



**CITY OF CREOLA**  
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<b>William R. Criswell</b> Mayor	<b>Leanne Greene</b> Place 1	<b>Harold Martin</b> Place 2	<b>Ralph Walker</b> Place 3	<b>Tonya Moss</b> Place 4	<b>Kendal Hadaway</b> Place 5
<b>Carolyn Sue Cain</b> City Clerk	<b>Linda Hoiles</b> Court Clerk	<b>Doug Kirkland</b> Chief of Police	<b>Jeff Reeves</b> Fire Chief		

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**Minutes of the City of Creola City Council Meeting**  
**Thursday, February 14, 2019**  
**Creola City Hall**  
**9615 Old Hwy. 43, Creola, AL**  
**Meeting 6 P.M. Workshop 5:30 P.M.**

Mayor Criswell called the meeting to order and asked everyone to please turn off cellphones and no texting and no talking during the meeting.

Brother John White gave the Invocation.  
Pledge of Allegiance

Upon the call of roll, the following were found to be present.  
Councilwoman Greene  
Councilman Martin  
Councilman Walker  
Councilwoman Moss  
Councilman Hadaway  
Mayor Criswell  
City Attorney -Ms. Theresa Williamson  
City Clerk-Carolyn Sue Cain

Councilman Martin made a motion to accept the minutes of 01/24/2019, as corrected, seconded by Councilman Hadaway, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

## **CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL**

1. Joan Stringfellow – The lights on the side of the building are not working and this is dangerous. Mayor Criswell will check on this.
2. Dru Ryals- Housing project. Mayor Criswell stated that no projects will be discussed tonight. The zoning board is having workshops w/ In-Kind Grants to talk about the high-density standards. Improvements are being discussed and working on the zoning issues.

## **RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES AND OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Mayor Criswell stated that we have a dilemma. We learned thru Ms. Marcy Brown that we should be receiving a check each year for a Capital Improvement Fund. Councilwoman Greene stated that this money should be put in a Capital Improvement Fund Account. We also learned from Regions Bank that our Capital Improvement Fund Account was closed on 1-24-2011 by the former city clerk. Councilwoman Greene made a motion to reopen this Capital Improvement Fund Account, seconded by Councilwoman Moss, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.
2. ALM Convention-Arthur Outlaw Convention Center, Mobile, AL May 4-7, 2019. Councilwoman Greene made a motion for the Mayor and Council to attend. The registration is \$350. per person. You will be reimbursed for your parking. Seconded by Councilwoman Moss, all favored, none opposed, motion carried. Councilwoman Greene made a motion for Ms. Marcy Brown to attend to keep up her City Clerk CEU's, seconded by Councilwoman Moss, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.
3. Round Soccer Sign to go w/ Welcome sign. Councilwoman Greene received 2 quotes for 1- 30" round soccer sign in their colors: \$125.00 and \$135.00. LeeAnne made a motion to purchase the 30" round soccer sign; seconded by Councilwoman Moss, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.
4. Interns- Our first intern was Sabrina Presley. She was named 4<sup>th</sup> Runner-Up to the Miss Oil Queen in Citronelle recently. Congrats to Sabrina. Also, our interns from last summer, Sabrina Presley and Madeline Newton, were on the winning Broadcasting Team with Citronelle HS. Both are doing well. Congrats to Sabrina and Madeline. Councilwoman Greene stated that we will have one intern w/ City of Creola for Summer 2019.
5. Major Holt-Parks & Recreation asked to open an account at Regions for fees from summer camp, etc. Major Holt wants to put this under the city to be reviewed by the council. Councilwoman Greene stated that this would be a separated account for Parks and Recreation. We will request a check credit card for Major Holt's purchases. Seconded by Councilwoman Moss. Councilman Hadaway asked if this would be based on the approval of the attorney and the CPA. Attorney Theresa Williamson asked, "What is their relation to the city?" "Is this a volunteer group"? Mayor Criswell stated that the city owns the property and that this would bring it under the scrutiny of

our attorney and CPA. Major Holt is an employee of the city. Major stated that we are under the city's insurance and wants to transition from an individual to the city. Attorney Williamson stated that due to liability issues we need an ordinance written then we can create the bank account. After much discussion, she suggested we table this conversation until then.

