

TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE MINUTES OF
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
HELD ON FEBRUARY 4, 2003

BE IT REMEMBERED and it is hereby certified to that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Tuesday, February 4, 2003, at 6:00 p.m., at the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor, Grady Sims.

There were present:

Grady Sims	Mayor
W. C. Croft, Jr.	Aldermen
David Dumas	Aldermen
Jerry Darby	Aldermen
Pamela Gill	Alderwomen
Darla Mayo	Alderwomen
Jeff Webb	Attorney
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk
Mike Harper	Marshal
Brent King	City Manager

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

The Hunting Club with members of Tommy Jowers, Thomas Burns, David Callahan and Jimmy Morris came to the meeting to inquire if they would be granted a permit to hunt inside the city limits. On advice from Attorney Jeff Webb not to grant anybody a permit as the liability would be higher than usual if anybody got shot or property harmed. As the Town cannot grant a permit without all liability on the matter going to the permit holder, no permit was granted on motion by Alderwomen Gill, seconded by Alderwomen Mayo and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

No bids were received on gas and oil supplies. on motion by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Darby to continue buying gas and oil products as the Town has been buying them and unanimously approved by all the Board of Aldermen.

Only one bid was received on a depository for the Town of Walnut Grove. The Bank of Walnut Grove was approved as the best bid and only bid for a depository and was unanimously accepted on motion made by Aldermen Dumas and seconded by Aldermen Croft.

The Clerk request approval of a \$5000.00 transfer from Gas System Revenue into Water & Sewer Operations Funds due to account being overdrawn. The transfer was approved on motion made by Aldermen Darby, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen unanimously approved of putting \$2,000.00 of the \$10,000.00 per month the Town is paid by the Walnut Grove Youth Correctional Facility into General Town MM Funds on motion by Aldermen Croft and seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen, this motion was approved. The money is to be saved up for projects benefitting the Town.

Municipal Judge Johnny Pope talked with the Mayor and Board of Aldermen about his possibility of running for the office of District Attorney. No action taken at this time.

The Mayor presented a bid of \$5,000.00 from H & H chief sales to make the Town of Walnut Grove Fire Department old tanker truck into a dump truck for the Town's use. The bid was approved as the lowest and best bid on Aldermen Dumas's motion seconded by Alderwomen Mayo and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Internal Revenue Service now wants payroll and WH taxes paid after the 1st and 15th paydays. The Mayor and Clerk were approved to write payroll and withholding taxes check after the 1st and 15th of every month on motion by Alderwomen Mayo, seconded by Alderwomen Gill and unanimous approval by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen approved City Manager Brent King to go to Hattiesburg for the MNGA meeting and expo on natural gas with the Town to pay all expenses as allowed by state law, on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Alderwomen Mayo and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor was authorized to sign the forms to send to Department of Transportation on moving a gas line where a new bridge will be put in by DOT. This was approved for the Mayor to sign the documents on the DOT project by Aldermen Dumas' motion, seconded by Aldermen Darby and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

Attorney Jeff Webb and City Manager Brent King were given authority to negotiate the Town of Walnut Grove taking over Mississippi Regional Housing Authority gas meters and pipeline going into their apartments on Rimmer Street in Walnut Grove. Jeff Webb and Brent King were given authority to handle this matter on motion by Aldermen

On motion by Alderwomen Mayo, seconded by Aldermen Croft, and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen the following bills were presented and ordered paid.

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from

Gas System Operation Funds:

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	1687.50
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	813.87
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	538.00
Flo Well Systems	Computer Programs (pga Cost)	1146.00
A U L	Employees Insurance	293.52
Starmark	Employees Insurance	3718.38
MS Power Company	Power	109.53
Postmaster	Office Supplies	37.00
Leake Co. Co-OP	Maintenance	73.35
Malone Tractor & Equip	Maintenance	.76
A T & T	Phones	131.09
Cingular	Phones	266.81
Bellsouth	Phones	233.08
MS State Tax Commission	Sale Tax	1555.00
Wal Mart	Maintenance	130.59
Grainger	Maintenance	296.43
American Public Gas Assoc.	Fees & Dues	200.00
Connected	Office Supplies	375.00
Consolidated Pipe & Supply	Maintenance	217.20
MS Drug Testing Cons.	Fees & Dues	630.00
Infotel Publications	Office Supplies	304.45
Viking Office Products	Office Supplies	28.73
M N G A	Fees & Dues	100.00
Hauthorn Suites	Convention Expense	150.42
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	433.28
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	286.00
Advantage Energy	Gas Purchased	93294.24
Postmaster	Postage	72.53

