

**DRAFT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN
OF THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
TUESDAY, October 14, 2014
5:30 P.M.**

This is a regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, held the 14th day of October, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 204 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Members present were Mayor Harmon “Robbie” Robinson, Selectman Jimmy Clark, Selectman William Binder, Selectman Keith McBrayer, Selectman Gary Dedeaux and Selectwoman Linda Hannah via teleconference. City Attorney Orlando Richmond was absent. Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order and called upon Selectman Dedeaux to lead the meeting with an invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to adopt and approve the agenda as presented for October 14, 2014.

Selectman McBrayer moved to adopt and approve the October 14, 2014 agenda as presented. The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Next, Mayor Robinson called for a motion to approve the consent agenda which consisted of September 9, 2014 board minutes, approval of September 2014 claim dockets and financial reports, and emergency declaration renewal.

Selectman Dedeaux moved to approve the consent agenda with the above items listed. The motion received a second by Selectman McBrayer.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to set November 7, 2014 as the delinquent date for 2014 City taxes.

Selectman Clark moved to set November 7, 2014 as the delinquent date for 2014 City taxes. The motion received a second by Selectman Dedeaux.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called on Mr. John Freeman of Calvert Spradling Engineers to present the Board with information for authorization on advertisement on bids for the Safe Route to School. Mayor Robinson called on Board for authorization for Calvert Spradling to advertise for bids for the Safe Route to Schools. Selectwoman

Hannah moved via tele conference to authorize advertisement for bids for the Safe Route to Schools. The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor called upon Board for a motion on the reappointment of Kenneth O'Neal to the Board of the Golden Triangle Regional Solid Waste Management Authority effective January 1, 2015 and expiring December 31, 2018.

Selectman McBrayer moved to reappoint Kenneth O'Neal to the Board of the Golden Triangle Regional Solid Waste Management Authority effective January 1, 2015 and expiring December 31, 2018. The motion received a second by Selectman Clark. Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called on CAO Randy Jones for Brownfield Grants Update from PM Environmental and Engineering Services. No action was required.

Next, Mayor Robinson called for approval of Work Order for the Brownfield Assessment Grants with estimated price of \$3,000.00.

Selectman Binder moved to approve Work Order for the Brownfield Grant with estimated price of \$3,000.00. Motion received a second by Selectman Clark.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called on Police Chief Brinkley to present the Board with information on the approval and authorization of a local government resolution agreement for the Occupant Protection Grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the MS Office of Highway Safety.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion from the Board to approve and authorize the local agreement for the Occupant Protection Grant in the amount of \$5,000.00.

Selectman Clark moved to approve and authorize the local grant agreement in the amount of \$5,000.00. Motion received a second by Selectman Dedeaux.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called on Building Inspector Roy Shannon to present Board with information on the recommended policy for Gas Pressure Testing. Mayor

Robinson called on the Board for a motion to modify the policy to say air testing.

Selectman McBrayer moved to modify the policy to say air testing.

The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called upon the Board to declare the following surplus vehicles list from the Public Works Department. Mayor Robinson stated that this list is in the Board packet. Selectman Clark moved to declare the following surplus vehicles list from the Public Works Department. The motion received a second by Selectwoman Hannah via teleconference.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called upon Code Enforcer Jeremy Klutts to give update of Blighted properties .Mr. Klutts informed the Board that 34 letters have been sent out for grass cutting and picking up trash.

Mayor Robinson called upon the Board to declare property on 2408 Lone Oak Circle as public nuisance and to be cleaned by the City under MS Code 21-19-11. No one was presented to speak on behalf of this property. The heirs of Mr. Wilbur McCarter are deceased. Mr. Klutts stated that proper notices were sent out via certified letter.

Selectman McBrayer moved the declare the property on 2408 Lone Oak Circle public nuisance and to be cleaned up by the City under MS Code 21-19-11, The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mr. Klutts stated that Artex located on North Division is owned by the State and that the State will reimburse the City on the cost of the cleaning. No action was required.

Mayor Robinson called for reports from department heads. Those present were CAO Randy Jones, Park & Recreation Director James Crowley, Police Chief Tim Brinkley, EMA Director Kerrie Blissard Battalion Chief Ken Wilbourne and Water & Light Interim Superintendent, George Hinnant. Water & Light Interim Superintendent George Hinnant gave a report on the Electric and Water

