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Mitchell Curry.

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 adjourned on this the 6th day of July, 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., July 20, 1976, in the Mayor's office in the City Hall.

Those Present:	Mayor Ulmer Byrd
Aldermen:	W. H. Clearman George B. Draughn A. L. Henderson, Jr. Charles A. Sumrall Mitchell Curry
Others Present:	Rev. Leland Hogan Rev. Ben F. Bell Mrs. Marketa Garner Carter Carroll

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

Mayor Byrd stated that Mr. Tyner was trying a case in Corinth, Mississippi, and would be back by the next council meeting.

The invocation was offered by Reverend Hogan.

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

THEREUPON, Alderman George B. Draughn made a motion to adopt the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Alderman Charles A. Sumrall.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

Reverend Hogan addressed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen stating that he was representing the East Forrest Ministerial Alliance. Reverend Hogan requested that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen take into consideration the adoption of an ordinance regulating the opening of businesses on Sunday. Also, Reverend Hogan solicited the

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the assistance of the Board concerning the available reading material within the City.

Mayor Byrd stated that the literature is under surveillance at this time.

Susan Smith read an order adopting the State Tax Motor Vehicle Assessment Schedule for 1976-1977.

O R D E R

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, have received from the Mississippi Tax Commission a copy of the motor vehicle assessment schedule adopted by said commission for the fiscal year 1976-1977;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of said city have examined and considered the aforesaid assessment schedule and desire to adopt the same for said city in assessing and collecting ad valorem taxes on motor vehicles for the ensuing year;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen are also desirous for the county tax collector to collect the City of Petal's motor vehicle ad valorem taxes as stated in Section 27-51-29 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as annotated and recompiled;

IT IS THEREFORE, HEREBY ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, that:

The motor vehicle assessment schedule for the fiscal year 1976-1977 adopted by the Mississippi State Tax Commission under the provisions of the Motor Vehicle Ad Valorem Tax Act of 1958, as amended by the laws of 1960, (being Section 27-51-21 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as annotated and recompiled), is hereby adopted as the motor vehicle assessment schedule for the City of Petal, Mississippi, for the ensuing fiscal year.

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of said city will be held in the City Hall of said city at 7:30 P. M., Tuesday, August 17, 1976, for the purpose of hearing and taking action on any complaint or objection filed in writing objecting to and petitioning for a specified reduction of any portion or portions of said motor vehicle assessment schedule affecting the complainant directly.

This Order is entered and the Clerk of the City of Petal, Mississippi, shall have published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the City of Petal, a certified copy hereof, pursuant to and as Notice under the provisions of the Motor Vehicle Ad Valorem Tax Act of 1958, and Chapter 473 of the Laws of 1960, otherwise designated as Section 27-51-21 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, annotated as recompiled.

SO ORDERED on this the 20th day of July, A. D., 1976.

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A-5595 RECHINGER-HATCHER

/s/ Ulmer Byrd
Ulmer Byrd, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

/s/ Susan B. Smith
Susan B. Smith, City Clerk

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF FORREST

I, Susan B. Smith, City Clerk of the City of Petal, Mississippi, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Order adopted by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of said city at a regular meeting held July 20, 1976, as the same appears for record in my office in Minute Book II, at pages 51 and 52.

WITNESS my signature and the official seal of said city on this, the 27th day of July, A. D., 1976.

/s/ Susan B. Smith
Susan B. Smith, City Clerk

(SEAL)

Mayor Byrd requested the wishes of the Board concerning the aforesaid Order.

THEREUPON, Alderman Charles A. Sumrall made a motion adopting the Order of Motor Vehicle Assessment for the 1976-1977 fiscal year. The motion was seconded by Alderman W. H. Clearman.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

The Order for reimbursement of Road and Bridge Tax monies read as follows, to-wit:

O R D E R

WHEREAS, the City of Petal, Mississippi, and the Board of Supervisors of Forrest County, Mississippi, have agreed pursuant to Resolutions dated the 17th day of February, 1976, in Minute Book I, Pages 555 - 558; and

WHEREAS, under the terms and conditions of said agreement, the City is obligated to pay the Board of Supervisors the revenues received, as provided by Sections 27-5-103 and 65-15-21 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, and the aforesaid Resolutions.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that \$7,175.52 in revenues received as provided by Sections 27-5-103 and 65-15-21 of the Mississippi Code

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of 1972, be transferred to the Board of Supervisors of Forrest County for maintenance thereof including culvert and drainage work.

SO ORDERED, on this the 20th day of July, A. D., 1976.

THEREUPON, Alderman W. H. Clearman made a motion adopting the aforesaid Order. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mitchell Curry.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

The Order for transferring money from the General Fund into the Capital Improvement Fund was read as follows, to wit:

O R D E R

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, deem it necessary to make a transfer of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, (\$100,000) from the General Funds of said City to the Capital Improvement Funds of said City in order to appropriate monies for a new City Hall.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, that the City Clerk transfer One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) from the General Funds to Capital Improvement Funds.

