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William Criswell Lee Anne Greene Harold Martin Avis Walker Tonya Moss Kendal Hadaway Mayor Council members

Kim W. Green City Clerk Linda Hoiles Court Clerk Ric Daves Chief of Police Jeff Reeves Fire Chief

# AGENDA FOR THE CITY OF CREOLA COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT CREOLA SAIL CENTER ON

November 28, 2016 @ 6:00pm

Mayor Criswell called the meeting to order Pastor Don Tuberville gave invocation. Pledge of Allegiance Upon the call of roll, the following were found to be present:

Mayor Criswell
Councilwoman Greene
Councilman Martin
Councilman Walker
Councilwoman Moss
Councilman Hadaway

absent

City clerk and City attorney were present.

Councilwoman Moss made a motion to accept the minutes from the meetings 10/27/16, 11/3/16, 11/7/16, and 11/10/16.

Councilman Walker seconded, all favored, none opposed, motion carried

## CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

Mayor Criswell states there will be a sign up sheet for citizens to sign up to address council at every meeting.

# RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Criswell states that they had the Municipal dinner at Steel Creek. Councilwoman Greene states that Creola and Mr. Vernon swap out doing the Municipal dinner every other year and they have spoken with the new Mayor of Mt. Vernon and he would like to switch with Creola to host the Municipal dinner in September.

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Councilwoman Greene made a motion for Creola to host the Municipal Dinner on September 17 at Creola Assembly. (Pastor John White has given permission to use the church.)

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

Mr. John McDonald, CEO of Integra states that they are doing a corporate restructure and making the company more flexible to add an additional equity into Integra –Creola in the future. Councilwoman Greene asked if it would be 3 or more companies /franchises. Mr. McDonald states that it would only be one franchise still. Councilman Martin asked what the new name of the entity. Mr. McDonald states that it does not have a name yet because it is not completed but it will be the Newco and Integra but will be owned by 100% Integra. Councilwoman Moss asked if they were upgrading the sewer lines. Mr. McDonald states that they are preparing for more growth. He states that they are adding a line down Radcliff Rd., servicing GA West and some other things.

Mayor Criswell states that GA West is building 2 new buildings, developing what is called Legacy which is the union division of GA West. GA west will be a unionized company thru Legacy.

Councilwoman Moss made a motion for Integra to add additional equity into the Integra-Creola company.

Councilwoman Greene second, all favored, none opposed, motion carried

# Roll Call for Integra-Creola additional equity

Councilwoman Greene yes
Councilman Martin yes
Councilman Walker yes
Councilwoman Moss yes
Mayor Criswell yes
Councilman Hadaway absent
Motion carried by majority vote.

#### PLANNING COMMITTEE

Mayor Criswell states that the zoning board planning committee did not meet last month due to changing everything around and looking into reconstructing the board because there are so many members off of this board. Councilwoman Greene states that the board will have a meeting December 20 at 6pm. Councilwoman Greene states that they did their first billing of the \$15,000 for the grant and it should be finished in March. The planning book should be ready by then also. They have over \$33,000 in-kind that they have worked. Mayor Criswell explains what all of this means. He states that they have worked with SARPC (South Alabama Regional Planning Commission) for about a year to develop a long range plan for the City of Creola.

#### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Mayor Criswell asked if anyone was here from the board.

#### PARKS AND RECREATION

Councilwoman Moss states that they are working on the bathrooms. Mayor Criswell states that the fence is up.

#### UTILITIES AND SENIOR CITIZEN

No Businesses

#### FINANCE

Mayor Criswell states that Councilwoman Greene, Councilwoman Moss and Mrs. Kim are working on developing a budget for next year. Mayor Criswell states that they are working with the fire and police departments as well. As of right know they are saving \$200,000.000 overall.

#### POLICE AND FIRE

Councilman Martin complimented the volunteer fire department for how they have handled all calls during this dry time.

