

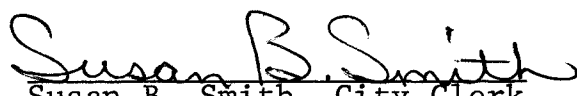
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day of May, A. D., 1976.


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., June 1st, 1976, in the Mayor's office in the City Hall.

Those Present: Mayor Ulmer Byrd
Aldermen: W. H. Clearman
Mitchell Curry
George B. Draughn
A. L. Henderson, Jr.
City Attorney: Thomas W. Tyner

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

Mayor Byrd stated that Mr. Sumrall was out of town and would be back by the next council meeting.

The invocation was offered by Alderman Mitchell Curry.

The minutes of the meeting held May 18th, 1976, were read by Susan B. Smith.

WHEREAS, Alderman Draughn stated that in the minutes where it states that "several persons called concerning street lights on Richton Road", the wording should be changed to read that Alderman Draughn stated that Mr. Hardage had contacted him concerning additional lights on Richton Road, and Mr. Henderson requested the status of the street light on Pecan Terrace.

THEREUPON, Alderman Draughn made a motion to adopt the minutes with the afore-said amendment. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mitchell Curry.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

The hour of 7:30 P. M. having arrived, the Board of Aldermen opened and publicly read the bids received for data processing.

SOUTHERN APPRAISAL ASSOCIATES, INC./P. O. BOX 845, BROOKHAVEN, MS

May 29, 1976

The Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen
City of Petal
Petal, Mississippi 39465

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your specifications for Data Processing for the City of Petal Municipal Separate School District we submit our bid of two thousand forty-eight dollars and fifty-five cents (\$2,048.55).

Thanking you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,

SOUTHERN APPRAISAL ASSOCIATES, INC.

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/s/ Burl B. Hardin
Burl B. Hardin
President

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WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd stated that time is an essential factor and requested Mitchell Curry and W. H. Clearman to take the bid under advisement and report at the next council meeting.

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd requested the wishes of the Board on Claims 1300 through 1340.

THEREUPON, Alderman W. H. Clearman made a motion authorizing payment of claims 1300 through 1340. The motion was seconded by A. L. Henderson, Jr.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd presented to the Board the budget report for the month of April.

WHEREAS, Mr. Henderson reported on the decision of hiring a dispatcher to replace Marian Duggan. Mr. Henderson stated that Miss Debbie Lee had been chosen to fill this position. Mr. Henderson also presented the letter of resignation of Jay V. Creel.

June 6, 1976

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is a letter of formal resignation, effective date June 12, 1976. It has been a pleasure to have been affiliated with the Petal Police Department over the past year as first a Reserve Officer and than as Dispatcher. But being offered a position as Patrolman with the Wiggins Police Department gives me a chance to advance in my chosen field of endeavor. My thanks to the Chief of Police, the Mayor, and the Board of Aldermen for the chance to work with the City of Petal. It is my hope that in the future, I may return to the department where I have learned so much.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Jay V. Creel
Jay V. Creel

Mr. Henderson suggested that Mr. Larry Donovan be appointed as dispatcher to replace Jay V. Creel.

THEREUPON, Alderman Henderson made a motion appointing Miss Debbie Lee as dispatcher effective May 29, 1976, and appointing Larry Donovan as dispatcher effective June 12, 1976. The motion was seconded by Alderman George B. Draughn.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay"

None

WHEREAS, the following Order was read, to-wit:

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O R D E R

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, deem it necessary to hire Two (2) additional dispatchers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the monthly rate of pay for the individuals appointed shall be the sum of \$2.30 per hour, and to be paid by paying one-half of the monthly salary on the 15th day of each month and one-half of the monthly salary on the last day of each month.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Miss Debbie Lee be and is hereby appointed as dispatcher for the City of Petal Police Department, to serve from May 29, 1976, and Larry Donovan be and is hereby appointed as dispatcher for the City of Petal Police Department from June 12, 1976. Both parties will serve until further orders of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi.

SO ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, on this the 1st day of June, A. D., 1976.

WHEREAS, Mr. Henderson addressed the Board stating that he had received the proposed "decals" for the Police Department, and that he and the Chief of Police had reviewed them.

WHEREAS, Mr. Henderson addressed the Board stating that he recommended the decal with the State of Mississippi in black, and the City Seal in the middle with the words 'Police' written on the car, the police department telephone number and the unit number of the car. Mr. Henderson requested adoption of the decal in order that prices for stencils could be obtained.

After discussion, Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr., made a motion that the above described decal be adopted for the police cars and other cars of the City. The motion was seconded by Alderman George B. Draughn.

- Those present and voting "Yea":
 - Alderman W. H. Clearman
 - Alderman Mitchell Curry
 - Alderman George B. Draughn
 - Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr.

