

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN  
FOR THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI  
TUESDAY  
May 14, 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of May 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 Ken Poole, Selectman Keith McBrayer and Selectman Jasper Pittman. Also present City Clerk Eddie A. Longstreet, CAO Randy Jones, and City Attorney Orlando Richmond.

The Mayor called the meeting to order. The invocation was provided by Selectman William Binder followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to approve the consent agenda items 1-4, and the regular agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of the April 9, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of the April 17, 2019 Special Called Board Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of April 2019 Claims Docket/Financial Reports
4. Emergency Declaration Renewal

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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorization to advertise for COPS school violence prevention grant special equipment. The amount of the grant is \$165,000.00, which is non-matching.

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: Aye  
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

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The Mayor next called up the matter to award the lowest bidder for lease purchase financing of garbage trucks for \$259,990.00 @ 16 quarterly payment of \$17,455.53 for 48 months @3.4% to Hancock Whitney Bank. Bids were received, see attached bids as exhibits).

Selectman Ken Poole 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: Aye  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of authority to advertise for depository accounts for the City's depository as authorized by Chapter 105, Title 27 of the Mississippi Code 1972.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. Selectman Ken Poole 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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of approving a Lemonade Day Proclamation for the City of West Point. The day being June 1, 2019.

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

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of consideration for an ordinance banning Kratom in the City of West Point.

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Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion that no action be taken. Selectman Ken Poole 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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of blighted property. Jeremy Klutts, Code Enforcement Officer presented Tiffany Blair's property located on Railroad Street, parcel # 083B411E 0030000, being a vacant lot which is overgrown.

The Mayor called for Tiffany Blair to come forward or anyone representing her on her behalf. There was no response. Jeremy Klutts reported that the property owner was given proper notice and this is a reoccurrence with this property.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to declare the property of Tiffany Blair blighted according to Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code of 1972. 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: Aye  
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the second blighted property, belonging to the Ross Weaver Estate, a lot located on Meadowbrook Circle, parcel # 083C414D 020000. The Mayor next called for Ross Weaver to come forward or anyone representing him, or the estate. No one responded.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to declare the property blighted according Section 21-19-11 of Mississippi Code of 1972, that property owner was given proper notice and that it is a reoccurrence. 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: Aye  
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

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Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye.  
Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of approving travel for WPPD, SRO (School Resource Officer), Tara Sloan to attend 2019 MASRO Conference, June 16-21, 2019 in Biloxi, MS. Expenses will be reimbursed by the West Point Consolidated School District.

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

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the approval of travel for WPPD, SRO, Resheada Doss to attend SRO Basic Class 19-2 Active Shooter Class, May 20-21, 2019 in Pearl, MS. Expenses will be reimbursed by the West Point Consolidated School District.

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

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

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

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the approval of travel for WPPD, SRO, Albert Lee to attend SRO Basis Class 19-2 Training, June 2-7, 2019 in Pearl, MS. Expenses will be reimbursed by the West Point Consolidated School District

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

Motion carried.

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

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the approval of travel for WPPD Animal Control Officer, Steve Scott to attend Animal Control Professional Training, June 24-28, 2019 in Olive Branch, MS.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectman Ken Poole 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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the approval of travel for WPPD Animal Control Officer, Esmon Saul to attend Animal Professional Training, June 24-28, 2019 in Olive Branch, MS.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectman Ken Poole 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: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried

The Mayor next called up the approval of travel for WPPD Office Manager, Yalunka Shields, to attend NIBRS Training, June 24-25, 2019 in Oxford, MS.

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Selectman Ken Poole 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: Aye

Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up the approval of travel for WPPD Chief Avery Cook, to attend MS Association of Chief of Police Summer Conference, June 25-28, 2019 in Biloxi, MS.

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

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Aye

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up the approval of travel for WPPD Captain Virginia Rich, to attend Accreditation Managers Summer Training Meeting, June 26-27, 2018 in Biloxi, MS.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. Selectman Ken Poole 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: Aye

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up the approval of travel for WPPD Seargent Allen Flynt, to attend HART Exercise (Task Force), May 29-31, 2019 in Grenada, MS.

Selectman Keith McBrayer 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: Aye

Selectman William Binder voted: Aye

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Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the approval for WPFDP Pump Operator Heath Donahoo, to attend Hart Exercise (Task Force), May 29-31, 2019 in Grenada, MS.

Selectman Keith McBrayer 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: Aye  
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up Joey Wright, Public Works Department Head who recommended adding the following names for temporary hires with the start date to be determined by the department head: Chris Humphries, Charles Hogan, Norman Rias Jr., Nicholas Gathings, Kearis Smith, Danny Collins, Benjamin Taylor, and Jonathan Evans. (See attached list).

Selectman Jasper Pittman 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: Aye  
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up James Crowley, Parks and Recreation Department Head recommendation off temporary hires with the start date to be determined by the department head: Andre Gandy, Willie Hogan, Robert Cannon, Jeremy Gandy, Jonathan Crowley, Detrick Shelton, Wilbur Bobo, and Zachary Moore. (See attached list).

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: Aye  
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye

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Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye  
Motion carried.


The Mayor next called for a motion to adjourn. 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: Aye  
Selectman William Binder voted: Aye  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye  
Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned

SEAL

  
Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor

  
Eddie A. Longstreet, City Clerk



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