

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN
FOR THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016
5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held the Regular Meeting the 13th day of December 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 204 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Members present were Mayor Harmon A. "Robbie" Robinson presiding, Selectwoman Linda Hannah, Selectman Jimmy Clark, Selectman Gary Dedeaux, Selectman Keith McBrayer, Selectman William Binder, City Clerk Deloris Doss, CAO Randy Jones and City Attorney Orlando Richmond.

Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order. The invocation was provided by Selectman Dedeaux and then followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Robinson called on the Board to approve the Consent Agenda and its contents.

Selectman McBrayer moved to approve the Consent Agenda and its contents. See attached Consent Agenda, **copied herein as an exhibit.**

Selectwoman Hannah seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor then asked the Board to recognize the West Point High School Green Wave Football Team, Coaches, and Managers. The Mayor and Board presented the Key to the City certificate to honor the team as the 2016 5A State Champions.

The Mayor next called up the matter of a Resolution of No Protest in the matter of issuing GO Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2016, not to exceed \$1,400,000.00, and authorizing the issuance of same.

Selectman Clark made the motion to adopt said resolution, **copied herein as an exhibit.**

Selectwoman Hannah seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of approving a resolution authorizing a Master Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase agreement between U.S. Bank and the City to refinance energy conservation equipment. Said agreement reduces the interest rate from 3.07% to 2.21%, yielding a savings of \$212,258.11.

Selectman Dedeaux made the motion to approve said resolution authorizing a Master Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase agreement between U.S. Bank and the City to refinance energy conservation equipment, **see attached exhibit for resolution and agreement.**

Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of payment No. 2 to Bigbee Valley Civil, LLC in the amount of \$58,749.91 for work on the Dunlap Sewer Main Replacement.

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Selectman Binder made the motion to make said payment to Bigbee Valley Civil, LLC for payment No. 2 in the amount of \$58,749.91 for work on the Dunlap Sewer Main Replacement.

Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of payment of \$9,235.00 to Calvert-Spradling Engineers for services performed on the Dunlap Sewer Main Replacement.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to authorize said payment to Calvert-Spradling Engineers in the amount of \$9,235.00 for services performed on the Dunlap Sewer Main Replacement.

Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of approving Change Order No. 1 for the Dunlap Sewer Main Replacement. The said Change Order being a \$1,238.00 increase for Bigbee Valley Civil, LLC.

Selectwoman Hannah made the motion to approve said Change Order No. 1 for the Dunlap Sewer Main Replacement, an increase in the amount of \$1,238.00 for Bigbee Valley Civil, LLC, **copied herein as an exhibit.**

Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of approving the West Point-Clay County, Mississippi Comprehensive Emergency Management Basic Plan.

Selectman Clark made the motion to approve the West Point-Clay County, Mississippi Comprehensive Emergency Management (EMA) Basic Plan.

Selectman Dedeaux seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorizing the Chief Administrative Office (CAO) to execute a pre-application for airport improvements to McCharen Field, clearing obstructions for TERPS zone.

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Selectman Dedeaux made the motion to have the CAO to execute a pre-application for airport improvements to McCharen Field, clearing obstructions for TERPS zone, **copied herein as an exhibit.**

Selectwoman Hannah seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter of support to partner with the GTPDD to secure a grant for a Brownfield Coalition Assessment Grant.

Selectman Clark made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support to partner with the GTPDD to secure a grant for a Brownfield Coalition Assessment Grant.

Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of health insurance, dental coverage, and vision coverage for 2017. There will be no increase for the Blue Cross & Blue Shield health coverage. The following represents the new Blue Cross & Blue Shield monthly insurance rates per employee:

Blue Cross & Blue Shield	\$608.98 per month	Health Insurance
United Health Care	\$ 7.04 per month	Vision Insurance
United Health Care	\$ 28.64 per month	Dental Insurance

Selectman Clark made the motion to approve the new premium rates for health care for 2017.

Selectman McBrayer seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of establishing a Building Department policy relating to authorizing an owner of a commercial or public establishment to act as a general contractor to perform work on said property if the amount of construction or remodeling does not exceed fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00).

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to adopt the policy regarding the established amount of \$15,000.00 for owner construction on a commercial or public building, **policy copied herein as an exhibit.**

Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

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Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called on Jeremy Klutts, Code Enforcement Officer, to present properties for consideration as blighted properties under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code 1972.

The first two properties Mr. Klutts presented were The Presbyterian Church parcels, #082A3-0020000 and #082B4-0010000, being two dormitories at the former Mary Holmes College campus.

Mr. Klutts informed the Board that notice had been served as required. Mr. Hale Freeland, representing the Presbyterian Church, made an appearance. Discussion was that the Church and the City would cooperate and secure the buildings and clean the exterior appearance of the two dormitories.

Selectwoman Hannah made the motion to declare the two properties as a menace and blighted.

Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up two parcels, #083B3-11D-0530000 and #083B3-110-0560000, belonging to Gene Sykes, et al. Ms. Amanda Sykes made an appearance.

Selectwoman Hannah made the motion to declare the two properties as a menace and blighted.

Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next recognized Marion Marsac, Department Head of the Water and Light Department. Mr. Marsac recommended hiring Roy Cox for a full time position in the IT Department.

Selectman Clark made the motion to hire Roy Cox for a full time position in the IT Department.

Selectman Dedeaux seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried

Selectman Binder made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Selectman Dedeaux seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye
Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye

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Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye


Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned.

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Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor



Deloris A Doss, City Clerk