Department. Next, CAO Randy Jones gave an update on Yokohama Tire Project and the B & W heavy haul on October 7, 2014. Battalion Chief Ken Wilbourne gave an update on the Fire Department pertaining to the gas line strike on North Eshman Avenue, the ladder pumping class, a fire on Section Road, roof repair at Station 1, fire preventing week, and reported on a fire at Eastwood townhouse. EMA Director Kerrie Gentry updated the Board on the Ambus Kit that arrived on October 7th and was installed on October 8th. Mrs. Blissard stated that the Ambus has capabilities of transporting 12 people. Mrs. Blissard also gave a report on the Code Red System and mentioned that the GTPDD will pay 0.21 cent per person for this system and the County share will be \$1969.08, City share will be \$2,387.09. The total amount for going Code Red for City and County will be \$12,500.00 and \$4,315.17 going through GTPDD. CAO Randy Jones gave report from board package on behalf of Public Works Director Joey Wright. Next, Recreation Director James Crowley gave report on the tree trimming at Marshall Park and the Lining on College Street. CAO Randy Jones gave a report on McClure Building, traffic control on Highway 45A, and East Churchill and Meadow Hill Road. Police Chief Tim Brinkley gave and updates informing the Mayor and Board that all cars are in service now with digital radios. Police Chief Brinkley mentioned that a grant was approved in the amount of \$1,600.00 to purchase waterproof remote speaker microphones. Police Chief Brinkley also presented information on N Court Solutions for online payments for fines. Police Chief Brinkley mentioned about the PTS Solutions and the court functions. Lastly, Police Chief Brinkley mentioned about the 4 Police Cadets that will graduating in Pearl on Thursday and that there will be more to send to training. Next on the agenda Mayor Robinson next called for public appearances. Mrs. Fannie Lewis Malone was on agenda for public appearance but was not present. Mayor Robinson presented the Board with a Certificate of Appreciation from the West Point Fire

Department for the support and donation for the 2014 Benefit Rodeo. Mayor Robinson called upon the Board to authorize City's share of local match for the paving of the Airport Road in the amount of \$36,850.00 and the County's share being the same (\$36,850.00).

Selectman McBrayer move to authorize the City share of paving the Airport Road in the amount of \$36,850.00 with the County's share being the same.

The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called upon Board to approve and execute engagement letters for Audits for General City, Electric Department, and Water Dept. for FY ending June 30, 2014 from WATKINS, WARD, and STAFFORD.

Selectman Binder moved to approve and execute engagement letters for Audits for General City, Electric Department, and Water Department for FY ending June 30, 2014 from WATKINS, WARD, and STAFFORD. The motion received a second by Selectman McBrayer.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called upon the Board to appoint two (2) members to the LINK Board. Those members are the reappointment of Tim Brinkley and Jackie Edwards for the City. Those members serving on behalf of the County are Paul Dobbs and LaDonna Helveston. Selectman McBrayer moved to reappoint Tim Brinkley and Jackie Edwards to the LINK Board. The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Next, Mayor Robinson called upon the Board to authorize the Mayor to execute contract with the Mississippi Department of Health for SNS Pandemic Influenza Program. Selectman Clark moves to authorize the Mayor to execute contract with eth Mississippi Department of Health for SNS Pandemic Influenza Program.

Motion received a second by Selectman Dedeaux.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called upon the Board to approve \$1,745.00 for Emergency Management to purchase Weather Alert radios. This amount will be the City's local share of the match. Selectman McBrayer asked was there a need for Radios. Mrs. Blissard stated that there were 53 radios out there and 14 of them are not working. Selectman Clark moved to approve \$1,745.00 for Emergency Management to purchase Weather Alert radios. Motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called upon the Board to advertise for bids on the overlay of Center Street. Selectman Dedeaux moved to advertise for bids on the overlay of Center Street. Motion received a second by Selectman Clark.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called upon the Board to declare surplus two (2) picnic tables in the amount of \$10.00 each. Selectman Binder moved to declare surplus (2) picnic tables in the amount of \$10.00 each. Motion received a second by Selectman McBrayer.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye via teleconference

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson asked the board if there was a desire to close the meeting to determine the need for an executive session.

Selectman McBrayer moved that there was a need for executive session to discuss personnel issues with Police Department. Selectwoman Hannah was not present for executive session. Mayor Robinson called for a motion to come out of executive session. Selectman McBrayer moved to come out of executive session.

Motion received a second by Selectman Clark. No action was taken.

Mayor Robinson called upon the Board to approve invoices for the Yokohama Project on the Elevated Water Tank from 4-D Construction in the amount of \$128,153.30, Landmark \$165,100.50, Calvert-Spradling \$4,934.88, Calvert-Spradling \$6,168.60. There were also invoices on the Water/Waste Water Expansion from KAJACS Contractors \$368,189.12, and Calvert-Spradling

\$29,981.50. Selectman McBrayer moved to approve all invoices for the Yokohama Project. Motion received a second by Selectman Dedeaux.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Absent

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to adjourn the meeting until further notice.

Selectman McBrayer moved to adjourn the meeting.

The motion received a second from Selectman Binder.

Meeting Adjourned.

Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor

Deloris A Doss, City Clerk