

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

BE IT REMEMBERED and it is hereby certified to that the Mayor and board of Aldermen met on Tuesday, November 4, 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
Jerry Darby	Aldermen
David Dumas	Aldermen
Pamela Gill	Alderwomen
Darla Mayo	Alderwomen
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk
Micheal Harper	Marshal
Brent King	City Manager

The following was absent:

Jeff Webb Attorney (eye surgery)

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

Brian Gomillion attended and offered to build a website for the Town of Walnut Grove for 1180.00. This offer was discussed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen about the benefits such as industrial sites and buildings available in Walnut Grove. on motion made by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Alderwomen Mayo and unanimously approved by all the Board of Aldermen to accept Brian Gomillion's offer of a website for the Town of Walnut Grove.

Butchart Ellzey & Associates was hired to do the Town's annual audit on motion by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Darby and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The following annual municipal compliance questionnaire was adopted and approved on motion by Alderwomen Gill, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and unanimously approved by all the Board of Aldermen.

Only one bid was received on surplus property from Durham Auction for the 1988 Truck bid of \$68.00, bid on trailer for \$28.00 and Ford F1600 Truck bid of \$128.00. All bids were rejected and the Mayor and Board of Aldermen approved re-advertising the bids on motion by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Alderwomen Mayo, and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

Brent King, City Manager and crew were authorized to put a curb around the downtown triangle after Mississippi Power Company moves the power lines out of where the curb will be put, on motion made by Aldermen Dumas, seconded by Aldermen Croft and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen discussed Sta Home Home Health Agency moving to Lena while the building they occupy on Pine Street is being remodelèd. Sta Home Home Health being in Lena is going to cause some citizens problems as they monitor their health problems with Sta Home such as blood pressure monitoring. The Board of Aldermen unanimously approved to offer Sta Home Home Health Agency the old City Hall building on Pine Street rent free to keep Sta Home in Walnut Grove, the motion made by Aldermen Croft, seconded by Aldermen Dumas, authorized Mayor Sims to implement the offer of frre rent .

Johnny Fortune has asked for the Town of Walnut Grove Gas Company to move the gas line that runs across his property. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen discussed the price of moving the gas line to be between \$5,000.00 to 10,000.00. On motion by Alderwomen Mayo, seconded by Aldermen Dumas and an "AYE" vote by all the Board of Aldermen to pay up to \$2500.00 for the gasline to be moved with Mr. Johnny Fortune to pay the rest of the Cost of moving the gas line, with the Mayor authorized to negotiate the deal.

The following bills were presented and ordered paid on motion by Alderwomen Mayo, seconded by Alderwomen Gill 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
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	231.57
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	70.00
MS Power Company	Sewer Lift Power	692.51
Central Electric Power	Sewer Lift Power	28.25
MS Power Company	Power	1032.95
Bellsouth	Phones	154.08
Royal Chemical Inc.	Chemicals	2765.94
Hunter Environmental	Maintenance	1318.55
Southern Technical	Sewer Test	128.00
Ms Development Authority	Cap Loan Payment	3490.84
Momar	Chemicals	231.52
T V A	Loan Payment	3683.47
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	194.78
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	24.00
Postmaster	Postage	45.00

The following bills were presented and ordered paid from
Fire Protection Funds:

Tupelo Fire Equip.	Fire Department (grant)	1114.74
Leake Co. Fire Association	Fees & Dues Fire Dept.	50.00

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

MS Power Company	Street Lights	527.16
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The following bills were presented and ordered paid from

Gas System Operation Funds:

Ada Chamblee	Office Salary	1787.50
AUL	Employees Insurance	293.52
Starmark	Employees Insurance	3853.14
Sistrunk's Texaco	Maintenance	69.46
MS Power Company	Power	214.18
Dixie Wholesale Waterworks	Maintenance	2157.93
Brocato Construction	Moving Gas Line	53800.00
Allen & Hoshall	Gas Line Moving	6013.63
Bellsouth	Phones	238.67
A T & T	Phones	140.38
Midstate Tire Service	Maintenance	481.09
Carthage Printing	Office Supplies	112.50
Malone Tractor	Maintenance	160.50
Leake Co. Co-Op	Maintenance	26.38
Motor Parts & Gear	Maintenance	35.96
Thomas Drilling	Maintenance	154.37
C & J Supplies	Chemicals	1288.70
Easom Hardware	Maintenance	93.75
Viking Office Products	Office Supplies	147.96
MS State Tax Comm.	Miscellaneous (tag)	12.00
Cingular	Phones	120.55
MS Liability Insurance	Insurance	5853.00
MS State Tax Commission	Sale Tax	325.00
Carleton Oil Company	Gas & Oil	1043.00
Gardner's Insurance	Insurance	3357.00
Teletouch	Phones	42.89
General Town	Employees Retirement	1415.63
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	857.22
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	395.00
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	461.33
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	208.00
Advantage Energy	Gas Purchased	29914.64
Postmaster	Postage	

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General Town Funds:

Starmark	Garbage Truck Note	2035.50
Carthage Auto Parts	Patrol Car	19.04
Randy Atkinson	Law Enforcement	50.00
MS Power Company	Power	325.72
Bellsouth	Library maintenance	107.09
Mid MS Regional Library	Library Budget	3750.85
Frontier Ford	Patrol Car Lease	1094.56
Dement Printing Company	Office Supplies	136.51
Carthage Small Engine	Lawn Mower Expense	26.00
The Carthaginian	Publication	31.38
Mid South Uniform	Law Enforcement	142.09
Leake County Jail	Jail Cost	195.00
Central Electric Power	Ball Park	8.03
Ms State Extension Service	Fees & Dues	75.00
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	791.85
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	283.00
Starmark	Employees Insurance	790.85
A U L	Employees Insurance	219.00
Bank of Walnut Grove	Payroll Taxes	654.15
Bank of Walnut Grove	W H Taxes	283.00
Brian Gomillion	Website	430.00

Officer's Salaries:

Grady Sims	Mayor	1000.00
W. C. Croft, Jr.	Aldermen	200.00
Jerry Darby	Aldermen	200.00
David Dumas	Aldermen	200.00
Pamela Gill	Alderwomen	200.00
Darla Mayo	Alderwomen	200.00
Jeff Webb	Attorney	200.00
Ada Chamblee	Town Clerk	100.00
Carolyn W. 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	1408.00
Micheal Harper	Marshal	2500.00
Benny Withers	Deputy #2	2200.00
Kevin Polk	Deputy #3	1975.00
David Alexander	Deputy #4	276.00

Balance on hand, November 2, 2003:


General Town Funds	54,562.91
Street Tax Funds	11,960.55
Fire Protection Funds	5,418.49
Gas System Revenue Funds	89,552.62
Gas System Operation Funds	34,691.37
Gas System Meter Deposit Fund	14,476.15
Water & Sewer Revenue Funds	3,134.44
Water & Sewer Operation Funds	3,065.21
Water System Meter Deposits Fund	3,413.63

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

The meeting was ADJOURNED.

So ordered in a regular meeting, the 4th day of November, 2003.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.



 MAYOR

ATTEST:



 TOWN CLERK