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Minutes of the City of Creola Council Meeting
Thursday, September 28, 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 p.m. Present at the meeting were Kendal Hadaway, Harold Parmer, Mark Howell, Cody Chambless, and Mayor Nelson.

Items that were discussed were Resolution 2 and 3 for easement abandonment, paving Hall Road, Police car update, Annexation Goodloe property, Sand Pit Ecology Survey, Administration Computer Software, Health Insurance, GOMESA Grant, Park Paving, and ATRIP. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm p.m.

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

Item #5 -Approval of the Minutes –

The minutes of the August 24, 2023, meeting was reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Parmer to accept the minutes of August 24, 2023; the motion was seconded by Mr. Hadaway. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #6- Financials/Bill List-

The bills were discussed. Mr. Hadaway made a motion to accept the bill list for September 14, 2023, as presented. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

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The financials were discussed. If anyone would like to see the reports, they are welcome to stop by the city hall. Bank balances were presented. Mr. Hadaway made a motion to accept the financials as presented for September 14, 2023, and September 28, 2023. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #7 - Departmental Reports –

Police Dept.- Chief Stringer stated that the two (2) new 2023 Tahoe's were almost ready. He was also working on lowering the excessive overtime and still trying to recruit new officers. The department was running smoothly, and he was proud of the staff he had.

Fire Dept. –Chief Moye stated that two (2) individuals had been added to the fire roster and needed council approval. Mr. Hadaway made a motion to accept Cameron Myers and Andrew Miller as the newest Creola Volunteer Firemen. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Park Dept. – Jeff Reeves approached the council regarding the Lemoyne Community Day to be held in the Creola City Park on November 4, 2023. The last time it was held was in 2019 and suspended due to the COVID outbreak. Mayor Nelson stated that we would make sure that the park was sprayed for insects as well as use the SAIL bus for transporting citizens. Mr. Reeves stated that he may have some carts that could be used and would let us know.

SAIL Center Dept – No business

Zoning Board. Mr. Chambers stated that he would like to thank the mayor and council for sending the zoning board members to the training classes held at OWA. He stated that all who went were very appreciative.

Public Works Department –. Mr. Sellberg, filling in for Mr. Wayne Miller, stated that the new asphalt mix is doing better than the cold or hot mix and isn't washing out of the potholes. Mr. Tony Sellberg requested a cabinet to house the flammable liquids they use. Uline has a flammable storage unit for \$941.78.

Mr. Howell Made a motion to purchase two (2) flammable liquid storage cabinets at a cost of \$941.78. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #8-New Business-

a. Resolution 2, 2023 - Mr. Howell made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Resolution 2, 2023 regarding the vacating of land for the Hatters Pond Holding Company. Kendal Hadaway seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Hadaway – Yes; Mr. Chambless – Yes; Mrs. Lynch – Absent; Mr. Parmer – Yes; Mr. Howell – Yes; Mayor Nelson – Yes. Motion was carried 5-0

Mr. Hadaway made a motion to approve Resolution #2, 2023 for the vacating of land for the Hatters Pond Holding Company located off Radcliff Road. Mr. Chambless seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Hadaway – Yes; Mr. Chambless – Yes; Mrs. Lynch – Absent; Mr. Parmer – Yes; Mr. Howell – Yes; Mayor Nelson – Yes. Motion was carried 5-0

- b. Resolution 3, 2023** - Mr. Howell made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Resolution 3, 2023 regarding the vacating of land for the Hatters Pond Holding Company. Kendal Hadaway seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Hadaway – Yes; Mr. Chambless – Yes; Mrs. Lynch – Absent; Mr. Parmer – Yes; Mr. Howell – Yes; Mayor Nelson – Yes. Motion was carried 5-0

Mr. Hadaway made a motion to approve Resolution #3, 2023 for the vacating of land for the Hatters Pond Holding Company located off Radcliff Road. Mr. Chambless seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Hadaway – Yes; Mr. Chambless – Yes; Mrs. Lynch – Absent; Mr. Parmer – Yes; Mr. Howell – Yes; Mayor Nelson – Yes. Motion was carried 5-0.

- c. Goodloe Annexation** – Mr. Howell made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Annexation Ordinance #4, 2023 of the Hatters Pond Holding Company. Kendal Hadaway seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Hadaway – Yes; Mr. Chambless – Yes; Mrs. Lynch – Absent; Mr. Parmer – Yes; Mr. Howell – Yes; Mayor Nelson – Yes. Motion was carried 5-0

Mr. Hadaway made a motion to approve Ordinance #4, 2023 for the annexation of the Hatters Pond Holding property (E# 1487625). Mr. Chambless seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Hadaway – Yes; Mr. Chambless – Yes; Mrs. Lynch – Absent; Mr. Parmer – Yes; Mr. Howell – Yes; Mayor Nelson – Yes. Motion was carried 5-0.

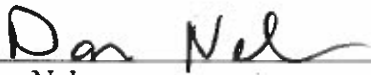
- d. Administrative Computer Software** – Mr. Howell made a motion to approve purchasing new fund accounting software (CSA) for the city clerk at a cost of \$9,637. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- e. Sand Pit Ecology** – Mr. Parmer made a motion to spend \$800 needed to have a report done on the ecology of the dirt pit. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- f. Health Insurance** – After discussion was made regarding the health insurance and rising costs, Mayor Nelson asked the council members to think about it and be ready to discuss all the options for either raising the cost the employees pay or leaving it the same. Currently the city pays 85% and the employees pay 15%.
- g. ATRIP** – Mayor Nelson has a meeting scheduled with ALDOT regarding the signal light on highway 43 south and Jackson Road.
- h. Terry Foster Hunting Class** – Mr. Chambless made a motion to allow Terry Foster access to the SAIL Center on October 14, 2023, for a hunter's education class. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #9 Mayor comments

Mayor Nelson stated that he would like to pave Hall Road and the two (2) small entrances to the Creola Park. He will be getting quotes and present them at the next council meeting. Mayor Nelson also stated that Jacks Restaurant had signed a notice of intent to locate in the City of Creola and he would be meeting with Integra Water and Sewer to see if he could help with the tap fee. All the council members that were in attendance were in favor and supported a new restaurant coming to Creola.

Mr. Chambers mentioned that Dr. Crenshaw was in support of growing the North Mobile County school and we needed to get a group together to approach the Mobile County Board of Education to get something started to help our children.

Mr. Chambless made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.



Don Nelson
Mayor



Marcy Brown
City Clerk