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from

Water & Sewer Operation Funds:

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	112.50
MS Power Company	Power	1199.17
MS Power Company	Sewer Lift Power	303.23
Central Electric Power	Sewer Lift Power	21.75
Dixie Wholesale	Maintenance	484.44
Hunter Environmental	Maintenance	842.45
Bellsouth	Phones	154.08
Royal Chemical Inc.	Chemicals	4668.75
MS Development Authority	Cap Loan Payment	6990.86
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	220.56
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	45.00
T V A	Loan Payment	3683.47
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	185.60
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	45.00
Postmaster	Postage	45.00

The following bill was presented and ordered paid from

Street Tax Funds:

MS Power Company	Street Lights	1115.44
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General Town Funds:

Pamela Gill	Travel	92.02
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	824.39
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	286.00
Starmark	Employees Insurance	705.17
A U L	Employees Insurance	119.00
MS Power Company	Power	303.42
Jeff Webb	Legal	300.00
Leake Co. Solid Waste	Trash Cost	3360.59
Leake Co. Correctional	Jail Cost	330.00
Mid South Uniform	Law Enforcement	209.60
Momar	Chemicals	555.60
Dickerson Petroleum	Patrol Car	154.20
Bellsouth	Library Maintenance	110.82
Perry Stribling	Library Maintenance	155.78
The Carthaginian	Publication	95.68
Bill's Glass Service	City Hall Repairs	139.10
E M C Insurance	Building Insurance	1358.00
Jason Burkeen	Cash Bond	460.00
Roderick York	Cash Bond Refund	186.50
Everette Thompson	Cash Bond	220.00
Roderick York	Cash Bond	360.00
Everette Thomas	Cash Bond Refund	31.00
Juanita Duran	Cash Bond	171.00
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	565.45
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	248.00
Corey Johnson	Cash Bond	169.00
D P S	Fine Assessment	110.00
State Treasurer	Fine Assessment	1288.50

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Officer's Salaries:

Grady Sims	Mayor	1000.00
W. C. Croft, Jr.	Aldermen	200.00
Darla Mayo	Alderwomen	200.00
Pamela Gill	Alderwomen	200.00
David Dumas	Aldermen	200.00
Jerry Darby	Aldermen	200.00
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk	100.00
Jeff Webb	Attorney	200.00
Johnny Pope	Municipal Judge	400.00

The following salaries were also paid:

Mike Harper	Marshal Salary	2333.34
Benny Withers	Deputy #2	2200.00
Kevin Polk	Deputy #3	2183.43
David Alexander	Deputy #4	1067.20
Brent King	City Manager	2500.00
Jerry Millsaps	Maintenance	2230.00
Mark Trippe	Maintenance	2200.00
James Earl Johnson	Maintenance	1276.00

Balance on hand, January 31, 2003:

General Town Funds	28,342.16
Street Tax Funds	6,743.35
Fire Protection Funds	4,326.36
Gas System Revenue Funds	58,743.03
Gas System Operation Funds	4,912.29
Gas System Meter Deposits	14,943.07
Water & Sewer Revenue Funds	1,906.83
Water & Sewer Operation Funds	165.20
Water Meter Deposits Fund	3,363.63

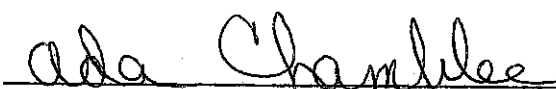
There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded. The meeting was RECESSED, until 5:00 p.m., Friday, February 7, 2003. At which time the Mayor and Board of Aldermen will open bids on a tanker truck for the Walnut Grove Volunteer Fire Department and to any and all business pertaining to the Town of Walnut Grove.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.



 MAYOR

ATTEST:



 TOWN CLERK

**IN THE MATTER OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE WALNUT GROVE CORRECTIONAL AUTHORITY**

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Walnut Grove find that the terms of Walnut Grove Correctional Authority Board Members, Davis Gill and Marvin Jones, have expired and that they should be reappointed for a five-year term to expire May 31, 2007.

