

**Draft REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN
FOR THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
TUESDAY, December 10, 2019
5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held their regular meeting the 10th day of December 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 was City Clerk Eddie A. Longstreet and CAO Randy Jones. City Attorney Orlando Richmond was absent.

The Mayor called the meeting to order. The invocation was provided by City Clerk Eddie A. Longstreet followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Robinson called for a motion to approve the agenda. 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.

Mayor Robinson next called for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Selectman Ken Poole made the motion to approve the consent agenda (see below).

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of November 12, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of Claims Docket for November 2019 Claims/Financial Reports
3. Emergency Declaration Renewal

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: 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 approve an Interagency MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between the West Point Consolidated School District and the West Point Police Department for SRO (School Resource Officers). (See attached copy).

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 adoption of a “no protest” resolution relating to street bonds and other related purposes. (See attached copy).

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 matter of adopting an Interlocal Agreement with the Clay County Board of Supervisors relating to the West Church Hill Road Project.

Selectman Ken Poole made a 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 to approve the grant award from Blue Cross/Blue Shield for the Healthy Heroes Program of a new grant for 2020 in the amount of \$29,000 for playground equipment at Fifth Street School.

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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 to accept and approve bids for the rental of 16.5 acres for agricultural purposes of property located near the Sports Plex. It appears one bid received and that of Roger D. Rhea for \$60.00 per acre for a two year lease. (See attached copy of bid).

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to accept the bid. 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 to authorize the application of a Wal-Mart grant for the West Point Police Department.

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

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter to consider Christmas Eve, December 24, 2019 holiday closings for the City, as pursuant to Miss Code Ann. Section 3-3-7 as proclaimed by the Governor. (See attached proclamation).

Selectman William Binder made the motion to close City offices Tuesday, December 24, 2019. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

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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 advertising the City's resources for an Ad of \$100.00 to support Letter to Santa in the Daily Times Leader.

Selectman William Binder 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 authorizing travel for Torrey Williams, EMA Director to attend L273: Managing Flood Plain Development through the NFIP from January 5-10, 2020 in Pearl, MS.

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.

The Mayor next called up Chief Ken Wilbourne of the WPFD. He recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Grady Jones effective January 30, 2020

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

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Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye
Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up Chief Ken Wilbourne of the WPF. He recommended to the Board to hire Justin Best as a firefighter.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made a motion to table the recommendation to hire a firefighter until the first Board meeting in January 2020. 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: Nay
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Aye
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Aye

Motion Carried.

The Mayor next called up James Crowley, Director of Parks and Recreation. He recommended moving Josh Davis to full-time employment with Recreation Department.

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 Fred Ivy, Supervisor of Public Works, who recommended adding Mark Lee name to the list of temporary employees with the start date to be determined by the Department Head.

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.

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The Mayor next called up Fred Ivy, Supervisor of Public Works. He recommended to the Board to accept the resignation of Alberto Wells effective December 10, 2019

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.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to adjourn. Selectman Ken Poole seconded the motion.


Hearing no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote and the vote was 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




Harmon A. Robinson, Mayor


Eddie A. Longstreet, City Clerk

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