

## MINUTES — Petal, Mississippi

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, in the Board Room of said City on February 20, 1979, at 7:30 P. M.

Those present: Mayor Sidney O. Smith  
City Attorney, Thomas Tyner

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

Others present: Mrs. Harry Hatten  
Richard Topp  
Joe Barron  
Robert Sullivan  
Kitty King  
Mrs. John Green  
and others

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

The invocation was offered by Robert Russell.

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 6, 1979, were read by Priscilla C. Daniel.

THEREUPON, Alderman Boutwell made a motion that the minutes be accepted as read. Alderman Campbell 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 called for public comment.

THEREUPON, Mrs. Harry Hatten addressed the Board concerning the location of a trailer park in her neighborhood in reference to the proposed zoning ordinance.

THEREUPON, Mayor Smith advised Mrs. Hatten that until a zoning ordinance is adopted by the Board, the Board has no authority in this matter.

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith requested the wishes of the Board concerning the dog pound.

THEREUPON, Alderman Boutwell made a motion to go into executive session. 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

THEREUPON, Alderman Runnels made a motion to adjourn the executive session. Alderman Boutwell seconded the motion.

Those present and voting "AYE":

Alderman W. E. Boutwell  
Alderman W. H. Campbell  
Alderman George B. Draughn

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Those present and voting "NAY":

None

THEREUPON, Alderman Boutwell made a proposal for the city to negotiate a contract for the remainder of the fiscal year with the Forrest County Humane Society for them to accept the stray animals from Petal except the diseased for a flat fee of \$150.00, plus impound fees, including a 30-day cancellation notice by either party, provided that the animal warden has a place to put the animals.

THEREUPON, upon approval of the proposal by Mrs. John Green, Kitty King, and Robert Sullivan, Alderman Boutwell made a motion to authorize the city attorney, Thomas Tyner, to draw up a contract with the Humane Society and to authorize Mayor Smith to enter into this contract. 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, Richard Topp presented the audit of the City of Petal funds and the City of Petal Water & Sewer funds to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

THEREUPON, Alderman Draughn made a motion to accept the following order authorizing the City Clerk to publish the audit. Alderman Campbell seconded the motion. The order and the audit read as follows, to-wit:

O R D E R

SO ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, that Carl L. Nicholson, certified public accountant, having completed the annual audit of the financial affairs of the City of Petal, Mississippi, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978.

IT IS THEREFORE ordered that the city clerk be, and she is hereby authorized and directed to be published the synopsis thereof in the Hattiesburg American, a daily newspaper published and having a general circulation therein as provided by law.

SO ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, on this the 20th day of February, A. D., 1979.

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EXHIBIT A

CITY OF PETAL

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET  
SEPTEMBER 30, 1978

ASSETS

	General Fund	Federal Revenue Sharing Fund
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash on hand	\$ 225.00	\$.....
Cash on deposit	176,729.95	11,786.93
Certificates of deposit	18,000.00	35,575.41
Due from other funds	100.00	
Accounts receivable - customers (net of allowance for bad debts of \$1,253.53)		
Inventory of tools and supplies		
Prepaid insurance		
	<u>195,054.95</u>	<u>47,362.34</u>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>		
General fixed assets		
Water and Sewer System (net of accumulated depreciation of \$46,500.03)		
	.....	.....
<b>OTHER ASSETS</b>		
Due from other funds (restricted)		
Certificate of deposit (restricted)		
	.....	.....
Total assets	<u>\$195,054.95</u>	<u>\$47,362.34</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Bills docketed and accounts payable	\$ 22,099.67	\$.....
Jail fees and drivers education penalties due county	1,916.78	
Refunds due on property taxes	764.42	
Due to other funds		
Accrued expenses		
	<u>24,780.87</u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>LONG TERM LIABILITIES</b>		
Bonds payable		
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>		
Reserves		
Contributions		
Retained earnings		
Investment in general fixed assets		
Unappropriated	170,274.08	47,362.34
	<u>170,274.08</u>	<u>47,362.34</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$195,054.95</u>	<u>\$47,362.34</u>

