

**Draft REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN FOR THE  
CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI  
Tuesday, February 8, 2022  
5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a regular meeting the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of February 2022 at 5:30 p.m. upstairs City Hall, 580 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Members present were Mayor Rodrick “Rod” Bobo presiding. Selectwoman Leta Turner, Selectman William Binder, Selectman Keith McBrayer, Selectman Ken Poole and Selectman Jasper Pittman were present. Also present were City Clerk Deloris Doss, CAO Randy Jones, and Deputy CAO Sherman Carouthers. City Attorney Orlando R. Richmond was present also.

The Mayor called the meeting to order. The invocation was provided by City Clerk Deloris Doss followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor called for a motion to adopt and approve the agenda with an amendment to add item for extension on mask mandate.

Selectman Ken Poole made the motion to adopt the agenda with the amendment on mask mandate. Selectman William Binder 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

The Mayor called for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to approve the consent agenda including items 1 through 4.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of January 11, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of January 18, 2022 Special Called Board Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of January 2022 Claim Dockets/Financial Reports
4. Emergency Declaration Renewal

Selectman William Binder 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

The Mayor next called upon Administrator Mr. Scott Ross for an update on ARPA funds. There was no action taken on this.

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The Mayor next called up the matter to accept the best and lowest bid on a garbage truck in the amount of \$164,425 from Ingram Equipment.

Selectman Ken Poole made the motion to accept the best bid. 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

The Mayor next called up the matter to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign resolution with Golden Triangle Planning and Development District to Prepare and Submit a United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Application for West Point, Mississippi.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. 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>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called up the matter for the Board to allow CAO Randy Jones/Deputy CAO Sherman Carouthers to execute all documents pertaining to the purchase of 2(two) trucks though the GTPDD Inc.

Selectman Ken Poole made the motion. Selectman William Binder 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

The Mayor next called up the matter to purchase a backhoe for the water department.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to authorize CAO Randy Jones/Deputy CAO Sherman Carouthers to get bids and quotes on backhoe. Selectman Ken Poole seconded the motion.

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

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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

The Mayor next called up the matter of the Board to authorize City Attorney Orlando Richmond to do a draft letter that will comply with our sprinkler system.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. 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

The Mayor next called up the matter of the Board to accept new pay scale for Water/Light department.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. 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: Yea  
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Mayor next called up the matter to accept the best and lowest quote for a sewer jetter in the amount of \$27,034 from Jeters Northwest.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. 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

The Mayor next called up the matter to accept FYE 2020 Audits from WWS for Water/Light and General City.

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Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to accept Water/Sewer 2020 Audit. Selectman Jasper Pittman 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

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to accept the Electric Dept. 2020 Audit. Selectman William Binder 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

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to accept General City 2020 Audit. Selectman William Binder 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

The Mayor next called upon the Board to accept letter of resignation from Deputy Clerk Whitney Hancock effective February 11, 2022.

Selectman William Binder made the motion. 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

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The Mayor next called upon the Board to authorize CAO Randy Jones to advertise for a deputy clerk.

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Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectman William Binder 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

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve travel for Terry Barnhill to attend Water short course in Raymond, MS February 29-March 3, 2022.

Selectman Ken Poole made the motion. 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 voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of the Board to approve a windmill sculpture in Sally Kate Park and a piano will also be placed in the southeast corner of Veteran's Drive by Mrs. Debbie Mansfield.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. 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>Abstain</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of the Board to sponsor and ad for the Cottrell Street Music Heritage Festival to be held on May 6-8, 2022.

Selectman Ken Poole made the motion. Selectman William Binder 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>

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Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea  
Motion carried

The Mayor next called up the matter of the Board to allow Mr. Bob Wyman to operate a Dog Park at the old West Side School property owned by the City of West Point.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. Selectman Jasper Pittman seconded the motion.

Motion was withdrawn by Selectwoman Leta Turner and Second by Selectman Jasper Pittman.

Selectman William Binder made the motion to table until Selectman Ken Poole gathers more information.

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

The Mayor next called the up the matter for an extension of face covering for another thirty (30) days.

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: Yea  
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon department heads for reports. No action was taken from department heads.

The Mayor next called upon the Board for a need for executive session.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to determine a need for executive session.

Selectman William Binder 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

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Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent  
Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the board to move to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. 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: Absent

Motion carried

The Mayor called for a motion to come out of executive session.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to come out of executive session. 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: Yea  
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent

Motion carried

The Mayor presented the report to public from executive session. There was a recommendation by Water/Light Office Manager Sherry Williams to hire Taylor Avant as a part-time Teller to replace Dana McCaskill. Selectman William Binder made the motion. 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: Nay  
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea  
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Aye  
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

Selectman Ken Poole motion to accept pay increases from Water Department pending CAO Randy Jones signature based on performance evaluation. Selectman William Binder 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

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Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent

Motion carried

The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Selectman Keith McBrayer 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: Yea

Selectman William Binder voted: Yea

Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea

Selectman Keith McBrayer: Yea


Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent


Motion carried

Meeting Adjourned.



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Rodrick "Rod" Bobo, Mayor

  
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Deloris Doss, City Clerk