Councilman Martin states that Chief Ric Daves is doing an outstanding job. He is making some changes and getting everything reorganized. Officer's in place are stepping out and doing a fine job.

Councilman Martin motion to hire Ms. Andrea Ackerson for dispatch and Mr. Jonathon Anthony for police officer 1 position

Councilman Walker second, all favored, none opposed, motioned carried.

# Roll Call to hire jailer-dispatcher and a full time police officer

Councilwoman Greene yes
Councilman Martin yes
Councilman Walker yes
Councilwoman Moss yes
Mayor Criswell yes
Councilman Hadaway absent
Motion carried by majority vote.

#### **STREETS**

Mayor Criswell is working with Councilman Walker with Camp 3 for use of the counties big heavy equipment to help out.

Mayor Criswell states he has requested GFP number thru Commissioner Ludgood. Mayor Criswell states they will be speaking with the people of Axis about joining Creola. Creola has provided police and fire protection for years for Axis. Mayor states that they are going to put together a program on a Saturday and see if they can use Axis Baptist Church facility to hold a meeting in the Axis area and sit down and talk with the Axis residents. Axis residents also get the use of the Creax School Scholarship fund. Mayor Criswell states he would like to see Axis stay Axis just fall under Creola umbrella. Mayor Criswell states that this is not a pressure thing he is just getting several calls.

#### **COMMUNITY GROUP**

No business

#### ADDITIONAL NOTES

Councilwoman Moss states that she would like the paving of Ducey Road put on the CDBG along with Brown Road, Holmes Rd and Lister Lane. possibly bleachers for the soccer team but need to talk to Major Holt first. Mrs. Kim states to just get her a list and she can resubmit if needed.

Ms. Bennett asked Mayor Criswell if paving roads is one of the reasons to bring in Axis to Creola. A Discussion was held about the schools and surrounding ad valorem.

Councilwoman Greene states they need to vote on the bank statements and change of signature on cards.

Councilwoman Greene made a motion to present the letter with the new change of names on the bank statements and signature cards.

Councilwoman Moss second, none opposed, motion carried.

## Roll Call for change of names on bank statements

Councilwoman Greene yes
Councilman Martin yes
Councilman Walker yes
Councilwoman Moss yes
Mayor Criswell yes
Councilman Hadaway absent
Motion carried by majority vote.

Councilwoman Greene made a motion to terminate Mt. Vernon contract. Councilman Walker second, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

#### Roll Call to terminate Mt. Vernon contract

Councilwoman Greene	yes
Councilman Martin	yes
Councilman Walker	yes
Councilwoman Moss	yes
Mayor Criswell	yes
Councilman Hadaway	absent

Motion carried by majority vote.

Mayor Criswell states that the contract will terminate in 60 days. The attorney recommended starting calculating the 60 days on Wednesday (11/30/16) to send the letter out 11/29/16 but start the 60 days on 11/30.

Mr. Kenny Walker asked who the new attorney was. Mayor Criswell introduced the attorney as Mr. Daniel Mims from the Mims group.

Mr. Walker asked if Brown Road was going too be considered for the CBDG. Councilwoman Greene states that it is on the pay as you go but will be resubmitted on the CBDG. Mayor Criswell explained pay as you go and CBDG are two separate programs.

Mr. Kenny Walker asked that a motion be made that a cul-de-sac be put at the end of all roads that are being paved.

Mayor Criswell explained the engineering process.

Councilwoman Greene states that the December meeting will be changed to 12/12/16 from 12/8/16 due to SARPC having an event on this date. This will be the only meeting. The Mayor and council will have a workshop at the end of the month but no meeting; the date will be announced at the next meeting.

Councilwoman Greene states that Councilman Hadaway states that every volunteer Fire person that they have on the department is certified by the Alabama Fire College. Mayor states that this is good for the citizens because the first of the year we go back for our ISO rating. It affects your house insurance. The lower the ISO rating is the better rate you get.

## Adjournment

Councilman Martin made a motion to adjourn.

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

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