

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 JUNE 3, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM OF SAID CITY.

THOSE PRESENT	MAYOR JACK GAY
CITY ATTORNEY	THOMAS W TYNER
ALDERMEN	RAYMOND C. BRANDLE WILLIAM H. CAMPBELL JOE C. MCMURRY LEROY SCOTT SHELBY TIMS
OTHERS	JERRY MARTIN LIANA VERNON WAYNE MURPHY DAN TOLBERT AUBRA EVANS AND OTHERS

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

THE INVOCATION WAS OFFERED BY THOMAS W TYNER.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

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

- ADD:
- X. GENERAL BUSINESS
 - 5.A TERMINATION RUSSELL CAMERON
 - 5.B HIRE LARRY WATKINS P/T IN RECREATION DEPT
 - X1. SEMINAR AND TRAVEL REQUEST
 - B) RALPH EDDLEMON - MS RURAL WATER ASSOC TRAINING
 - XIII. RESOLUTIONS
 - A) NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF MAY 20, 1997.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN BRANDLE MADE A MOTION THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 20, 1997 BE ACCEPTED AS WRITTEN. ALDERMAN CAMPBELL SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN WILLIAM H. CAMPBELL
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, MRS. JERRI MARTIN, REPRESENTATIVE FOR CONGRESSMAN GENE TAYLOR, OFFERED TO HELP THE CITY IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE TO FACILITATE THE COUNT FOR THE CENSUS 2000. MRS. MARTIN STATED THAT THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI STANDS TO LOOSE ONE OF OUR CONGRESSMEN IF THERE IS NOT AN ACCURATE COUNT DURING CENSUS 2000.

WHEREAS, AUBRA EVANS, FIRE CHIEF REQUESTED THAT THE BOARD REJECT ALL OF THE BIDS ON THE NEW CLASS A PUMPER TRUCK FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE ONE OF THE ITEMS SPECIFIED COULD NOT BE BID BY ALL VENDORS BECAUSE OF A PATENT PENDING ON THE ITEM AND THAT THE COMPANIES THAT BID COULD NOT COMPLY WITH ALL OF THE SPECIFICATIONS.

SEE EXHIBIT "A"
LETTER FROM FIRE DEPARTMENT

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO REJECT ALL OF THE BIDS RECEIVED ON THE FIRE TRUCK. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, CHIEF EVANS STATED THAT THE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE FIRE TRUCK ARE BEING AMENDED AND THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THAT THE BOARD READVERTISE FOR BIDS.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN BRANDLE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY CLERK TO READVERTISE FOR BIDS ON THE FIRE TRUCK UPON RECEIPT OF THE AMENDED SPECIFICATIONS. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE BOARD A DRAFT OF THE ORDINANCE REGULATING SIGNS IN CONNECTION WITH POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO TAKE THE ORDINANCE UNDER ADVISEMENT. ALDERMAN CAMPBELL SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, LIANA VERNON, DIRECTOR OF THE BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS CLUB REQUESTED THAT THE CITY MAKE A DONATION TO THE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION.

THEREUPON, MAYOR GAY STATED THAT THE CITY WILL PLACE THIS REQUEST IN THE FILE FOR CONSIDERATION DURING THE BUDGET PROCESS.

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY STATED THAT THE CITY HAS PARTICIPATED ALONG WITH THE PETAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE PETAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN A BOOTH AT THE GREAT PINE BELT EXPO.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE RESERVATION OF TWO BOOTHS WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CHAMBER SHARING IN THE COST. ALDERMAN MCMURRY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING PROOFS OF PUBLICATION TO THE BOARD:

A) ORDINANCE 1979 (42-A92)

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN CAMPBELL MADE A MOTION THAT THE FOREGOING PROOF OF PUBLICATION BE ACCEPTED AND FILED. ALDERMAN SCOTT SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED A ZONING CHANGE REQUEST FROM DENA WATKINS FOR HER PROPERTY AT 302 NEW RICHTON ROAD.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN TIMS MADE A MOTION THAT THE ZONING HEARING BE SET FOR JUNE 24, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. ALDERMAN SCOTT SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION FROM MIKE SMITH CONCERNING RUSSELL CAMERON'S FAILURE TO REPORT FOR DUTY SINCE MAY 20, 1997.

SEE EXHIBIT "B"
LETTER - RUSSELL CAMERON

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO TERMINATE RUSSELL CAMERON EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING ORDER HIRING LARRY WATKINS PART-TIME IN THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

ORDER

WHEREAS, THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI DO HEREBY DEEM IT NECESSARY TO HIRE A PART-TIME PERSON IN THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT LARRY WATKINS BE HIRED AS A PART-TIME EMPLOYEE AT A RATE OF \$6.00 PER HOUR EFFECTIVE JUNE 3, 1997.

SO ORDERED ON THIS THE 3RD DAY OF JUNE, A.D., 1997.

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN WILLIAM H. CAMPBELL
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 FROM DAN TOLBERT TO ATTEND THE MS ASSOCIATION OF BUILDING OFFICIAL CONVENTION IN BILOXI, MS. ON JUNE 18-21, 1997.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN BRANDLE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE MR. TOLBERT TO ATTEND THE CONVENTION AND TO PAY HIS EXPENSES. ALDERMAN MCMURRY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN WILLIAM H. CAMPBELL
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 RALPH EDDLEMON TO ATTEND THE MS. RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION WATER AND WASTEWATER TRAINING SESSION JUNE 10-12, 1997 IN BILOXI, MS.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE MR. EDDLEMON TO ATTEND THE TRAINING SESSION AND TO PAY HIS EXPENSES. ALDERMAN BRANDLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JUNE AS NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH.