- Those present and voting "Nay":
 - None

Upon a vote adopting the decal, Mayor Byrd authorized Mr. Henderson to proceed with obtaining prices for stencils on the adopted decal.

WHEREAS, Alderman Draughn addressed the Board concerning the Animal Warden. Alderman Draughn stated he had called the Police Department for assistance with some dogs and was informed that the City no longer had an Animal Warden. Alderman Draughn stated that he was unaware of the situation. Mayor Byrd stated that he was just recently informed of the situation and there is only one application on file for this position. After discussion, it was determined that the Aldermen would try to get some more applications for this position.

WHEREAS, Alderman W. H. Clearman reported on the bids for the dictation

equipment. Mr. Clearman stated that the only bid meeting specifications was the one submitted by International Business Machines.

Mayor Byrd requested the wishes of the Board.

THEREUPON, Alderman W. H. Clearman made a motion to accept the IBM bid in the amount of \$751.75. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mitchell Curry.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

Mayor Byrd stated to the Board that the City would save \$48.00 on the recreation bid by ordering the lowest bid item from the lowest bidder. Mayor Byrd stated that by doing such, each bidder would receive a portion of the bid.

THEREUPON, Alderman W. H. Clearman made a motion giving Mayor Byrd the authority to purchase individual items from the lowest bidder, per item. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mitchell Curry.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

Mayor Byrd requested authorization to advertise for bids for a one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) ton pick-up truck.

THEREUPON, Alderman W. H. Clearman made a motion authorizing the City to advertise for a one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) ton pick-up truck. The motion was seconded by Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

THEREUPON, the Notice to Bidders read as follows, to-wit:

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Petal, Mississippi, until 7:30 P. M., on Tuesday, July 6, 1976, of said City for the following:

One (1) 1976 Model Pick-up Truck
Long Wheel Base
No less than 6050 Lb. GVW
One-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) Ton Truck
No less than 250 CID, 6 cylinder engine
heavy duty, two-barrel carburetor
Automatic Transmission
Power Steering, Power Brakes
Heavy Duty Rear Bumper
Mirrors
Five (5) H78X15 6 Ply Tires
Heavy Duty Springs
Heavy Duty Shocks
Color - Blue
Motor to use leaded or unleaded gas

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No bid will be considered which fails to contain the following statement:

"The bid herein made does not exceed the State Contract Price fixed by the Current Indexed List of Commodities or the item herein bid upon is not contained on said Current List."

The lowest and best bid received will be accepted, subject to the State Contract Price fixed by the "Indexed List of Commodities", published by the State Commission of Budget and Accounting, and in the event said item does not appear on said "Indexed List of Commodities", then the lowest and best bid may be accepted, but the Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any formalities.

CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI
/s/ Susan B. Smith, City Clerk
June 11, 18, 25, 1976

(SEAL)

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd requested that the Board take under consideration by the next council meeting, an auditor for the Municipal Separate School District. Mayor Byrd said that this individual should be appointed as soon as possible, in order that they may become familiar with the Municipal Separate School District books.

Mayor Byrd reported to the Board concerning the consolidation of the Petal Postal System into a Branch Station with Hattiesburg. Mayor Byrd said he had contacted Senator Stennis and Congressman Lott and each had extended their complete assistance. Mayor Byrd also stated that he had received a report concerning a bill pending in Congress which should be passed this month concerning the prevention of the closing of Post Offices or alteration of the Post Offices. Mayor Byrd stated that the City of Petal should attempt to obtain a temporary injunction prohibiting any change in the operation of the Petal Post Office until this bill is passed in Congress.

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd requested the wishes of the Board.

THEREUPON, Alderman Mitchell Curry made a motion authorizing Mr. Tyner to try to obtain such a temporary injunction upon the orders of the Mayor. The motion was seconded by Alderman W. H. Clearman.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

Mayor Byrd stated to the Board that the Mississippi State Firefighters are having a convention June 10 through June 12th. The City of Petal is entitled to three delegates and the three delegates will represent ten men from the City's Fire Department. The firemen have picked three delegates who are as follows: Bobby Fennell, Aubra Evans, and R. L. Hullum. Mayor Byrd stated that the registration fee would be \$45.00 for all three.

THEREUPON, Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr., made a motion authorizing payment

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of the registration fee of \$45.00 for the three delegates to attend the Mississippi State Firefighter's Convention. The motion was seconded by Alderman W. H. Clearman.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd reported on the status of the signal light and easement changes on Main and Central. Mayor Byrd stated that Mr. A. R. Lee had received very favorable response from the adjacent property owners. Hensley-Schmidt is in the process of trying to obtain funding for a left-lane turn signal light for this area.

