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Minutes of the City of Creola Council Meeting
Thursday, July 15, 2021
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, from 5:30 pm to 6:00 p.m. Present at the meeting was Wendy Lynch, Harold Parmer, Mark Howell, and Mayor Don Nelson. Kendal Hadaway and Cody Chambless were absent.

Items that were discussed were the consultant for the American Rescue Funds, Municipal Dinner, EMA Rep. Bill Chambers, Police Department pay raises, generator whip for police department, and bank loans at Regions Bank. Meeting was adjourned at 5:59 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 Mayor Nelson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Nelson.

Roll call was taken by Marcy Brown. Present at the meeting was Mayor Nelson, Wendy Lynch, Harold Parmer, Mark Howell, Marcy Brown, City Clerk and City Attorney Daniel Mims. Cody Chambless and Kendal Hadaway was absent.

Item #5 -Approval of the Minutes –

The minutes of the July 8, 2021, meeting was reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Howell to accept the minutes of July 8, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lynch. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #6- Financials/Bill List-

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. Howell made a motion to accept the

financials and bill list as presented dated 7/15/21. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #7 - Departmental Reports –

Police Dept.- Chief Hammond stated we are waiting on insurance check to make repairs to the vehicle he drives.

Fire Dept. – Responder medical classes have begun at the SAIL Center on Tuesday nights. The lights for the fire pickup truck are almost finished with the installation.

Park Dept. – The fence installation will begin July 16, 2021.

SAIL Center Dept – Mrs. Lynch stated that the antenna for the television at the SAIL Center has been purchased.

Zoning Board – Meeting will be July 20 at 6:00 p.m. Board of adjustment will meet at 5:00 p.m.

Public Works Department – The tractor has been picked up by Sun South for repairs.

Item #8-New Business-

- a. **Consultant for Recovery Act Funds –** Cara Stallman gave information to the mayor and council regarding the Recovery Funds Act and her fees to be a consultant for our city. Mayor Nelson asked her for some references to check out her credentials.
- b. **Municipal Dinner –** Mr. Parmer made a motion to approve Georgia Roussos to cater our municipal dinner September 16, 2021, at a cost of \$29.25 per person with a limit of 100 guest. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Mr. Howell made a motion to order tumblers for those in attendance at the municipal dinner with a limit of \$500. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

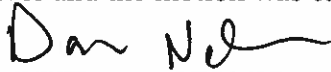
- c. **Garbage Bids –** Mr. Parmer made a motion to table the garbage bid proposals until the next council meeting to give the attorney a chance to review the bids. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- d. **EMA Representative -** Mr. Howell made a motion to approve Mr. Bill Chambers to be our representative at EMA in case we have a natural disaster and to pay him for his time. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried
- e. **MCPB – Police Department Pay Raise –** Discussion was made on the pay scale of our PD and ways to get good officers that want to make a career with the city. Mr. Parmer made a motion to raise the pay scale to match that of Saraland and include rankings to give them incentives to stay. This will be effective once the MCPD approves the new scale. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- f. **Police Station Generator Whip –** Mr. Howell made a motion to approve the \$1550.00 quote from J. Pike Electric for the installation of the generator whip in case of a power outage. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

- g. **Bank Loans at Regions Bank** – Mr. Howell made a motion to approve paying off the SAIL Center vehicle with the money from the sale of the surplus equipment. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #9-Old Business

Mr. Buddy Bryant addressed the council to let Creola know that he was stepping down as President of the board and Mr. Crenshaw would be taking his place. He also stated that they had taken out a 2.5-million-dollar loan at a rate of 1.75% for some renovation and upgrading of the system.

Mrs. Lynch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Don Nelson
Mayor



Marcy Brown
City Clerk