

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF WALNUT
GROVE, MISSISSIPPI HELD ON APRIL 3, 1984

BE IT REMEMBERED and it is hereby certified to that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Walnut Grove, Mississippi met in regular session on Tuesday, April 3, 1984 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Hall, this being the time and place for said meeting. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor, Grady Sims. There were present:

Grady Sims	Mayor
J. W. Madden	Alderman
W. C. Spence	Alderman
R. M. Allen	Alderman
E. G. Brackin	Alderman
Vernon R. Cotten	Attorney
Charlene Foster	Town Clerk

The following business was transacted to-wit:

It appearing unto the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that there are occasions when there are absences from the regular monthly meeting by some members of the Board, and that certain guidelines should exist to govern such absences as to payment.

Upon a discussion of the matter, a motion was made by Alderman Spence, seconded by Alderman Brackin and carried by the members present, that, effective from the date of these minutes, all officials of the Town shall attend all regular meetings of the Board unless such absence is for good cause shown, and that any unexcused absence will result in the forfeiture of pay to that member so absent for that particular meeting. The Board of Aldermen shall be the sole determiner of what constitutes "good cause" for being absent, and action by the majority of the Board shall determine whether the test for just cause has been met. At the succeeding meeting such action shall be taken, and the absent member shall take no part in the vote. All forfeitures prior to this date shall be void.

On motion by Alderman Spence, seconded by Alderman Madden the Board authorized the payment of expenses for all Town officials who desire to attend the Mississippi Municipal Convention in June.

Wallace Builders had previously requested permission from the Town to tie onto city water and sewer for their proposed apartment complex to be located just north of the corporate limits of the Town. Mr. Wallace assured the Town that there would be no cost to the Town to do this. After discussion of the matter, on motion by Alderman Spence, seconded by Alderman Brackin, the Board voted to refuse to allow the hook-up onto the Town's water and sewer system, since several of the Town's residents are not now being service by the Town's sewer system.

On motion by Alderman Madden, seconded by Alderman Brackin and affirmative vote of all aldermen, the Board voided a tax sale made in September 1983, made in error to Ricky Chamblee on property assessed to Lula Bush. This property had been "struck off" to the municipality at a tax sale in September of 1982, and therefore should not have been advertised for sale again. The Board further ordered that Ricky Chamblee be refunded the amount he paid (\$9.81) plus the applicable interest, making a total of \$10.51.

Mayor Grady Sims
and the
Board of Aldermen
Town of Walnut Grove,
Mississippi

I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Walnut Grove, effective April 1, 1984. Due to a conflict with my job, I do not feel I will be able to adequately fulfill my duties as alderman.

I have enjoyed my association with you and wish the best for you and the town.

Sincerely,



Glynn Edwards

ORDER DECLARING VACANCY IN OFFICE OF ALDERMAN AND
CALLING AN ELECTION FOR THE FILLING OF SUCH VACANCY

It appearing unto the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Walnut Grove, Mississippi, that there now exists a vacancy in the office of the Board of Aldermen in and for said Town due to the resignation of Glynn Edwards, who submitted a letter of resignation to the remaining Board dated April 1, 1984, and that the remaining term of said Alderman is more than six months, and that it is necessary under the provisions of Section 21-11-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, to call an election to fill said vacancy. On motion duly made and seconded, and on an affirmative vote of the Mayor and remaining Aldermen, it was ordered that a vacancy is found to exist in the office of Aldermen in and for the Town of Walnut Grove, Mississippi, and that a special election be and the same is hereby called to fill said vacancy, and said election shall be held on Tuesday, the 8th day of May, 1984. Said election shall be held in the usual polling precinct in the Town of Walnut Grove and shall conform to general elections as the same are held in the State of Mississippi. If no candidate receives a majority vote at said special election, a run-off election will be held on Tuesday, the 15th day of May, 1984, at which time the two candidates who receive the highest number of votes on May 8th will be on the ballot.

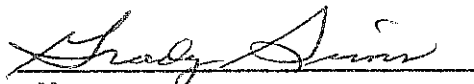
Candidates desiring to qualify for said election shall qualify with the Town Clerk as required by law on or before the hour of five o'clock P.M. on the 27th day of April, 1984.

In the event that only one candidate qualified on or before that said deadline, the Election Commissioners shall certify said candidate as the duly elected person to fill said vacancy, in which event no election will be held.


In the event no person shall have qualified at least 10 days prior to the date of the election, the governing authority, or remainder of the governing authority, shall dispense with the election and fill the vacancy by appointment.