Alderman Draughn requested if a decision had been made as to the feasibility of a lane turn signal where Carterville Road intersects with Main Street. Mayor Byrd stated that he would check into it by next meeting.

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

NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR DATA PROCESSING SERVICES

Mayor Byrd requested the wishes of the Board as to the petition requesting the name change of Berry Alley to Gandy Street.

THEREUPON, Alderman A. L. Henderson, Jr., made a motion changing Berry Alley to Gandy Street. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mitchell Curry.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and noting "Nay":

None

Mayor Byrd requested the wishes of the Board concerning the proposal of the Petal Softball League for assistance on the monthly light bill.

THEREUPON, Alderman W. H. Clearman made a motion authorizing a \$500.00 payment on the lights. The motion was seconded by A. L. Henderson, Jr.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

WHEREAS, Mithcell Curry read the following letter from Mr. Salinas concerning the estimated cost of the proposed City Hall for the City of Petal. The letter read as follows, to-wit:

June 1, 1976

Mr. Mitchell Curry, Alderman/City of Petal/Petal, Ms 39465

SUBJECT: The Estimated Cost of the Proposed City Hall for the City of Petal

Dear Mr. Curry:

A local general contractor and myself have completed, separately, two estimates of the proposed City Hall for the City of Petal. His estimate and mine indicates that the

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cost of the building is between \$68,000 and \$78,000. The cost of the drawings will be approximately \$3,500.

You realize, of course, that because I don't have control of the cost of materials and labor, I cannot guarantee this estimate. When the plans are completed, then is when we know how much it will cost. The cost can vary with the type of materials used, making it necessary to have the plans completed and take bids before we know the exact amount. I was delighted that the estimate was within the budget that we discussed and I have taken the liberty of proceeding in the completion of the plans. I feel that I can complete the plans by the 1st of next month if I don't run into any unusual problems. If I do not hear from you, I would assume that you are in agreement with the estimate and with me proceeding with the development of the plans.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the mayor, you and the Board of Aldermen for showing the confidence you have in me to develop your plans. I will assure you that it has been a pleasure working with you and I will do my best to do you the best job that is possible.

Sincerely

/s/ Ysidro Salinas
Draftsman

YS/ch

After reading the letter, there were questions from the Board as to whether Mr. Salinas' estimated cost included the inspection of the project and the certification to the City of the certain stages of completion of the project. Mayor Byrd directed Alderman Mitchell Curry to check with Mr. Salinas and report at the next council meeting. Mitchell Curry stated that Mr. Salinas should have blueprints and specifications by the first of July.

WHEREAS, Mayor Byrd read the letter of resignation from Linda Brown. The letter of resignation was read, as follows, to-wit:

I, Linda B. Brown, resign my position as clerk-typist with the City of Petal, effective Friday, May 21, 1976.

I am leaving not due to any friction or conflicts with the employees of City Hall.

I have greatly enjoyed working for the City of Petal. It has been a rewarding job and has taught me many things about our government.

I leave with a heavy heart because of the wonderful people that I have worked with. Susan has been a very understanding supervisor and has always helped me in any way that she can. To her I want to say thank you.

I am going to work for the Ramada Inn. They have offered me many advantages and I feel that I must take them.

Again to the Aldermen and Mayor Byrd I want to say Thank You and all the luck to you and this great City.

/s/ Linda Brown
Linda Brown

THEREUPON, Mitchell Curry made a motion to accept the aforesaid letter of resignation. The motion was seconded by A. L. Henderson, Jr.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

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


Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

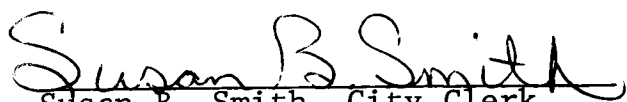
None

There being no further business, the meeting was ordered adjourned on this the first day of June, 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., June 15, 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 A. L. Henderson, Jr. Charles A. Sumrall

Others Present: Bobby Fennell

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

Mayor Byrd stated that Mitchell Curry was out of town on business at the present, but would be back by the next council meeting.

The invocation was offered by Charles A. Sumrall.

The minutes of the meeting held June 1, 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 W. H. Clearman.

Those present and voting "Yea":

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

Those present and voting "Nay":

None

WHEREAS, Chief Fennell stated that the Mississippi Firefighter's Magazine is planning to do a feature article on the City of Petal Fire Department. Chief Fennell requested from the Board if the City of Petal would place an advertisement in that publication. Chief Fennell stated that a one-fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) page ad would be \$65.00, a one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) page ad \$100.00, and a full page \$150.00. Chief Fennell also suggested several items for the Board of Aldermen to consider in the revised budget and the budget for the next fiscal year. Chief Fennell expressed to the Board the delegates appreciation for their support during the State Firefighter's Convention.