

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 MARCH 19, 2002 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM OF SAID CITY.

THOSE PRESENT	MAYOR TONY PHILLIPS
ATTORNEY	DAPHNE LANCASTER
ALDERMEN	MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN WILLIE W HINTON JOE C MCMURRY, SR STEVE STRINGER WILLIAM A TRAVIS
OTHERS	DUB CAMPBELL CARL SCOTT DAVE BULLARD BRO. ROYCE ODOM AND MANY OTHERS

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

THE INVOCATION WAS OFFERED BY ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE WAS RECITED.

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED THE AGENDA WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:

- IX. GENERAL BUSINESS
 - 7. REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION OF ZONING ON CHAPELL HILL ROAD FOR REDBIRD CONSTRUCTION
 - 8. RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT LOW BID FROM CRAIN FORD TRACTOR
- XI. ORDERS & ORDINANCES
 - 4. RECOMMENDATION TO GIVE KEN COOLEY A .40 RAISE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY
 - 5. RECOMMENDATION TO GIVE JEFF ESTERS RAISE OF .34 EFFECTIVE APRIL 7, 2002
 - 6. RECOMMENDATION TO REAPPOINT THE ELECTION COMMISSION

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. ALDERMAN STRINGER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 5, 2002.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN DRAUGHN MADE A MOTION THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 5, 2002 OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN BE ACCEPTED AS WRITTEN. ALDERMAN MCMURRY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS CALLED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. THERE WAS NONE.

THEREUPON, BRO. ROYCE ODOM ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO ASK FOR EXTENTION ON PAVING THE PARKING LOT AT FIRST UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH LOCATED ON OLD RICHON ROAD. BRO ODOM SAID THAT THE CHURCH HAS THE MONEY TO PAVE THE FRONT OF THE PARKING LOT, BUT COULD NOT PAVE THE SIDES YET. THE CHURCH WOULD LIKE AN EXTENSION SO THEY COULD FINISH RAISING THE MONEY TO PAVE ALL THE PARKING LOT DOWN THE SIDES AND THE FRONT.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN HINTON MADE A MOTION FOR THE FIRST UNITED PENETECOSTAL CHURCH TO START THE INITIAL FRONT ON PAVING WITHIN A NINETY (90) DAY PERIOD AND A TOTAL OF SIX (6) MONTHS PERIOD TO PAVE THE SIDES AND HAVE THE PROJECT COMPLETED. ALDERMAN MCMURRY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

THEREUPON, CECIL CREEL ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO DISCUSS THE REMOVAL OF THE MOBILE HOME LOCATED AT 314 BAKER STREET. MR. CREEL STATED THAT THE MOBILE HOME IN QUESTION WAS SUPPOSED TO BE MOVED JANUARY, 2001. AFTER TIM WEDGEWORTH CAME AND ADDRESSED THE BOARD AND SAID THAT THEY WOULD MOVE THE MOBILE HOME WHEN THEY REPLACED IT WITH A MORE UP-TO-DATE MOBILE HOME. HE ALSO STATED THAT MR. WEDGEWORTH IS RENTING THE MOBILE HOME TO YOUNG FAMILIES THAT HAVE LOUD PARTIES AND RACE THERE MOTORS ALL DURING THE NIGHT.

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED THE PRIVILEGE LICENSE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2002.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN HINTON MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE PRIVILEGE LICENSE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2002. ALDERMAN STRINGER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED THE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2002.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN STRINGER MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2002. ALDERMAN HINTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED A REQUEST TO BID FOR A PUMP REPAIR AT THE LIFT STATION ON THE CORNER OF BRYANT STREET AND OLD RICHTON ROAD.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE BID FOR PUMP REPAIR AT THE LIFT STATION ON THE CORNER OF BRYANT STREET AND OLD RICHTON ROAD. ALDERMAN STRINGER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED A LETTER FROM J DAVID ALLISON OF THE AARP TO PLANT A WHITE DOGWOOD TREE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE LIBRARY OF THE CIVIC CENTER.