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Municipal Fire Protection Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	Tax Agency Fund	General Fixed Assets	Combined Water and Sewer System
\$..... 2,302.98 60,000.00	\$..... 9,907.76 50,000.00	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 670.00 108,687.50
<u>62,302.98</u>	<u>59,907.76</u>	<u>.....</u>	<u>514,869.45</u>	23,817.09 6,705.53 1,544.51 <u>141,424.63</u>
<u>.....</u>	<u>.....</u>	<u>.....</u>	514,869.45 <u>514,869.45</u>	1,728,067.45 <u>1,728,067.45</u>
<u>.....</u> <u>\$62,302.98</u>	<u>.....</u> <u>\$59,907.76</u>	<u>.....</u> <u>\$ - 0 -</u>	<u>.....</u> <u>\$514,869.45</u>	49,020.77 164,000.00 213,020.77 <u>\$2,082,521.85</u>
\$.....  100.00 <u>100.00</u>	\$.....  <u>.....</u>	\$.....  <u>.....</u>	\$.....  <u>.....</u>	\$ 30,226.15  49,020.77 2,202.69 <u>81,449.61</u>
<u>.....</u>	<u>.....</u>	<u>.....</u>	<u>.....</u>	936,000.00
62,202.98 <u>62,202.98</u> <u>\$62,302.98</u>	59,907.76 <u>59,907.76</u> <u>\$59,907.76</u>	<u>.....</u> <u>\$ - 0 -</u>	514,869.45 <u>514,869.45</u> <u>\$514,869.45</u>	216,917.50 128,949.96 46,290.09 672,914.69 <u>1,065,072.24</u> <u>2,082,521.85</u>

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EXHIBIT B

CITY OF PETAL

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1978

	General Fund	Federal Revenue Sharing Fund
REVENUES		
Water and sewer charges	\$.....	\$.....
Privilege licenses	8,909.00	
Franchise charges	61,776.98	
Building permits	7,068.20	
Federal grants	101,691.44	53,331.00
State grants	6,570.79	
Sales tax (refunded from state)	249,137.91	
Gasoline tax refund	10,539.09	
Alcohol beverage license	900.00	
Court fines and forfeits	48,213.75	
Public safety charges	24,163.05	
Donation (Note 7)	68,552.00	
Interest on investments	6,473.81	575.41
Recreation fees	3,912.73	
Garbage pickup receipts	3,610.00	
Cemetery receipts	1,165.00	
Other	5,624.59	
Property taxes		
Special homestead exemption		
Printing fees and penalties on taxes	<u>608,308.34</u>	<u>53,906.41</u>
TRANSFERS FROM OTHER FUNDS	<u>186,156.41</u>	
Total revenues and transfers	<u>794,464.75</u>	<u>53,906.41</u>
EXPENDITURES		
Personal services	397,453.45	
Contractual services	312,810.69	22,405.08
Supplies	36,190.34	1,688.00
Capital outlays	93,523.31	6,386.80
Other		
Interest on bonds	<u>839,977.79</u>	<u>30,479.88</u>
TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS		
Transfers to other city funds	1,126.60	
Transfers to Petal Municipal Separate School System	<u>1,126.60</u>	
Total expenditures and transfers	<u>841,104.39</u>	<u>30,479.88</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND TRANSFERS OVER EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS BEFORE CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF ACCOUNTING CHANGE	(46,639.64)	23,426.53
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT-ACCOUNTING CHANGE (Note 5)	<u>13,199.36</u>	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND TRANSFERS OVER EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS	<u>(\$ 33,440.28)</u>	<u>\$23,426.53</u>

