

TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE MINUTES  
 OF MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
 HELD ON MARCH 6, 2001

BE IT REMEMBERED and it is hereby certified to that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Tuesday, March 6, 2001, at 6:00 P.M., at the City Hall, this being the time and place said meeting. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor, Grady Sims.

There were present:

Grady Sims	Mayor
W. C. Croft, Jr.	Aldermen
Don Gomillion	Aldermen
Marcus Ellis, Jr.	Aldermen
Rev. Leon Young	Aldermen
Brian Gomillion	Aldermen
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk
Jeff Webb	Attorney
Tim Palmer	Marshal

After prayer by Aldermen, Leon Young, the following business was transacted to-wit:

Buddy Ellzey of Butchart Ellzey & Associates auditing firm presented the Mayor and Board of Aldermen with the yearly audit. The audit was adopted on motion made by Aldermen Brian Gomillion, seconded by Aldermen Marcus Ellis and an "AYE" vote by all the Aldermen.

The following resolutions for applying for a Main Street and Recreation Park grants were approved on motion by Aldermen Brian Gomillion, seconded by Aldermen Marcus Ellis and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor, Grady Sims informed the Board of Aldermen that Brent King had accepted the position of city manager for \$27,000.00 per year.

The following bills were presented and ordered paid on motion by Aldermen Brian Gomillion, seconded by Aldermen Marcus Ellis and unanimous approval by all the Board of Aldermen.

The following bill was presented and ordered paid from Fire Protection Funds:

Tupelo Fire Equipment	Fire Department	53.19
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The following bills were presented and ordered paid from

Gas System Operation Fund:

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	1487.50
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	922.03
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	602.00
Sistrunk's Texaco	Maintenance	30.90
Sherman-Aaron	Gas Bed Maintenance	17932.00
Starmark	Employees Insurance	1824.81
A U L	Employees Insurance	293.02
Sunflower	Maintenance	11.88
MS Power Company	Power	384.39
A T & T	Phones	46.93
Motor Parts & Gear	Maintenance	50.28
Joiner's 16	Maintenance	33.50
Carthage Printing	Office Supplies	60.68
Weatherford Oil Co.	Gas & Oil	1423.08
Bellsouth	Phones	122.17
MFWC 2001 Convention	Miscellanous (AD)	50.00
WSSI	Miscellanous	420.00
MS State Tax Commission	Sale Tax	1079.00
Municipal Gas Authority	Gas Purchased	66000.00
General Town	Employees Retirement	1104.08
Tiffany Callahan	Overpayment on gas bill	25.00
Municipal Gas Assoc.	Gas Purchased	70000.00
Postmaster	Postage	59.20

The following bills were presented and orderd paid from

Water & Sewer Operation Funds:

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	112.50
Roger Warren	Maintenance	300.00
P J's	Miscellanous & Phone	47.10
TVA	Loan Payment	3683.47
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	186.60
Central Electric Power	Sewer Lift Power	28.28
MS Power Company	Sewer Lift Power	259.00
MS Power Company	Power	1706.82
Environmental Bacteria	Maintenance	228.80
Gardner's Insurance	Insurance	1357.00
Southern Technical	Sewer Test	125.55
Bellsouth	Phones	564.25
MS Development Authority	Loan Payment	4835.88
Postmaster	Office Supplies	34.00
Postmaster	Postage	45.00

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from

General Town Funds:

A U L	Employees Insurance	191.50
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	1248.82
Starmark	Employees Insurance	875.81
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	749.00
The Fish House	Fire Department	374.09
Mid South Uniform	Law Enforcement	789.27
MS Power Company	Power	152.30
Municipal Court Clerk	Fees & Dues	25.00
Carthage Small Engine	Lawn Mower Expense	68.95
Dickerson Petroleum	Patrol Car	25.00
First Carthage- Cox	Insurance	125.00
Roper supply	Law Enforcement	79.27
Leake Co. Jail	Jail Cost	360.00
Solid Waste Dept.	Trash Cost	3335.82
Bellsouth	Library Maintenance	98.11
Jeff Webb	Legal	323.00
Mid MS Regional Library	Library Budget	5347.00
State Treasurer	Fine Assessment	450.50

