# FEBRUARY12, 2019, 5:30 P.M.

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The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held their regular Meeting the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 580 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Members present were Mayor Harmon A. "Robbie" Robinson, presiding, Selectwoman Leta Turner, Selectman William Binder, Selectman Keith McBrayer, and Selectman Jasper Pittman. Selectman Ken Poole was absent. Also were present City Clerk Eddie A. Longstreet, and CAO Randy Jones. City Attorney Orlando Richmond was absent

The Mayor called the meeting to order. The invocation was provided by City Clerk Eddie A. Longstreet followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to approve the consent agenda.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the January 8, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 2. Approval of the January 2019 Claims Docket/Financial Reports
- 3. Emergency Declaration Renewal

Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the recommendation of the Planning Commission to reappoint Susan Chandler as a voting member to a four-year (4) term on the Planning Commission, beginning January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2022. (See attached document).

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to accept the recommendation. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Absent

Aye

Motion Carried.

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The Mayor next called up the recommendation of the Planning Commission to reappoint Monte Brasfield as a voting member to a four-year (4) term on the Planning Commission, beginning January 1, 2019 to December 21, 2022. (See attached document).

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to accept the recommendation. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion. (See attached document).

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Aye

Selectman William Binder voted:

Aye

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Absent

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Aye

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the recommendation of the Planning Commission to reappoint James P. Winters as a voting member to a two-year (2) term on the Planning Commission, beginning January 1, 2019 to December 21, 2020. (See attached document).

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to accept the recommendation. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion. (See attached document)

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Aye

Selectman William Binder voted:

Aye

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Absent

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Aye

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the recommendation of the Planning Commission to reappoint Mary Ann Briggs as an alternate member to a four-year (4) term on the Planning Commission beginning January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2022. (See attached document).

Selectman William Binder made the motion to accept the recommendation. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Aye

Selectman William Binder voted:

Aye

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Absent

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Aye

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Motion Carried.

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The Mayor next called up the approval of proclamation for Rare Disease Day.

Selectman William Binder made the motion. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the approval of contract agreement for online portal tax sale between the City of West Point and GovEase Auction, LLC for the April 1, 2018 tax sale.

Selectman William Binder made the motion. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorizing Code Red renewal contract with Golden Triangle Planning Development District. The county portion is \$2,011.46 and the city portion is \$2,337.63 which is based on population.

Selectman William Binder made the motion. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter to advertise for Electric Line Right-of-Way line clearing services for the City Water and Electric Department.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectman Jasper Pittman seconded the motion.

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Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter to consider and accept bids for two (2) single axle garbage trucks for Public Works Department. CAO Randy Jones presented the Board with the lowest bid from Hol-Mac Corp. of \$129,995.00 per truck. (See attached bid sheet exhibit).

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to accept the lowest bid of Hol-Mac Corp. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the voted and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter blighted property of Gordon Marcus Stafford located at 137 Lowery Circle, West Point, MS, Parcel # 092A224A 0300000. The Mayor called for Gordon Marcus Stafford. Mr. Stafford was present and was asked if he intended to clean up the property and bring it in compliance with the City code. Mr. Stafford stated that he would, but needed extra time. Jeremy Klutts was asked if he would work together with Gordon Marcus Stafford to bring the property in compliance

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to table the blighted property issue of Gordon Marcus Stafford and to bring the property in compliance with the City code with an update during March regular meeting. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Aye

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up the authorization of travel for Eric Johnson, WPPD Investigator to attend Certified Investigator Course training, February 11, 2019 –July 12, 2019 in Tupelo, MS.

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Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. Selectman Jasper Pittman seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the authorization of travel for Eddie A. Longstreet, City Clerk to attend 2019 (I-O) Spring Academy Certified Municipal Clerk/Tax Collector Training in Oxford, MS, February 25-27, 2019.

Selectman William Binder made the motion. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the authorization of travel for City Board and City Clerk to attend the 88<sup>th</sup> Annual MML Conference in Biloxi, MS, June 25-28, 2019.

Selectman William Binder made the motion. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the authorization of travel for Allen Flynt, WPFD Sergeant to attend Virtual Search Planning (VSP) in Meridian, MS June 25-28, 2019.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

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Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up Joey Wright, Public Works Department Head who recommended adding Michael Ball, Kelvine Hollingshed, Terry Barnhill and William Pursley to the temporary hire list, with the start date to be determined by the department head.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up Marion (Boodro) Marsac, Water and Light Department Head, who recommended hiring Jaquez Walker and Paul Marshall as apprentice water treatment operators in the Water Department.

Selectman William Binder made the motion. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted;

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the need to go into executive session according to Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated Section 25-41-7 (4) (a), a closed session being required.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman Willian Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called on Chief Avery Cook of WPPD to address the Board on personnel issues and he recommended terminating officer, Bridgett Young.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made a motion to come out of executive and return to open session Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:

Aye

Aye

Aye

Motion Carried.

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Mayor Robinson announced in open session that the Board action in executive session was to

terminate a police officer.

The Mayor next called on Chief Aver Cook, WPPD to continue with his monthly report to the Board. Chief Cook informed the Board that a \$150,000.00 grant was received for playground equipment for Zuber Park and Marshall Park from the Department of Justice. A \$2,099.00 Overtime grant from Homeland Security.

The Mayor next called up the recommendation from Chief Avery Cook to hire Resheada T. Doss as a police officer.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Aye Selectman William Binder voted: Ave Selectman Ken Poole voted: Absent Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made a motion to adjourn. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Aye Selectman William Binder voted: Aye Selectman Ken Poole voted: Absent Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: <u>Aye</u> Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned

Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor