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Mayor City Council

Carolyn Sue Cain

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Doug Kirkland

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City Clerk

**Court Clerk** 

**Chief of Police** 

Fire Chief

Minutes of the City of Creola City Council
Meeting Thursday, October 12, 2017
Creola City Hall 6 PM
9615 Old Hwy. 43, Creola, AL

Mayor Criswell called the meeting to order and asked everyone to turn off all cell phones.

Rev. John White gave the Invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Upon the Call of Roll, the following were found to be present with the exception of Councilman Hadaway.

Councilwoman Greene

Councilman Martin

Councilman Walker

Councilwoman Moss

Councilman Hadaway

**ABSENT** 

Mayor Criswell

City Attorney - Mr. Mims

City Clerk – Christie filled in

Councilman Martin made a motion to accept the minutes of September 28, 2017 as revised under page 4 "Police" reading "when we annex Axis" but should read "if we annex Axis". Seconded by Councilwoman Moss, all favored with the revision, none opposed. Motion carried.

### CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

Mr. Charlie Wyckoff, who is running for Mobile County Sheriff, states he just stopped to visit so people can get to know him better.

Mrs. Lorraine Bryan, states that there is an ordinance about the 18 wheeler trucks going down the I-65 Service Rd and they are doing this more frequently. The trucks are haulers and they came from Lister Dairy to the cement plant. Mayor states they will check with Chief Kirkland, that they are suppose to come off of Exit 22 to the service road. Mayor states that there are signs up

and have been writing tickets for No Truck Route. Mrs. Bryan stated she wanted to give a compliment on Chief Kirkland. Mrs. Bryan states that they have complained about people shooting guns close to their house. They had called and did not get a response a couple of days ago and then yesterday they spoke with Chief Kirkland and they think he took care of the issue. This is the first time in two years that they have got a response from one of the officers. She is very appreciative if the shooting has stopped.

Mrs. Dru Ryals asked about the signs that are posted that say NO TRUCKS ALLOWED? The trucks go by the sign everyday to the trucking company. Mayor states that you can not shut the trucks down if they are going to their business. Mayor states that they will move the sign back further so they can get to the business. Mayor also states that the trucking company is paying

# RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES AND OTHER BUSINESS

Councilwoman Green asked Mr. Mims to address the mail out survey to Axis. Mr. Mims states he has a draft of a letter that was requested at the last meeting. Mr. Mims states that he understood that the city wanted to send out a mailer to the Axis residents to see if there is sufficient interest in coming into Creola. Once they receive a response back from the mailer they can present it to the legislature for a vote. Mr. Mims states that his draft consists of a mailer with a reply card and prepaid postage, and they can fill out important information. The mailer should be ready by the

Mayor states that Councilman Walker, Councilman Martin and he went to a meeting in Loxley with the municipal league and this is what they had said they needed to be doing as well.

Pastor John White spoke about the Hurricane Preparedness Plan. Pastor White states that a few M months back a resolution was submitted for the council consideration. After talking with Mobile County EMA, this resolution is apart of the Alabama multi-hazard ligation plan and what it is - $\mathcal{N}$ Title 44 of the CFR states that all local government are to have a mitigation plan for natural hazard. If you do not have an approved plan you can not apply for the moneys that are set aside for this type of plans. Pastor White states that the plan that was presented was the multijurisdictional plan which is covered in the Title 44 CFR.

Councilman Martin made a motion to accept the Multi-jurisdictional plan. Councilwoman Moss second, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

## Roll Call for the Hurricane Preparedness Plan

Councilman Martin Councilman Walker YES Councilwoman Moss YES Councilman Hadaway YES Mayor Criswell ABSENT Motion approved by majority vote.

Pastor White states that a signed copy of the plan needs to be sent back to EMA.

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### **STREETS**

Councilman Martin and Councilman Walker attended a training session at the battleship parkway on Tuesday about Pipeline explosions. (811 call before you dig) Councilman Walker states that the truck company will pay half to fix the road that is messed up. Councilman Walker states they are putting in 8 inch of concrete where the trucks turn in.

Mayor states that he is speaking to Mr. John McDonald with Integra water, about helping with some of the cost to repair the road. When the water line construction took place, they cut the road and never fixed it back properly.

### PUBLIC WORK DEPARTMENT

Mayor thanked Mr. Wayne Miller, for working so hard preparing before and during the storm

Mayor states that the Public Works was established in the last meeting. Mayor states that a backhoe has been purchased and put in that department. Mayor states they will be hiring a working supervisor for that department. Mayor states that Creola is floating in water and cutting the ditches. Mayor states they will be making some adjustments to the old city hall building to get it up to code to make it a public works building. Mayor states that an end of the year audit is coming up and all equipment has to account for. The building modifications will be bid out over several months not all at one time. Mayor states that Councilman Walker, Councilman Martin and he went to a meeting in Loxley with the municipal league and a lot of information was put out about, zoning, annexation. The attorney gave information on to do things and the best way to do it. Mayor states that the Northfolk Southern Railroad crossing is closing up by the water tower crossing from Old Hwy 43 to Hwy 43 and in the process the fire department got some money and the city got a grant.

Mayor and Mr. Mims's are working with Mobile gas which is Spire on their franchise with the city.

Mayor states the Municipal League informed him that he needs to make a report to the citizens each year. Mayor states on Thursday, November 9, he will be giving state of the city address to the people at the SAIL center.

Mayor states that Mr. Don Moss, the building inspector will be giving a report on the city inspection department and would like it to be added to the agenda. The reason behind this is because they are bringing out a nuisance ordinance to help correct something's that the chief is fighting hard.

Mayor states that during the storm and put Pastor White plan into place. Mayor states they secured a generator form Thompson engineer, they had 8 patrolmen on scene patrolling the city, 8 guys at the fire department running calls, Mayor states that the planned worked great and it was adopted by EMA and the city is in good standing with them again. Mayor states that Governor Ivy's office, Bradley Burn's office and EMA, contacted them after the storm to see if they needed any help. ALDOT contacted the city

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to see if any bridges or culvert was damaged and if it was under \$7,000.00 they would pay for it.

Councilwoman Greene states that the Christmas Parade will be November 18, 2017.

Councilwoman Greene states that Lemoyne Industrial day in the park will be first Saturday in November. Councilwoman Greene states to add to the next agenda about the golf carts. (Rent at least 3 or 4)

- Chief Kirkland will handle traffic control
- Chief Reeves will handle the placements of fire trucks with Ruben at AkzoNobel.
- Bicentennial will not be here this year but the Creola Axis ministerial association will have the table and will have a DJ for music.
- All mayor and council should be there at the presentation of the donation.
- Advance disposal will donate 20 trash cans, check with Mr. Miller to make sure we have large trash bags.

L.I.P. meeting will be on Tuesday, October 24 at the Turnerville volunteer fire station, Chief Kirkland will be speaking on safety and Lenzing will be hosting the meeting.

Mr. Moss asked Mr. Mims about the Nuisance ordinance. Mr. Mims states he is getting some information about Muni-codes.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilwoman Moss made a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Martin second, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned @ 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christie Bland

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