THEREUPON, AFTER LENGTHY DISCUSSION, ALDERMAN HINTON MADE A MOTION TO THE PLANTING OF THE DOGWOOD TREE ON THE NORTH SIDE AND THE SOUTH SIDE WOULD BE BASED ON THE APPROVAL OF THE LIBRARY, WHOM WITH WE HAVE AN AGREEMENT TO REGARDING THE PLANTING OF TREES. MOTION WAS WITHDRAWN AND TO TAKE UNDER ADVISEMENT UNTIL THE BOARD COULD GET WITH THE LIBRARY.

THEREUPON, DAVE BULLARD ADDRESSED THE BOARD FOR HIS BUSINESS, REDBIRD CONSTRUCTION, A CONSTRUCTION FIRM DEALING MAINLY WITH GAS PLANTS AND PIPELINES. WHEN HE CAME IN TO PURCHASE A PRIVILEGE LICENSE, THE PLACE OF BUSINESS LOCATED ON CHAPPELL HILL ROAD, WITHIN THE NEWLY WESTERN ANNEXATION AREA, WAS ZONED FOR RESIDENTIAL. MR. BULLARD WOULD LIKE AN EXCEPTION TO ALLOW HIM TO OPERATE HIS BUSINESS IN THIS AREA AND TO HAVE AN EXEMPTION ON THE PAVING OF THE PARKING LOT UNTIL HE COULD MOVE DOWN THE STREET TO ANOTHER LOCATION WHEN THAT COMES AVAILABLE, PROBABLY WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS.

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED A REQUEST FROM REDBIRD CONSTRUCTION TO GET A PRIVILEGE LICENSE FROM THE CITY OF PETAL BASED ON THE EXCEPTION AND EXEMPTION MENTIONED ABOVE.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO ALLOW REDBIRD CONSTRUCTION TO OPEN A NEW BUSINESS WITH THE PRESENT ZONING (R-1) AND UNTIL THE PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVES THE COMPLETION OF THE ZONING CHANGE FOR THE NEW WESTERN ANNEXED AREA. AFTER THE RE-ZONING IS COMPLETED, REVISIT THE AREA TO GET A TIME TABLE ON WHEN REDBIRD CONSTRUCTION CAN MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE NEW ZONING. ALDERMAN STRINGER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED A RECOMMENDTION TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM CRAIN FORD TRACTOR ON THE TIGER ROTARY DITCHER AND NEW HOLLAND TRACTOR MODEL NO 5610S.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN STRINGER MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM CRAIN FORD TRACTOR FOR THE NEW HOLLAND TRACTOR AND TIGER DITCHER FOR \$29,975.00 WHICH MEETS THE SPECIFICATION AND WAS THE LOWEST AND BEST BID. ALDERMAN MCMURRY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON

ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED A REQUEST FOR MELISSA MARTIN TO ATTEND THE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM ON MAY 9-10, 2002 AT THE HAMPTON INN IN HATTIESBURG, MS.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE MS MARTIN TO ATTEND THE PROGRAM AND TO PAY HER EXPENSES. ALDERMAN STRINGER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED A REQUEST TO ATTEND THE UNITED WAY ANNUAL MEETING AND THANK YOU BANQUET ON MARCH 27, 2002 AT THE JACKIE DOLE SHERRILL COMMUNITY CENTER.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TONY PHILLIPS TO ATTEND THE UNITED WAY ANNUAL MEETING AND BANQUET AT THE JACKIE DOLE SHERRILL COMMUNITY CENTER AND TO PAY HIS EXPENSES. ALDERMAN TRAVIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED THE RESIGNATION LETTER FROM LEROY SCOTT, SUPERVISOR OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT, EFFECTIVE MARCH 12, 2002.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT MR. SCOTT'S LETTER OF RESIGNATION EFFECTIVE MARCH 12, 2002. ALDERMAN DRAUGHN SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED THE RECOMMENDATION TO APPOINT GLEN CLINTON TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION WITH THE TERM EXPIRATION OF JULY, 2003.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN DRAUGHN MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT GLEN CLINTON TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO FILL THE VACANCY LEFT BY EARL LEE AND WITH THE TERM EXPIRATION OF JULY, 2003. ALDERMAN MCMURRY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING ORDER INCREASING STEVE BAKER'S PAY TO \$7.74 PER HOUR.

