



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
Carolyn Sue Cain City Clerk	Linda Hoiles Court Clerk	Doug Kirkland Chief of Police	Jeff Reeves Fire Chief		

Minutes of the City of Creola City Council Meeting
Thursday, December 19, 2019 6:00PM
Creola City Hall
9615 Old Hwy. 43, Creola, AL

Mayor Criswell called the meeting to order.

Rev. 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 -Mr. Danny Mims
City Clerk-Carolyn Sue Cain

Councilwoman Moss made a motion to accept the minutes of 12/05/2019, seconded by Councilman Walker, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

RESIDENTS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

None

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES AND OTHER BUSINESS

A motion was made by Councilwoman Greene to amend the agenda, adding Ordinance No. 2019-030 Control of Golf Carts. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Moss, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

Mayor Criswell stated that the City of Creola is presenting a Proclamation to the family of Gwen Lister and asked Councilwoman Moss to read the proclamation. Rev. Ellen Lesley said a prayer and gave words of encouragement to the Lister family.

Mayor Criswell asked Councilwoman Greene to read a proclamation for Human Trafficking Awareness Month, January 2020 as recommended by Alabama League of Municipalities. The proclamation will be signed and sent to ALM.

Mayor Criswell stated that Dr. Bernard Eichold, Mobile County Health Department, recommended that each Municipality create a Slow Vehicle Ordinance. The ordinance was introduced at the 11/25/2019 council meeting and has been posted for 30 days. Councilwoman Greene made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2019-030 Slow Vehicle Ordinance, seconded by Councilwoman Moss. Roll call vote:

- Councilwoman Greene YES
- Councilman Martin NO
- Councilman Walker YES
- Councilwoman Moss YES
- Councilman Hadaway NO
- Mayor Criswell YES

Motion carried 4-2 with roll call vote

A copy of Ordinance No. 2019-030 will be sent to Dr. Eichold.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

No Planning & Zoning meeting in December,2019. Next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 21, 2020 - 5pm workshop; 6pm meeting

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Gloria Myers – No Report

PARKS AND RECREATION

Major Holt – No Report

SENIOR CITIZENS

Councilwoman Moss reported that the new senior van, 14 passenger + 1 driver, 2019 Champion has been received. It is handicap assessible, has a lift, ramp, fire extinguisher, & seat belts. No CDL license is required for the driver. Darrell Anderson will be trained to drive the van. Councilwoman reported that the van was paid for with an 80/20 grant from SARPC. Mobile County Commissioner Ludgood paid the balance of \$11,000.00. The van is paid in full and we have the title, as well.

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

General Fund	\$ 44,986.33
4-cent Gas Tax Acct. (including 5-cent)	49,023.63
7-cent Special Gas Tax Acct.	28,321.49
Special Court Fund	4,689.09
Court Fund	27,289.94
Court Bond Account	6,422.86
S.A.I.L. Center Account	8,120.72
Police Equipment Fund	3,461.97
Fire Fund	6,791.99
MIS (Municipal Intercept Services	105.56
Capital Improvement Fund	19,425.25
*Rebuild Alabama Gas Tax	43.58
*Rebuild Alabama Diesel Tax	31.91

Total: (in bank) \$ 198,714.32

Councilwoman Greene made a motion to accept the bill list and financial report, seconded by Councilman Walker, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

*Rebuild AL Gas & Diesel Tax Accounts were opened with \$100.00 each. Balance showing is after checks for the accounts were debited.

The financial report for these two accounts will always be posted in City Hall.

Councilwoman Greene stated that a budget will be presented at the January 9, 2020 meeting

POLICE

Bro. John White reported that three officers are preparing to attend the police academy in January 2020.

FIRE

Chief Reeves absent. Councilman Hadaway stated that the VFD had 50 calls in November. Medical calls, brush fires but no structure fires were reported.

STREETS/PUBLIC WORKS

Mayor Criswell stated that the last two days, Wayne Miller, has been roofing the old city hall building. Several potholes have been reported but the Mayor stated that the temperature must be at least 65 degrees to use the asphalt to patch the holes.

Creola citizen, Mark Howell asked, "When will the Dead Lake Rd. overpass be finished"? Mayor Criswell replied, "It is complete, and the rebar will be placed January 2020.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mayor Criswell stated that Don Moss is absent tonight. He had a doctor's appointment this afternoon. Mayor Criswell reported that the city has received approximately \$24,000.00 from SSAB in permits this year.

MAYOR'S DISCUSSION

Mayor Criswell reported that city attorney, Danny Mims is working to create a Parks & Recreation Department for the City of Creola.

Mayor Criswell reported that he met 3 hours with the auditors this afternoon. Audit if finished. A final audit with a 3-page synopsis will be given to the bank within the next month. Receipts for 2018-2019 were \$240,000.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Criswell stated that an e-mail had been received from Southern Company on Business E-Mail Imposters and Cybersecurity Tips. Copies are available for everyone.

Mayor Criswell announced that he will be going to Israel December 28, 2019 – January 6, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY: Councilwoman Moss
SECONDED BY: Councilman Walker
Meeting adjourned @ 6:35p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Sue Cain
City Clerk

William R Criswell
Mayor

c.m 12.19.2019