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AGENDA FOR THE CITY OF CREOLA COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT CREOLA CITY HALL ON February 12, 2015 @ 6:00pm

Mayor called the meeting to order Councilman Howell gave invocation. Pledge of Allegiance Upon the call of roll, the following were found to be present:

Mayor Nelson
Councilwoman Greene
Councilman Heathcoe
Councilman Ivy absent
Councilwoman Moss
Councilman Howell

Christie filled in for city clerk and City attorney were present.

Councilman Howell made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting 1/22/14. Councilman Heathcoe seconded, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

Mayor thanked the police department and fire department for their quick response for the accident on Hwy 43.

CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

Mrs. Delite Stephens spoke on behalf of the North Mobile Relay for Life for the American Cancer Society, asking for sponsorship from the city. Mrs. Stephens also said the city can put together a team. The relay for life will be held April 25, 2015 from 3-10pm at the Saraland High school. Mayor states that it will be put on agenda for next meeting. Mayor states that he will participate with the walk but will get with council about sponsorship and will have answer at the next meeting. Mayor asked that this topic be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

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RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES OTHER BUSINESS

The council passed the amended zoning book ordinance in a public meeting prior to council meeting.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Rev. Chambers asked the council to pass a motion to allow the Zoning board to apply for the Alabama Coastal Area management program. We would use Government Coordination and Local Government Planning. It also could help with the city comprehensive plan (5 year plan). This grant can be paid for in- kind. The city would not have to spend any money. The board would have to get volunteers to help. The cost is \$35,000 but our part is \$17,500.

Councilman Howell made a motion for the Creola Zoning Board to apply for the Alabama Coastal Area Management Program.

Councilwoman Moss seconded, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

Councilwoman Greene states that the next meeting will be February 24 due to Mardi Gras holidays. There is one application request and then the LCAP meeting at 5:45pm.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

No business

CREOLA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Councilwoman Green states that the business of the year is Creola Chevron. An award will be presented at the next meeting along with the citizen of the year announced.

The community group will host Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on March 21 from 9-11am at the senior building. McDonalds has donated all the pancakes and the syrup. Pictures will be available and this event is free.

Mrs. Becky states that the community group will be setting up some trash pickup dates to help out.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Councilman Howell states that an email came in about dirt in ditch. Mayor states that Don Moss has spoken to them and it is a temporary situation so they can get equipment over to where they are working. It should only last 60-90 days.

Councilman Howell states that Eagle Scout Travis Parnell will start putting in exercising equipment for his project around 10am. Councilwoman Green states she will put it on Facebook so others will know about it.

Councilman Howell states that 9 more baskets for disc golf are coming in and the holes are dug and ready. People are enjoying having the disk golf at the park; a lot of people are playing. Councilman Howell states that the city is lucky to have Bobby Smith working here and he is a joy to be around.

Councilman Howell states that they might look into putting rental fee for the ball park. Mayor said to think about it and bring back to the next meeting.

Mayor states that He drafted a form for people to fill out to use the park and the Mayor or protem will have to sign off on it.

Councilman Howell made a motion to approve the form to use in the office for the park and fields.

Councilwoman Moss second, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

UTILITIES AND SENIOR CITIZEN

Councilwoman Moss states that the seniors had a Valentine's party today (2/12) and Tuesday (2/10) the seniors had ball room dancing that was really nice.

FINANCE

Councilwoman Greene made a motion to accept the financial report.

Councilman Heathcoe seconded, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

Councilman Howell made a motion to pay the bills that were presented.

Councilwoman Moss seconded, all favored, motion carried.

Councilwoman Moss states that the balance in the senior account is \$4193.61.

Mayor states that the 2012 audit was faxed over (draft).

Mayor stressed that all departments should be using the purchase order process.

Councilwoman Moss states that they went to school in Montgomery and anytime the senior building, police department; fire department receives any type of money it has to come to the council. Each department has to give a detailed list of what the money is used for.

Chief Reeves ask does the council want a yearly or monthly account balance. Mayor states that they will discuss it in the financial meeting on February 24 at 3:45pm.

POLICE AND FIRE

Chief Taylor –No business Chief Reeves- No business

STREETS

Councilman Heathcoe states that Bobby has put out asphalt and picked up a lot of trash.

Mayor states that Bobby is doing a great job. Mayor asked the council to start looking ahead for part time help for summer time help. Mayor states that everyone in the community brags about how well Bobby takes care of the city. Councilman Heathcoe asked that the park section be added back to the agenda page.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Councilman Heathcoe asked the Mayor if he had spoken to Councilman Ivy about Mayor protem. Mayor states he will get up with him.

Mayor states that he will be out of town for 4 or 5 days next week.

Mr. Wayne Fisher asked has anyone ever been arrested or fined for littering on Lister Dairy Rd. Mayor states that if you get a tag number of someone littering, bring it to the police department. Mayor states that City Hall and court will be closed Tuesday, February 18 for Mardi Gra holiday. Rev. Chambers commended Chief and officers for trying to slow traffic down on Hwy 43.

Adjournment

Councilwoman Moss made a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Howell seconded, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

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