Those present and voting "Yea":

Alderman W. H. Clearman Alderman Mitchell Curry Alderman George B. Draughn Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

THEREUPON, there being no further business, Alderman Mitchell Curry made a motion to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Alderman Charles A. Sumrall.

Those present and voting "Yea":

Alderman W. H. Clearman Alderman Mitchell Curry Alderman George B. Draughn Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

There being no further business, the meeting was ordered adjourned on this the 16th day of March, A. D., 1976.

Ulmer Byrd, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Susan B. Smith, City Clerk

BE IT REMEMBERED that there was begun and held a regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, at 7:30 P.M., April 6, 1976, in the Mayor's office in the City Hall.

Those present:

Ulmer Byrd

Alderman:

W. H. Clearman Mitchell Curry A. L. Henderson, Jr. Charles A. Sumrall

City Attorney:

Thomas W. Tyner

Others Present:

A. R. Lee L. A. Evans Rev. Preist Rev. Gandy

Mayor Byrd declared a quorem was present and declared the City Council in session.

The invocation was offered by A. R. Lee.

The minutes of the meeting held March 16, 1976 were read by Susan B. Smith.

THEREUPON, Alderman Charles A. Sumrall made a motion accepting the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Alderman W. H. Clearman.

Those present and voting "Yea":

Alderman W. H. Clearman Alderman Mitchell Curry Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall

Those present and voting "Nay":

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd requested from all present their public comment one at a time.

THEREUPON, Mr. Gandy addressed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen concerning the name of the street on which he lives. Mr. Gandy stated that the street has always been Gandy Street until the Post Office changed the mailing addresses. Mr. Gandy said that Gandy Street has been changed to Berry Avenue. Mr. Gandy requested from the Mayor and Board of Aldermen the proper steps he should take to get the street name changed.

Mayor Byrd stated that a petition had been signed by the residents of that area requesting such change and that the original petition should be placed on file with City Hall.

WHEREAS, Mr. Tyner read the following Order, to-wit:

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ORDER

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PERSONNEL TO CLAIM, RECEIVE AND RECEIPT AFTER HOUR DEPOSITORY BAG NO. 291, OF THE FIRST MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL BANK OF HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI, PETAL BRANCH

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, deem it necessary to obtain an after hour depository bag in order to make after hour deposits, and

WHEREAS, certain personnel will be responsible to claim, receive, and receipt such after hour depository bag;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, that Susan B. Smith and Mrs. Thelma Clepper shall be the personnel and shall have the right to claim, receive, and receipt for at any time, bag No. 291, and lock and keys for use therewith which may have been placed in the after hour depository of the First Mississippi National Bank of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Petal Branch and to have full and free access to and control of the contents thereof, with full power to deposit and/or to remove said contents.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED

- (1) That said bank be furnished with a certified copy of this Order and is hereby authorized to deal with said persons hereinabove named until further orders of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.
- (2) That this Order shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.

SO ORDERED on this the 6th day of April 1976, A.D.

THEREUPON, Alderman W. H. Clearman made a motion adopting the Order for night depositories. The motion was seconded by Alderman Charles A. Sumrall.

Those present and voting "Yea":

Alderman W. H. Clearman Alderman Mitchell Curry Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall

Those present and voting "Nay":

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd requested the wishes of the Board for claims 1169 thru 1208.

THEREUPON, Alderman Charles A. Sumrall made a motion authorizing payment of claims 1169 thru 1208. The motion was seconded by Alderman W. H. Clearman.

Those present and voting "Yea":

Alderman W. H. Clearman Alderman Mitchell Curry Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall

Those present and voting "Nay":

NONE

WHEREAS, a monthly statement was submitted to the Board of Aldermen. Mayor Byrd requested permission from the Board to invest surplus municipal funds in certificates of deposit.

THEREUPON, Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. made a motion authorizing Mayor Byrd to invest surplus municipal funds in certificates of deposit. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mitchell Curry.

Those present and voting "Yea":

Alderman W. H. Clearman Alderman Mitchell Curry Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall

Those present and voting "Nay":

NONE

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd read the letter of resignation of Chief Garwood. The letter read as follows, to-wit:

City of Petal DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

Bruce C. Garwood, Chief of Police P.O. Box 583 Petal, Miss.

March 31, 1976

Mayor Byrd and Board of Aldermen City of Petal, Ms.

Please accept this as my formal resignation at your earliest convenience. I have another position which I would like to accept.

I have approximately two weeks vacation on the books that I would like to take at this time.

I believe I have done a good job and I wish you and the City good luck for the future. Your earliest consideration in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely

/s/ Bruce C. Garwood

THEREUPON, Alderman Mitchell Curry made a motion accepting the letter of resignation effective April 6, 1976. The motion was seconded by Alderman Charles A. Sumrall.

Those present and voting "Yea":

Alderman W. H. Clearman Alderman Mitchell Curry Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall

Those present and voting "Nay":

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd stated that someone needed to be appointed as acting Chief of Police until a decision could be made on the appointment of a new Police Chief.

Mr. Tyner stated to the Board of Aldermen that the person appointed as acting Chief of Police should also fill the other positions the Chief of Police had held.

The following Order was read to-wit:

O R D E R

WHEREAS, due to the resignation of the Chief of Police, Bruce C. Garwood, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen deem it necessary to appoint an individual as acting Chief of Police until the position of Chief of Police can be filled, and;

WHEREAS, the previous Chief of Police, Bruce C. Garwood was also LEA Finance Officer, City of Petal Civil Defense Co-ordinator, and City Traffic Engineer, the individual appointed as acting Chief of Police will also be appointed as LEA Finance Officer, City of Petal Civil Defense Co-ordinator, and City Traffic Engineer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED that Sergeant Gary Lee Morrow, be and is hereby appointed as acting Chief of Police, LEA Finance Officer, City of Petal Civil Defense Co-ordinator, and City Traffic Engineer, effective on this day until further orders of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

SO ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, on this the 6th day of April, A.D., 1976.

