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Minutes of the City of Creola Council Meeting
Thursday, July 13, 2023
Creola City Hall
Meeting 6:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Creola, Alabama, met in the Creola City Hall at 5:30 p.m. A workshop was held before the Council Meeting at 5:30 pm. Present at the meeting was Harold Parmer, Mark Howell, Wendy Lynch, and Mayor Nelson. Items that were discussed were the gazebo concrete estimate, fire department salary estimates, replacement on Zoning Board (Cody), Board of Adjustment Supernumerary, Zoning Board meeting, new Zoning Ordinance introduced, Tahoe Transmission, Christy Boles resignation, Officer Webb Resignation, Officer Hand Resignation, Judge School, Termination of Chief Hammond contract, Approve Chief Stringer hiring and salary, and approve Chief Stringer attend Chiefs Conference. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

The regular council meeting was called to order by Mayor Don Nelson at 6:00 p.m. We were led in prayer by Carl Walker. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Don Nelson. Roll call was taken by City Clerk Marcy Brown. Present at the meeting was Mark Howell, Harold Parmer, Wendy Lynch, and Mayor Nelson. Kendal Hadaway and Cody Chambless were absent. City Attorney Danny Mims was also present.

Item #5 -Approval of the Minutes – - The minutes of the June 22, 2023, regular meeting minutes were reviewed. Mr. Howell made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #6- Financials/Bill List-

Mayor Nelson gave an update on the finances and bank balances. Mr. Parmer made a motion to approve the bank balances as of 7/13/2023 as presented. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Mr. Howell made a motion to approve the bill list as of 7/13/2023 as presented. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #7 - Departmental Reports –

Police Dept. – Orange Beach Police Department is giving two (2) Chevrolet Tahoe's to the Creola Police Department. Should be in our possession July 14, 2023.

Sail Center – No report given.

Park Dept. – No report given.

Fire Dept. – Chief stated that the tires on Engine 2 were replaced and that the alternator on Tower 2 had gone out and Jacob was able to replace it.

Public Works Department – Continuing with the mowing and filling the potholes.

Building Inspection Department – Mr. Moss stated that the Board of Adjustment met on Tuesday regarding the trailer park request. The Board denied the variance request.

Zoning Board – The Zoning Ordinance will be presented to the council for final approval at the next council meeting.

Item #8 - New Business-

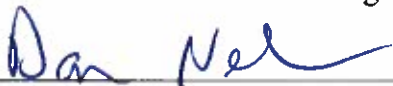
- a. **Gazebo** – Received a quote for \$14,000 and seeking other estimates.
- b. **Zoning Board Replacement** – After a discussion, Mr. Howell made a motion to appoint Mrs. Wendy Lynch to replace Councilman Cody Chambless on the Zoning Board until he returns from Canada. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- c. **Board of Adjustment Supernumerary** – The Board of Adjustment needs to have two (2) Supernumerary to ensure that they have a quorum at each meeting. Mr. Howell made a motion to appoint John Loden, Jr. as the Supernumerary on the Board of Adjustment. Mrs. Lynch second the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- d. **Tahoe 2008 Transmission** – Mr. Parmer made a motion to approve spending up to \$3331.99 to repair the transmission on the 2008 Tahoe, along with a three (3) year warranty. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- e. **Resignation of Christy Boles** – Mr. Howell made a motion to accept the resignation of Dispatcher II from Christy Boles Shepard not in good standing as she didn't work out a notice. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- f. **Resignation of Officer Al Webb** – Mr. Howell made a motion to accept the resignation of Officer Webb in good standing. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- g. **Resignation of Officer Al Joseph Hand** – Mr. Parmer made a motion to accept the resignation of Officer Hand in good standing. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

- h. Judge Jay Ross School** – Mr. Howell made a motion to send Judge Jay Ross to school in Birmingham. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- i. Termination of Chief Hammond Contract** – Mayor Nelson informed the council that he had made the decision to terminate the contract with Chief Frank Hammond
- j. Approve Hiring New Police Chief and Salary** – Mr. Parmer made a motion to hire Shane Stringer as the new police chief with a beginning salary of \$71,300. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- k. Chief Conference in Orange Beach** – Mr. Parmer made a motion to send Mr. Shane Stringer to the Chief Conference in Orange Beach. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #9 - Citizens to Address Council –

Item #10 - Mayors Comments – Mayor Nelson stated that FEMA contacted him about storm shelter, but the cost could be around \$2 million with a 75/25 match. The street department has been working on cleaning out the ditches around the city. The 4th of July event was a huge success and thanks to all that helped make this even possible.

Mr. Parmer made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.



Don Nelson
Mayor



Marcy Brown
City Clerk