

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

### Gary Richardson, Mayor

#### David Sullivan, City Attorney

Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams Janice Anderson, Councilmember Wendy Merriweather, Councilmember Kenneth Davis, Fire Chief Velma Johnson, Councilmember Jame Reasor, Councilmember David Sullivan, City Attorney

Falencia Ratcliff, City Clerk Jesse Bell, Police Chief Moses Hill, City Inspector Michael Lloyd, Public Works Director Donna Mckenzie Park Director

# Regular Council Meeting for the City Of Midfield

February 24, 2025

6:00 P.M. **AGENDA** 

- 1. Invocation
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Approval of Agenda
- 5. Approval of February Bills List #1, \$66,913.78
- 6. Approval of minutes from the last regular scheduled meeting.
- 7. Approval of Resolution No.2025.02-01- A Resolution of the City of Midfield, Al to approve an Advance Travel Request for Falencia Ratcliff, City Clerk in the amount of \$964.52 to attend the Municipal Clerks Spring Training in Tuscaloosa Al from March 4-6, 2025.
- 8. Report from the Mayor
- 9. Report from Council
- 10. Meeting open to public
- 11. Adjourn

### MEETING MINUTES

February 10, 2025

### Regular Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama met for a regular council meeting at City Hall on February 10, 2025, 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

Councilor Wendy Merriweather

Councilor James Reasor was 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 Velma Johnson. 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 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.

- 6. Approval of Bill List for \$68,328.52: Councilor Wendy Merriweather 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.
- 7. Approval of Ordinance 2025.01- An ordinance establishing the use of Electronic Vote Counting Devices for the upcoming 2025 election. A roll call vote was taken for immediate consideration of adopting an ordinance for the Electronic Vote Counting Devices. All present voted aye and there was no opposition. Motion passed. There was also a roll call vote to adopt Ordinance 2025.01 all present voted aye and the vote was unanimous. Motion passed to adopt ordinance 2025.01.
- **8.** Report from the Mayor -We are in the process of starting an audit soon. The auditor we will be using will be Pitts & Associates. The next step for the forty-eight properties purchased by the city will be to find a company that would like to develop on the property.

There are several businesses looking to move into the city.

Lt. Harrington- (Fire Dept)- The spring hydrant inspection and testing is coming up in the next few weeks. This is done to make sure hydrants are properly color coded to supply adequate water for firefighting purposes.

The fire department will also be conducting annual Pre-Incidents reports with all the businesses in the city. This is done to help firefighters better understand a building layout, hazards, fire protections systems, and other critical details which can improve actions plans during incidents.

Lt. Jefferies (Police Department)- There were two officers that completed and were certified for the Evidence and Techniques training. On February 5, 2025 there was a shooting at 7pm at the McDonalds in Midfield. Officers responded and was able to apprehend one of the suspects which was a 14year old. The suspect was released to his parents after questioning. The police department is working with McDonalds to continue the investigation to find the second suspect.

Moses Hill (Inspections)-There were twelve inspections, one certificate of occupancy for 1107 Oak St., two building permits, one electrical permit, one mechanical permit, and four stop work orders. 52 Wilkes Circle was issued a notice of violation for the debris and trash, and he is living in a tent in front of the house.

**Donna Mckenzie**- (Parks and Rec)- There are multiple lights out in the gym and throughout the building that is being addressed. They are still awaiting on an additional quote for the roof. Also awaiting on a vendor for the vending machines.

**Iris Morgan** (Morgan Title Services) They ran the title search on the forty-eight properties that the city purchased from the state. Most of the properties had clear properties. There were ten properties where the owner may have been deceased, or there was amount that will need to be paid.

# Report from Council

Mayor Pro Tem Terry Adams-No comment.

Councilor Janice Anderson- Walgreens will be closing on May 25<sup>th</sup>. There are other Walgreens being closed nationwide, not just in Midfield. So far there are three businesses leaving the city, as well as several looking to move into the city.

Councilor Wendy Merriweather- The New Interim Principal Derrick Ackerson has been approved at the high school. The Interim Vice Principal is Coach Courtney Jones. The boys and girls basketball team will be going to the ASU for the Central Regional Playoffs. The girls will be playing Montgomery Academy and the boys will be playing Lee Scott the games start at 12:00pm on Wednesday. If they win, they will play again at ASU at 9:00 and 10:00. The top four teams will be at ASU.

Councilor Velma Johnson-It's time for our Annual Spring Cleaning which will take place March  $15^{\rm th}$  at the Community Center.

# The meeting open to the public

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

APPROVED ON THIS 10th DAY OF February 2025.

AMEST:

Falencia Ratcliff, City Clerk

Gary Ricardson, Mayor

## FEB #2 BILL'S LIST

VENDORS	AM	AMOUNT	
ADVANCE MOTOR	\$	65.98	
ALABAMA POWER	\$	17,488.30	
AT&T	\$	20,629.32	
BESSEMER UTILITIES	\$	3,044.28	
CANON FINANCIAL	\$	451.44	
CENTRAL ALABAMA TRAINING SOLUTIONS	\$	109.00	
CINTAS	\$	763.43	
CIVIC PLUS	\$	997.50	
DELL	\$	3.20	
DOMAIN LISTINGS	\$	288.00	
GREATER BIRMINGHAM HUMANE SOCIETY	\$	4,229.62	
HENRY SCHEIN	\$	134.25	
HILLER	\$	1,552.50	
INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MUNICIPAL	\$	135.00	
KS STATEBANK	\$	1,354.70	
MAC UNIFORMS	\$	439.40	
MATTERMANAGEMENT	\$	2,488.42	
MICHEAL WALKER	\$	350.00	
NEXAIR	\$	813.00	
PERSONS PEST CONTROL	\$	575.00	
PITNEY BOWES	\$	42.65	
RON MARSHALL TAX COLLECTOR	\$	40.66	
SOUREONE RECORDS	\$	198.19	
SPECTRUM	\$	119.99	
SPIRE	\$	10,599.95	
GRAND TOTAL	\$	66,913.78	
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