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Kenneth Davis, Fire Chief
Michael Lloyd, Public Works
David Sullivan, City Attorney
Moses Hill, City Inspector

CITY COUNCIL of the CITY OF MIDFIELD
Regular Council Meeting
November 7, 2024
6:00 P.M.
AGENDA

1. Invocation
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of November Bills List #1, \$75,047.35
6. Approval of minutes from the last regular scheduled meeting.
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 20th- November 22nd in the amount of \$1,131.32.
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 20th- November 22nd in the amount of \$1,138.24.
9. Report from the Mayor
10. Report from Council
11. Meeting open to public
12. Adjourn

MEETING MINUTES

October 28, 2024

Regular Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met for a regular council meeting at City Hall on October 28, 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:**

The following were present at roll call:

Mayor Gary Richardson
Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams
Councilor Janice Anderson
Councilor Velma Johnson

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 Velma Johnson. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed.

5. Approval of Bill List for 2nd Bills List for October \$63,159.54: Councilor Janice Anderson 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 Janice Anderson. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed.

7. Approval of Travel Resolution 2024.08-127-A Resolution of the City of Midfield, Al authorizing travel for Councilor James Reason to Tampa, Fl for the NLC City Summit November 12th- November 17th in the amount of \$2,904.16. Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed.

8. Approval of Resolution 2024.08-128: A Resolution of the City of Midfield, Al authorizing travel for Fireman Christopher Emerson to Orange Beach, Al for the 2024 EMS Conference November 12th- November 15th in the amount of \$1,122.75. Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed.

Report from the Mayor

Chief Bell-Introduced Officer Smiley who is assisting with recruiting offers, and the police department is still currently hiring. Some of our Sergeants participated in the swearing in Ceremony at the CrossPlex by a young man that has Terminal Brain Cancer. His goal was to have 100 police departments participate, but as of Friday there were 902 that had participated.

Chief Davis-There were no major incidents in the city. The police and fire department went to the high school. The fire department talked to the students about fire prevention and the police department discussed safety.

Donna Mckenzie- The Fall Festival was last Thursday and around 150 people attended. The football teams are not cleaning the field and leaving alcohol containers, using profanity around the young kids, and someone had started a bonfire in the middle of the field.

Mike Lloyd- The front of the Adamson West Building has been painted, and they are excited about moving in. Currently getting quotes for the leaf truck the clutch need repairing.

Moses Hill- There were 18 inspections, 3 stop works, 7 building permits, 3 electrical permits, 2 plumbing permits. 928 Woodward Rd will get a citation for dumping. The contractor for the Adamson West Building that is doing the ceiling, windows, and all the dry wall stated that the project will be complete by the end of the week. The only thing pending for Certificate of Occupancy is fire extinguishers, and hot water heater being put back in place.

Report from Council

Mayor Gary Richardson- Will be on 107.3 radio representing the Jefferson County Greenway Commission discussing the two new trails intersecting Midfield's ore line trail. The Midfield Highschool road sidewalk will connect through the high school property and go up to the trail. The trail that ends in Midfield that stop at the overpass will be extended into Fairfield. This will be done through a 11.7 billion dollar grant from Terry Sewell. They also mention the garden being kept up by the master gardener at Midfield.

Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams-The Christmas Parade will be December 7th at 10:15 starting from the Recreation Center. Requested a new date be set for council meeting due to the holiday on Monday. A new date was set which will be November 7. Asked the residents to please be mindful of your surroundings. There was an incident where a 12-year-old young man was hit by a car. He is in critical condition. The person driving the vehicle was someone involved in a shooting in the area

Councilor Anderson-The budget paperwork is ready. A copy of the numbers is in the council members mailboxes at City Hall. A meeting will be set for the 18th or 21st.

Councilor Johnson- Progress is being made at the library, and they are now ordering new books, and looking for a new Library Director. If anyone is interested, please reach out to Orlando Robinson and City Hall. Inquired about the businesses cleaning up the area around their business. There is one area in particular which is the parking area in front of Piggly Wiggly and the new business that recently opened.

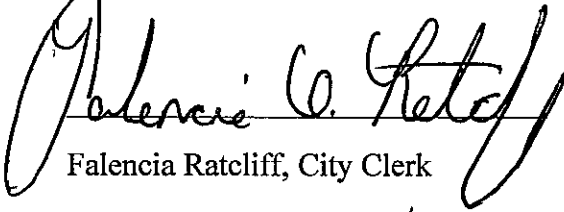
Meeting open to the Public

Master Gardner-Dorothy Leonard- Passed out packets discussing the plans for the building of the pavilion and would like everyone to look at the packet. She needs a lot of help with the pavilion. The packet includes an article from the Birmingham News, a picture of the pavilion, information regarding the approval of a \$10,000.00 grant, contractor information, breakdown of total cost of additional work that need to be done, and contact information.

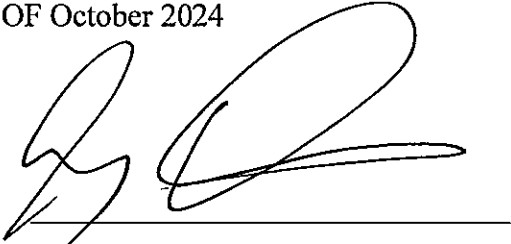
Adjourn: Councilor Janice Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Velma Johnson. All members present voted aye, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED ON THIS 28th DAY OF October 2024

ATTEST:



Falencia Ratcliff, City Clerk



Gary Ricardson, Mayor