

**DRAFT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN
OF THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
TUESDAY, January 14, 2014
5:30 P.M.**

This is a regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, held the 14th day of January 2014, 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, Selectman Gary Dedeaux, Selectwoman Linda Hannah, City Attorney Orlando Richmond, and Selectman Keith McBrayer. Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order and asked Selectman Binder to open the meeting with an invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Selectman McBrayer moved to adopt and approve the agenda as written.

The motion received a second by Selectwoman Hannah, and with a unanimous vote.

Mayor Robinson called for any old business.

The Mayor pointed out that the City has received the letter of agreement from the Clay County Board of Supervisors agreeing to reimburse the City for the cost of relocating a sewer force main pipeline on Yokohama Boulevard. Said bids were approved January 3, 2014 in the amount of \$40,998.00.

Selectman McBrayer moved to spread on the minutes of the Board the letter of agreement.

The motion received a second by Selectwoman Hannah.

There being no discussion a vote was called and said motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Robinson then called for a motion to adopt the consent agenda which consisted of the December 10, 2013 board minutes, approval of December 2013

claims dockets and financial reports, and continuation of the emergency declaration renewal.

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

The motion received a second by Selectman Dedeaux.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Next item on agenda, Mayor Robinson called for a motion for re-appointment of Mrs. Maxine Shotwell to the Planning Commission for a four-year term.

Selectwoman Hannah moved to re-appoint Mrs. Maxine Shotwell to the Planning Commission for a four-year term.

The motion received a second by Selectman Clark.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to re-appointment of Mrs. Sherell Drake to the Board of Commissioners for the Housing Authority of the City of West Point for a five-year term.

Selectman McBrayer moved to re-appoint Mrs. Sherell Drake to the Board of Commissioners for the Housing Authority of the City of West Point for a five-year term.

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

Mayor Robinson called for a motion of Board to sponsor a \$325.00 ad for the M.L.K. Holiday Celebration to be held on January 20, 2014.

Selectwoman Hannah moved to sponsor a \$325.00 ad for the M.L.K. Holiday Celebration to be held on January 20, 2014.

The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to approve a Calvert-Spradling Engineers construction and inspection contract for the Safe Route to School project authorizing the Mayor to execute the same.

Selectman Clark move to approve Calvert-Spradling Engineer construction and inspection contract for Safe Route to School project authorizing the Mayor to execute the same.

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

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to appoint Selectman William Binder to the Growth Alliance Board.

Selectman Clark moved to appoint Selectman Binder to the Growth Alliance Board.

The motion received a second by Selectman Dedeaux.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to appoint three City election commissioners to serve the City of West Point, Mississippi.

Mayor called for a motion to appoint Mr. Percy Jones to serve as an election commissioner for the City of West Point.

Selectwoman Hannah moved to appoint Mr. Percy Jones to serve as an election commissioner.

The motion received a second by Selectman Dedeaux.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to re-appoint Mrs. Bettye Swift to serve as an election commissioner.

Selectman McBrayer moved to re-appoint Mrs. Bettye Swift to serve as an election commissioner.

The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to appoint Mr. Hubert Caston to serve as an election commissioner.

Selectman Clark moved to appoint Mr. Hubert Caston to serve as an election commissioner.

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

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to re-appointment Mr. Kenneth Dill to the Board of the Golden Triangle Regional Solid Waste Management Authority beginning January 1, 2014.

Selectwoman Hannah moved to re-appoint Mr. Kenneth Dill to the Board of the Golden triangle regional Solid Waste Management Authority beginning January 1, 2014.

The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Next, Mayor Robinson called on Mr. Randy Jones to address the issue of clean-up of blighted property. Mr. Jones introduced Mr. Jeremy Klutts to the Board and the public as the City of West Point Code Enforcer.

No action was taken on this matter.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion for the final approval and authorization for Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Growth Alliance on the McClure

Building bond repayment in the amount of \$460,000.00 for repairing and remodeling of the building.

Selectman McBrayer moved to accept the final approval and authorization for Memorandum of Understanding with the Growth Alliance on the McClure Building bond repayment.

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

Mayor Robinson called for a motion for the approval of resolution supporting the legislation proposed by MML in reference to Citizens for Economic Development Act.

Selectman McBrayer moved to approve the resolution supporting the legislation proposed by MML in reference to Citizens for Economic Development Act.

The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion from the Board to sponsor an ad from the Community Expressions Magazine in the amount of \$450.00.

Selectman McBrayer stated that the City should take a 1/8 page of an ad for the next three editions that will equal the amount of \$450.00.

Mayor Robinson then called for a motion to sponsor a 1/8 page of an ad for the next three editions that will equal the amount of \$450.00.

Selectwoman Hannah moved to sponsor 1/8 page of an ad to be published in the next three editions of Community Expressions Magazine.

The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried

Mayor Robinson called for Department Head reports.

Electric Supertendant Dwight Prisock thanked the Board for hiring Building Inspector Mr. Roy Shannon. Mr. Prisock stated that billing in the electric department is not as it has been lately and hopefully it will be settling down soon.

Mayor Robinson called for public appearances.

Ms. Vanessa Beals did not show for public a appearance.

Mayor Robinson asked for a need to go into executive session.

City Attorney Orlando Richmond stated that there was need for executive session.

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

Mayor Robinson called for the public to exit the room so the Board could determine a need for executive session.

Selectman McBrayer moved for a need to go into closed session for personnel matters and ongoing litigation.

The motion was second by Selectman Clark.

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

The Board voted unanimously to come out of executive session.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to come out of executive session and go back into open session.

Selectman Dedeaux moved to come out of executive session and to move back into open session.

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: Aye
- Selectman William Binder voted: Aye
- Selectman Jimmy Clark voted: Aye
- Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
- Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
- Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for motion to discuss personnel matters that were taken up in executive session beginning with Patrolman Scotty Bradley.

Selectman McBrayer motion to accept the resignation letter of Patrolman Scotty Bradley effective immediately.

The motion received a second by Selectman Binder.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye

Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to terminate Rhonda Hibbler from the Electric Department.

Selectman Clark moved to terminate Rhonda Hibbler from the Electric Department.

Selectman McBrayer seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to accept Detective Carl Lampton's letter of resignation effective January 31, 2014.

Selectman Binder moved to accept Detective Lampton's letter of resignation effective January 31, 2014.

The motion received a second by Selectman Dedeaux.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for motion to hire Mrs. Whitney Hancock as full-time account representative with the Electric Department after a full background check has been conducted.

Selectman Clark moved to hire Mrs. Whitney Hancock as a full-time account representative with the electric Department after a full background check.

The motion received a second by Selectman Dedeaux.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Robinson 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 Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Gary Dedeaux voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to hire temporary full –time Mrs. Pamela Worley to full – time with benefits and salary staying the same in the electric department.

Selectman Dedeaux moved to hire Mrs. Pamela Worley full –time with benefits and salary staying the same.

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

Mayor called for a motion to recess meeting until January 21, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

Selectman McBrayer motion to recess meeting until January 21, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

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

The Board hereby recesses until 2:00 p.m. January 21, 2014.



Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor

Deloris A Doss, City Clerk