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Minutes of the City of Creola Council Meeting
Monday, December 16, 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, Kendal Hadaway, Harold Parmer, James Brown, and Mayor Don Nelson.

Items that were discussed were:

- a.** Pumper/Tanker Fire Truck Grant Fund Match
- b.** SCBA's Grant Fund Match
- c.** Brush Truck Update
- d.** Mobile County Van Con Truck – culvert cleaning, Dec 20nd and 21st
- e.** Fire Truck bill Approval
- f.** Police Building – awaiting bids
- g.** Police Dept - Sheetrock
- h.** GOMESA – awaiting contract from Conservation Department
- i.** Set of attachable lift forks for tractor
- j.** One time \$130 incentive for employees
- k.** Ditch culvert on Marina Road
- l.** Pave South Creola Blvd and Threadgill
- m.** Jason Griggs

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

Item #5 -Approval of the Minutes –

The minutes of the November 14, 2024, meeting was reviewed. Mr. Brown made a motion to accept the minutes of November 14, 2024. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #6- Financials/Bill List-

The bills were discussed. Mr. Brown made a motion to accept the bill list for December 16, 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 December 16, 2024. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Mr. Griggs approached the council and wanted to know if the city would help maintain the Shelton Road. The road is around one thousand feet. Mayor Nelson stated that for the city to take the road it required a 50-foot easement and that all that lived on the road would have to be in agreement. Mayor Nelson encouraged the ones living on that street to come to a council meeting and address these things with the council.

Mr. Howell made a motion that the City of Creola allow the culvert to be added and add the head wall. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #7 - Departmental Reports –

Police Dept.- Chief Stringer wants to upgrade the two old jail cells in the original city hall since we currently are without a jail.

Fire Dept. – Chief Moye stated that the business meeting went well. James Henderson was voted as Fire Fighter of the year. Ronnie Dingman was recognized as a lifetime member. The uniforms are beginning to come in.

Mr. Parmer made a motion to approve up to \$200 to cover the food expense for the fire department meeting. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Mr. Brown made a motion to pay Sunbelt Fire bill for SCBA testing in the amount of \$1906. Mr. Howell seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Park Dept. – The flag poles have been delivered and are waiting to be installed.

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

Building Inspector – Mr. Pierce attended the council meeting and spoke regarding his culvert. Mayor Nelson stated that all culverts had to be eighteen inches in diameter according to our city engineer and that everyone has to build a head wall.

Mr. Howell made a motion that all culverts had to be eighteen inches in diameter according to our city engineer and that everyone has to build a head wall. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.

Zoning Board – The next meeting will be Tuesday and Jack’s will be catering the meal.

Board of Adjustment – No report given.

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

Item #8-New Business-

- a. **Pumper/Tanker Fire Truck Grant Fund Match** – Mr. Hadaway made a motion to apply for a pumper truck with match up to \$85,000, Mr. Brown seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- b. **SCBA Grant Fund Match** – Mr. Howell made a motion to apply for a SCBA grant with a fund match of 5%. Mr. Hadaway seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- c. **Brush Truck Update** – Almost finished with the additions to the brush truck. Coming along very nicely.
- d. **Mobile County Von Con Truck** – Culvert cleaning will be done December 20th and 21st.
- e. **South Creola Blvd** – Mr. Howell made a motion to approve the paving of South Creola Blvd and Threadgill Lane (400 ft) for \$28,000. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- f. **Police Building Bid** – Mr. Howell made a motion to approve up to \$35,000 on replacing sheetrock, ductwork, and repairs necessary for the mold issue at the Police Department and allow Joe Tarver to be the contractor. Mr. Hadaway second the motion. All in favor and the motion was carried.
- g. **One Time Pay Increase (\$100) for Employees** – Mr. Howell made a motion to approve a one-time pay increase on a \$100 visa gift card. Mr. Parmer seconded the motion All in favor and the motion was carried.

Item #9 Mayor Comments

Mayor Nelson gave an update on the GoMESA Grant and progress on the \$1 million grant. Tony Sellberg was rehired in the Public Works Department. Mayor also wants the council to consider moving Sgt. McConico to Lieutenant and Officer Ken Thomas to Sgt.

Mr. Brown 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 7:03 p.m.

Don Nelson
Mayor

Marcy Brown
City Clerk