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**Gary Richardson, Mayor**

Terry Adams, Mayor Pro Tem	Falencia Ratcliff, City Clerk
Janice Anderson, Councilmember	Jesse Bell, Police Chief
Wendy Merriweather, Councilmember	Kenneth Davis, Fire Chief
James Reasor, Councilmember	Michael Lloyd, Public Works
Velma Johnson, Councilmember	David Sullivan, City Attorney
Carolyn Wilson, Court Clerk/Magistrate	Donna McKenzie, Park/Rec

**CITY COUNCIL of the CITY OF MIDFIELD**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**December 23, 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 January Bills List #2, \$103,482.85
7. Approval of Business License for Junior Towing LLC
- 8 Report from Mayor
9. Report from Council
10. The meeting is open to the public
- 11 Adjourn

## MEETING MINUTES

December 09, 2024

Regular Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met for a regular council meeting at City Hall on December 09, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Gary Richardson presiding.

1. Councilor James Reasor provided the invocation.
2. Mayor 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 James Reasor  
Councilor Velma Johnson  
Councilor Wendy Merriweather

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

1. **Approval of Agenda:** Councilor Velma Johnson 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.
2. **Approval of Minutes with Corrections from the last regular scheduled meeting:** Added that Councilor Reasor went to the National League of Cities in Tampa, Fl and attended several classes. One of the classes mentioned in the last council meeting was regarding Public Safety. Added that there was a house fire in the city mentioned by Chief Davis. 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 corrections.

3. **Approval of Bills:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to approve December#1 bills for \$24,700.31. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams. A voice vote was taken. All present voted aye and there was no opposition.  
December #1 bills were approved.

4. **Report from the Mayor**

- a. **Mayor Gary Richardson-** Moderator a program at the Fair Park Arena for Jefferson County Seniors. All the seniors in the Jefferson County area were represented, and the Delbonis's performed throughout the entire event.
- b. **Chief Bell-**Attended a conference call regarding the new phone and internet service provided by Aire Spring. The estimated timeframe for the internet for the completion of the internet is between 30 to 120 days. There fourteen people on the list for police interviews. There are three people that are a-post certified. Hopefully will have the new policeman starting within the next month and a half.
- c. **Chief Davis-** There are no major incidents to report. There was a power outage in the Highlands area above 12<sup>th</sup> Ave and 8<sup>th</sup> Street, which was a result of a fire at one of the power poles.
- d. **Moses Hill-**There were 4 stop work orders, 3 certificate of occupancies, 5 building permits, 1 electrical permit, 1 mechanical permit. There were two bids on the Highland Center roof so far.
- e. **Mike Lloyd -**The Christmas lights came in and the toy soldiers have been put up on the main intersection, and the snowflakes will be put on the main highway.
- f. **Donna McKenzie-**Thanked Councilor Merriweather and her students for helping to decorate the Christmas Tree at the Community Center. The reservations for the Community Center and are full for the month of December. There were a few at the Senior Center, and one gym rental.

- b. **Report from Council.**

- a. Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams thanked everyone who helped with the Tree lighting program. Also reminded the department heads to make sure their employees are attending the Health Screening. Due to the city being under the required participation amount the health insurance increased. There were two teams that won the championship.

- b. Councilor Reasor- Verified the date for the next budget meeting which is December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.
- c. Councilor Merriweather and her cosmetology students made 150 ornaments to decorate the tree for the city Christmas Tree. Then on Thursday 18 students decorated the tree as well.
- d. Councilor Johnson thanked everyone who participated in the Christmas Tree lighting. Also reminded everyone of the budget meeting on December 16 at 6:00pm.

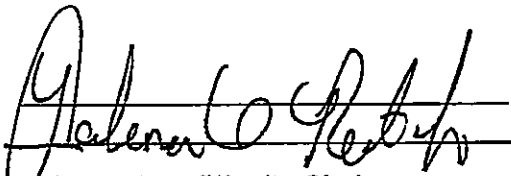
**c. Meeting open to public**

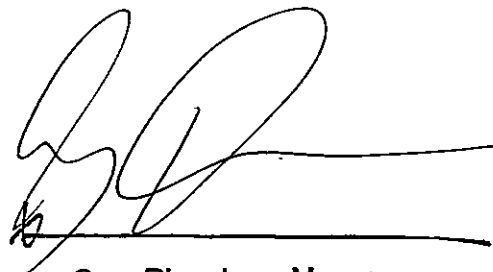
- a. **Reginald Wilson**-Gave an update on the Youth Sports Program. Last year there were 13 teams, six out of the thirteen won the championship. There were six teams for the baseball teams and one win, and one to come in third place for the nationals. There were four football teams, with two going to playoff and two that won. Also inquired about basketball practice and the process.

**Adjourn:** Councilor Velma Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams. All members present voted aye, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED ON THIS 23rd day of December 2024.

ATTEST:

  
Palencia Ratcliff, City Clerk

  
Gary Ricardson, Mayor