

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, on April 4, 1978, in the Board Room in the City Hall.

Those present: Mayor Sidney O. Smith

City Attorney: Thomas W. Tyner

Aldermen: W. E. Boutwell
W. H. Campbell
George B. Draughn
Robert E. Russell
Bobby W. Runnels

Others present: Larry Wade
Anna Wade
Glenn Grimsley
D. J. Odom
Raymond Dearman
Carter Carroll

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

The minutes of March 21, 1978, were read by Priscilla C. Daniel.

THEREUPON, Alderman Boutwell made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Alderman Runnels seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "AYE":

Alderman W. E. Boutwell
Alderman W. H. Campbell
Alderman George B. Draughn
Alderman Bobby W. Runnels
Alderman Robert E. Russell

Those present and voting "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith called for public comment.

THEREUPON, D. J. Odom of the State Department of Agriculture addressed the board concerning the possibility of a Farmer's Market locating in Petal to serve the citizens of Forrest County and the surrounding counties.

THEREUPON, the board requested that Mr. Odom talk with the area farmers about forming such a market and to report his findings to the board.

WHEREAS, Raymond Dearman, City Engineer, reported to the Board concerning the street improvement funds available to the City through the State Highway Department. Mr. Dearman requested the wishes of the board concerning the priorities of the locations.

THEREUPON, after lengthy discussion, the board stated that the first priority would be North Main from Central Avenue to First Avenue, and the second priority would be Old Richton Road from Chappel Hill Drive to Highway #42.

WHEREAS, Mr. Glenn Grimsley presented a copy of an estimated budget for a proposed teen shelter in Petal. Mr. Grimsley stated that of this \$80,000 budget, approximately \$60,000 would be funded through the Welfare Department Title XX funds, and the other \$20,000 through local sources. Mr. Grimsley stated that these funds would support two shelters for abused and neglected children, one for boys and one for girls. Mr. Grimsley requested that the board consider allocating \$5,000 for this shelter for the budget year 78-79. Mr. Grimsley stated that he would approach the City of Hattiesburg, and the Forrest County Board of Supervisors for the balance of the matching funds.

THEREUPON, Alderman Boutwell made a motion to give Larry Wade and Mr.

Grimsley permission to go to the City of Hattiesburg and the Board of Supervisors with a positive feeling from the City of Petal board of Aldermen asking their support in the establishment of this teen shelter. Alderman Russell seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "AYE":

Alderman W. E. Boutwell
Alderman W. H. Campbell
Alderman George B. Draughn
Alderman Robert E. Russell
Alderman Bobby W. Runnels

Those present and voting "NAY":

None

WHEREAS, Carter Carroll, recreation director, stated that Mr. L. L. Martin, who received the bid on a D-4 dozer and operator for the work at the land-fill, has since that time sold the bulldozer.

THEREUPON, Alderman Runnels made a motion to readvertise for a D-6 or larger bulldozer, operator, fuel and insurance to do the proposed work on the land-fill. Alderman Russell seconded the motion. The notice to bidders read as follows:

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids shall be received by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, until 7:30 P. M., on May 2, 1978, in the City Hall of said City for:

- (a) Rental per hour for one bulldozer, D-6 caterpillar, or equal
- (b) The price per hour for the operator of said equipment

Said price should include all necessary insurance, fuel and repairs to said rental equipment.

Said operator and equipment to perform construction of one hardball field, two softball fields, and general leveling of park site at the direction of superintendent of highways and streets of the City of Petal, Mississippi.

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.

By: /s/ Priscilla C. Daniel
Priscilla C. Daniel

April 10, 17, and 24th

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Those present and voting "AYE":

- Alderman W. E. Boutwell
- Alderman W. H. Campbell
- Alderman George B. Draughn
- Alderman Robert E. Russell
- Alderman Bobby W. Runnels

Those present and voting "NAY":

None

WHEREAS, Gary Morrow, Chief of Police, presented the proposed plans for a new police department for the consideration of the board.

THEREUPON, the board requested that Chief Morrow make the needed alterations to the plans and present the specifications to the board.

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith stated that the city has had a problem with heavy trucks taking short cuts on residential streets to avoid traffic on the main streets.

THEREUPON, Alderman Boutwell made a motion to adopt the following order appointing Gary Morrow as city traffic engineer, which will give Chief Morrow the authority to designate load limits for certain streets. The order 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 appoint a city traffic engineer.

WHEREAS, the City Traffic Engineer shall exercise the power and perform the duties as provided in Ordinance 1974 (6) - AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING UNIFORM RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR TRAFFIC AND MOTOR VEHICLES AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES AND VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES, - and other Ordinances of the City.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Gary Morrow be, and he is hereby appointed City Traffic Engineer effective April 4, 1978, until further orders of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi.

