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**Gary Richardson, Mayor**

Terry Adams, Mayor Pro Tem  
Janice Anderson, Councilmember  
Wendy Merriweather, Councilmember  
James Reasor, Councilmember  
Velma Johnson, Councilmember  
Moses Hill, City Inspector

Falencia Ratcliff, City Clerk  
Jesse Bell, Police Chief  
Kenneth Davis, Fire Chief  
Michael Lloyd, Public Works  
David Sullivan, City Attorney

**CITY COUNCIL of the CITY OF MIDFIELD**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**June 10, 2024**  
**6:00 P.M.**  
**AGENDA**

1. Invocation
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of May Bills List #2, \$52,856.14
6. Approval of minutes from the last regular scheduled meeting.
7. Approval of Commercial Month to Month Lease to Christin Henderson at 506 Bessemer Super Hwy.
8. Approval of License Application for Paper Bingo and Video Skill Games for Alabama Stem Education Inc. located at 40B Phillips Dr
9. Approval of Business License application for D & D Auto located at 756 Allison Memorial Dr
9. Report from Council
10. Meeting open to public
11. Adjourn

## MEETING MINUTES

May 30, 2024

Regular Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met for a regular council meeting at City Hall on May 30, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

1. Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams provided the invocation.
2. Mayor Gary Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call:** City Clerk-Falencia Ratcliff

The following were present at roll call:

Mayor Gary Richardson  
Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams  
Councilor Janice Anderson  
Councilor Velma Johnson  
Councilor Wendy Merriweather  
Councilor James Reasor

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 minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed; The agenda was approved.

**5. Approval of Bill List for \$95,858.75:** Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams made a motion to approve the Bill's List. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed.

**6. Approval of Minutes from the last regular scheduled meeting:** Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by

Councilor Wendy Merriweather. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed; The minutes were approved with a correction to the amount for scholarships to the Midfield City School System being four million instead of four thousand.

**7. Appointment to the School Board:** Interviews were conducted for 3 individuals the first being Sharon O' Hara, next was Kimberly Carden, and then Larry Merriweather.

**7a. Floor open to nominations to School Board-**Councilor James Reasor nominated Larry Merriweather. Mayor Pro Tem Terry Anderson second the nomination. There were no other nominations. Chairman Mayor Gary Richardson moved to closed the nominations. Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams made a motion to close the nominations. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. It was affirmed that Larry Merriweather be appointed to the School Board.

**8. Approval of Resolution 2024.08-91:** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Midfield Reporting the use of funds appropriated by the Jefferson County Commissioner for funds to be used at the Highlands Senior Center as recommended by Commissioner Lashunda Scales. Councilor James Reasor made a motion to approve Resolution 2024.08-91. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed.

**8a. Word from Commissioner Scales:** Discussed intergovernmental agreement to get roads paved and the \$10,500 given for the Highlands Senior Center. Above the Amendment 14 money the Board and the Commissioner is committed to doing \$100,000.00 above the money the tax payers approved.

**9. Approval of License for D and D Auto:** Councilor James Reasor made a motion to table the application until improvements to surroundings are cleaned up properly. The motion was seconded by Councilor Janice Anderson. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition, and one abstention from Councilor Velma Johnson. Motion passed.

**9. Approval for Application for Athletic Field Application for Magic City Elite Academy:** Approval to use the field to use the Football Field at \$75.00 per game for a total of 6 games. Councilor James Reasor made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted aye except Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams, and Councilor Velma Johnson whom voted nay. Motion passed.

### **13. Report from the Mayor**

- a. **Lt. Donna Logan-** Asked the community to make sure they are looking out for the children this summer, and if anything is seen to please report it. Also

requesting the citizens to write the serial number down for their guns so when it is reported to the police station it will be accurate.

- b. **Chief Davis**-No major incidents or fires to report.
- c. **Moses Hill**-. There are 11 inspections, 6 stop work orders, 5 complaints, 2 electrical permit, 1 plumbing permit, 3 building permits, and 1 mechanical permit. There is a complaint for 1501 Collier about their being some squatters in this home.
- d. **Mike Lloyd** – Public Works is currently working on the splash pad, and working on quotes for alarm and ring system at the Highlands Senior Center. The big tractor is now working.

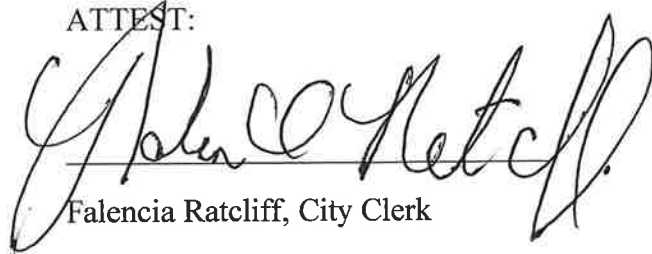
e. **Report from Council**

- a. **Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams**- Thanked everyone for supporting him throughout the 20 years he has served on the City Council. Spoke about the next Safety Meeting/Team Builder.
- b. **Councilor Anderson**- Thanked everyone for supporting her throughout the 20 years she has served on the City Council.
- c. **Councilor Reasor**-Thanked Mr. Merriweather for the good job serving on the school board and service throughout the community.
- d. **Councilor Merriweather**- Thanked Mr. Merriweather for his excellent service on the school board. Also spoke about the National League of Municipalities conferences in Huntsville at where she took multiple classes one which was Recruiting and Retaining High Quality Employees, and a roundtable class on Advantages and Disadvantages in the city.
- e. **Councilor Johnson**- Congratulated Mr. Merriweather and thanked everyone for her 20 years of service. Also reminded everyone of the Senior Center Grand Opening on Saturday.
- f. **Meeting open to public**
- g. **Larry Merriweather**-Thanked the City Council and everyone for supporting and reelecting him.
- h. **David Beach**-Inquired about Storm Sewer by his home.
- i. **Shonta Brown**-Encouraged everyone to go to the polls on November 5<sup>th</sup>.
- j. **Vanessa Long Lewis**-There is a problem with some kids on Collier. They are bullying and threatening other kids and adults.
- l **Reginald Wilson**-Inquired about the application fee being reduced for the Youth Sports programs due to the amount being paid upfront to organize and run the program.
- j. **Julethia Johnson**-Spoke about her son being bullied and some children coming to her home threatening her son with guns. She is requesting assistance from the police and the city.
- k. **Nathan Williams** - (Chairman of the School board)-Asked for reelection to be moved up for the remaining officers of the school board to be moved up so the person will already be in place for their meeting the third week in June.

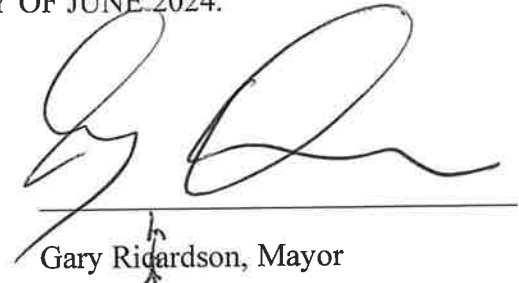
**Adjourn:** Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wendy Merriweather. All members present voted aye, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED ON THIS 10th DAY OF JUNE 2024.

ATTEST:



Falencia Ratcliff, City Clerk



Gary Richardson, Mayor

