

**DRAFT SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND
SELECTMEN OF THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
MAY 15, 2015
8:00 A.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a Special Called Meeting the 15th day of May 2015 at 8:00 a.m. at City Hall, 204 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Members present were Mayor Harmon A. Robinson, Selectwoman Linda Hannah, Selectman Jimmy Clark, Selectman Gary Dedeaux, Selectman William Binder, Selectman Keith McBrayer, CAO Randy Jones, and City Clerk Deloris Doss.

Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order and called on Selectman William Binder to open with the invocation.

The Mayor called upon Fire Chief Ken Wilbourne to recommend a new hire for an entry level fire fighter. Fire Chief Wilbourne informed the Board that after advertising for applications for certified fire fighters and conducting an interview process he recommends James Hays, a certified fire fighter and EMT, be hired.

Mr. Clark made the motion to hire James Hays as an entry level fire fighter and EMT effective June 1, 2015. Mr. Binder gave the motion a second.

The Mayor called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye
Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

The Mayor next called up the matter of accepting bids for a new bucket truck for the Electric Department.

Mr. Clark made the motion to accept the bid of Altec being the only bid received. The amount of said bid is \$219,229.00.

Ms. Hannah seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye
Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

The Mayor next called up the matter of choosing financing for the lease purchase of the new bucket truck. Three bids were received for a sixty (60) month lease purchase as follows:

- Renasant Bank 2.13%
- Bankcorpsouth 2.17%
- Bankfirst 2.15%

Mr. McBrayer made the motion to select Renasant Bank at the interest rate of 2.13% for financing of the new bucket truck.

Mr. Dedeaux seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the results were as follows:

- Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
- Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye
- Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye
- Selectman William Binder voted: Aye
- Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectwoman Hannah moved that the uncollectable accounts of the Electric Department and the Water Department be spread upon these minutes. Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the results were as follows:

- Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
- Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye
- Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye
- Selectman William Binder voted: Aye
- Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Mr. McBrayer made a motion to go into closed session to determine the need for an executive session to discuss a personnel matter relating to job performance and hire. Mr. Binder seconded the motion and a unanimous vote of all present was taken.

The Board next, upon the motion of Mr. McBrayer and the second of Mr. Binder, declared executive session to discuss employment of a warehouse manager for the Water and Light Department. A unanimous vote of all present was taken.

Upon the motion of Mr. McBrayer and second of Mr. Binder, the Board voted to return to open session and take up the issue of employing a warehouse manager for the Water and Light Department.

The Mayor next called up the matter of hiring a warehouse manager for the Water and Light Department. It appears that five (5) individuals were interviewed for the job and that the Utility Committee recommended Brent Brooks for the position.

Mr. Clark made the motion to hire Brent Brooks as Warehouse Manager with there being a six (6) month probationary period and a three (3) month evaluation period.

Mr. Binder seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the results were as follows:

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Absent for vote because of her employment
Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

The Mayor next called up the matter of advertising for depositories.

Mr. Clark moved to have the Clerk cause to be advertised, according to statute, for depositories for the City.

Mr. Binder seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. McBrayer made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Dedeaux seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to adjourn.

Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor

Deloris A. Doss, City Clerk