

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND
SELECTMEN**

FOR THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 1:00 P.M.

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a special called meeting the 27th day of March 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the downstairs conference 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, 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 City Clerk Eddie A. Longstreet. The Mayor noted that the special called meeting would follow the agenda as posted.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to approve the agenda. Selectman William Binder made the motion to approve the agenda. Selectman Keith McBrayer 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>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up the recommendation for the Public Defender position for City Municipal Court.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to appoint Attorney Robin Brown. 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>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion Carried.

Selectman William Binder then made a motion that compensation for the part-time Public Defender be \$1000.00 per month. 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion Carried.

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

Selectman Keith McBrayer made a 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>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion Carried.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up the personnel issue in the Electric Department concerning Arthur Cunningham. The Mayor recognized Marion "Boodro" Marsac, Department Head to address the Board with the recommendation to suspend Arthur Cunningham without pay until he appears before the Board.

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

After a lengthy discussion, the Mayor called for a roll call 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>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Nay</u>

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 (b), as a closed session being required for determination.

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:

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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>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried.

Selectman Keith made a motion to go into executive session to discuss litigation matters. Selectman 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried.

Selectman William Binder made a motion to hire Dylan Davis effective immediately as of March 27, 2019 as a certified firefighter with the West Point Fire Department. 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called for a motion to come out of executive session and return to open session.

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

Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the motion 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>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion Carried.

Mayor Robinson announced in open session that the Board action in executive session was to suspend an employee in the Water Department without pay until the employee appears before the Board.

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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: Yea

Selectman William Binder voted: Yea

Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned

SEAL


Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor


Eddie A Longstreet, City Clerk