

TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE MINUTES
OF MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 2, 2003

BE IT REMEMBERED and it is hereby certified to that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met on Tuesday, September 2, 2003. at 6:00 p.m., in 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
Pamela Gill	Alderwomen
Jerry Darby	Aldermen
Darla Mayo	Alderwomen
David Dumas	Aldermen
Jeff Webb	Attorney
Brent King	City Manager
Micheal Harper	Marshal

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

No bids were received on street paving advertisement, on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Aldermen Croft and unanimously approved by all the Board of Aldermen to readvertise for bids on paving certain streets in Walnut Grove.

The tax roll for the Town of Walnut Grove as furnished by the Leake County Tax Collector office was approved and adopted on motion made by Aldermen Darby, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Aldermen.

The Mayor was given permission to sign the annual fire protection agreement with Leake County on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Alderwomen Mayo and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

A transfer totaling \$13,000.00 from gas system revenue checking account into water and sewer operation funds was approved on Aldermen's Croft motion, seconded by Aldermen Darby and unanimous approval by all the Board of Aldermen.

Water rates were reviewed and raised from 10¢ per hundred gallon to 20¢ per hundred gallon with the flat rate remaining \$8.00 on motion by Alderwomen Mayo, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen adopted standard operating procedures as presented by Marshal Harper, on motion made by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Aldermen Croft and unanimously approved of by all the Board of Aldermen.

The marshal asked permission to apply for a \$5,000.00 grant for equipment and overtime pay for the police department on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Aldermen Darby and unanimously approved by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Clerk requested that Marshal Harper be made deputy court clerk. The request was approved on motion made by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Aldermen Darby and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor and Board approved the taking of applications for a part-time deputy town clerk on motion by Alderwomen Gill, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The following bills were authorized for payment on motion by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and unanimously approved by all the Board of Aldermen.

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

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	112.50
Central Electric Power	Sewer Lift Power	14.17
MS Power Company	Sewer Lift Power	397.93
MS Power Company	Power	993.34
Cenco Inc.	Chemicals	3010.90
MS Development Authority	Cap Loan Payment	497.28
Big 8 Plumbing Co.	Maintenance	350.00
General Pump & Equip	Maintenance	3885.06
Bellsouth	Phones	154.08
NBank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	211.99
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	24.00
T V A	Loan Payment	3683.47
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	204.57
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	24.00
U P S	Postage	12.20
Postmaster	Postage	45.00
James Earl Johnson	Patrol Car (washing)	50.00
Frontier Ford	Patrol Car Lease	1094.56
Mid MS Regional Library	Library Budget	3388.00
Bank of Walnut Grove	Garbage Truck Note	2107.05
T N T	Patrol Car (flat)	5.99
Starmark	Employees Insurance	938.16
A U L	Employees Insurance	169.00
The Carthaginian	Publication	833.26
MS Power Company	Power	291.62
First Carthage Cox	Insurance	88.00
Waste Management	Trash Cost	181.63
Leake Co. Solid Waste	Trash Cost	6087.45
Jeff Webb	Legal	320.00
Bellsouth	Phones	129.17
Central Electric Power	Ballpark	8.43
Shank Communication	Law Enforcement	447.70
Sa-So	Law Enforcement	51.00
Mid South Uniform	Law Enforcement	286.84
Dement Printing	Office Supplies	60.06
Grainger	Street Repair	497.88
Hunter Environmental	Street Repair	75.52
Goodyear Wholesale	Patrol Car (tires)	226.92
Leake County Correctional	Jail Cost	1305.00
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	791.85
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	283.00
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	654.15
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	283.00

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from

Gas System Operation Funds:

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	1787.50
Brent King	Travel	58.08
Sistrunk's Texaco	Maintenance	120.05
Ms Natural Gas	Fees & Dues	85.00
A U L	Employees Insurance	293.50
Starmark	Employees Insurance	3883.14
MS Power Company	Power	358.45
A T & T	Phones	157.03
Cingular	Phones	169.97
Teletouch	Phones	57.03
Bellsouth	Phones	235.08
Madden Dental Clinic	Miscellaneous	425.00
General Town	Employees Retirement	1415.63
McGivney Hardware	Maintenance	38.63
Thomas Drilling	Maintenance	23.60
Motor Parts & Gear	Maintenance	218.72
Momar	Chemicals	861.79
Bill's Glass Service	City Hall Repairs	139.10
Cenco	Chemical	225.71
Easom Hardware	Maintenance	62.90
Dixie Wholesale	Maintenance	339.40
Carlton Oil Co.	Gas & Oil	1199.40
EMC Insurance	Insurance	798.00
Been's Pawn & Gun	Equipment Purchased (trailer)	2950.00
Jeff Webb	Legal	220.00
MS Retirement	Employees Retirement	3.26
MS Emp Sec Commission	Unemployment Taxes	1.31
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	857.22
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	395.00
Advantage Energy	Gas Purchased	10896.64
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	461.33
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	208.00
Postmaster	Postage	66.09

Officer's Salaries:

Grady Sims	Mayor	1000.00
Darla Mayo	Alderwomen	200.00
Pamela Gill	Alderwomen	200.00
Jerry Darby	Aldermen	200.00
Jeff Webb	Attorney	200.00
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk	100.00
Carolyn Wilcher Thomas	Municipal Judge	400.00

The following salaries were also paid:

