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Minutes of the City of Creola Council Meeting
Thursday, April 25, 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 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 Kendal Hadaway, Wendy Lynch, Mark Howell, Harold Parmer, and Mayor Nelson. Council member Cody Chambless was absent. City Attorney Danny Mims was also present.

Item #5 -Approval of the Minutes –

The minutes of the April 11, 2024, meeting was reviewed. Mr. Parmer made a motion to accept the minutes of April 11, 2024; Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #6- Financials/Bill List-

The bills were discussed. Mr. Howell made a motion to accept the bill list for April 28, 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 28, 2024. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #7 - Departmental Reports –

Police Dept.- Sgt. McConico all is going well and that the guns that were ordered have arrived. Officer Pitts made a drug seizure and confiscated \$15,000.

Fire Dept. – Chief Stanley stated that he had two volunteers in the fire fighter I class. The jet ski (Sea Doo) has been placed on Gov Deals for sale. A critter is tearing up things at the firehouse and we need to contact a contractor to repair the damage to the ceiling.

Park Dept. – Mrs. Lynch stated that the ball fields needed new bases.

Mr. Howell made a motion to purchase bases with the pegs with a limit of \$300. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

SAIL Center Dept – No report given.

Building Inspector – No report given.

Zoning Board. The Board of Adjustment is meeting May 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. to approve the variation for Jack’s Restaurant sign. The plans were approved for Jack’s and the project has begun. Building permits have been purchased to begin construction on Jack’s. All corrections have been made to the Zoning ordinance book and are being printed.

Public Works Department – Walker Road is a private road, and the city is not allowed to do any work on it. Mr. Sellberg has taken the job driving a truck and would like to change his position to part-time. The supervisor position will be posted with the personnel board for those interested in applying.

Item #8-New Business-

- a. **Sutton Property** – The purchase contract has been signed by Mayor Nelson.
- b. **Brush Truck** – After discussing the information for the brush truck, Mr. Hadaway made a motion to order a 2024 F 250 Brush Truck at a cost of \$60,319 from Stivers Ford (off the state bid list) and to pay for it out of the fire fund account. Mr. Lynch seconded the motion.
Roll Call: Mr. Hadaway-Yes Mr. Chambless- Absent; Mrs. Lynch- Absents; Mr. Parmer- yes; Mr. Howell- yes; Mayor Nelson- yes. The motion was carried. 4 Yes

Mr. Hadaway also made mention that once the Brush Truck was out of warranty that he would like to reprogram it, however Mr. Parmer responded, “No Reprogram.”

Mayor Nelson also stated to Chief Stanley that once this money was spent, the general fund would not be used for major purchases in the future. They needed to go sparingly with the money they had.

- c. **GOMESA**– The GOMESA grant has been submitted in the amount of \$10.5 million.
- d. **Alabama Power Lighting for Magnolia Court and Oak Lawn** – Still waiting on Alabama Power to finish their study.
- 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. **Veterans Memorial** – A meeting was held with Richard Bradley discussing the construction of the Veterans Memorial. More information will be gathered.
- h. **Alabama Diesel Fund Account** – Creola currently has two Rebuild Alabama gas accounts (diesel and Gas). However, the State has stopped putting funds into the diesel account and places it all into the gas fund.
Mr. Parmer made a motion to close the Rebuild Alabama Diesel Account and transfer the remaining money to the Rebuild Alabama Gas Account. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- i. **Xerox** – The current lease on the Xerox machine has ended and the city has received an offer to purchase the xerox machine for \$1344. Mr. Hadaway made a motion to purchase the Xerox machine and place it at the police department as we renewed a lease with Xerox. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #9 Mayor comments

Mayor Nelson stated that Jacks has broken ground and that the GOMESA grant has been submitted for \$10.5 million.

Mr. Parmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Don Nelson
Mayor

Marcy Brown
City Clerk