SEE EXHIBIT "C"

RESOLUTION

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

WHEREAS, CITY ATTORNEY, THOMAS W. TYNER REQUESTED THAT THE BOARD ENTER INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN BRANDLE MADE A MOTION TO CLEAR THE ROOM TO DETERMINE IF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IS NEEDED. ALDERMAN MCMURRY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

MAYOR GAY REOPENED THE MEETING.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN BRANDLE MADE A MOTION TO ENTER INTO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. ALDERMAN MCMURRY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN TIMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION. ALDERMAN BRANDLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

THERE WAS NO ACTION TAKEN IN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM THE HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACADEMY CONCERNING TROYCE THORLA'S PERFORMANCE AT THE TRAINING ACADEMY.

SEE EXHIBIT "D"

LETTER - HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN BRANDLE MADE A MOTION TO TERMINATE TROYCE THORLA, EFFECTIVE JUNE 3, 1997, FOR FAILURE TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S TRAINING ACADEMY, OF WHICH SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION IS REQUIRED IN ORDER TO CONTINUE HIS EMPLOYMENT AS A POLICE OFFICER. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN WILLIAM H. CAMPBELL
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

THOSE PRESENT AND ABSTAINING:

ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

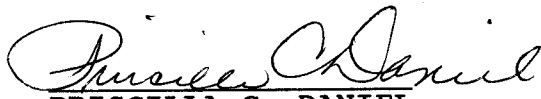
THEREBEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI WAS
ADJOURNED ON THIS THE 3RD DAY OF JUNE, A.D., 1997.



JACK GAY
MAYOR

(SEAL)

ATTEST:



PRISCILLA C. DANIEL
CITY CLERK

EXHIBIT "A"



Petal Fire Department Chief Aubra Evans
102 Fairchild Dr.
Petal, Mississippi 39465
601-583-0991
"Dedicated to the preservation of Life and Property"

MAY 30, 1997

MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
CITY OF PETAL
119 W. EIGHTH AVE.
PETAL MS. 39465

GENTLEMEN;

AT THIS TIME I WOULD REQUEST THAT ALL BIDS FOR THE NEW CLASS A PUMPER BE REJECTED, AND A NEW REQUEST FOR BID PROPOSALS BE LET. THE REASON FOR THIS IS STATED IN THE ATTACHED PAPER WORK.

PROFESSIONALLY:


AUBRA EVANS

EXHIBIT "B"



CITY OF PETAL

POST OFFICE BOX 564
PETAL, MISSISSIPPI 39465
(601) 545-1776
Fax No. (601) 545-6685

JACK GAY
MAYOR

RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
WILLIAM H. CAMPBELL
REUBEN CLEPPER
LEROY SCOTT
SHELBY L. TIMS
ALDERMEN

PRISCILLA C. DANIEL
CITY CLERK

THOMAS W. TYNER
CITY ATTORNEY

M E M O R A N D U M

June 2, 1997

To: Mayor, Jack Gay and
Board of Alderman

Fr: Mike Smith, Recreation Director *MS*

Re: Recreation employee Russell Cameron

Employee Russell Cameron has failed to show for work since May 20, 1997. I am asking for his dismissal and I would like to rehire Larry Watkins immediately through the end of Baseball season, approximately July 18. He will work no more than 30 hours per week at \$6.00 per hour. He will take Russell Camerons place.

EXHIBIT "C"

City of Petal
Petal, Mississippi

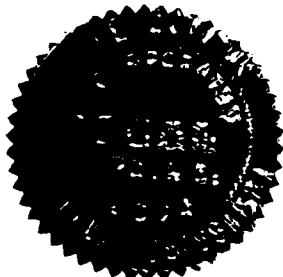
Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Petal, on behalf of the people of Mississippi wishes to join the members of American Society of Engineers and other organizations in their annual observance of NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH during the month of June 1997; and

WHEREAS, the theme for this observance is "Safety: It's a Way of Life." This theme draws attention to the serious problem of safety awareness in the workplace, home and community. Ignoring safety rules contributes to accidents on and off the job, endangers the well-being of our families; undermines our education system; and raises the cost of doing business; and

WHEREAS, according to statistics, when we promote safety awareness, we reduce employee injuries. Safety awareness nationwide helps fight this widespread problem through an effective combination of public education, intervention, rehabilitation and law enforcement; and

Now, therefore, I, Jack Gay, Mayor of the City of Petal, in conjunction with the American Society of Safety Engineers, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 1997, as NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH in the city of Petal. I urge every individual to take extra precautions and become more safety conscious every day.



In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.

ATTEST: _____

DATE: _____

6/3/97

EXHIBIT "D"

06/03/97 TUE 14:37 FAX 601 867 2653

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HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI - GULF COAST
LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACADEMY

To: Chief Murphy

From: Donald Keith *DK*

Ref: Royce Throla

Date: June 3, 1997

On Sunday, June 1, 1997, the Academy administered a physical fitness test to Officer Throla at the Harrison County Sheriff's Department Academy in Long Beach. The test was required in order to secure entrance into the school. Officer Throla competed the test but failed one event: the 1.5 mile run. Officer Throla was given the opportunity to retake the test on the morning of June 2. During the retest, Officer Throla elected not to proceed and terminated the testing. He indicated that he was afraid of re-injuring his knee and felt that it was in his best interest not to continue; hence, Officer Throla was discharged from the Academy.

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