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Municipal Fire Protection Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	Tax Agency Fund	Combined Water and Sewer Fund
\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$271,468.13
32,457.77			
2,254.39	2,760.46		11,920.00
		490,974.89	
		11,007.10	
		2,951.62	
<u>34,712.16</u>	<u>2,760.46</u>	<u>504,933.61</u>	<u>283,388.13</u>
	1,126.60		
<u>34,712.16</u>	<u>3,887.06</u>	<u>504,933.61</u>	<u>283,388.13</u>
1,426.43	462.46		65,448.45
5,634.23	351.79		106,983.30
12,176.90	24,062.86		6,025.30
		4,592.52	37,997.45
<u>19,237.56</u>	<u>24,877.11</u>	<u>4,592.52</u>	<u>36,050.00</u>
			252,504.50
		186,156.41	
		312,420.58	
<u>19,237.56</u>	<u>24,877.11</u>	<u>498,576.99</u>	<u>252,504.50</u>
		503,169.51	
15,474.60	(20,990.05)	1,764.10	30,883.63
<u>\$15,474.60</u>	<u>(\$20,990.05)</u>	<u>\$ 1,764.10</u>	<u>\$ 30,883.63</u>

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EXHIBIT C

CITY OF PETAL

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1978

	General Fund	Federal Revenue Sharing Fund	Municipal Fire Protection Fund	Capital Improvements Fund
BALANCE - OCTOBER 1, 1977	\$216,913.72	\$23,935.81	\$46,728.38	\$80,397.81
Add (Deduct)				
Adjustment to record assumption of Water and Sewer Facility at October 1, 1977 (Note 3)				
Adjustment to General fixed Asset Group of accounts due to physical inventory at July 14, 1978 (Note 4)				
Prior Period Adjustment- accounting Change (Note 5)	(13,199.36)			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and transfers over expenditures and transfers for the year	(33,440.28)	23,426.53	15,474.60	(20,990.05)
Capital outlays for the year				
BALANCE - SEPTEMBER 30, 1978	<u>\$170,274.08</u>	<u>\$47,362.34</u>	<u>\$62,202.98</u>	<u>\$59,407.76</u>

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Tax Agency Fund	General Fixed Assets	COMBINED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM			
		Reserves	Contributions	Retained Earnings	Investment In Fixed Assets
\$(1,764.10)	\$398,823.72	\$	\$	\$	\$
		223,697.55	128,949.96	29,490.61	652,050.49
	(20,104.14)				
1,764.10		(6,780.05)		16,799.48	20,864.20
	<u>136,149.87</u>				
<u>\$ - 0 -</u>	<u>\$514,869.45</u>	<u>\$216,917.50</u>	<u>\$128,949.96</u>	<u>\$46,290.09</u>	<u>\$672,914.69</u>



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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, Joe Barron presented the proration for the month of January to the Board.

THEREUPON, Alderman Russell made a motion to authorize the City Clerk to invest \$100,000 of the General Fund for 30 days at the best interest rate. Alderman Boutwell 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, City Attorney, Thomas Tyner, presented the following resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to borrow \$216,000 in anticipation of 1979 taxes to make the Petal Municipal Separate School District bonds and interest payments due March 1, 1979, and September 1, 1979. The resolution read as follows, to-wit:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY  
 TO BORROW IN ANTICIPATION OF  
 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES FOR THE  
 PURPOSE OF PAYING CURRENT INTEREST  
 MATURITIES ON THE BONDED INDEBTED-  
 NESS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Petal Municipal Separate School District did at a meeting of said Board on November 20, 1978, duly and properly adopt a resolution requesting the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Forrest County, Mississippi, to borrow money, on behalf of the Petal Municipal Separate School District, for the purpose of paying current interest maturities on the Separate School District's bonded indebtedness in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the retirement of such bonded indebtedness and the payment of any interest thereon; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, are authorized pursuant to Section 37-59-37, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, to borrow in anticipation of school district taxes for the purpose of paying current interest maturities on any bonded indebtedness of the Petal Municipal Separate School District in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the retirement of such bonded indebtedness and the payment of any interest thereon; and

