

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND
SELECTMEN
FOR THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
TUESDAY, January 10, 2017
5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held the Regular Meeting the 10th day of January 2017 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 Keith McBrayer, Selectman William Binder, City Clerk Deloris Doss, CAO Randy Jones and City Attorney Orlando Richmond. Selectman Gary Dedeaux was absent.

Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order. The invocation was provided by City Clerk 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.**

Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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| Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman William Binder voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: | <u>Absent</u> |
| Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: | <u>Aye</u> |

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of approving payment No.1 to Thweatt Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$72,393.07 for painting of the elevated water tank at Stronghill.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to approve said payment No. 1 to Thweatt Construction, Inc.

Selectwoman Hannah seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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| Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman William Binder voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: | <u>Absent</u> |

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Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of approving payment No. 2 to Calvert-Spradling Engineers for \$8,825.00 for services rendered for the repainting of the elevated water tank at Stronghill.

Selectman Clark made the motion to approve said payment.

Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of approving payment No. 3 to Bigbee Valley Civil, LLC in the amount of \$4,948.12 for the Dunlap Sewer Main Replacement.

Selectwoman Hannah made the motion to approve payment No. 3 to Bigbee Valley Civil, LLC.

Selectman McBrayer seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of approving a payment to Calvert-Spradling Engineers in the amount of \$656.25 for engineering services for the Dunlap Sewer Main Replacement.

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Selectwoman Hannah made the motion to approve the said payment.

Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of reappointing Ms. Carolyn Poston to the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of West Point. This appointment will be a five (5) year term beginning January 1, 2017.

Selectman Binder made the motion to reappoint Ms. Poston to said Board.

Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of adopting a resolution proclaiming January 9, 2017 as National Human Trafficking Prevention Day.

Selectman Clark made the motion to adopt said resolution. See attached exhibit for resolution.

Selectwoman Hannah seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was 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: Absent
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of appropriating \$30,000 for the purpose of advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of West Point, Mississippi as authorized by Section 17-3-1 of the Mississippi Code 1972 as amended. Said appropriation is to benefit the Growth Alliance local tourism agency for said purpose.

Selectman Clark made the motion to approve said appropriation.

Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of approving advertising the resources of West Point by purchasing an ad for the Dr. Martin Luther King Day program in the amount of \$325.00 as authorized by Section 17-3-1 of the Mississippi Code 1972 as amended.

Selectwoman Hannah made the motion to approve the advertisement.

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: Absent
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

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The Mayor next called up the matter of authorizing travel for the City Election Commissioners, the City Clerk, Chief Administrative Officer, and Christina Bradshaw to attend election training in Tupelo, MS on February 2, 2017.

Selectman Clark made the motion to authorize said travel.

Selectwoman Hannah seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorizing travel for Firemen Allen Flynt and Heath Donahoo to attend Task Force II training at Camp Shelby, MS on January 31, 2017 – February 2, 2017. Selectman Clark made the motion to authorize said travel.

Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorizing travel for William Spradling to attend Criminal Investigation Certification classes in Tupelo, MS February 6, 2017 – July 14, 2017. The class fee being \$850.00 and there will be no overnight stay; day classes only.

Selectman Clark made the motion to authorize said travel.

Selectman McBrayer seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of a request from Police Chief Brinkley to hire a part-time transcriber for the City Court. Chief Brinkley recommended Delta Humphries for said hire.

The Mayor called for a motion and Selectman Binder made the motion to hire Delta Humphries as part-time transcriber.

Selectwoman Hannah seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of accepting a letter of resignation from Marissa Evans, cashier for the Water and Light Department effective December 27, 2016.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to accept the resignation.

Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

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The Mayor next called up the matter of blighted property. Jeremy Klutts, Code Enforcer Officer informed the Board that two parcels of property on Lone Oak Circle belonging to the McCarter family are being considered but proper notice has not been served on all the owners. These properties will be brought before the Board at the February 14, 2017 meeting.

The Mayor next called up the matter of entering into a Temporary Grading and Permanent Drainage Easement with the Housing Authority of the City of West Point, Mississippi for real property situated in Lot 1; Block 143 of the Goodman Map amended 1979.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to approve said Permanent Drainage Easement and to authorize the Mayor to execute same. Said document being attached as exhibit.

Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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| Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman William Binder voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: | <u>Absent</u> |
| Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: | <u>Aye</u> |

Motion Carried

The Mayor next asked for the need for an executive session. Selectman McBrayer made the motion to move into closed session to determine the necessity for executive session. Selectman Clark seconded the motion and the Mayor called for a vote. The vote was unanimous to move into closed session to discuss the necessity for executive session.

After discussion Selectman McBrayer moved to go into executive session to discuss litigation involving the City.

Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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| Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman William Binder voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: | <u>Aye</u> |
| Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: | <u>Absent</u> |

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Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Motion Carried

No action was taken on the matter discussed in executive session.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to move into open session and Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

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

Motion Carried

Selectman Clark then made the motion to adjourn. Selectwoman Hannah seconded the motion.

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

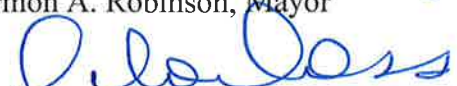
This the 10th day of January, 2017.



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Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor



Deloris A Doss, City Clerk