

TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE MINUTES OF MAYOR
AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING HELD ON
AUGUST 7, 2001

BE IT REMEMBERED and it is hereby certified to that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Tuesday, August, 7, 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
Darla Mayo	Aldermen
Jerry Darby	Aldermen
Pamela Gill	Aldermen
David Dumas	Aldermen
Jeff Webb	Attorney
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk
Tim Palmer	Marshal
Brent King	Maintenance Operator

After prayer by Mayor, Grady Sims, the following business was transacted to-wit:

The Mayor requested a change of buying gasoline from Weatherford Oil Co. to Carlton Oil Co. due to problems with gas pump not working properly and weatherford making no effort to fix the pump. The change of vendors was approved on motion made by Aldermen Mayo, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Aldermen.

Jeff Webb, Attorney, was authorized on motion by Aldermen Darby, seconded by Aldermen Gill and unanimous approval by all the Board of Aldermen to resubmit grant application on Industrial Park in Walnut Grove.

Walnut Grove Librarian Linda Bounds met with the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the library fund budget this year requesting \$18,234.00. The request for funds was granted on Aldermens Darby's motion which was seconded by Aldermen Croft and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor requested that Dusty Thomas be hired to work on Tuesday and Thursday at the same rate of pay he is being paid as summer help for the purpose of helping to keep the town's grass mowed and street cleaning. This request was approved on motion by Aldermen Dumas seconded by Aldermen Gill and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

Brent King request permission to go to the gas conference being held in Jackson, permission was granted on Aldermen's Gill motion seconded by Aldermen Dumas and unanimous approval by all the Board of Aldermen.

The C & S collection agency has offered their services to the Town for collecting past due water and gas debts. The matter was tabled to allow Attorney Jeff Webb time to investigate the liability of the matter.

The following wireless communication act was adopted on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Aldermen Darby and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The following rate changes, meter deposits and tap fees were adopted on motion by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Mayo, and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The following cut off notice was adopted on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Aldermen Darby and unanimous approval by all the Board of Aldermen.

Marcus Ellis met with the Mayor and Board of Aldermen offering his recommendation of Dustan Sanders for the Walnut Grove Police Department.

On motion by Aldermen Gill, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and unanimous agreement by all the Board of Aldermen, the meeting went into executive session:

The discussion was about Deputy Zollicoffer and complaints against him.

Upon motion of Aldermen Gill, seconded by Aldermen Darby and unanimous approval by the Board of Aldermen to close execession and go back to regular meeting.

Walnut Grove Police Deputy Zollicoffer has resigned and his resignation was accepted on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Aldermen Croft and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor informed the Board of Aldermen that Dustan Sanders has applied for the part time police deputy job. Dustan Sanders was hired on motion by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Dumas, and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen approved the following raises to salaries on motion by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Darby and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

\$100.00 a month raise: Ada Chamblee-Town Clerk, Tim Palmer-Marshal, Benny Withers-Deputy, Jerry Millsaps-Maintenance, Mark Trippe-Maintenance

\$200.00 raise per month: Grady Sims-Mayor

\$50.00 raise per month: W.C. Croft, Darla Mayo, Jerry Darby, Pamela Gill, David Dumas - Aldermen

\$75.00 per month raise - Howard Wstkins - Deputy

The following bills were presented and ordered paid on motion by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

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

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	1487.50
Brent King	Travel	305.42
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	1094.16
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	688.00
Starmark	Employees Insurance	2135.25
M N G A	Fees & Dues	190.00
A U L	Employees Insurance	343.52
MS Power Company	Power	546.33
Bellsouth	Phones	182.69
Wal Mart	Maintenance	280.82
McGivney Tire Service	Maintenance	40.00
Dixie Wholesale	Maintenance	462.14
Weatherford Oil Co.	Gas & Oil	1288.06
Viking Office Supplies	Office Supplies	17.20
Natural Gas Odorizing	Chemical	468.34
Carlton Oil Company	Gas & Oil	536.00
Arch Wireless	Phones	72.84
MsState Tax Comm.	Sale Tax	789.00
MS State Tax Comm.	State W H Tax	444.00
A T & T	Phones	49.49
Municipal Gas Authority	Gas Purchased	16000.00
Postmaster	Postage	49.00

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from Water & Sewer Operations Fund:

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	112.50
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	339.45
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	90.00
MS Power Company	Sewer Lift Power	384.46
MS Power Company	Power	1614.71
G & C Supply Co.	Maintenance	183.09
Malone Tractor	Maintenance	12.29
Sunflower	Maintenance	64.43
Thomas Drilling	Maintenance	276.44
Grainger	Maintenance	43.85
MS Development Authority	Cap Loan Payment	3496.13
Cenco	Maintenance	1043.50
Rural water Assoc.	Fees & Dues	85.00
Motor Control Corp.	Maintenance	116.00
Sistrunk's Texaco	Maintenance	14.95
Bellsouth	Phones	128.40
Central Electric Power	Sewer Lift Power	18.99
Royal Chemical	Maintenance	1830.01
T V A	Loan Payment	3683.47
Postmaster	Postage	45.00

