

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THERE WAS BEGUN AND HELD THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI ON APRIL 1, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM OF SAID CITY.

THOSE PRESENT	MAYOR JACK GAY
CITY ATTORNEY	VIC DUBOSE IN MR. TYNER'S ABSENCE
ALDERMEN	RAYMOND C. BRANDLE JOE C. MCMURRY LEROY SCOTT SHELBY TIMS
OTHERS PRESENT	AUBRA EVANS MIKE SMITH LT. RODNEY JARRELL JERRY CROWE AND OTHERS

THE MAYOR DECLARED A QUORUM PRESENT AND DECLARED THE CITY COUNCIL IN SESSION.

THE INVOCATION WAS OFFERED BY LEROY SCOTT

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

ADD:

V. & SPECIAL MEETING OF MARCH 31, 1997.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN TIMS MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA WITH THE FOREGOING AMENDMENTS. ALDERMAN SCOTT SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF MARCH 18, 1997 AND THE SPECIAL MEETING OF MARCH 31, 1997 BE ACCEPTED AS WRITTEN. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY CALLED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

THEREUPON, JERRY CROWE STATED THAT HE HAS INVESTIGATED THE PRESENTATION GIVEN AT THE LAST BOARD MEETING CONCERNING THE POSSIBILITY OF THE CITY PUTTING A WEBSITE ON THE INTERNET AND HE THINKS THAT THIS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. ALSO MR. CROWE ADDRESSED THE BOARD CONCERNING THE JUNK CARS ON 10TH AVENUE AND THE RENTAL OF THE SMALL CONFERENCE ROOM AT THE CIVIC CENTER.

WHEREAS, MIKE SMITH, RECREATION DIRECTOR, STATED THAT IN ORDER TO BEGIN THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FOR THE ELDERLY AND THE HANDICAPPED WITH THE 17 PASSENGER BUS THE CITY NEEDS TO ADVERTISE FOR A QUALIFIED BUS DRIVER.

THEREUPON ALDERMAN TIMS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR A QUALIFIED BUS DRIVER FOR THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM. ALDERMAN SCOTT SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY REQUESTED THE WISHES OF THE BOARD CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PETAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO DENY THE ZONING REQUEST OF EDWARD P. KING.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION AND DENY THE ZONING REQUEST OF EDWARD P. KING. ALDERMAN SCOTT SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY STATED THAT NO ACTION WAS TAKEN AT THE 6:30 HEARING AGAINST MCDANIEL INVESTMENTS TO CORRECT AND COMPLETE THE GROUNDWORK AND DRAINAGE AT THE NEW POST OFFICE.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO TAKE THE MATTER UNDER ADVISEMENT UNTIL THE MEETING OF MAY 6, 1997. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED A REQUEST FOR ZONING HEARING FROM FLETCHER VOWELL FOR HIS PROPERTY AT 223 W. 4TH AVENUE.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO SET THE ZONING HEARING FOR APRIL 22, 1997 AT 7:30 P.M. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PETAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO DENY BRENDA CAROL PAGE MADDEN'S ZONING CHANGE REQUEST.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN BRANDLE MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND DENY THE REQUEST FOR REZONING FROM BRENDA PAGE MADDEN. ALDERMAN MCMURRY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED INVOICE # 72258 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500. FROM NEEL-SCHAFFER, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ON THE PREPARATION OF THE GIS BASE MAPS.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO PAY NEEL-SCHAFFER, INC. \$1,500. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY STATED THAT THE POLICE CHIEF'S VEHICLE A NEW 1997 FORD TAURUS VIN # 1FALP52UXVA238290 WILL NEED TO BE DESIGNATED AS AN UNMARKED VEHICLE.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN BRANDLE MADE A MOTION TO DESIGNATE THE 1997 FORD TAURUS VIN # 1FALP52UXVA238290 AS AN UNMARKED VEHICLE. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED A QUOTE FROM COMMERCIAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR A MOTOROLA RADIUS GN300 MOBILE RADIO 45 WATT 16 FREQUENCY WITH SCAN AT A COST OF \$606.90 TO EQUIP THE CHIEF'S VEHICLE.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO PURCHASE THE MOTOROLA RADIO FROM COMMERCIAL COMMUNICATIONS. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING PROCLAMATION FOR APRIL TO CLAIMED AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH IN THE CITY OF PETAL.

SEE EXHIBIT "A"

PROCLAMATION

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE FOREGOING PROCLAMATION. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED CLAIMS # 42038 - 42395 OF THE CITY OF PETAL GENERAL FUNDS AND THE PETAL WATER AND SEWER FUNDS.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN BRANDLE MADE A MOTION TO PAY CLAIMS # 42038 - 42395 OF THE CITY OF PETAL GENERAL FUNDS AND THE PETAL WATER AND SEWER FUNDS. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE ON LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS STANDARDS AND TRAINING, STATING THAT BECAUSE OF THE INJURY OFFICER TROYCE THORLA SUFFERED AT THE TRAINING ACADEMY WHICH PREVENTED HIM FROM COMPLETING THE COURSE, OFFICER THORLA QUALIFIES FOR CONSIDERATION FOR SPECIAL RELIEF AND HE MAY CONTINUE IN HIS PRESENT STATUS UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT HE CAN COMPLETE THE BASIC COURSE. THE RELIEF IS EXTENDED WITH THE PROVISION THAT HE MAKE EVERY REASONABLE EFFORT TO COMPLETE THE TRAINING AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY.