ORDER

WHEREAS, THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI DO HEREBY DEEM IT NECESSARY, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR, TO INCREASE STEVE BAKER'S PAY.
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT STEVE BAKER'S RATE OF PAY BE INCREASED TO \$7.74 PER HOUR EFFECTIVE MARCH 20, 2002.

SO ORDERED ON THIS THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH, AD, 2002.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE FOREGOING ORDER. ALDERMAN HINTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING ORDER INCREASING KEN COOLEY'S PAY TO \$9.00 PER HOUR EFFECTIVE MARCH 20, 2002.

ORDER

WHEREAS, THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI DO HEREBY DEEM IT NECESSARY, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR, TO INCREASE KEN COOLEY'S PAY.
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT KEN COOLEY'S RATE OF PAY BE INCREASED TO \$9.00 PER HOUR EFFECTIVE MARCH 20, 2002.

SO ORDERED ON THIS THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH, AD, 2002.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE FOREGOING ORDER. ALDERMAN HINTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING ORDER INCREASING JEFFERY ESTERS PAY.

ORDER

WHEREAS, THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN DO HEREBY DEEM IT NECESSARY TO INCREASE THE PAY OF JEFFERY ESTERS ON HIS ANNIVERSARY DATE OF APRIL 7, 2002.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT JEFFERY ESTERS PAY BE INCREASED TO \$8.12 PER HOUR EFFECTIVE APRIL 7, 2002.

SO ORDERED ON THIS THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH, AD, 2002.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN MCMURRY MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE FOREGOING ORDER. ALDERMAN HINTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

**ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS**

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED A RECOMMENDATION TO REAPPOINT THE ELECTION COMMISSION CONSISTING OF LES LEE, CHAIRMAN, MIKE HOGAN AND BETH HAVARD.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN DRAUGHN MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT LES LEE, CHAIRMAN, MIKE HOGAN, AND BETH HAVARD TO THE ELECTION COMMISSION. ALDERMAN STRINGER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

**ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS**

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

WHEREAS, MAYOR PHILLIPS PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL, 2002 AS PREVENTION OF CHILD ABUSE MONTH IN PETAL.

SEE EXHIBIT "A"

PROCLAMATION

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN STRINGER MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE FOREGOING PROCLAMATION. ALDERMAN DRAUGHN SECONDED THE MOTION.

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

**ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN
ALDERMAN WILLIE W. HINTON
ALDERMAN JOE C. MCMURRY, SR.
ALDERMAN STEVE STRINGER
ALDERMAN WILLIAM A. TRAVIS**

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

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

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE"

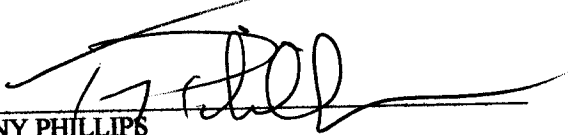
ALDERMAN MICHAEL W. DRAUGHN

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THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY"

NONE

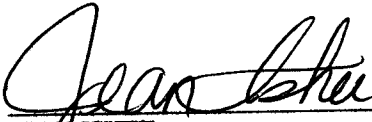
THEREBEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI WAS ADJOURNED ON
THIS THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH, AD, 2002.



TONY PHILLIPS
MAYOR

ATTEST:

(SEAL)



JEAN ISHEE
CITY CLERK

EXHIBIT "A"

City of Petal
Mississippi
Proclamation



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

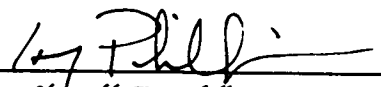
WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect respects no racial, religious, class or geographic boundaries, and in fact, has reached epidemic proportion in nearly all regions of our nation; and

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 of Petal, I, Tony Phillips hereby proclaim that the entire month of April 2002 be observed as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Petal, and I urge all citizens to use this time to better understand, recognize, and respond to this grievous problem;

AND FURTHER, I congratulate the South Mississippi Exchange Clubs and their Child Abuse Prevention Advocacy Center for their work in the prevention of child abuse and I wish them continued success in helping families break free from the cycle of child abuse.




Honorable Tony Phillips
Mayor, City of Petal