

**DRAFT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN
OF THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
TUESDAY, January 13, 2015
5:30 P.M.**

Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held the Regular Meeting the 13th day of January 2015, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 204 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Members present were Mayor Harmon A. Robinson, Selectman William Binder, Selectman Jimmy Clark, Selectman Keith McBrayer, and Selectman Gary Dedeaux. Those absent were Selectwoman Linda Hannah, and Board Attorney Orlando Richmond. 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 sent condolences out to the Hannah family. Mayor Robinson recognized students from grades K-3 on the recycling contest. Mayor Robinson called for a motion to adopt and approve the consent agenda which consisted of December 9, 2014 Board Minutes, January 2, 2015 Special Called Meeting minutes , December 2014 Claim Dockets/Financial Reports and the Emergency Declaration Renewal. Selectman McBrayer moved to adopt and approve the consent agenda which consisted of items listed above. 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: 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 approval of minutes for the 2013 HOME GRANT PROGRAM. Mr. Spencer Broocks from the GTPDD presented the Board with the minutes for the 2013 HOME GRANT PROGRAM. Selectman Dedeaux moved to approve the minutes for the 2013 HOME GRANT PROGRAM and Selectman McBrayer seconded the motion.

Mayor Robinson called for a vote on the motion 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

Mayor Robinson called upon the Board to approve four (4) contracts between the City of West Point and the Homeowners of the 2013 HOME GRANT Program authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents necessary. Mr. Broocks also presented the Board with the four contracts.

Selectman McBrayer moved to approve the four (4) contracts authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents necessary. Selectman Binder seconded the motion. 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.

Next, Mayor Robinson called upon Board to approve invoices for 2013 HOME GRANT PROGRAM for Title Searches from Edwards, Storey, Marshall, Helveston & Easterling, and LLP in the amount of \$1,200.00 and for Administrative Fees

from GTPDD in the amount of \$2,100.00. These invoices were presented by Mr. Brooks from the GTPDD. Selectman McBrayer moved to accept the invoices in the amount of \$1,200.00 for Title Searches and \$2,100.00 for Administrative fees. Motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

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 called upon Board to approve invoices for the Yokohama Tire Project on the Waste Water Extension. Invoices was presented by Mr. Brooks from the GTPDD from KAJACS in the amount of \$116,916.88, KAJACS \$6,890.00, KAJACS \$87,952.50, and Calvert-Spradling \$25,348.50

Selectman Binder moved to approve the invoices for the amounts presented above.

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: 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 approval of resolution from the Golden Triangle Regional Airport pledging the match amount for the City of West Point in the

amount of \$25,000. Mr. Mike Haney and Ms. Robin McCormick were present for any questions on the resolution. Selectman McBrayer moved to accept the Resolution from the GTRA pledging the matched amount for the City of West Point in the amount of \$25,000. 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: 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 approval of Board to Re-Appoint Mrs. Alicia Randle as Commissioner for The Housing Authority for another five-year term which expired on January 2015. Selectman Clark moved to re-appoint Mrs. Alicia Randle to another five-year term as Commissioner for The Housing Authority. 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 upon Board to accept recommendation for Fire Chief.

Selectman Binder moved to recommend Ken Wilbourne as Fire Chief for the West Point Fire Department. Selectman Dedeaux seconded the motion.

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.

Next, Mayor Robinson called on Board for approval of full page ad in the amount of \$325.00 in sponsoring the MLK Holiday Celebration. Selectman McBrayer moved to approve a full page ad in the amount of \$325.00 for the MLK Holiday Celebration. 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: 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 upon Board for approval of travel for Brad Davis, David Ellis, Curt Ward, Daryl Thomas, and Ben Davis to attend Lineman Training.

Selectman McBrayer moved for approval of travel for the following lineman above. 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: 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 upon Board to approve Consulting Contract from Selectman McBrayer moved to approve Contract with contingent upon City Attorney approval. Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

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 upon Board to declare surplus vehicle for sale or junk in the Water/Light Department. Selectman Clark moved to declare surplus vehicle for sale or junk in the Water/Light Department. 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 Public Appearances. Mr. Brent Thompson, Field Representative for Congressman Alan Nunnelee came forth with information from Congressman Nunnellee's office.

Mayor Robinson called for reports from department heads. Those present were CAO Randy Jones, Water & Light Interim Superintendent, George Hinnant, Battalion Chief Ken Wilbourne, EMA Director Kerrie Blissard, Police Chief Tim Brinkley, and Public Works Director Joey Wright, Building Inspector Roy Shannon and Parks and Recreation Director James Crowley.

Superintendent George Hinnant asks for recommendation to accept letters of resignation from Rekesha Lee and Clinton Smith. Mayor Robinson called upon Board to accept letters of resignations from Rekesha Lee and Clinton Smith.

Selectman McBrayer moved to accept letters of resignations from Rekesha Lee and Clinton Smith. 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: Absent

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Fire Chief Ken Wilbourne gave report for fire department. Fire Chief also requested of the Board to advertise for entry level firefighter position. Mayor

Robinson called upon Board to approve request for advertisement for entry level firefighter. Selectman McBrayer moved to request advertisement for entry level firefighter 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: Absent
- Selectman William Binder voted: Aye
- Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye
- Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
- Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

EMA Director Kerrie Blissard gave report on contract for Code Red in the amount of \$20,000 with City matching \$1,862.63. Police Chief Brinkley gave report with recommendations to hire Kyle Eaves and James Scott as full time patrolman. Mayor Robinson called for a motion to hire Kyle Eaves and James Scott as full time patrolman. Selectman McBrayer moved to hire Kyle Eaves as full time patrolman and it was second by Selectman Clark.

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.

Selectman Dedeaux moved to hire James Scott as full time patrolman. 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: 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 upon Board to accept letter of resignation from Nick Coe. Selectman McBrayer moved to accept letter of resignation from Nick Coe with 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: Absent

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Public Works Joey Wright gave report from Public Works. Building Department Roy Shannon gave report of 55 Inspections with a total amount collected \$705.00. Code Enforcer Jeremy Klutts gave update on assessed cost of three (3) properties for initial cleanup with one (1) property on Broad Street that will be demolished. Update on this property will be next month meeting. Mayor Robinson called for a motion from Board to proceed with the necessary procedures to clean up properties. Selectman McBrayer moved to proceed with necessary procedures on the properties. 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: Absent

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Park and Recreation Director James Crowley gave update on youth and adult basketball. CAO Randy Jones gave words of thanks to Terry Craig and volunteers for work accomplished at the museum.

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 no need for executive session.

Selectman Binder seconded.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to adjourn.

Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor

Deloris A Doss, City Clerk