SEE EXHIBIT "B"

LETTER - STATE

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION THAT THE LETTER BE ACCEPTED AND MADE A PART OF THE MINUTES. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED A TRAVEL REQUEST FOR FIRE CHIEF AUBRA EVANS TO ATTEND THE 1997 LEADERSHIP MEETING IN BILOXI, MS. ON APRIL 21 & 22, 1997.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN TIMS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE CHIEF EVANS TO ATTEND THE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AND TO PAY HIS EXPENSES. ALDERMAN MCMURRY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM B. R. BRADLEY TO THE BOARD FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION.

SEE EXHIBIT "C"

LETTER - BRADLEY

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO TAKE THE FOREGOING MATTER UNDER ADVISEMENT UNTIL A PLAT CAN BE OBTAINED AND STUDIED. ALDERMAN SCOTT SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

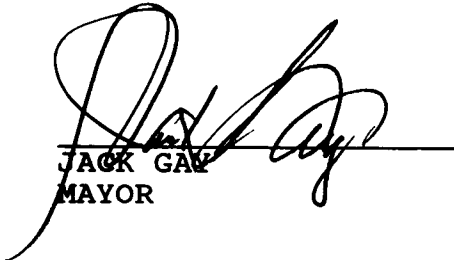
THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

THEREBEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN WAS ADJOURNED ON THIS THE 1ST DAY OF
APRIL, A.D., 1997.


JACK GAY
MAYOR

(SEAL)

ATTEST:



PRISCILLA C. DANIEL
CITY CLERK

EXHIBIT "A"

WHEREAS, Child Abuse and neglect is serious and growing problem affecting more than 2.8 million of our nation's children and hundreds of children locally; and

WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect respects no racial, religious, class or geographic boundaries, and, in fact, has reached epidemic proportions in nearly all regions of our nation; and

WHEREAS, the South Mississippi Exchange Clubs, center for the prevention of child abuse, and it's South Mississippi child advocacy center, joined by local law enforcement, child protective services, medical and therapeutic providers, and community volunteers are making significant progress in stopping this crime against our nation and community's children and families;

NOW, THEREFORE, as Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, we hereby proclaim that the entire month of April, 1997 shall be observed as child abuse prevention month in the City of Petal, and urge all citizens to use this time to better understand, recognize, and respond to this grievous problem;

AND FUTHER, we congratulate the Sotuh Mississippi exchange clubs and their child abuse prevention advocacy center for their work in the prevention of child abuse and we wish them continued success in helping families break free from the cycle of child abuse.

ADOPTED THIS 1st day of April, 1997, by Mayor Jack Gay and the Board of Aldermen, in Petal, Mississippi.

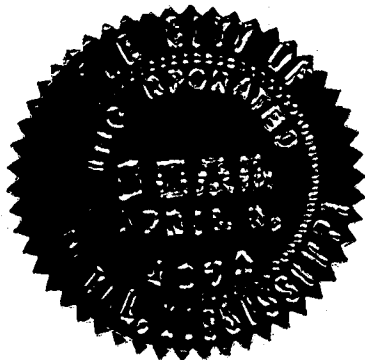


EXHIBIT "B"



STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

KIRK FORDICE
GOVERNOR

JIM INGRAM
COMMISSIONER

OFFICE ON LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS
STANDARDS AND TRAINING

March 10, 1997

Chief Billy W. Murphy
Petal Police Department
Post Office Box 583
Petal, MS 39465

RE: Officer Troyce W. Thorla SS# 438-27-6348

Dear Chief Murphy:

Section 2.5 of the Policy & Procedures Manual states that any person, who, due to illness or other events beyond his/her control, could not attend the required training as scheduled, may serve with full pay and benefits in such a capacity until he/she can attend the required training. Given the circumstances, Officer Thorla qualifies for consideration for that special relief. He may continue in his present status until such time that he can complete the basic course. This relief is extended with the provision that he make every reasonable effort to complete the training at the earliest opportunity.

If you need further assistance, please feel free to contact me at 359-7873.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeff K. Nester".

Jeff K. Nester
Certification Officer

cc: Board Files

EXHIBIT "C"

125 Garden Lane
Petal, MS 39465
Wednesday, March 19, 1997

City of Petal
P.O.Box 564
Petal, MS 39465

To Whom It May Concern:

I have recently purchased property on Leeville Road and am proposing the availability of approximately twenty trailer sites. This property is situated very near existing city sewage hookups. After consulting with Environmental and Quality Control personnel, it is their recommendation that since I am situated so near the existing city sewage, it would be illogical to install lagoons, only to have to do away with them in the next annexation phase of the city.

I have, upon request, the plat of my property for you to inspect concerning this matter. I would appreciate your attention to this matter and would like to meet with you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

B. R. Bradley

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BE IT REMEMBERED THAT A HEARING WAS HELD PURSUANT TO SECTION 21-19-11, AFTER PROPER NOTICE WAS GIVEN TO MCDANIEL INVESTMENTS, INC., ON APRIL 1, 1997 AT 6:30 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT

MAYOR JACK GAY

ALDERMEN

RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
JOE C. MCMURRY
LEROY SCOTT
SHELBY TIMS

MAYOR GAY REPORTED THAT MCDANIEL INVESTMENTS, INC. HAS HAD SOMEONE WORKING AT THE POST OFFICE TODAY TO CORRECT THE DRAINAGE AND TO STRAIGHTEN OUT THE GROUNDS WORK, BUT BECAUSE THE GROUND IS STILL SO WET THEY WILL HAVE TO RETURN WHEN THE GROUND DRIES OUT TO FINISH CORRECTING THE PROBLEMS.


THEREUPON, MAYOR GAY RECOMMENDED THAT MCDANIEL INVESTMENT, INC. BE GIVEN AN ADDITIONAL 30 DAYS AND THE MATTER TAKEN UP AGAIN AT THE FIRST BOARD MEETING IN MAY.



JACK GAY
MAYOR

(SEAL)

ATTEST:



PRISCILLA C. DANIEL
CITY CLERK

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