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Minutes of the City of Creola Council Meeting
Thursday, April 11, 2024
Creola City Hall
Meeting 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 Nelson. Roll call was taken by City Clerk Marcy Brown. Present at the meeting was Mark Howell, Cody Chambless, Harold Parmar, and Mayor Nelson. Council members Kendal Hadaway and Wendy Lynch were absent. City Attorney Danny Mims was absent.

Item #5 -Approval of the Minutes –

The minutes of the March 28, 2024, meeting was reviewed. Mr. Parmer made a motion to accept the minutes of March 28, 2024; Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #6- Financials/Bill List-

The bills were discussed. Mr. Chambless made a motion to accept the bill list for April 11, 2024, as presented. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

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 as presented for April 11, 2024. Mr. Chambless seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #7 - Departmental Reports –

Police Dept.- Sgt. McConico stated that the 2015 and 2008 Tahoe's were having problems. Council Member Parmer stated that it would be cheaper to replace the motors than to buy a new

vehicle. He was working on the price to replace the motor. Sgt. McConico stated that they were also short of one computer (laptop).

Fire Dept. – Chief Stanley stated that he had money from the county coming soon. The fire department was also doing a driver’s class for driving the fire trucks on April 27, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. There are two (2) members in Fire Fighter I class, and they will need a physical. Skelton Fire inspection will be in July for all the city on the fire extinguishers. Citizens have been questioning why the EMS responder truck is staying in Creola, Chief Stanley stated that it was for a quicker response time. The air packs have been ordered.

Park Dept. – Cameras and lights are being installed for security. The power bill for the soccer lights has been turned over to the city.

SAIL Center Dept – No report given.

Building Inspector – No report given.

Zoning Board. Waiting for the new Zoning book to be printed by SARPC. The purchase of Jacks property paperwork has been signed and they will break ground soon.

Public Works Department – Mr. Sellberg stated that all mowers are working well, and the Hustler mower work is completed. Picnic tables are needed at the park as some have rotten boards.

Item #8-New Business-

- a. **Sutton Property** – The Sutton property located across the road from the police department is for sale. Mayor Nelson is working on a price to purchase.
- b. **Brush Truck Update** – Chief Stanley is still gathering information for the best pricing on a brush truck. The final decision for what they wish to purchase should be discussed at the next meeting.
- c. **Resignation** – Mr. Chambless made a motion to accept the resignation of Dispatcher Melda Tipp in good standing. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was passed.
- d. **Pay As You Go Ordinance** – Mr. Howell made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration to pass Ordinance 2024-002. Mr. Chambless seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Hadaway-Absent; Mr. Chambless- yes; Mrs. Lynch- Absents; Mr. Parmer- yes; Mr. Howell- yes; Mayor Nelson- yes. The motion was carried.

Mr. Howell made a motion to adopt Pay-As-You Ordinance 2024-002. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Hadaway-Absent; Mr. Chambless- yes; Mrs. Lynch- Absents; Mr. Parmer- yes; Mr. Howell- yes; Mayor Nelson- yes. The motion was carried. 4 Yes

- e. **4th of July Planning** – The planning is going well, and Coca Cola will be providing new signs for the event.

- f. **Gazebo Lighting** – Information is being gathered on the cost of lighting the Veterans Park.
- g. **Creola Cemetery** – Mayor Nelson has been talking with the University of South Alabama regarding acquiring one acre for the cemetery.

Item #9 Mayor comments

Mayor Nelson stated that Jacks was about to close on the sale of the property and would be breaking ground soon.

Mr. Howell 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 7:05 p.m.

Don Nelson
Mayor

Marcy Brown
City Clerk