

**DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND  
SELECTMEN  
FOR THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI  
TUESDAY, June 13, 2017  
5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held their Regular Meeting the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 204 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Members present were Mayor Robbie Robinson, presiding, Selectman Keith McBrayer, Selectwoman Linda Hannah, Selectman Jimmy Clark, Selectman William Binder, Selectman Gary Dedeaux, CAO Randy Jones, and City Clerk Deloris Doss. . City Attorney Orlando Richmond was absent.

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

Mayor called upon the Board to approve the consent agenda and its contents.

Selectman Clark 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 vote was as follows:

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>Aye</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Aye</u>

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of conducting a public hearing for the City of West Point Comprehensive Plan.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to open a public hearing for the Comprehensive Plan.

Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

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

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>Aye</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Aye</u>

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Mr. Robert Baxter of Mike Slaughter and Associates conducted the hearing and gave opening remarks. The Mayor called for any public comments from those present.

Dr. William Rasberry spoke in reference to pre-k preparation. To make sure the plan addressed the needs of pre-k children.

Mr. Pete O'Shea encouraged the Board to revise and amend the Development Code to follow behind the Comprehensive Plan's adoption.

Mr. Richard South spoke in reference to transportation in the plan.

Mr. South asked that the city address the traffic problem at the elementary schools. Develop a plan to remedy the congestion at West Side and Church Hill schools.

The Mayor called for additional comments there being none the Mayor informed the public that the Board will take up the matter of adopting the Comprehensive Plan at a meeting to be held at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 20, 2017.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to close the public hearing and move into the agenda.

Selectman Clark seconded the motion and the vote was as follows:

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>Aye</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Aye</u>
Motion Carried	

The Mayor next called up the matter of recording on these minutes the results of the May 2, 2017 Primary Election, the May 16, 2017 Runoff Election and the Dispensing of the June 6, 2017 General Election.

Selectman Binder made the motion to record on this Board's minutes the election results as required by ordinance.

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Selectman Dedeaux 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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorizing the Mayor to execute engineering contracts with Calvert-Spradling Engineers, Inc. to improve Waverly Road between Church Hill Road and Magnolia Drive project STP-7973-00(005) LPA 105723-81200.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to authorize the Mayor to execute said engineering contract.

Selectman Clark seconded the motion.

The Vice-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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of accepting the lowest and best bid for sewer main replacement on Waverly Road. It appeared that Perma Corporation's bid of \$94, 540.95 is the lowest bid. See attached exhibit bid tabulation sheet.

Selectwoman Hannah made the motion to accept Perma Corporation's bid of \$94, 540.85 for the sewer main replacement on Waverly Road.

Selectman Dedeaux 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: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called upon the matter on recording on the Board's minutes the bad debt unpaid in the Water and electric Department.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to record the bad debt accounts from the Water and Sewer Department.

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: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorizing the Police Department to apply for a US Department of Justice COPS grant to fund two additional School Resource Officers.

Selectman Clark made the motion to authorize the Police Department to make application with the COPS grant to fund two additional School Resource Officers.

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: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

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The Mayor next called upon the matter of authorizing Clearwater Consultants to apply for an Airport Improvement Project (AIP) grant for runway lighting and obstruction clearance.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to grant said authorization. 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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorizing travel for Zate McGee and Bob Moore, two police officers.

Selectman Clark made the motion to authorize Zate McGee to travel to Biloxi, MS for a DARE training conference on July 20, 2017.

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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called on Jeremy Klutts Code Enforcer Officer to bring before the Board certain properties that are potential menace to the health and safety of the community as defined by Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code.

It appears that notice was given to William Porter, Jr. for property at 909 Broad Street parcel 083C114B-0340000.

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Selectman Clark made the motion to declare the property of William Porter, Jr. a violation of Section 21-19-11 and in need of cleaning.

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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the property of Alberta Sims and Ronald Crawford a vacant lot on Grove Street being parcel 083c314d0370000. It appeared that notice was given of the hearing and not owner appeared.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to declare the property a menace to the public health and safety of the community as defined by Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code.

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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called on Marion Marsac to bring before the Board the hiring of three new employees in the Water and Sewer Department. Earl Quinn, Blake Yow, and Kenneth Vassar. These employees will be full time and on a probationary period as defined by the personnel policy.

Selectwoman Hannah made the motion to hire Earl Quinn and 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: Aye  
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye  
Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye  
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to hire Blake Yow and Selectman Dedeaux 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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

Selectwoman Hannah made the motion to hire Kenneth Vassar and Selectman Dedeaux 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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called on Albert Lee, Assistant Police Chief to present recommendation for employment.

Mr. Lee recommended Parker Smith for full time employment as an officer.

Selectman Clark made the motion to make Parker Smith a full time officer in the Police Department and Selectwoman Hannah seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Lee informed the Board that Ramirez Ivy was being promoted to Investigation in the CID division.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to go into executive session to determine the necessity for an executive session.

Selectman Binder seconded the motion after discussion. Selectman McBrayer made the motion to go into executive session. Selectwoman Hannah seconded for the purpose of a personnel issue.

After recommendation of the Department Head to terminate Ms. Jasmine Williams who is working in her probationary period as a cashier at the Water and Light Department.

Selectman Dedeaux made the motion to terminate Ms. Jasmine Williams and 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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

While in executive session the matter of Police Officer Kyle Eaves violation of the body cameras policy was addressed. Officer Eaves during an apprehension failed to turn his body camera on. Chief Brinkley's recommendation was to suspend Officer Eaves two weeks without pay. After questioning Officer Eaves and his attorney Mark Cliett who was present, and questioning Assistant Chief Lee a motion was made by Selectman McBrayer to suspend Officer Eaves for one week without pay and place him on six months' probation.

Selectman Dedeaux seconded the motion.



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Selectwoman Linda Hannah voted: Aye  
Selectman William Binder voted: NO  
Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye  
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Motion Carried

Mr. Binder ask the record to reflect his no vote was because he felt strongly that Chief Brinkley two week suspension without pay should have been followed.

Selectman McBrayer made the motion to move back into open session and 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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye


Motion Carried


In open session the Mayor announced the result of the executive session vote.

Selectman Dedeaux made a motion to adjourn. Selectman Binder seconded the motion.

Meeting Adjourned.



  
Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor

  
Deloris A Doss, City Clerk