The following bill was presented and ordered paid from

Street Tax Funds:

MS Power Company	Street Lights	408.07
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The following bills were presented and ordered paid from
General Town Funds:

Jeff Webb	Legal	200.00
Pamela Gill	Travel	311.49
W. C. Croft, Jr.	Travel	255.00
David Dumas	Travel	249.50
Scott Thomas	Triangle Improvement	650.00
Robert Brown	Law Enforcement	25.00
Starmark	Employees Insurance	915.08
MS Power Company	Power	436.10
Solid Waste Dept.	Trash Cost	2849.96
Carthage Small Engine	Lawn Mower Expense	642.44
Dickerson Petroleum	Patrol Car	118.28
Joiners	Street Repair	6.40
Leake Co. Jail	Jail Cost	390.00
Bellsouth	Library Maintenance	108.38
Stribling Appliance	Library maintenance	1715.00
Gatewood Wholesale	Walnut Grove Day	251.81
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	1558.67
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	495.00
A U L	Employees Insurance	191.00
James McLemore	Court Costs	200.00
State Treasurer	Fine Assessments	743.00

Officer's salaries for the month of August, 2001:

Grady Sims	Mayor	600.00
W. C. Croft, Jr.	Aldermen	150.00
Darla Mayon	Aldermen	150.00
Jerry Darby	Aldermen	150.00
Pamela Gill	Aldermen	150.00
David Dumas	Aldermen	150.00
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk	100.00
Jeff Webb	Attorney	200.00
Johnny Pope	Municipal Judge	400.00

The following salaries were also paid:

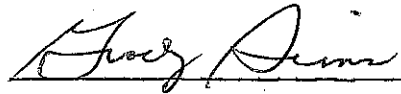
Tim Palmer	Marshal	2550.00
Benny Withers	Deputy	2050.00
Howard Watkins	Deputy	2131.74
Patrick Zollicoffer	Deputy	459.20
Dustan Sanders	Deputy	196.80
Brent King	Maintenance Operator	2250.00
Jerry Millsaps	Maintenance	2130.00
Mark Trippe	Maintenance	2050.00
James Earl Johnson	Maintenance	1004.00
Dusty Thomas	Summer Help	679.80
Devan Brown	Summer Help	453.20
Monica Sanders	Summer Library Help	393.98

Balance on hand, July 31, 2001:

General Town Funds	3,724.20
Street Tax Funds	1,540.49
Fire Protection Funds	4,465.60
Gas System Revenue Funds	3,731.94
Gas System Operation Funds	8,017.63
Gas System Meter Deposits Fund	12,468.44
Water & Sewer Revenue Funds	4,985.73
Water & Sewer Operations Fund	700.83
Water System Meter Deposit Fund	2,293.63

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded. The meeting was RECESSED until 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 28, 2001, at which time the Mayor and Board of Aldermen will hear all ideas or suggestions from citizens on the proposed new budget and to any and all business pertaining to the Town of Walnut Grove.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



TOWN CLERK

Town of walnut Grove Utility Nonpayment of Utility Bill Plan:

All utility bills are due the 15th of every month, if not paid by the 25th day of the month a 48 hour turn-off notice will be issued and if no payment is made within the 48 hour period the the utility meter will be turned off and locked. Once payment is made in full and a \$20.00 fee is paid the meter will be unlocked and turned back on. The only exception to this rule will be special circumstances where proof is given of special hardship.

TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE RECESSED MEETING
OF MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN HELD
ON AUGUST 28, 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 August meeting on Tuesday, August 28, 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
Jerry Darby	Aldermen
Darla Mayor	Aldermen
David Dumas	Aldermen
Pamela Gill	Aldermen
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk

The following business was transacted to-wit:

It was approved to pay Howard Watkins for 12 hours overtime he worked after Patrick Zollicoffer resigned as police deputy on motion by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The following Walnut Grove Day Entertainment was approved for payment on motion by Aldermen Gill, seconded by Aldermen Darby and unanimous approval by all the Board of Aldermen, the Sparkmen Family \$500.00 CMS County Express \$500.00 and Ricky Tansley \$500.00.

No citizens met with the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to discuss the budget for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded. The meeting was ADJOURNED.


So ordered in a recess meeting the 28th day of August, 2001.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.



Mayor

Attest:



Town Clerk