

Minutes of
Cresson City Council Meeting
August 24, 2021

Mayor Conway called the City Council Meeting of Cresson, Texas to order at 7:00 P.M. August 24, 2021, at the City of Cresson Council Chambers. Attendance as follows:

Mayor Teena Conway	Ron Becker	Kenneth Benzenhoefer
Warren McKamey	Pam Manley	Lisa Clement

Councilperson Becker gave the invocation. Councilperson Manley led the U.S. Pledge and the Texas Pledge.

Meeting was opened to the public.

Citizen's Comments

Andrew Clog of Sundance and Recycling spoke about his company.

Mayor Report and Comments

- A. **Update on Bluebonnet pig situation:** Katy and the City staff partnered with Parker County Animal control to ensure that the pig was rehomed. Hat's off to the Cresson Volunteer Fire Department for their assistance in the loading process.
- B. **Update on sales tax:** Great news as the sales tax trended up with the amount of \$104,745 for July (up from \$77K in June).
- C. **American Relief Act:** Proper paperwork has been submitted; total of \$331,000 in two payouts and we have until 2024 to spend in designated areas; the first payment has hit the City's bank account for half the amount equaling to \$165,768. This does have very specific uses which include water and infrastructure.
- D. **Bob Cornett Park update:** We have completed the title search for the proposed donated park land as well as submitted the Deed dedication paperwork back to the landowner for his final review. The 90% plan has been submitted to TPWD, as we wait on the 100% version to be delivered from Engineer Trace Strevey.
- E. **Spartan and Tough Mudder Race:** Our region won the rights to the Spartan and Tough Mudder races for the next 3 years! Thanks to the City of Cresson for their Hotel Motel Tax contribution for publicity.
- F. **Update on sealing the streets in Phase 1 and Phase 2:** The streets were sealed on August 21, 2021. Streets include Braddock from Hwy 171 to Broadway, Pittsburgh from Crook St to Broadway, In BBH- 205-239 Brook Drive, Intersection of Mountain ridge and Hidden Ridge, Overlook Ct., and parts of Skyline Dr.

Deliberation Agenda

- A. **An ordinance prohibiting drilling and mining or the reopening of any abandoned well or mine in any public park located within the city limits of Cresson, Texas.** This is required by TPWD for the proposed park. Councilperson Becker makes a motion to approve the ordinance as written. A motion is duly made by Councilperson Becker and seconded by Councilperson McKamey. 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.
- B. **A resolution of the City Council of the City of Cresson, Texas, dedicating 4.06 acres of open space parkland shown as Pond 1 in the Cresson City Park/Bob Cornett Park as described in Exhibit A attached as open space for perpetuity, as required by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department; authorizing its execution by the mayor; repealing all resolutions in conflict; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.** This is required by TPWD for the proposed park. Councilperson Becker makes a motion to approve the resolution as written. A motion is duly

made by Councilperson Becker and seconded by Councilperson McKamey. 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.

- C. Petition for Voluntary Annexation into Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of the City of Cresson:** Councilperson Becker makes a motion to approve the annexation expanded to include Exhibit A dated 16 August 2021 by Cresson Ventures LLC. A motion is duly made by Councilperson Becker and seconded by Councilperson Manley. 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.
- D. Approval of the Minutes:** Mayor Conway asked the Council to read the minutes of July 27, 2021. Councilperson Becker makes a motion to approve the minutes as written. A motion is duly made by Councilperson Becker and seconded by Councilperson McKamey. 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion passed unanimously.

Convene into Executive Session

- A. Pursuant to Texas Government code Section 551.074 the Cresson City Council, during its regular Council meeting, will convene into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Any action as a result of these discussions will be taken at the re-opening of the City Council Meeting in regular session or at a subsequent City council Meeting.**

Executive Session begins at 7:32 P.M.

Reconvene in Open Session

- A. Take any action that may be necessary pursuant to item(s) discussed in Executive Session.** Regular Session resumes at 8:27 P.M. No action taken

Councilperson McKamey makes a motion to execute a contract for 2 years with Kenneth Benzenhoefer for specified mowing in the City of Cresson. A motion is duly made by Councilperson McKamey and seconded by Councilperson Clement. 3 ayes, 1 abstention, Councilperson Benzenhoefer recused himself from the vote. The motion is passed.

Councilperson McKamey makes a motion to authorize Mayor Conway to disengage with the Reid Firm and engage with the TOASE Firm beginning October 1, 2021, for a 1-year period. A motion is duly made by Councilperson McKamey and seconded by Councilperson Benzenhoefer. 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 P.M.



Teena Conway, Mayor



Katy Froyd, City Secretary