

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND
SELECTMEN
FOR THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
Thursday, October 25, 2018
10:00 A.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a special called meeting concurrently with the Clay County Board of Supervisors on the 25th day of October 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the upstairs Board room 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, and Selectman Jasper Pittman. Selectman Keith McBrayer was absent. Also present City Clerk Eddie A. Longstreet, CAO Randy Jones. City Attorney Orlando Richmond was absent.

The Mayor called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by City Clerk, Eddie A. Longstreet, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. . The Mayor noted that the agenda would follow the items in the notice of special call meeting: See attached notice of meeting as posted on bulletin board and concurrent meeting with the Clay County Board of Supervisors, Clay Tax Assessor, Paige Lamkin and Clay County Chancery Clerk, Amy Berry. Supervisor R. B. Davis was absent.

Agenda Items:

1. Fee In- lieu for PECO Foods, Inc.
2. Appalachian Regional Commission (SAAW) application for Prairie Belt Power Site
3. Authority to advertise for bids for fire protection water line for Lone Oak Road & Hwy 50 area
4. Authorize to advertise for Class B Water Operator in the Water and Sewer Department
5. Approve travel for Heath Donahoo, Pump Operator in the Fire Department to attend Fire Ground Seminar on November 12-15, 2018 in Jackson, MS

The Mayor then called up Joe Max Higgins, CEO of the GTR LINK, Inc. to address the boards for explanation on the fee in-lieu for PECO Foods, Inc. afterwards Joe Max Higgins introduced Chris Pace with the Jones Walker, LLP law firm to address the boards about the specific legislative changes of reduction amount of fee in-lieu exemption .process.

Selectman William Binder made the motion to accept the recommendation and grant a fee-in-lieu for PECO Foods. See attached resolution approving the fee-in-lieu and the fee-in-lieu agreement. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion carried.

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The Mayor next called up the matter of authorization to advertise for bids for a fire protection water line for Lone Oak Road & Highway 50 area.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made a motion to proceed with advertisement. 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Absent</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of the Appalachian Regional Commission (SAAW) application for the Prairie Belt Power Site. Mayor Robinson then called on Phyllis Benson with the Golden Triangle Planning Development District to explain to the boards of the details of the \$500,000.00 grant opportunity. The grant application requires a \$125,000 match from the City, due to the city being a distressed community we are eligible for an 80%-20% match.

Selectwoman Ken Poole made the motion to approve the resolution attached as exhibit committing funds for the SAAW grant under the Appalachian Regional Commission. 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Absent</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion Carried.

Selectman Ken Poole then made a motion to grant permission to apply for the grant and to start the procurement process to advertise 2 weeks for engineering services. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion. See attached resolution of approval.

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

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

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Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorization to advertise for Class B Water Operator in the Water and Sewer Department

Selectman William Binder made the motion to approve. 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Absent</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter to approve travel for Heath Donahoo, Pump Operator in the Fire Department to attend Fire Ground Seminar on November 12-15, 2018 in Jackson, MS.

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

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Absent</u>
Selectman jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion Carried.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to adjourn. Selectman Ken Poole seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned

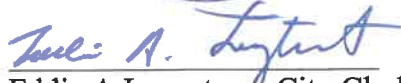
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Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor


Eddie A Longstreet, City Clerk