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Minutes of the City of Creola City Council Meeting Thursday, June 25, 2020 Creola City Hall Meeting 6:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Creola, Alabama, met in the Creola City Hall at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor William Criswell. We were led in prayer by Carl Walker. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Bill Criswell.

Roll call was taken by Brandy Davis. Present at the meeting was Lee Anne Greene, Avis Walker, Tonya Moss, Harold Martin, Kendal Hadaway, Mayor William Criswell, Brandy Davis, City Clerk, and Marcy Brown, Administrative Assistant.

Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, CDC rules were followed for social distancing. For this reason, Marcy Brown videotaped the meeting for individuals to view via Facebook Live.

Approval of the Minutes - The minutes of the June 11, 2020, regular meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Kendal Hadaway to accept the minutes, as written. The motion was seconded by Avis Walker. All in favor, and the motion was carried.

Item #7— Bill List

After presenting the financials and bill list, Mrs. Greene made a motion to approve the financial report and bill list as presented. Ms. Moss seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

See the attached banking information with the amounts for all bank accounts.

Item #8- New Business-

a. Due to safety reasons and auditor's request, Mrs. Greene made a motion to approve changing the City debit card, to a City credit card. The limit will be set to \$3000.00. Ms. Moss seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

- **b.** The Notice of Election was presented. The Mayor mentioned that a City employee cant be a poll worker for the municipal election.
- c. Mr. Walker made a motion to approve a bank account to be set up, for the use of the Parks and Recreation Department. Ms. Moss seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- d. Mrs. Greene made a motion to move forward with the quote, from Communication Technology Services, Inc., to upgrade the existing hard drive, for the security camera storage, that is located at the City Hall. Ms. Moss seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- e. The City Census, for the City of Creola, is currently at 53.4%. More citizens need to fill out the census. Mrs. Greene made a motion to put up reminder signs, throughout the City of Creola. Ms. Moss seconded the motion. A quote was given by Signs By Design. Ms. Moss seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- f. City Hall will start using an updated records request form. Anyone requesting records, will fill out the updated form and the fee will start at \$25.00.
- g. Liz Young, with Young and Associates, will be working with the City of Creola, to recover monies owed the city, from Police Officers that went through the Police Academy, then left the City, before fulfilling their two-year contract. Vote Roll Call:
 Lee Anne Greene- Yes; Harold Martin- Yes; Avis Walker- Yes; Tonya Moss- Yes; Kendal Hadaway- No; Mayor Criswell- Yes; The motion passed, 1 NO, 5 YES
- h. The City Hall roof is leaking. Several companies are looking at it to see if it can be fixed or needs replacing. Quotes are coming in.
- i. The trailer park is being cleaned out and people that have been living in condemned trailers, are being evicted. The City is not involved.
- j. 50 boxes of food have been donated, from Saraland United Methodist Church. The boxes are at the SAIL Center, for anyone that needs one. The boxes will be available, each week, for six weeks.

Item #9 – Old Business-

a. COVID-19 Update- City Hall is still closed until more information is given by Gov. Kay Ivey. Some restraints have been lifted on the parks. There are still many restraints in

- place. The drive through is being used, for citizens needing assistance, from City Hall. The SAIL center is closed, but still delivering Meals on Wheels.
- b. Alabama Power Barry Steam Plant is having a public hearing on June 30, 2020, at Steel Creek Marina. They will discuss the closing of the ash pond.
- c. The City of Creola will be hosting a 4th of July fireworks show on Saturday July 4, 2020 at 9:00pm.
- d. The work at the Public Works building is almost completely done. They are having an open house after the Council Meeting June 25, 2020.
- e. The City Hall roof is leaking. Several companies are looking at it to see if it can be fixed or needs replacing. Quotes are coming in.
- f. Marcy Brown gave an update on the matter of employee insurance. Most Cities are offering employee insurance, after a 30-day waiting period. Mr. Hadaway made a motion to add the updated information, to the agenda, for the next Council Meeting. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion was carried.

Citizens to Address Council –Dru Ryals asked for a follow up about trash in the front of a vacant mobile home in her neighborhood. The responsible people have been contacted.

Lee Anne Greene made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Harold Martin seconded the motion. All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

William Criswell

Mayor

Brandy Davis

City Clerk