#### **PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE**

Councilwoman Greene stated that the workshop would be held February 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00p.m. Workshop to be held at 5:00 p.m. Attorney Teresa Williamson stated that we have definitions that need to be cleared up. Mr. Chambers stated that we would like the citizens input.

#### **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS**

David Boucher was absent. Board Member Gloria Myers stated she had nothing to report.

#### **PARKS AND RECREATION**

Major Holt reported that on Saturday, March 2, 2019, Destination Church-Outreach Program will help him clean up the park. The city will furnish the truck and front-end loader for this project.

Major Holt stated that soccer sign-up is slow.

Major Holt reported that Mr. Christian will move the triathlon to April 25, 2020. It was originally scheduled for April 27, 2019. They need lots of sponsors. Mr. Christian wants it to be fun and safe. He has established a website and Facebook page and has heard from people far away as Louisiana, Florida and Pelham, Alabama.

#### **UTILITIES AND SENIOR CITIZENS**

Councilwoman Moss reported that the Senior Center is doing good. They are feeding approximately 80 a day including shut-ins.

#### **FINANCE**

Councilwoman Greene gave the financial report, giving a copy to the Council. (see details of report listed below), making motion accept, seconded by Councilwoman Moss, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

Copies available to citizens attending the meeting wishing to have one  
Revenues totaled: \$288,931.96 (includes AlaTax + deposits) - 1/2/2019-1/31/2019  
Withdrawals- \$50,762.84 (includes online payments) 1/3/19-1/28/19  
Payroll 1/11/2019 – 1/30/19 \$26,069.98; Bills-1/14/2019-1/30/2019: \$127,157.05  
January 2019 –o/s checks \$2,455.00 Analysis Charge-\$582.99

General Fund	\$	121,068.93
Court Bond Account		13,959.95
Court Fund		13,470.64
Special Court Fund		26,158.52
MIS (Municipal Intercept Services)		100.00
Fire Fund		3,567.79
Police Equipment Fund		449.42
S.A.I.L. Center Account		5,805.93
7-cent Special Gas Tax Acct.		15,827.15
4-cent Gas Tax Acct. (including 5 cent)		<u>38,425.39</u>
Total: (in bank)	\$	238,833.72

**POLICE**

Chief Kirkland was absent; his son is being recognized by his ball team.

**FIRE**

Councilman Hadaway reported that Engine #2 is back in service.

**STREETS/PUBLIC WORKS**

Wayne Miller and crew is working on ditches, cleaning out the muck. Ducey Rd. is about to be paved. Material has been put on Lyons, Hurst and Bell.

Mayor Criswell reported that he spoke with Mr. Garrett. Dead Lake Marina Rd. is state owned. County cannot re-surface it until it is deeded to the county then to the city. Mayor Criswell stated that the Pay-As-You-Go bids will be released August, 2019.

**BUILDING INSPECTOR**

Nothing new to report.

**MAYOR'S DISCUSSION**

Mayor Criswell reported that he met with Mr. Rutland, Mr. Gentry, in charge of Municipalities w/ Advanced Disposal and 2 others from Advanced Disposal. Advanced Disposal is working on a quote for a spring and fall clean-up for City of Creola. They will provide a dumpster, to be located in the park, for residents to drop off items. No household garbage.

Advanced Disposal is picking up debris every other week but will go to every week pick-up. Mayor Criswell reported that each garbage can will have a tag on it. If you have a complaint, there is a number to call the main office in Moody, Alabama. Advanced Disposal will bring us 5 new cans. When a can is broken, Wayne's crew will replace it with a new can. It will be \$4.00 for each additional can.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY: Councilwoman Moss

SECONDED BY: Councilman Walker

Meeting adjourned @ 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Sue Cain  
City Clerk

c.m.02.14.2019