## OFFICER'S SALARIES:

Grady Sims	Mayor	600.00
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk	100.00
W. C. Croft, Jr.	Aldermen	150.00
Don Gomillion	Aldermen	150.00
Marcus Ellis, Jr.	Aldermen	150.00
Brian Gomillion	Aldermen	150.00
Rev. Leon Young	Aldermen	150.00
Jeff Webb	Attorney	200.00
Johnny Pope	Municipal Judge	400.00

## The Following Salaries were Also Paid:

Jerry Millsaps	Maintenance	2080.00
Mark Trippe	Maintenance	2000.00
Brent King	Operator	409.08
James Earl Johnson	Maintenance	861.00
Tim Palmer	Marshal	2500.00
Benny Withers	Deputy	2000.00
Howard Watkins	Deputy	1875.00
Patrick Zollicoffer	Deputy	787.20

## Balance on hand, February 27, 2001:

General Town Funds	17232.64
Street Tax Funds	2764.62
Fire Protection Funds	1047.35
Gas System Revenue Funds	50665.73
Gas System Operation Funds	929.07
Gas System Meter Deposits	13157.04
Water & Sewer Revenue Funds	15596.29
Water & Sewer Operation Funds	1892.34
Water System Meter Deposits	2183.63

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded. The meeting was RECESSED until 6:00 p.m., March 12, 2001, Monday, to discuss the matter of Galaxy Cable discontinuing service in Walnut Grove and to any and all business pertaining to the Town of Walnut Grove.  
So ordered in a regular meeting the 6th day of March, 2001.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.

  
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Mayor

Attest:

  
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Town Clerk

TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE RECESSED MEETING  
 OF MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
 HELD ON MARCH 12, 2001

BE IT REMEMBERED and it is hereby certified to that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in recess session pursuant to its regular March meeting on Monday, March 12, 2001, at 6:00 p.m., in the City Hall, this being the time and place said meeting. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor, Grady Sims.

There were present:

Grady Sims	Mayor
W. C. Croft, Jr.	Aldermen
Don Gomillion	Aldermen
Marcus Ellis, Jr.	Aldermen
Brian Gomillion	Aldermen
Rev. Leon Young *	Aldermen
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk

The following business was transacted to-wit:

Galaxy Cable representatives John Witfield, David Lusby, and Tim Jones met with the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. Other visitors were Tim & Sherry Seese, J. B. Sistrunk, Jimmy Howell, Benny Withers, Johnny Estes, Eva Dean Ellis, Mrs. Marcus Ellis, H. P. Foster, Ray Britt, Rusty McNair and Mark Mayo.

The matter discussed was Galaxy discontinuing service to Walnut Grove and giving the area to Pegasus Satellite Company.

On motion made by Aldermen Brian Gomillion, seconded by Aldermen Marcus Ellis and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

It was decided to contact the Attorney General's office to see if what actions if any the Town could do.

The Board of Aldermen requested a suspension of all activities on the cable-satellite matter til an opinion was gotten from the Attorney General's office on motion by Aldermen Marcus Ellis, seconded by Aldermen Brian Gomillion and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

Aldermen Brian Gomillion, seconded by Aldermen Don Gomillion, and unanimous approval by all the Board of Aldermen, to put an information notice in the Carthaginian about Galaxy abandoning the cable and that satellites are available from local dealers if the people want an option on where to get the satellites.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded.

The meeting was ADJOURNED.

So ordered in a recessed meeting the 12th day of March, 2001.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.

Attest:

Ada Chamblee

Town Clerk

Grady Sims  
 Mayor