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WHEREAS, there would be due and owing to the holders of bonds issued by the City of Petal for and on behalf of the Petal Municipal Separate School District, on March 1, 1979, the sum of \$216,000.00, for which funds are not otherwise available for the payment thereof, without borrowing in anticipation of the school district taxes; and

WHEREAS, the borrowing in anticipation of taxes of the Petal Municipal Separate School District will not violate the prohibitions contained in Section 37-59-37 of the Mississippi Code of 1972,

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

SECTION I

That the City of Petal, Mississippi, for and on behalf of the Petal Municipal Separate School District of Forrest County, Mississippi, be and it is hereby authorized to borrow money for the purpose of paying current interest maturities on the bonded indebtedness of the Petal Municipal Separate School District in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the retirement of such bonded indebtedness and the payment of any interest thereon, in an amount not to exceed the sum of \$216,000.00, which said indebtedness shall be repaid no later than March 15, 1980, together with interest at the rate of 6% per annum, and which money so borrowed shall be used for no other purpose than the paying of current interest maturities on the bonded indebtedness of the Petal Municipal Separate School District of Forrest County, Mississippi.

SECTION II.

That said loan shall be evidenced by a single promissory note signed by Sidney O. Smith, as Mayor, and Priscilla Daniel, as City Clerk, which note shall be in the amount of \$216,000.00, with interest at the rate of 6% per annum, payable on or before March 15, 1980, and the payment of which, together with interest thereon, the City pledges the full faith, credit, and resources of the Petal Municipal Separate School District of Forrest County, Mississippi; the form of said note shall be as follows, to-wit:

CURRENT EXPENSE NOTE

March 1, 1979  
\$216,000.00

On or before March 15, 1980, the City of Petal, Mississippi, for and on behalf of the Petal Municipal Separate School District of Forrest County, Mississippi, promises to pay to the Bank of Hattiesburg, or Order, the sum of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$216,000.00) together with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from date until paid. This note is issued under and by virtue of Section 37-59-37 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, and the total of said note is not in excess of 50% of the estimated amount of taxes collected or to be collected on the length of the term of the

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annual tax levy.

For the payment of this note, together with interest thereon, the City of Petal, Mississippi, for and on behalf of the Petal Municipal Separate School District of Forrest County, Mississippi, hereby pledges its full faith, credit and resources.

CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI, for and on behalf of the Petal Municipal Separate School District of Forrest County, Mississippi

BY: /s/ Sidney O. Smith  
SIDNEY O. SMITH, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

/s/ Priscilla C. Daniel  
PRISCILLA C. DANIEL, City Clerk

SECTION III

That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

/s/ Sidney O. Smith  
MAYOR

/s/ W. E. Boutwell  
ALDERMAN

/s/ Robert E. Russell  
ALDERMAN

/s/ Bobby W. Runnels  
ALDERMAN

ATTEST:

/s/ George B. Draughn  
ALDERMAN

/s/ Priscilla C. Daniel  
CITY CLERK

/s/ William H. Campbell  
ALDERMAN

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R E S O L U T I O N

The Board of Trustees for the Petal Municipal Separate School District, Forrest County, Mississippi, took up for consideration the matter of requesting the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Forrest County, Mississippi, to borrow money, on behalf of the Petal Municipal Separate School District, for the purpose of paying current interest maturities on the Separate School District's bonded indebtedness in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the retirement of such bonded indebtedness and the payment of any interest thereon. The bonded indebtedness necessitating this request is that to be issued by the City of Petal, Forrest County, Mississippi, for and on behalf of the Petal Municipal Separate School District in the principal amount of Three Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand

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Dollars (\$3,750,000.00), authorized at a special election held on the 22nd day of November, 1977, and after a discussion of the subject, Trustee Jimmy C. Havard offered and moved the adoption of the following Resolution/Request:

WHEREAS, on the twentieth (20th) day of October, 1977, The Board of Trustees of the Petal Municipal Separate School District did adopt a resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Forrest County, to call a special election on the question of the issuance of bonds of said school district; and