THEREUPON, Alderman W. H. Clearman made a motion adopting the aforesaid Order. The motion was seconded by Alderman Charles A. Sumrall.

Those present and voting "Yea":

Alderman W. H. Clearman Alderman Mitchell Curry Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall

Those present and voting "Nay":

NONE

WHEREAS, Mr. Tyner gave an update on the Petal Municipal Separate School District. Mr. Tyner suggested to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that since Mr. Ed Walker would be resigning from the School Board at the end of June, someone to take his place at that time should be selected.

THEREUPON, Alderman Charles Sumrall made a motion appointing Mr. Mike C. Lewis as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Petal Municipal Separate School District for the five year term now held by Mr. Walker, effective upon Mr. Walker's resignation. The motion was seconded by Alderman W. H. Clearman.

Those present and voting "Yea":

Alderman W. H. Clearman Alderman Mitchell Curry Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall

Those present and voting "Nay":

NONE

WHEREAS, Mr. Tyner gave his report on the progress of obtaining the E.F.U.D. After a lengthly discussion Mr. Tyner stated that a resolution requesting local and private legislation will be presented at the next meeting and a certified copy would

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go before the Board of Supervisors for their approval.

WHEREAS, Alderman Charles A. Sumrall stated to the Board of Aldermen that he has the plaques ordered for the firemen but at this time the price is unknown.

Mayor Byrd stated to the Board of Aldermen that at this time he did not have a report to make concerning the Recreation Director. Mayor Byrd stated that there will be a decision made by the next council meeting.

Mayor Byrd also stated to the Board of Aldermen that due to Mr. Blackwell's resignation someone needed to be appointed to fill the vacant position of Election Commissioner. Mayor Byrd suggested to the Board of Aldermen that they take this under consideration and maybe by the next council meeting some recommendations could be made.

WHEREAS, Mr. Tyner stated to the Board that consideration should be given to the process of holding elections for Aldermen, either by ward or at large.

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd read the following letter from Hensley-Schmidt, to-wit:

FAUP Number: M-9999 (7) H-S Acct. Number: 5741

CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI STREET NAME SIGNS, REGULATORY AND WARNING SIGNS, AND PAVEMENT

MARKING PROJECT

PROGRESS REPORT

March, 1976

During the month of March a decision was made to install narrow bridge warning on North Main Street over Greens Creek. This will be accomplished through a change order. Additionally, it was determined that a supplemental agreement would have to be prepared, requesting Federal participation in the installation of City Limit signs, school crossing signs and pedestrian crosswalks.

During the month of April it is anticipated that the aforementioned agreements will be executed and approved thus allowing for purchase of required materials.

Mayor Byrd thereupon stated to the Board that if the City participated that our part of the cost would be financed by furnishing in-kind services.

WHEREAS, Alderman Clearman stated to the Board that he had checked with Mr. Blackwell, Principal of the Jr. High School and Mr. Blackwell was pleased with the traffic control recently instituted. Mr. Clearman stated that the City would continue the traffic control in the same manner.

Mayor Byrd advised the Board that the absence of Alderman George B. Draughn was occasioned by his being admitted as a patient in the Veterans hospital in St. Louis, Mo and Alderman George B. Draughn is expected to return by the next council meeting.

THEREUPON, there being no further business Alderman W. H. Clearman made a motion to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Alderman Charles A. Sumrall.

Those present and voting "Yea";

Alderman W. H. Clearman Alderman Mitchell Curry Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall

Those present and voting "Nay":

There being no further business, the meeting was ordered adjourned on this the 6th day of April, A. D. 1976.

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(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Susan B. Smith, City Clerk

BE IT REMEMBERED that there was begun and held a regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, at 7:30 P.M., Tuesday, April 20, 1976 in the Mayor's office in the City Hall.

Those present:

Mayor Ulmer Byrd

Alderman:

George B. Draughn W. H. Clearman A. L. Henderson, Jr. Charles A. Sumrall

City Attorney:

Thomas W. Tyner

Others Present:

T. G. Watson J. O. Lamousin Vince Howard Jim Ezell

Mayor Byrd declared a quorem was present and declared the City Council in session.

The invocation was offered by Alderman Charles A. Sumrall.

The minutes of the meeting held April 6, 1976 were read by Susan B. Smith.

THEREUPON, Alderman Charles A. Sumrall made a motion to adopt the minutes with the following amendment. On page 575 where it states Alderman Charles Sumrall made a motion appointing Mr. Mike Lewis, it should be amended to read; THEREUPON, Mitchell Curry made a motion appointing Mr. Mike C. Lewis.

Alderman W. H. Clearman seconded the motion to adopt the minutes as amended. THEREUPON, a call for a vote was as follows:

Alderman W. H. Clearman voted "Yea" Alderman Mitchell Curry "Absent"

Alderman George B. Draughn voted "Abstained" Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr. voted "Yea" Alderman Charles A. Sumrall voted "Yea"

Mayor Byrd stated to the Board of Aldermen that last Saturday there was a fire in the Macedonia Community and a citizen called stating his appreciation for a job well done by the City of Petal Fire Department.

WHEREAS, Mr. Tyner read the following Resolution, to-wit;

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi:

WHEREAS, the East Forrest Utility District, is a body politic and corporate, created pursuant to Chapter 505 of Senate Bill No. 1752; and,

WHEREAS, the East Forrest Utility District provides water and sewer facilities and services in the area whose boundaries are the