

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

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

There was present:

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

Mr. Buddy Ellzery of Butchart, Ellzey & Associates presented the Town's audit report. The Town's yearly audit was accepted and adopted by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on motion made by Alderwomen Gill, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Aldermen present.

Municipal Judge Johnny Pope resigned his position to run for the office of district attorney. His resignation was accepted on Aldermen's Dumas motion, seconded by Aldermen Croft, and unanimous approval by all the Board of Aldermen present.

The Mayor has talked to Justice Court Judge Carolyn Wilcher Thomas, and she will take the job of Municipal Judge for the same pay as Johnny Pope was getting \$400.00 per month. Judge Carolyn Wilcher Thomas was hired for \$400.00 per month on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Aldermen Croft, and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

Mayor Grady Sims and City Manager Brent King asked the Board of Aldermen to consider raising water rates. This matter was tabled at this time and no motion made.

Marco Apparel new name Margrove is behind on utilities and rent to the Town of Walnut Grove. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen discussed the Apparel factory trying to create jobs and is suppose to get a grant to fund starting up again. The matter is tabled til the April meeting when Margrove is suppose to, receive its grant, no motion made.

The ad for tabloid of the Leake County Chamber of Commerce was approved for payment of \$325.00 on motion made by Aldermen Gill, seconded by Aldermen Dumas, and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

Evaluation of three month job performance of Micheal Harper, Marshal, was discussed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. Micheal Harper was found to be doing his job to the satisfaction of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen and passed evaluation. No motion made.

The Mayor and Board did not approve for anyone to go to the First Responders Conference as all the Town's responders are volunteers and are not required to go.

The following rules, regulation, and water procedures was adopted by the Board of Aldermen as was presented to them by City Manager, Brent King. Was adopted on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Alderwomen Mayo and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

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

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

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	112.50
MS Power Company	Sewer Lift Power	384.41
Central Electric Power	Sewer Lift Power	25.72
MS Power Company	Power	1018.94
Momar	Chemicals	1075.04
Hunter Environmental	Sewer Lift Repairs	625.00
Bellsouth	Phones	154.08
Mytana	Equipment Purchased	70.58
McGraw-Hill	Office Supplies	79.95
M W P C O A	Fees & Dues	45.00
Ms Development Authority	Cap Loan Payment	696.80
T V A	Loan Payment	3683.47
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	202.81
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	45.00
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	185.60
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	45.00
U P S	Postage (sewer sample)	12.23
Postmaster	Postage	45.00

The following bill was presented and ordered paid from Street Tax Funds:

MS Power Company	Street Lights	1109.98
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The following bills were presented and ordered paid from

Gas System Operation Funds:

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	1687.50
Southern Engineering	Miscellaneous (ad)	165.00
A U L	Employees Insurance	293.52
Starmark	Employees Insurance	3721.38
MS State Tax Commission	Sale Tax	1178.00
MS Power Company	Power	88.62
G & C Supply Co., Inc.	Maintenance	74.74
Consolidated Pipe	Maintenance	661.22
Dixie Wholeale	Maintenance	708.09
Grainger	Maintenance	61.10
Motor Parts	Maintenance	47.38
Thomas Drilling	Maintenance	41.89
Goodwin Broadcasting	Miscellaneous	50.00
Chief Supply	Maintenace	222.97
Bellsouth	Phones	239.16
A T & T	Phones	154.18
Carleton Oil Co.	Gas & Oil	1078.00
Dickerson Petroleum	Maintenance	125.88
Hunter Environmental	Maintenance	18.00
Wal Mart	Maintenance	276.60
Big Three Meter Repair	Maintenance	116.34
Sistrunk's Texaco	Maintenance	184.45
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	813.87
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	538.00
General Town	Employees Retirement	1415.63
Advantage Energy	Gas Purchased	88658.36
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	433.28
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	286.00
Postmaster	Postage	

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from

General Town funds:

Starmark	Employees Insurance	510.54
A U L	Employees Insurance	169.00
Butchart, Ellzey & Assoc.	Audit	5500.00
MS Power Company	Power	312.68
Bellsouth	Library Maintenance	109.61
Leake Co. Solid waste	Trash Cost	3777.49
Jeff Webb	Legal	575.00
Leake Co. Jail	Jail Cost	855.00
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	804.63
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	277.00
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	576.71
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	257.00
Lili Suero	Cash Bond Refund	171.00
Frontier Ford	Patrol Car Lease (2 months)	2189.12

OFFICER'S SALARIES:

Grady Sims	Mayor	1000.00
W. C. Croft, Jr.	Aldermen	200.00
David Dumas	Aldermen	200.00
Jerry Darby	Aldermen	200.00
Pamela Gill	Alderwomen	200.00
Darla Mayo	Alderwomen	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:

Brent King	City Manager	2500.00
Jerry Millsaps	Maintenance	2230.00
Mark Trippe	Maintenance	2200.00
James Earl Johnson	Maintenance	1160.00
Mike Harper	Marshal	2333.34
Benny Withers	Deputy #2	2200.00
Kevin Polk	Deputy #3	2238.28
David Alexander	Deputy #4	956.80

Balance on hand, March 2, 2003:

General Town Funds	36,813.82
Street Tax Funds	6,743.35
Fire Protection Funds	4,326.36
Gas System Revenue Funds	18,111.24
Gas System Operation Funds	138,795.11
Gas Syatem Meter Deposits	15,164.93
Water & Sewerage Revenue Funds	8.52
Water & Sewerage Operation Funds	819.52
Water System Meter Deposit	3,243.63

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded. The meeting was RECESSED, until Tuesday, March 11, 2003, at 6:00 p.m., at which time the Mayor and Board of Aldermen will meet to discuss sponsoring Malone Ambulance in CMS Central District and to any and all business pertaining to the Town of Walnut Grove.

Minutes read and approved.

  
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 MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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 TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE RECESSED MINUTES  
OF MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
HELD ON MARCH 11, 2003

BE IT REMEMBERED and it is hereby certified to that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in recession pursuant to its regular March meeting on Tuesday, March 11, 2003, 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
David Dumas	Aldermen
Pamela Gill	Alderwomen
Darla Mayo	Alderwomen
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk

The following business was transacted to-wit:

Bennett Malone owner of Malone Ambulance has asked the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to sponsor Malone Ambulance in CMS Central District, with no money obligations and can be canceled at any time by the Town. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen approved sponsoring Malone Ambulance in the CMS Central District and gave Mayor Grady Sims permission to sign a letter stating so, on motion by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Darby and unanimous approval by all the Board of Aldermen.

there being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded.  
THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

So ordered in a recessed meeting the 11th day of March, 2003.

Minutes read and approved.

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
TOWN CLERK

**TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE**

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March 11, 2003

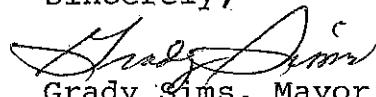
Clyde DeChamp  
Executive Director  
Central District E.M.S.

Dear Mr. DeChamp:

This letter is to certify the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Walnut Grove, do hereby agree to be the local sponsor required by regulations for Malone Medical Transport to be a member of Central E. M. S. District. We will also appoint the appropriate individual to attend Central District meetings.

We understand neither the Board of Aldermen, nor Mayor, nor Town of Walnut Grove are under any financial or legal liability due to being the sponsor for Malone Medical Transport.

Sincerely,



Grady Sims, Mayor  
Town of Walnut Grove