Brent King	City Manager	2666.66
Jerry Millsaps	Maintenance	2330.00
Mark Trippe	Maintenance	2300.00
James Earl Johnson	Maintenance	1344.00
Micheal Harper	Marshal	2500.00
Benny Withers	Deputy	2200.00
Kevin Polk	Deputy	1975.00
David Alexander	Deputy	276.00
Jason Gilbert	Deputy	1600.00

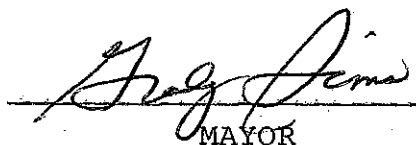
Balance on hand, September 1, 2003:

General Town Funds	17,532.02
Street Tax Funds	4,046.82
Fire Protection Funds	11,933.64
Gas System Revenue Funds	144,380.31
Gas System Operation Funds	15,090.47
Gas System Meter Deposits	15,398.07
Water & Sewer Revenue Funds	934.21
Water & Sewer Operation Funds	2,152.16
Water System Meter Deposits	3,543.63

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded. The meeting was RECESSED, until September 15, 2003, at 6:00 p.m., Monday, to adopt and make any changes to the new budget for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and to any and all business pertaining to the Town of Walnut Grove.

So ordered in a regular meeting, the 2nd day of September, 2003.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


TOWN CLERK

2003-2004
**RURAL FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN LEAKE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AND TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE MUNICIPAL FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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This agreement is made and entered into by and between the Board of Supervisors of Leake County, Mississippi, hereinafter called "County", and the undersigned Rural Volunteer Fire Department (or division thereof), being a Mississippi non-profit corporation, hereinafter called "Fire Department", as follows:

The Fire Department agrees to respond to fires in the County which are located within five miles of its fire station. The Fire Department further agrees to respond to fires in rural areas beyond the five mile limit to serve areas of the County not covered by other Fire Departments. It is understood and agreed that the Fire Department shall assist with all emergency type services for fires and other accidents. The Fire Department agrees to cooperate with the County Fire Coordinator in order to formulate and carry out plans for fire protection services that will result in maximum utilization of all fire fighting capabilities within the County. It is recognized by both parties that the nature of the fire service is to respond with the facilities at hand and to do the best job possible under the conditions at the time.

In return for the rural fire protection service provided by the Fire Department, the County agrees to provide and pay over to the Fire Department as the funds become available to the County an amount equal to Twelve Percent (12%) of the County Fire Insurance rebate funds received during the 2003-2004 Fiscal Year under Section 83-1-39 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. For budgeting purposes, it is anticipated that the amount to be paid to the Fire Department will be approximately \$8,000.00 from the insurance rebate funds. It is understood that the insurance rebate funds will not be available to the Fire Department until after received by the County. County also agrees to provide a fire truck to the Walnut Grove Municipal Fire Department.

The Fire Department agrees that these County funds allocated and paid to the Fire Department shall be kept in and treated as a separate account. The insurance rebate money may be used by the Fire Department solely for the purposes set forth in the last sentence of paragraph six (6) of said Section 83-1-39 and for no other purpose.

In accordance with the Guidelines for Disbursement of County Funds issued by the Mississippi Department of Insurance, Office of the Fire Marshal, the Fire Department ledger sheet or other appropriate accounting report shall show the expenditure of insurance rebate funds with at least the following information:

1. Date funds spent;
2. Amount spent;
3. Vendor or payee's name
4. Listing of item(s) purchased or service provided.

The Fire Department agrees that all purchases made with the funds received hereunder will be in compliance with the purchasing laws of the State of Mississippi for municipalities, and that all financial records and accountability of the public funds received hereunder shall be in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices.

This agreement between the County and the Fire Department shall become effective upon execution and shall remain in effect for a period of one year, or until September 30, 2004, whichever time is longer. Thereafter, this agreement may be renewed annually by action of the Fire Department and the County, with the understanding that funding may be different from year to year.

This Agreement is subject to and contingent upon approval by the Commissioner of Insurance as set forth under State law.

Agreed to by and between the undersigned as of the date indicated.

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**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
LEAKE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

BY: Walter Brock
PRESIDENT

**TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE
MUNICIPAL FIRE DEPARTMENT**

BY: Greg Sims
MAYOR

BY: John Henderson
FIRE CHIEF

APPROVED:

COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

TOWN OF WALNUT GROVE
 RECESSED MINUTES
 OF MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
 HELD ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2003

BE IT REMEMBERED and it is hereby certified to that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in recess session pursuant to its regular September meeting on Monday, September 15, 2003, at 6:00 p.m., in the City Hall, this being the time and place said meeting.

There were present:

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

The following business was transacted to-wit:

The following budget was approved and adopted on motion made by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Aldermen.

The Mayor was authorized to sign a contract with Advantage Energy to purchase natural gas at a set price and rate per month for a one year period on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Aldermen Croft and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

City Manager Brent King and Marshal Micheal Harper to get quotes on a radio system for Walnut Grove Maintenance Dept. and Police Dept., on motion made by Alderwomen Mayo, seconded by Alderwomen Gill and unanimously approved by all the Board of Aldermen. A report on a radio system is to be given at October's board meeting.

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

So ordered in a recessed meeting the 15th day of September, 2003.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.


 MAYOR

ATTEST:


 TOWN CLERK