WHEREAS, thereafter on the twentieth (20th) day of October, 1977, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Forrest County, Mississippi, did adopt a resolution calling a special election to be held in said Petal Municipal Separate School District on the twenty-second (22nd) day of November, 1977, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said school district the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION

Shall the Petal Municipal Separate School District of Petal, Forrest County, Mississippi, issue its bonds in the principal amount of Three Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$3,750,000) to raise money for the purpose of erecting, repairing, equipping, remodeling, and enlarging school buildings and related facilities, including gymnasiums, auditoriums, lunch rooms, vocational buildings, libraries, school barns, garages for transportation vehicles, and purchasing land therefor, establishing and equipping school athletic fields and necessary facilities connected therewith, and purchasing land therefor, and providing necessary water, light, heating, and sewerage facilities for school buildings and purchasing land therefor?

WHEREAS, as directed by the aforesaid resolution of the Board of Aldermen, and as required by Section 37-57-1, Et seq. Mississippi Code, 1972 Annotated, notice of the said election was given by publication in the Hattiesburg American, a newspaper published in said Forrest County and a general circulation in the Petal Municipal Separate School District and duly qualified to publish legal notices; and

WHEREAS, the said notice was duly and legally published in said newspaper; and

WHEREAS, the said election was duly held in said Petal Municipal Separate School District on the twenty-second (22nd) day of November, 1977; and

WHEREAS, thereafter, on the twenty-third (23rd) day of November, 1977, the election commissioners within and for said City of Petal and the Petal Municipal Separate School District did make their report of said election to the Board of Aldermen of said City, certifying that the necessary vote in favor of the issuance of the subject bonds had been cast; and

WHEREAS, thereafter, on the sixth (6th) day of December, 1977, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, did adopt a resolution approving the report of the election commissioners declaring the result of said election; and

WHEREAS, on the seventh (7th) day of February, 1978, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Petal, Forrest County, Mississippi, did adopt and pass a resolution authorizing and directing the issuance of bonds of the Petal Municipal Separate School District of Forrest County, Mississippi, in the principal amount of Three Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$3,750,000) as authorized, and prescribing the form in details of said bonds, and providing for the levy of taxes for the payment thereof; and

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WHEREAS, on the twenty-seventh (27th) day of April, 1978, the issuance and sale and content of said bonds as duly validated and decreed to be regular, legal and valid as to form, denomination, interest rate, maturities, and otherwise pursuant to a decree of the Chancery Court of Forrest County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid decree of the Chancery Court of Forrest, County, Mississippi, was duly affirmed by the Supreme Court of the State of Mississippi by its decision of November 1, 1978, affirming the Chancery Court of Forrest County validation of the subject bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Petal Municipal Separate School District find it now necessary to make provision for the payment of current interest maturities on the newly incurred bonded indebtedness; and

WHEREAS, Section 37-59-37, Mississippi Code (1972), makes provision for borrowing in anticipation of school district taxes; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Petal Municipal Separate School District Board of Trustees on this, the 20th day of November, 1978, does hereby and herewith request of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Petal, Forrest County, Mississippi, pursuant to Section 37-59-37, Mississippi Code (1972), to borrow the necessary amount in anticipation of school district taxes so as to pay the current interest maturity on the bonded indebtedness of the subject bond issue, which amount shall be sufficient to provide for the payment of principal of and the interest on these bonds maturing March 1, 1979.

The above motion received a second by Trustee Kirk Ford, and was affirmatively voted on by all the Trustees present, being a lawful quorum, and the President of the Board of Trustees declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted, this 20th day of November, 1978.

