

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN
OF THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
MARCH 12, 2013
5:30 P.M.

Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held the Regular Meeting the 12th day of March 2013, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 204 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Present. Vice Mayor Charles Collins, Selectman Homer Cannon, Selectman Keith McBrayer, Selectman Jasper Pittman, CAO Randy Jones, Attorney Rod Orlando Richmond and City Clerk Lela Q. Jack.

Absent: Mayor H. Scott Ross and Selectman Rod Bobo.

Vice Mayor Charles Collins called the meeting to order and called on Selectman Cannon to offer invocation and CAO lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice Mayor Charles Collins open with agenda item 1, under old business -Public Hearing , Amendment to the Development Code. Vice Mayor Collins stated that the Public Hearing was being held to consider an amendment to the Development Code of the City of West Point to allow certain businesses in the City to advertise in the Highway 45 Alternate and Highway 50 Corridors. The Public Hearing was open for all citizens to give their concerns or comments. After hearing no response the Public Hearing was declared close.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to accept the planning commission's recommendation.

The motion received a second from Selectman Homer Cannon.

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: Absent

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: "Aye"

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: "Aye"

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: "Aye"

Motion Carried.

Vice Mayor Collins stated that the 2nd agenda item was the Public Hearing / Permit of Construction of a Multi-Family dwelling in Waverly Pub zone area. Vice Mayor Collins opened the Public Hearing for all citizens to give their concerns or comments. After hearing no response the Public Hearing was declared close.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation.

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: Absent

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

Selectman Rod Bob entered the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Vice Mayor Collins called for the School Board appointment to the West Point School District (Mr. Art Shirley held this appointment) this appointment is for 4 years.

Selectman Homer Cannon made the motion to table the appointment.

The motion was second by Selectman Rod Bobo.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made a substitute motion to reappoint Mr. Art Shirley.

The motion was second by Selectman Keith McBrayer.

Attorney Richmond stated that since there were two Selectmen that could vote there was a need for Selectman McBrayer or Selectman Rod Bobo to remain to make a quorum. After a lengthy discussion who would stay Attorney Richmond stated that the Selectman with the closes relation to a member that works in the School District should recuse himself. Selectman Rod Bobo's wife works in the School District and Selectman Keith McBrayer's sister in law works in the School District. Attorney Richmond suggested Selectman Bobo should recuse himself and he did.

The substitute motion was voted on. The original motion was never vote on because Selectman Bobo was recused.

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: Recused

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Nay”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion carried 2 to 1.

Vice Mayor asked about the attorney general's opinion as to whether the two Selectmen that could vote and he would be the tie breaker. Attorney Richmond stated that he would retrieve a copy of the Attorney General's opinion.

Item 4, Public Appearance. Mr. Terry Craig came before the Board to compel to the Board that the West Point Transportation Museum use to be open three days a week, now it is open by appointment only. Mr. Jones the CAO stated that he would find resources to keep the Museum open until the end of

FY 2013.

Vice Mayor took agenda item 11, out of order, to accommodate. Lucian Burgeois having to travel out of town. General City & Water Department Refinancing. This agenda item was tabled until next meeting.

Vice Mayor Collins asked the Board were there any items considered separately on the consent agenda that needed to be removed for discussion and if not he asked for a motion for the consent agenda to be approved.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to approve the consent agenda.

The motion received a second from Selectman Keith McBrayer.

Item 5, Approval of February 12, 2013 minutes.

Item 6 Approval of Claims Docket February, 2013

General City:	<u>\$ 1,088,109.02</u>
West Point Electric	<u>\$ 159,018.11</u>
West Point Water & Sewer	<u>\$ 246,316.60</u>

Item 7 Declaration of Emergency

Item 8 Oath of Police Officers Mary B. Watt, Ramirez Ivy & Municipal Judge Bennie Jones

9. Reappoint Election Commissioners: Mrs. Darrellene Fulgham, Mrs. Betty Swift and Mr. George Bailey, term of 4 years.

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: “Aye”

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

Vice Mayor Collins called for the Department Heads' Reports. Those presenting written reports were Randy Jones, CA); Dwight Prisock, Electric Superintendent and Interim Builder Inspector, Wastewater Treatment Plant, Water and Sewer and Electric: Chief Johnnie Littlefield, Fire Department: Chief Tim Brinkley, Police Department: Joey Wright, Public Works: James Crowley, Park and Recreation: and Teresa Moore, Office of Constituent.

Vice Mayor Collins called for questions or comments from the Department Heads and questions or comments from the Board of Selectmen.

Electric Superintendent Dwight Prisock's recommendation was to make Ms. Crystal Lane full time cashier at the Electric Department.

Selectman Homer Cannon made the motion to accept the recommendation.

The motion received a second from Selectman Rod Bobo.

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: “Aye”

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

Agenda item 12, to appoint the vacated seat of Mr. Charles Kent.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to appoint Mr. Monte Brassfield.

The motion received a second from Selectman

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: “Aye”

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

Agenda item 13, appoint City Prosecutor's position.

Selectman Rod Bobo made the motion to appoint Ms. P. Trina Davidson, Esq. Upon clearance of outside activity from the Social Security Office

The motion received a second from Selectman Jasper Pittman

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: “Aye”

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

Agenda item 14, Interlocal Cooperative agreement between City of West Point and West Point School District. This project is a joint support between the City of west Point and West Point School District for the purpose of constructing the West Point Safe Routes to School.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to approve the agreement.

The motion was second by Selectman Keith McBrayer.

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: “Aye”

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

Vice Mayor Charles Collins called for the Board's approval for grant writer Mrs. Melanie Busby to apply for the Urban Youth Grant and is willing to participate in the Transportation Enhancement – Urban Youth Corps Program funding and regulatory requirements of both the Federal and State Governments if project is approved for funding.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion for Mrs. Busby to apply for the Urban Youth Grant and the Board would support the program.

The motion received a second from Selectman Jasper Pittman.

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: “Aye”

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

Selectman Homer Cannon motion to close the meeting to see if there was a need for an executive session.

The motion received a second from Selectman Jasper Pittman

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: “Aye”

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

The public left the meeting.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to remain in executive to session to discuss personnel.

The motion received a second from Selectman Keith McBrayer.

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: “Aye”

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to come out of executive session

The motion receive a second from Selectman Jasper Pittman

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: “Aye”

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

CAO Randy Jones announced to the public that executive session was closed.

Vice Mayor Charles Collins announced to the public that no action was taken in executive session.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to adjourn.

The motion received a second from Selectman Homer Cannon.

Hearing no further discussion, Vice Mayor Collins called for a vote and the results were as follows.

Selectman Rod Bobo: “Aye”

Selectman Homer Cannon voted: “Aye”

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: “Aye”

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: “Aye”

Motion Carried.

H. Scott Ross, Mayor

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