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Donald Nelson
Mayor

Ralph Walker

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James Ivy

Kenneth Moss

Mark Howell

Councilmen

Kim W. Pettway
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Court Clerk

Jerry Taylor
Chief of Police

**AGENDA FOR THE CITY OF CREOLA COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT CREOLA CITY HALL ON
April 12, 2012 @ 7:00PM**

Mayor called the meeting to order and gave invocation
Upon the call of roll, the following were found to be present:

Mayor Nelson
Councilman Moss
Councilman Howell
Councilman R. Walker absent
Councilman K. Walker absent
Councilman Ivy

City clerk was present and City attorney was absent

Minutes from the council meeting held March 22, 2012 were presented.
Councilman Ivy made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting.
Councilman Moss seconded, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

No business

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES OTHER BUSINESS

ALDOT Resolution was presented.
Councilman Howell made a motion to accept the ALDOT resolution as presented.
Councilman Ivy second, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

Councilman Ivy made a motion to adopt a vehicle policy.
Councilman Howell second, all favored, none opposed, all favored.

Roll Call for vehicle policy

Councilman Howell yes
Councilman Moss abstained

Councilman Ivy yes
Councilman K. Walker absent
Councilman R. Walker absent
Mayor Nelson yes
Motion carried by majority vote

Mayor spoke about truck route ordinance amendment.

Casey Bennet spoke about trucks slowing down in front of her home, says that she is concerned for the safety of the children and other drivers.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

No business

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

No business

PARKS AND RECREATION

Casey Bennet would like to donate a batting cage to city. Councilman Howell states he'd come get it when the city is prepared to get it.

Mayor spoke about Commissioner Ludgood going to see park area at Gunnison Creek. Mayor says that the county would like to apply for a grant to add to some of the beautiful changes that the city has already done. The county will be forwarding information to city clerk as well.

Councilman Howell made a motion to remove the insulation under the pavilion until it is decided how to improve it.

Councilman Ivy second, all favored, none opposed.

Councilman Howells stressed the importance of street department requesting equipment needed for the job and not to try anything unsafe. He will also donate some equipment as well as Don Moss.

UTILITIES AND SENIOR CITIZENS

Councilman Moss made a motion to repair and or replace lights behind police department.
Councilman Howell second, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

FINANCE

Councilman Moss made a motion to accept the financial report.
Councilman Howell second, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

Councilman Moss made a motion to pay bills as presented.
Councilman Ivy seconded, all favored none opposed, motion carried

POLICE AND FIRE

Councilman Ivy states that the police department needs to hire a part- time police officer.
Councilman Ivy made a motion to hire a part time police officer.
Councilman Howell second, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.

STREETS

No business

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Mayor announced Louisiana Cuisine opening soon and the Laundromat opening soon. The property owner of the lot between Shell Station and Chevron will be speaking with Whataburger and hotel to be built on Hwy 43 in the near future..

Mayor read resignation of City attorney Mark Erwin.
Councilman Howell made a motion to accept resignation of Mr. Erwin.
Councilman Moss second, all favored, non-opposed, motion carried.
Mark Erwin will recommend replacement.

Council had general discussion about the ditches. Council threw around some options and asked for suggestions.

Mayor requested that the council consider entering into another bond agreement in order to pave remaining streets in Creola. Several citizens were present from the areas to be paved in support of this idea. Mayor stated that there are 6 years left on current bond that was obtained in 1998, if the city desires to enter into another agreement, the payments will remain in the same general range but of course the time will be extended. Council to continue to discuss at future meetings until a decision is made.

Citizens from Brown Road and Oak Tree expressed desire to see these roads paved, also stated that ditches were needed in many areas.

Citizens discussed complaints and current problems with the road being unpaved.

Citizens asked about the procedure for dogs not on leashes or allowed to run loose while owners are away from home. Chief Taylor explained procedure of the citizen calling the Police Dept and they will contact the county Animal Control and escort them if necessary.

Mayor gave brief update about the school system situation. General discussion and concern was expressed. The Cost of \$650 per child or a cap of \$1500 for 2 or more children per year, per household was announced by Satsuma School Systems

Adjournment

Councilman Moss made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Councilman Howell second, all favored, none opposed, motion carried.