SO ORDERED on this the 20th day of July, A.D., 1976.

THEREUPON, Alderman Mitchell Curry made the motion adopting the aforesaid Order. The motion was seconded by Alderman George B. Draughn.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

WHEREAS, Dr. Ben Bell, a representative of the Hattiesburg Public Library System, passed out proposed budget sheets and proceeded to explain the input and output into the Library System which includes the Petal Branch. Dr. Bell explained that in the proposed budget, there is a request of financial assistance from the City. Dr. Bell requested the Board to take the proposed request into consideration.

Mayor Byrd thanked Dr. Bell for bringing this to the attention of the Board and stated that the Board would take this into consideration.

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WHEREAS, Marketa Garner of the Recreation Department reported to the Board concerning the summer recreation program. Mrs. Garner outlined the different activities, the age groups involved, and the total participation of each activity .

Mayor Byrd thanked Mrs. Garner for the report.

Mayor Byrd stated that Ms. T. J. Ward had been employed to replace the vacated position in the Financial Department.

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd requested a report from the committee concerning the decision on the appointment of a Chief of Police.

THEREUPON, Alderman Mitchell Curry made a motion appointing Billy R. Wallace as the new Police Chief. Alderman Charles A. Sumrall seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

Mayor Byrd requested from the committee the starting date and annual compensation.

THEREUPON, Alderman Mitchell Curry made a motion employing Mr. Wallace effective August 1, 1976, with the annual salary of \$10,000. The motion was seconded by Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

It was decided by the Board that the oath of office would be given Mr. Wallace on Saturday, July 31, 1976. The time would be arranged at a later date.

Mayor Byrd requested from the committee the decision of the bids received for a pickup truck.

THEREUPON, Alderman W. H. Clearman stated that Courtesy Motors had the best bid in accordance with the specifications. The motion was seconded by Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

Mr. Curry requested the Board to take the copy of the ordinance concerning the size of buildings in accordance with sales on Sunday and review until the next council meeting.

Mayor Byrd requested the wishes of the Board concerning the proposed ordinance for Mobile Homes. The Board requested that the ordinance be taken under advisement until the next council meeting.

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WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd stated that early today he had met with Mr. Vince Howard, representative with Hensley-Schmidt, concerning a proposal for engineering services in connection with the Petal Safety Improvements project to be funded through the Federal Aid Urban Program. Mayor Byrd presented a summary for the project. The summary reads as follows, to-wit:

SUMMARY FOR
PETAL SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
FEDERAL-AID URBAN PROGRAM

<u>IMPROVEMENT</u>	<u>CONSTRUCTION COST</u>
Drainage and shoulder improvements at Hill Crest Loop and James Street	\$ 408.94
Drainage and shoulder improvements at Hill Crest Loop and Hill Crest Circle	1,960.02
Radar improvements at Eighth Avenue and Main Street	621.66
Installation of pavement markings, street names, regulatory and warning signs on portions of Chapell Hill Road, First Avenue West, Railroad Avenue, McKinnon Avenue, Second Avenue West, North George Street and Eighth Avenue which were added to the Urban System	4,560.79
Installation of city limit signs on South Main Street and Chapell Hill Road	61.30
Installation of school crossing pavement markings and signs on North Main Street and Hill Crest Loop	918.12
Traffic control improvements at intersection of Old Richton Road and Kola Street	<u>1,355.59</u>
SUB-TOTAL	\$9,886.42
CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AND CONTINGENCIES	<u>1,482.96</u>
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST	\$11,369.38
FEDERAL SHARE (70%)	7,958.57
CITY SHARE (30%)	3,410.81
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING	1,650.00

THEREUPON, Alderman Charles A. Sumrall made a motion to accept the above project. The motion was seconded by Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

THEREUPON, Alderman Mitchell Curry made a motion appointing Hensley-Schmidt as the engineers for the above project. The motion was seconded by Alderman W. H. Clearman.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

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WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd requested the wishes of the Board concerning the method of assessment for the 1976 Tax Rolls.

THEREUPON, Alderman Mitchell Curry made a motion authorizing the Tax Assessor to copy the county's 1976 assessment roll. The motion was seconded by Alderman W. H. Clearman.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

Mr. Henderson stated that of the proposals received for the raincoats, Roper was the lowest. Mr. Henderson also stated that he would have some comparable prices, concerning the painting of the identification of the police cars by the next council meeting.

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd presented the monthly report for the month of June.

SO ORDERED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, that the following proof of publication be and filed as required by law, to-wit:

PICKUP TRUCK

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

Those present and voting "Nay":


None

There being no further business, the meeting was ordered adjourned on this the 20th day of July, 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., August 3, 1976, in the Mayor's office in the City Hall.

Those Present: Mayor Ulmer Byrd

City Attorney: Thomas W. Tyner

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