It was further ordered that a copy of this Order be published in the Carthaginian, a newspaper published in Leake County, Mississippi and having a general circulation in the Town of Walnut Grove, Mississippi, on April 12, 19, and 26th 1984, and that a copy of this order be posted in three public places in the Town of Walnut Grove, Mississippi.

SO ORDERED IN A REGULAR MEETING, this the 3rd day of April, 1984.


Mayor

Attest:


Town Clerk^k

State of Mississippi

County of Leake

I, Charlene Foster, duly elected Town Clerk^k in and for the Town of Walnut Grove, Mississippi, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Order passed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Walnut Grove, Mississippi of record on the official minutes of said Town.

WITNESS THE SIGNATURE and the seal of said Town, this the 3rd day of April, 1984.



The following bills were presented and ordered paid from Gas System Funds:

Charlene Foster	Salary	740.00
Mississippi Power Co.	Service	79.32
South Central Bell	telephone bill	142.86
Leake County Insurance	bond-C. Jones	30.00
Welder's Supply	rent on cyl.	6.50
Southeastern Printing	office supplies	20.18
Sones Garage	maint. supplies	6.00
Discount Saws	supplies	4.50
Carthage Auto Parts	maint. supplies	9.82
Thomas Drilling	maint. supplies	62.95
W. G. Superette	gasoline	15.00
Wooten Oil Co.	gas & oil	577.00
Sadler Equip. Co.	trencher maint.	70.33
Public Emp. Ret.	admin. fee	4.77
Public Emp. Ret.	soc. sec.-Mar.	477.42
Internal Revenue	tax withheld-Mar.	217.65
State Tax Commission	sales tax	640.66
United Gas Pipeline	gas purchased	36,610.55
Miss. Coop. Ext.	chemicals	60.00

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from Water & Swerage Operation & Maintenance Funds:

Charlene Foster	salary	60.00
Miss. Power Co.	service	344.67
Russell Insurance	prem. on pumps	126.00
Forest Electric Motor	pump repairs	16.20
Central Pipe Supply	maint. supplies	91.28
South Central Bell	telephone ser.	14.00
Southern Technical Ser.	sewer test	50.00
Public Emp. Ret.	soc. sec. Mar.	25.34
Leary Construction Co	painting tank	3,745.00
Leary Construction Co.	chlorine for tank	105.00

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from Street Funds:

Miss. Power Co.	street lights	402.95
Superior Mfg. Co.	street signs	195.40

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from Fire Protection Funds:

The Fish House	fire drill	125.01
Central Battery Supply	battery-fire trk.	75.40
Davidson's Truck Equip.	fire trk. repairs	102.84
Miss. Power Co.	service	18.44

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from General Funds:

Miss. Power Co.	service	51.14
South Central Bell	tel- library	49.46
Public Emp. Ret.	admin. fee	3.24
Public Empl Ret.	soc. sec. Mar.	297.98
Internal Revenue	tax withheld-Mar.	95.80

OFFICERS SALARIES:

Grady Sims	Mayor and truck exp.	475.00
Charlene Foster	clerk	100.00
J. W. Madden	alderman	100.00
E. G. Brackin	alderman	100.00
R. M. Allen	alderman	100.00
W. C. Spence	alderman	100.00
Vernon R. Cotten	attorney	100.00

The following salaries were also paid:

Dodson Chamblee	gas & water maint.	1,100.00
Jerry Milsaps	gas & water maint.	750.00
Herbert Trest	marshal	375.00
Thomas K. Moore	marshal	950.00
Jason Watkins	janitor	500.00
Cindy Jones	office clerk	294.80

Balance on Hand, March 31, 1984:

General Town Fund	7,250.33
Street Tax Fund	1,413.39
Fire Protection Fund	423.67
Gas System Revenue	64,387.26
Gas System Operation	13,435.38
Gas System Meter Deposits	2,655.00
Water Revenue Fund	2,840.64
Water & Sewerage Operation & Maint.	961.68
Water & Sewerage Bond & Interest	6,698.91
Water & Sewerage Contingent	1,120.00
Water & Sewerage Depreciation	1,400.00
Water Meter Deposits	940.73
Combined w/s Bond & Interest	70.48
Combined W/S Contingent	70.00
Combined W/S Depreciation	70.00

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned. SO ORDERED in a regular meeting this the 3rd day of April, 1984.

Minutes read and approved



 Mayor

Attest:



 Clerk