On motion and second duly made and by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board,

Alderman W. C. Croft, Jr. voted "Aye",
Alderman Jerry Darby voted "Aye",
Alderman Pamela Gill "excused herself from voting",
Alderman Darla Mayo voted "Aye", and
Alderman David Dumas voted "Aye",

it is ordered that Davis Gill and Marvin Jones be and they are hereby reappointed to the Board of Commissioners of the Walnut Grove Correctional Authority for a five year term to expire May 31, 2007, and it is further noted that the following named persons are the members of the Board of Commissioners of the Walnut Grove Correctional Authority as appointed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Walnut Grove:

Charlene Foster - Term Expires May 31, 2006

James Carter - Term Expires May 31, 2006

Marvin Jones - Term Expires May 31, 2007

Davis Gill - Term Expires May 31, 2007

Kay Young -- Term Expires May 31, 2005

So ordered by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Walnut Grove, Mississippi in open and regular session on this the 6th day of May, 2002.

Grady Sims, Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ABANDONMENT OF STREET

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Walnut Grove, Mississippi find that a certain street dedicated in the Chadwick Addition to the Town of Walnut Grove on file in Township Plat Book 1 at page 30 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Leake County, Mississippi has never been used or opened as a street or alleyway;

WHEREAS, that portion of Ellis Avenue as platted in the Chadwick Addition to the Town of Walnut Grove located between Hemlock Street and Spruce Street between Lots 1, 3 and 4 of Block Y of the Chadwick Addition and Lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Block AI of the Chadwick Addition has never been used as a public street or alley and should be recognized as being abandoned;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Walnut Grove find and determine that it is in the best public interest of the Town of Walnut Grove to recognize that the described street or alley has never been utilized as public street and should be recognized as having been abandoned and that title shall revert to the adjoining landowners, consistent with the recognized rule of conveyance, to the centerline of the property, and the Mayor is authorized to sign quitclaim deeds evidencing the reversion of title.

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Aldermen Jerry Darby and seconded by Alderman W. C. Croft and on favorable vote of the Aldermen as follows:

Alderman W. C. Croft voted "Aye",
Alderman Jerry Darby voted "Aye",
Alderman David Dumas voted "Aye",
Alderman Pamela Gill voted "Aye", and
Alderman Darla Mayo "Aye",

It is ordered and resolved that the streets described herein be and hereby are recognized as being abandoned. This the 5th day of February, 2002.


GRADY SIMS, Mayor

(SEAL)


ADA CHAMBLEE, Clerk

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ABANDONMENT OF STREET

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Walnut Grove, Mississippi find that a certain street dedicated in the Chadwick Addition to the Town of Walnut Grove on file in Township Plat Book 1 at page 30 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Leake County, Mississippi has never been used or opened as a street or alleyway;

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NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Aldermen Jerry Darby and seconded by Alderman W. C. Croft and on favorable vote of the Aldermen as follows:

Alderman W. C. Croft voted "Aye",
Alderman Jerry Darby voted "Aye",
Alderman David Dumas voted "Aye",
Alderman Pamela Gill voted "Aye", and
Alderman Daria Mayo "Aye",

It is ordered and resolved that the streets described herein be and hereby are recognized as being abandoned. This the 5th day of February, 2002.


GRADY SIMS, Mayor

(SEAL)


ADA CHAMBLEE, Clerk

TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE MINUTES OF
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
HELD ON FEBRUARY 7, 2003
RECESSED MEETING.

BE IT REMEMBERED and it is hereby certified to that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in recess session pursuant to its regular February meeting on Friday, February 7, 2003, at 5:00 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
Jerry Darby	Aldermen
W. C. Croft, Jr.	Aldermen
David Dumas	Aldermen
Pamela Gill	Alderwomen
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk

The following was absent:

Darla Mayo	Alderwomen (at work)
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The following business was transacted to-wit:

Willie Barton and Willie Brantley discussed with the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for their support and any help they could give them in their endeavor for grants and loans to start up wood manufacturing business (floors, furniture and etc.) in this area. Motion to take under advisement to support getting this manufacturing business for this area made by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Alderwomen Gill and an "AYE" vote by all the Aldermen present.

Two companies gave the Town bids on a tanker truck for the Walnut Grove Fire Department.

They are:

H & H Chief Sales 1994 Ford \$22,000.00
David Cook Truck & Equipment out of Louisiana 1985 Ford 15,750.00 and 1971 ford 18,370.00 and 1992 Freightliner 21,000.00

H & H Chief Sales was decided to be the lowest and best bid as they are a local company for repairs and David Cook Truck & Equipment is located in Louisiana and would be too far to take vehicles for repairs, this motion was made by Aldermen Darby, seconded by Aldermen Croft and an "AYE" vote by all the Aldermen present.

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

So ordered in a recessed meeting the 7th day of February, 2003.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.

Attest:

Mayor

Ada Chamblee
Town Clerk