or certificate of occupancy, and two buildings permits. Things have slowed down due to the season change. There were two led lights installed at the park. Alabama Power has come out to service some lights as well, and will be setting up a meeting with Alabama Power to setup additional led lights throughout the city. The water and heating unit has been installed at the Adamson West building, and once the fire extinguishers have been installed then a certificate of occupancy will be granted. The roof in the back of City Hall needs repairs and had a quote done.

# Report from Council

Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams-The Christmas parade will be on December 7<sup>th</sup> and the flier will be posted on the website.

**Councilor Janice Anderson-**Attended and graduated at the Alabama League of Municipalities with Emeritus Status.

Councilor James Reasor- Would like to put a plan in place to stop people from drinking and smoking weed at the park and around the community center. Also, would like the public to know that we are actively recruiting and hiring police officers for the city as well.

**Councilor Merriweather-**The city needs a new Christmas Tree for the Recreation Center because it is very old.

Councilor Velma Johnson-Reminded everyone that the city dumpster is still available at the Street and Sanitation department for large items.

# Meeting open to the public

Falencia Ratcliff, City Clerk

**David Beach-**Would like to setup a volunteer activity to help cut the weeds and bushes at the community center one weekend. There was an incident Friday at the McDonalds and would like to find out why there were no police to be dispatched. The police chief stated he will look into it and find out what happened.

**Adjourn:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Janice Anderson seconded the motion. All members present voted aye; the meeting was adjourned.

Gary Ricardson, Mayor

Approved on this 25th day of November 2024.

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# NOV #2 BILL'S LIST

VENDORS	AMOUNT	
ADVANCED MOWER	\$	380.17
AFFORDABLE COUNSELING THERAPY	\$	375.00
ALABAMA LABOR LAW POSTER SERVICE	\$	212.00
ALABAMA POWER	 \$	17,286.03
AT&T	\$	7,671.73
BESSEMER UTILITIES	\$	2,336.96
BRADY KILMURY DODGE	\$	26.04
CANON	\$	97.17
CINTAS	\$	548.94
DAVID A SULLIVAN	\$	4,621.72
ESO SOLUTIONS	 \$	916.70
G&C SUPPLY	\$	428.50
GREATER BIRMINGHAM HUMANE SOCIETY	\$	1,712.96
HARRIS	\$	1,133.79
HENRY SCHEIN	\$	263.13
HOME DEPOT	 \$	231.43
INLINE ELECTRIC	\$	1,568.86
JEFFERSON COUNTY COMMISSION	\$	388.81
KS STATE BANK	\$	1,354.70
LEXIS NEXIS	\$	50.00
MASTERMIND PLUMBING	\$	3,200.00
MATTER MANAGEMENT	\$	2,854.56
MICHEAL WALKER	\$	350.00
MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS	\$	675.00
NAPA AUTOPARTS	\$	102.97
R&M AUTOMOTIVE	\$	13,382.13
SPIRE	\$	230.98
WARRIOR ENERGY	\$	1,365.05
WEX	\$	6,583.16
GRAND TOTAL	\$	70,348.49