

**DRAFT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN
OF THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPT
TUESDAY, November 12, 2013
5:30 P.M.**

This is a regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, held the 8th day of October 2013, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 204 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Members present were Mayor Harmon "Robbie" Robinson, Selectman Jimmy Clark, Selectman William Binder, City Attorney Orlando Richmond, Selectwoman Linda Hannah and Selectman Keith McBrayer. Those absent were Selectman Gary Dedeaux.

Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Richmond, City Attorney to open the meeting with an invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Robinson rearranged the agenda in order to introduce a special group of students to the Board and the public. Mayor Robinson introduced the Mayors Youth Council to the Board and to the public. Mayor responded that this group of young people was chosen by teachers and adults for their good character. The Mayors Youth Council will meet once a month. The Council will also be going to visit the Board of Supervisors for the month of December. Mayor responded that any Board member that would like to help with this group is welcome to do so He stated that Selectman Binder has volunteered to help with the Mayor's Youth Council.

Mayor Robinson next called for a motion to adopt and approve the Agenda with any additions or changes.

Selectwoman Hannah moved to adopt and approve the agenda as printed.

The motion received a second by Selectman Binder, and a unanimous vote.

Mayor Robinson then called for a motion to approve the consent agenda which consisted of the October 8, 2013 board minutes, approval of October 2013 claims dockets and financial reports, and the emergency declaration renewal.

Selectman McBrayer moved to approve the consent agenda and its contents.

The motion received a second by Selectwoman Hannah.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

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

Mayor Robinson called on Mr. Randy Jones to present the good news on the White Station Water Association and assumption of their debt and the water association. Mr. Jones briefed the Board on the meeting that took place last week with White Station Water Association members who along with their Board of Directors voted to allow the City to assume all assets and liabilities of the White Station Water Association. Mr. Jones said that there will be a slight reduction rate for the White Station water customers. Mr. Jones asked that the Board give him the approval and authorization to sign any and all paperwork necessary for the transfer of those assets and liabilities to the City. Finalization is pending the Public Service Commission hearing on the 13th of December which has to be approved by the PSC as well as the USDA, there being a rural development outstanding loan. Mayor Robinson asked if there were any questions from any Selectman on this subject and that this has been a long time coming and that Selectman McBrayer has been working on this issue in the previous administration

Mayor Robinson said if there were no questions then a motion to authorize the CAO to assume all assets and liabilities of the White Station Water Association on behalf of the City pending Public Service Commission and USDA approval as well.

Selectman Clark moved to give Mr. Jones the authority to represent the City in this matter as far as signing the proper documents and whatever is necessary in finalizing this matter. The motion received a second by Selectman McBrayer.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

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

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for any reports from department heads. Those present were CAO Randy Jones, Park & Recreation Director James Crowley, Police Chief Tim Brinkley, Fire Chief Johnny Littlefield, Public Works Director, Joey Wright, and Water & Light Superintendent, Dwight Prisock.

Mayor Robinson thanked the Departments Heads for the job they do.

Selectman McBrayer thanked Mr. Wright for the efforts of getting storm water drainage cleaned out and ditches cleaned out especially at Avalon and Myers Circle. Selectwoman Hannah thanked Mr. Wright for the work on the railroad crossings. Selectman Binder also commended Mr. Wright for a great job on North Division. Selectman Clark thanked all department heads for what they do each day. Selectman Clark also thanked Fire Chief Littlefield and Recreation Director James Crowley. Mayor Robinson called on Mr. Jones for an announcement for the repairs

to railroad crossing. Mr. Jones announced that tomorrow morning between 6:30 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. Kansas City Southern will begin to replace one of the two tracks at the crossing of West Churchill adjacent to Old White Road South for approximately 3 hours. They will come back same time on Thursday morning to replace the second part of the tracks and during that time the roads will be closed for access to the west part of Churchill except the access to the Old White Road and that those affected including the schools, 911, Presitage Farms, have been alerted. Mr. Jones asked that you drive with caution in the construction zone. The good news is also that they will begin on the crossing on Hwy 45 south for a permanent repair. Mr. Jones also stated that work would begin within the next 4-6 weeks on all crossings with different contractors working on these projects.

Mayor Robinson stated there were no public appearances.

Selectman Clark moved to go into closed session for a determination upon the issue of executive session.

The motion was second by Selectman McBrayer.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson called for a vote and the results were as follows:

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

Motion Carried.


The meeting was closed to determine the necessity of an executive session.

The Board then voted unanimously in open session to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel matter as authorized by Section 25-41-7 (4) (k) of the Mississippi Code 1972.

No action was taken or voted upon and the Board adjourned until the December 10, 2013 meeting.

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Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Deloris A. Doss", written over a horizontal line.

Deloris A Doss, City Clerk