SO ORDERED on this, the 4th day of April, A. D., 1978.

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Alderman Draughn seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "AYE":

- Alderman W. E. Boutwell
- Alderman W. H. Campbell
- Alderman George B. Draughn
- Alderman Bobby W. Runnels
- Alderman Robert E. Russell

Those present and voting "NAY":

None

WHEREAS, City Attorney, Thomas Tyner, stated that in answer to a request by the aldermen concerning an anti-gambling ordinance, he would like to direct the board's attention to the Mississippi Statutes, 97-33-1 through 97-33-29. Mr. Tyner

stated that he felt that these statutes would cover the situations of concern to the aldermen and that the City of Petal police officers could be instructed to enforce these laws.

WHEREAS, Alderman Runnels stated that Teddy Denham has applied for the mechanic position.

THEREUPON, Alderman Runnels made a motion to adopt the following order appointing Teddy Denham as mechanic and supervisor in the Highways and Streets Department, effective April 6, 1978.

O R D E R

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen deem it necessary to employ a supervisor in the Highways and Streets Department.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Teddy Denham be, and he is hereby appointed to the position of supervisor in Highways and Streets, effective April 6, 1978, at a salary of \$3.75 per hour, until further orders of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi.

SO ORDERED on this, the 4th day of April, A. D. 1978.

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Alderman Boutwell seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "AYE:"

Alderman W. E. Boutwell
Alderman W. H. Campbell
Alderman George B. Draughn
Alderman Bobby W. Runnels
Alderman Robert E. Russell

Those present and voting "NAY":

None

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith requested the wishes of the Board concerning the bids for the garbage truck.

THEREUPON, Alderman Russell made a motion to accept McMullan Motor's bid on the two automatic garbage trucks. Alderman Campbell seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "AYE":

Alderman W. E. Boutwell
Alderman W. H. Campbell
Alderman George B. Draughn
Alderman Bobby W. Runnels
Alderman Robert E. Russell

Those present and voting "NAY":

None

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith stated that the fire hose from American LaFrance has been returned from the factory and still does not meet the specifications bid on.

THEREUPON, Alderman Russell made a motion to reject American LaFrance bid for firehose and to readvertise. Alderman Runnels seconded the motion. The notice to bidders read as follows, to-wit:

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids shall be received by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, until

7:30 P. M., on May 2, 1978, in the City Hall of said City for fire hose for Petal Fire Department.

Specifications will be on file in the office of the City Clerk of Petal, Mississippi.

Said specifications may be examined during office of the City Clerk and arrangements made for securing copies of same.

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/ Priscilla C. Daniel
Priscilla C. Daniel, City Clerk

April 12, 19, and 26th

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Those present and voting "AYE":

- Alderman W. E. Boutwell
- Alderman W. H. Campbell
- Alderman George B. Draughn
- Alderman Robert E. Russell
- Alderman Bobby W. Runnels

Those present and voting "NAY":

None

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith presented claims numbered 3375 through 3437 for the City of Petal.

THEREUPON, Alderman Boutwell made a motion to pay claims numbers 3375 through 3437 with the exception of claim number 3428. Alderman Runnels seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "AYE":

- Alderman W. E. Boutwell
- Alderman W. H. Campbell
- Alderman George B. Draughn
- Alderman Bobby Runnels
- Alderman Robert E. Russell

Those present and voting "NAY":

None

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith presented Claims numbers 42B and 43B for the Repair and Extension account for the City of Petal Water and Sewer Department.

THEREUPON, Alderman Campbell made a motion to pay claims numbers 42B

and 43B. Alderman Russell seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "AYE:"

Alderman W. E. Boutwell
Alderman W. H. Campbell
Alderman George B. Draughn
Alderman Robert E. Russell
Alderman Bobby W. Runnels

Those present and voting "NAY":

None

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith presented claims numbers 176A through 194A for the Operation & Maintenance account for the City of Petal Water Department.

THEREUPON, Alderman Campbell made a motion to pay claims numbers 176A through 194A. Alderman Russell seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "AYE":

Alderman W. E. Boutwell
Alderman W. H. Campbell
Alderman George B. Draughn
Alderman Robert E. Russell
Alderman Bobby W. Runnels

Those present and voting "NAY":

None

THEREUPON, Alderman Campbell made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Draughn seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "AYE":

Alderman W. E. Boutwell
Alderman W. H. Campbell
Alderman George B. Draughn
Alderman Robert E. Russell
Alderman Bobby W. Runnels

Those present and voting "NAY":

None

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was ordered adjourned on this the 4th day of April, A. D., 1978.



SIDNEY O. SMITH, MAYOR

(SEAL)

ATTEST:



PRISCILLA C. DANIEL, CITY CLERK