



CITY OF CREOLA
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William R. Criswell Mayor	Leanne Greene Place 1	Harold Martin Place 2	Ralph Walker Place 3	Tonya Moss Place 4	Kendal Hadaway Place 5
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Minutes of the City of Creola City Council Meeting
Thursday, May 9, 2019
Creola City Hall 6 P.M.
9615 Old Hwy. 43, Creola, AL

Mayor Criswell called the meeting to order,

Brother John White gave the Invocation.
Pledge of Allegiance

Upon the call of roll, the following were found to be present.

Councilman Greene
Councilman Martin
Councilman Walker
Councilwoman Moss
Councilman Hadaway
Mayor Criswell
City Attorney -Mr. Danny Mims
City Clerk-Carolyn Sue Cain

Councilwoman Moss made a motion to accept the minutes of 4/25/2019, Councilman Hadaway asked should there be a separate set of minutes for the Public Hearing? Attorney Mims stated that since the Public Hearing is a separate entity, there should be a separate set of minutes for the public hearing. Councilwoman Greene made a motion to accept the minutes of 4/25/2019, as revised, seconded by Councilman Walker, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

1. Diane Corley Baxter - 550 S McBride Circle Axis, AL Ms. Baxter has spent 3 weeks with Dad, Bruce Corley in Axis. Chief Kirkland will not accept her order from Judge Honeycutt. Mayor Criswell asked if she had a Power of Attorney. Her answer was "No". Mayor Criswell explained to Ms. Baxter that he and Attorney Mims will meet with her after the meeting tonight.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES AND OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Criswell reported that Ethics Training for Staff is underway. The city staff had 4 days of training with Alabama League. It was a very profitable meeting. Our City Attorney, Danny Mims received a plaque from ALM for 20 years as Judge in Bayou La Batre.

Councilwoman Greene made a motion for Terry Foster to use the Creola SAIL Center on June 8th for a Hunting Education Class, seconded by Councilman Hadaway, all favored, none opposed, motion carried. This class gives young people an opportunity to obtain a hunting license.

Mayor Criswell announced there will be a "Creola Clean Sweep" to be held Saturday, May 18, 2019 7am-3pm. A 30-yard dumpster will be provided by Advanced Disposal, at no cost to the citizens. The City will pay for dumping. It will be in Creola Park by the Pavilion. A flyer will be placed in all mailboxes, both rural and post office listing the Do's and Don'ts for trash. No businesses can use this service. The PWD will be on-hand to help citizens unload their debris. The 2018-2019 Flood Plan Information will be placed on the flyer, as well. These documents are available for viewing at Creola City Hall.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Greene announced there will be 2 public hearings on May 21, 2019 @ 5:30 -5:45pm for Billy Bunch and the Kentucky Boys. This will be posted in 4 places in the city. Mr. Chambers encouraged all to participate in the workshops. This will do good with the In-Kind grant.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Major Holt is out tonight, attending a funeral & serving as a pallbearer of a personal military friend killed in a tractor accident in Eufaula this week. Major Holt is upgrading the park and will give an update at the next council meeting.

UTILITIES AND SENIOR CITIZENS

Councilwoman Moss reported that the seniors will be going to Citronelle May 15th to participate in the Mobile County Fun Day. A meal will be furnished. They will play games and have door prizes. A fun day for our seniors.

Councilwoman Moss announced the Senior/Veteran Breakfast at the Creola SAIL Center, June 1st 9-11am. All seniors and Veterans are encouraged to attend.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Nothing to report.

FINANCE

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

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

Approved by roll call.

Also copies available to citizens attending the meeting wishing to have one.

Total Bills: 4/2/2019 – 4/30/2019 \$14,998.98

Revenues totaled \$ 112,881.31 4/1/2019 – 4/30/2019 (includes AlaTax + deposits)

Withdrawals- \$412,596.58 (includes analysis charge + online payments)

General Fund	\$ 74,242.58
4-cent Gas Tax Acct. (including 5 cent)	45,928.15
7-cent Special Gas Tax Acct.	4656.29
Special Court Fund	22,172.73
Court Fund	41,629.77
Court Bond Account	17,698.36
S.A.I.L. Center Account	5294.55
Police Equipment Fund	6823.74
Fire Fund	212.22
MIS (Municipal Intercept Services	100.00
Capital Improvement Fund	<u>19,741.25</u>
Total: (in bank)	\$ 238,499.64

POLICE

Brother John White reported that we have 3 new officers in the Academy and 1 new hire. A requisition has been submitted to Mobile County Personnel Board for 2 supervisors. We are trying to entice new officers. We are now competitive with the COLA in effect. Councilwoman Moss asked about recruiting retired officers. Mayor Criswell explained that we must be careful as their retirement with RSA could be in jeopardy. They would only be allowed to make a maximum amount and still draw their retirement. John White explained other issues with hiring retiring officers.

FIRE

Chief Jeff Reeves reported that he has an estimate for Engine #3 repairs. A motion was made by Councilman Hadaway to repair Engine #3, not to exceed \$2,161.44. Councilman Martin seconded, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

On a personal note, Chief Reeves shared with all attending, that his daughter will be graduating, participated in Honors Day today and with a 32 on ACT, she has a full ride to University of Alabama.

STREETS/PUBLIC WORKS

Mayor Criswell stated that the Public Works Department has a new tractor. It is on display out front tonight. Wayne is excited to have his new tractor. Public Works is interviewing another man and that will give 4 employees with Public Works Dept.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Don Moss stated that the city needs to adopt the 2018 Building Code. Attorney Mims will draft an ordinance for this. Mr. Moss will get the information as the new ordinance will repeal the old one.

MAYOR'S DISCUSSION

Mayor Criswell reported that one of our citizens, Bo Myers, had a stroke recently. His mom, Gloria Myers gave an update on Bo's condition.

Mayor Criswell reported that his Sister-in-Law (Judy's sister) had a stroke, as well. She has extensive damage and is now in Crown Place. She was the payroll clerk at UOP (Union Carbide) for many years.

ADJOURNMENT

A couple attending the meeting tonight, failed to sign the register to address the council. Attorney Mims requested that the motion to adjourn be withdrawn and allow the couple to address the council. Councilwoman Moss made a motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, all favored, none opposed, motion carried to withdraw the adjournment at 6:28pm and allow couple to speak. Mrs. Antria Houze lives at 293 Lister Lane and has concerns about their road. She stated that Lister Lane is a public road and that the private road starts past their house. After much discussion, Mayor Criswell asked Attorney Mims to research the road, check the official records and bring back to the council.

Motion by: Councilwoman Moss

Seconded by: Councilman Walker

Meeting adjourned @ 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Sue Cain
City Clerk

William R. Criswell
Mayor

c.m. 05.09.2019