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**CITY OF CREOLA**  
Since 1978

**MAYOR**

*Donald Nelson*

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*Marcy Brown*

**CITY COUNCIL**

*Kendal Hadaway*

*James Brown*

*Wendy Lynch*

*Harold Parmer*

*Mark Howell*

**MAGISTRATES**

Linda Hoiles

Christie Bryant

**Minutes of the City of Creola Council Meeting  
Thursday, October 10, 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 Mark Howell, Harold Parmar, Wendy Lynch, James Brown, Kendal Hadaway, and Mayor Nelson. City Attorney Danny Mims was also present.

Mayor Nelson stated that Attorney Mr. Mims was going to address the Waste Pro contract and that they needed to contact Mr. Mims. At the next meeting, we would go into executive session to discuss whether to rebid or extend the contract.

**Item #5 -Approval of the Minutes –**

The minutes of the September 26, 2024, meeting was reviewed. Mr. Brown made a motion to accept the minutes of September 26, 2024. Mrs. Lynch 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 October 10, 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. Parmer made a motion to accept the financials as presented for October 10, 2024. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

**Item #7 - Departmental Reports –**

**Police Dept.-** Chief Stringer stated that we needed to send an officer to the red dot site class at a cost of \$400.

Mr. Howell made a motion to send an officer to the red dot site class at a cost of \$400. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

**Fire Dept. –** Chief Moye stated that he had the fire truck looked at and can get a heat exchanger, and coolant, for the ladder truck for about \$2,600.

Mr. Parmer made a motion to allow the Fire Department to purchase a heat exchanger and fluid not to exceed \$2,600. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Mr. Howell made a motion to approve the lettering on the brush truck at a cost for \$685 and to use the rest of the covid money and balance from the Fire Department. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Mr. Hadaway made a motion to approve lighting, not to exceed \$9,000 for the new brush truck. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

**Park Dept. –** No report given.

**SAIL Center Dept –** Mr. Parmer made a motion to strip and wax the SAIL Center floors. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

**Building Inspector –** Jacks is getting ready to open by the end of October. More information will be coming soon.

**Zoning Board –** Mr. Chambers stated that he had a meeting with an individual about starting up a new business in the old Filters Now building.

**Board of Adjustment –** Had a meeting and all went well.

**Public Works Department –** Roads are being cut and potholes filled in.

**Item #8-New Business-**

- a. **Budget 2024-2025 –** The FY 2024-2025 budget was presented and discussed. Mr. Howell made a motion to approve the FY 2024-2025 budget. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- b. **Air Quality/Mold Testing –** Mayor Nelson stated that Citronelle has agreed to house our inmates until we get the necessary repairs at the Police Department. We are now waiting on the quote for the repair of the Police Department.

- c. **Gerald Smith Survey-** Mr. Parmer made a motion to approve Gerald Smith Survey to survey the Maherg property and city hall property. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- d. **First Mobile Title** – Mr. Parmer made a motion to approve using Mobile Title Company for the title search and purchase of the 12 acres (Maherg Property). Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- e. **Ephraigm Environmental Services** – Mr. Howell made a motion to approve using Ephraigm Environmental Services for the GoMesa grant (Maherg Property). Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- f. **Maherg Agreement** – Mr. Howell made a motion to allow Mayor Nelson to enter into a purchase agreement with Mr. Maherg for the 12 acres connected to the park. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- g. **GoMesa Grant** – Mr. Kirby Latham will be doing the due diligence on the property we are purchasing, and McDade Evaluations will be overseeing all required assessments for. \$3,800. Mr. Howell made a motion to use McDade Evaluations at a cost of \$3,800. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- h. **Veterans Memorial** – After more quotes were received on pouring the slab for the monument foundation, Mr. Howell made a motion to approve Mike Whittington to install the base and sidewalk, as per drawing, at a price of \$8,500. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- i. **Cemetery Fence** – City clerk, Marcy Brown, wrote a grant for the Creola Cemetery and was awarded \$10,000 for the installation of a fence.  
Mr. Howell made a motion to allow Major League fencing company to install 585 feet of fencing at a cost of \$10,530 and the city will pay for the \$530 not covered by the grant. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

### **Item #9 Mayor Comments**

Angela Thomas addressed the mayor and council about giving her more time to get her property cleaned. Mayor stated that Mr. Mims would be sending a letter because her time has run out. She is trying and get some church members to help her out.

Clerk Marcy Brown wrote a grass roots grant for \$1000 and was wanting to know what type of trees the mayor and council wanted for the Veterans Memorial. Mr. Parmer wanted lemon and satsuma trees, Mrs. Lynch wanted Bradford Pear, Sugar Maple and Chinese snowball trees were also mentioned.

Mrs. Lynch will be using the remaining City of Creola cups to pass out at the community day.

Mr. Parmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

*Don Nelson*

Don Nelson  
Mayor

*Marcy Brown*

Marcy Brown  
City Clerk