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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, JANUARY 9, 2020 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 Greene made a motion to accept the minutes of 12/19/2019 and 12/27/2019 (special called meeting), seconded by Councilwoman Moss, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

RESIDENTS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

Diane Mitchell- 2330 Dead Lake Marina Rd. – Complaint- her next-door neighbor burns household garbage and fixes car in his garage. Mayor Criswell stated that we had passed an ordinance-no household garbage to be burned. Mayor Criswell asked Don Moss to check out this complaint and let us know the verdict.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Councilwoman Moss has received two quotes for the new senior van logo. Both quotes were \$195.00 each. Councilwoman Greene made a motion to get the logo for the van with Councilwoman Moss choosing the vendor for the logo, seconded by Councilman Walker, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.
2. Severe Weather Resolution 2020-001 - February 21-23, 2020
Councilwoman Greene made motion to approve the resolution for the severe weather weekend February 21-23, 2020; seconded by Councilwoman Moss, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.
3. Councilwoman Moss made a motion to allow Terry Foster to hold his Hunting Class in the Creola SAIL Center on Saturday, March 7, 2020. There will not be a charge since Mr. Foster teaches the class for ages 10 and up. Seconded by Councilman Hadaway, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.
4. Councilwoman Greene made a motion to allow overtime for Wayne Miller and the Public Works Dept. employees on Saturday, January 25, 2020, seconded by Councilman Hadaway, all favored, none opposed, motion carried. On January 25th, they will accept 10 old tires per vehicle. This will allow the Public Works Dept. to clean out all the old tires behind the Police Dept.
5. Councilwoman Greene made a motion to pay \$2800.00 for the two officers that have gone to the Police Academy. When they graduate, the city will be reimbursed \$1300.00 each. Seconded by Councilman Walker, Roll call vote.

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

Approved by unanimous roll call vote.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Greene stated we have no business, but the next meeting will be Tuesday, January 21st, 5pm workshop; 6pm meeting, as we are working on the grant. Councilwoman Greene stated that the SARPC conference will be held January 16-17, 2020 at the Grand Hotel. There is no charge for any Planning and Zoning committee members wishing to attend. SARPC has sponsors to pay for the hotel rooms.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

No Report

PARKS AND RECREATION

Major Holt stated, "No report".

SENIOR CITIZENS

Councilwoman Moss reported that everything is good with the senior center. Councilwoman Moss stated that she has a notebook of Rules and Regulations for the new senior van. A record of number of seniors going on the trips, a list of their names, how many will be taken and how many brought back. This information is required since this van was purchased with grant money from SARPC. Darrell Anderson will be the driver and he will have a gas card. The van is a 14-passenger van plus 1 driver. No CDL is required for the driver.

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	\$	93,744.16
4-cent Gas Tax Acct. (including 5-cent)		49,025.73
7-cent Special Gas Tax Acct.		28,322.67
Special Court Fund		2,547.57
Court Fund		31,365.35
Court Bond Account		6,412.36
S.A.I.L. Center Account		8,120.72
Police Equipment Fund		3,461.97
Fire Fund		6,791.99
MIS (Municipal Intercept Services)		26.06**
Capital Improvement Fund		19,425.25
*Rebuild Alabama Gas Tax		43.58
*Rebuild Alabama Diesel Tax		31.91
Total: (in bank)	\$	247,279.79

Councilwoman Greene stated that the \$9600.00 received from the Court was deposited today and will show on account tomorrow.

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.

**MIS Account (the cost of checks was debited for this account)

POLICE

Bro. John White presented 2 quotes of \$495. Each to the Mayor and Council for 15' spike strips. He explained how the strips work and that Stinger offers free training. Chief Kirkland explained that these strips would help to protect our residents. Lately, we have been involved in several chases on Hwy. 43 with drivers and passengers throwing cocaine out the window of the vehicle. Councilwoman Greene made a motion to purchase the strips out of the P.D. account, Councilman Hadaway seconded, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

Bro John White has contacted Verizon for GPS and Dash Cams. 8 GPS units would run \$30.43 each for a total of \$241,84. Even though the officers have body cams on them, these dash cams would help with the safety of the officers. The GPS without the Dash Cam would be approximately \$20.00 - \$50.00 per 8 vehicle per month. Bro John White explained how the dash cams and GPS units work. Bro. John White will be getting other estimates. City Attorney Danny Mims asked Bro. White to get a copy of the contract for his review before the council votes.

FIRE

Chief Reeves reported that he had no news but will give at the next meeting, the number of calls received for the month.

STREETS/PUBLIC WORKS

Wayne Miller and the Public Works employees have been doing street work, patching holes, working at Crenshaw Park parking area, culvert cleaning and picking up trash all around the city.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Don Moss reported that he has been inspecting a big job in progress at SSAB. He has 4 new houses going up in Creola and looking for 2-3 sets of new plans soon. Mr. Moss expects plans for another expansion at SSAB soon.

MAYOR'S DISCUSSION

Mayor Criswell reported that he was glad to be back home after 11 days in Israel. He stated it was a good place to visit but he is not a fan of Mediterranean food, so he had to find a restaurant with American food.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilwoman Greene reported that Lenzing Fibers donated a conference table and chairs to the City of Creola.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY: Councilwoman Moss
SECONDED BY: Councilman Hadaway
Meeting adjourned @ 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Sue Cain
City Clerk

William R Criswell
Mayor

c.m 01.09.2020