/s/ Lewis H. Smith  
LEWIS L. SMITH, PRESIDENT

/s/ Kay Jenkins  
KAY JENKINS, SECRETARY

/s/ Robert D. Pierce  
ROBERT D. PIERCE, TRUSTEE

/s/ Kirk Ford, Jr.  
KIRK FORD, JR., TRUSTEE

/s/ Jimmy C. Havard  
JIMMY C. HAVARD, TRUSTEE

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THEREUPON, Alderman Russell made a motion to adopt the foregoing resolution. 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, Alderman Draughn stated that since Ralph Eddlemon is working with the water department and handling sewer acid he would like to

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department employees. 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

Those present and voting "NAY":

- Alderman Robert E. Russell

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith presented the following letter of resignation from Bobby Fennell, fireman. The letter read as follows, to-wit:

Mayor Smith and Board of Aldermen:

Please accept this letter as my resignation from the Petal Fire Department effective as of February 24, 1979.

It has been a pleasant and valuable experience serving under your administration. Your cooperation with this department has been exceptional, and I appreciate having had the opportunity to work with you for the past two years.

Sincerely,

/s/ Bobby Fennell  
Bobby Fennell

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THEREUPON, Alderman Boutwell made a motion to accept the letter of resignation. 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

THEREUPON, Alderman Russell made a motion to adopt the following order appointing James Michael Howard as fireman 3rd class at a salary of \$650 per month, effective February 25, 1979. Alderman Runnels seconded the motion. 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 fireman due to the resignation of Bobby Fennell.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that James Michael Howard be, and he is hereby appointed as fireman 3rd class at a monthly salary of \$650.00 to serve from February 25, 1979, 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 20th day of February, A. D., 1979.

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WHEREAS, Mayor Smith presented the invoice from Carl Nicholson, C. P. A., for performing the audit of the City of Petal funds.

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\$2750.00 for the city's audit. Alderman Runnels 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, the City Clerk stated that certain parcels of land sold in the 1978 tax sale were sold in error.

THEREUPON, Alderman Draughn made a motion to adopt the following order giving the tax collector permission to rectify these errors. Alderman Boutwell seconded the motion. The order read as follow, to-wit:

O R D E R

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, deem it necessary to delete from the September 1978 land sale the following parcels:

<u>Parcel Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>To Whom Sold</u>	<u>Amount</u>
62210215	J. C. & Leota Parker	College Inv.	\$38.05
61102252	Mrs. Robert Reaser	College Inv.	\$24.73
632090-100	Otho & Mary Nell Gray	Victor Clepper	\$ 9.04

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Board of Aldermen deem it necessary to refund the money collected on the foregoing parcels and do hereby authorize the City Clerk to issue the City's warrants for these refunds.

SO ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, on this the 20th day of February, A. D., 1979.

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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, the City Clerk requested permission to attend the Assessors School Course II sponsored by the International Association of Assessing Officers in Jackson, Mississippi, May 7-11, 1979.

THEREUPON, Alderman Russell made a motion to permit the City Clerk to attend the International Association of Assessing Officers School and to pay the tuition of \$110.00 and expenses for attending.

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

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Those present and voting "NAY":

None

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith stated that Earl Hart has requested that a military fireworks display be allowed during the spring fair at the Great South Fairgrounds.

THEREUPON, the Board agreed to allow the military display, provided that Mr. Hart agrees to leave the fairgrounds and ballfields in an acceptable condition, or to pay for any clean-up or repair to the grounds.

WHEREAS, Alderman Boutwell stated that a contract is needed before B. W. Sullivan can proceed with the work on the police station.

THEREUPON, Alderman Boutwell made a motion authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a standard AIA contract in the amount of \$72,700 with B. W. Sullivan for construction of a police station.

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 Russell made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Campbell 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":

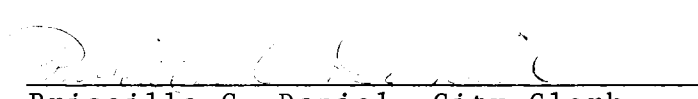
None

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was adjourned on this the 20th day of February, A. D., 1979, at 11:30 P. M.

  
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SIDNEY O. SMITH, MAYOR

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

  
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Priscilla C. Daniel, City Clerk