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Minutes of the City of Creola Council Meeting
Thursday, November 14, 2024
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, at 5:30 p.m. Present at the meeting were Mark Howell, Wendy Lynch, Harold Parmer, James Brown, and Mayor Don Nelson.

Items that were discussed were:

- a. Neel Schaffer Contract
- b. James Burket Road – Jack's
- c. Thanksgiving Council Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 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 Parmer, Wendy Lynch, James Brown, and Mayor Nelson. Council member Kendal Hadaway was absent. City Attorney Danny Mims was also present.

Item #5 -Approval of the Minutes –

The minutes of the October 24, 2024, meeting was reviewed. Mr. Brown made a motion to accept the minutes of October 24, 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 November 14, 2024, as presented. Mr. Brown 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 November 14, 2024. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #7 - Departmental Reports –

Police Dept.- Chief Stringer stated that two bears had been killed on Radcliff Road (mother and cub). It is now time to renew the 911 dues at a cost of \$472.50.

Mr. Howell made a motion to renew the Active 911 dues. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Chief Stringer made a recommendation to reduce the speed limit on Hardy Drive to 25 mph.

Mr. Parmer made a motion to reduce the speed limit on Hardy Drive to 25 mph. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Discussion was made on the mold issue at the Police Department and a claim has been filed with AMIC.

Fire Dept. – Chief Moyer stated that it is time to conduct the annual inspection on the ladder truck.

Mr. Parmer made a motion to approve up to \$1,200 for the aerial testing. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Chief Moyer stated that the Mobile County Commission gave \$29,000 to the Creola Volunteer Fire Department. Lemoyne Day at the park was a huge success, and the training went well.

Mr. Howell made a motion to allow the CFD to use the SAIL center on December 13th for their annual business meeting. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Park Dept. – New field lines are needed at the old restrooms at the park. Mike Whittington has begun working on the slab for the Veteran Memorial monument.

SAIL Center Dept – Quotes are still being gathered for the remodeling of the kitchen at the SAIL Center.

Mrs. Lynch made a motion to purchase more Christmas ornaments for the outdoor Christmas tree. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Building Inspector – Jack’s Restaurant has opened and is doing well.

Zoning Board – Mr. Chambers and Mr. Moss met with Mr. Goodloe about a new business coming to Creola on Radcliff Road. It will employ about 45 individuals.

Board of Adjustment – No report given.

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

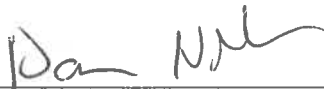
Item #8-New Business-

- a. **Neel Schaffer Contract** – Discussion was made on hiring an engineer for the GoMESA project.
Mr. Howell made a motion to hire Kirby Latham of the Neel Schaffer firm to be the engineer of the GoMESA project, not to exceed \$110,000, and to also authorize Mayor Nelson to sign the contract. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- b. **Holiday Schedule for Council Meetings** – Mr. Howell made a motion to cancel the 2nd meeting of November and December due to the holidays. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- c. **Road Striping of Ward Lane** – Mr. Parmer made a motion to stripe Ward Lane, Tolbert Road, and Hall Branch for an amount of \$9375 and to be paid out of the gas fund. Mrs. Lynch seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #9 Mayor Comments

Mayor Nelson gave an update on the GoMESA Grant. He also stated that Lemoyne Day went very well with the largest attendance ever.

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 7:29 p.m.



Don Nelson
Mayor



Marcy Brown
City Clerk