

**Draft REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN FOR THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI**

**Tuesday, June 14, 2022**

**5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a regular meeting the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of June 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 were present. Also present were City Clerk Deloris Doss, CAO Randy Jones, Deputy CAO Sherman Carothers, and City Attorney Orlando R. Richmond. Selectman Ken Poole and Selectman Jasper Pittman were absent.

The Mayor called the meeting to order. The invocation was provided by City Attorney Orlando Richmond followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor called for a motion to adopt and approve the agenda for June 14, 2022.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to adopt and approve the agenda. 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>Absent</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Absent</u>

Motion carried

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

Selectman William Binder made the motion to approve the consent agenda including items 1 through 4.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Approval May 5, 2022 Special Called Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of May 10, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of May 2022 Claim Dockets/Financial Reports
4. Emergency Declaration Renewal

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to open a Public Hearing to adopt the upcoming City of West Point Fiscal Year 2023 Annual Budgets for General City, West Point Water & Sewer, West Point Electric, Tourism & Recreation, Bond & Interest, City Maintenance Shop, Use Tax, Street Improvement Bond Construction, & Use Tax Funds.

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The Mayor closed the meeting for the Public Hearing relating to FY 2023 Budgets. The Mayor opens the Public Hearing up for questions and comments from the Board and the public. (See attached exhibit)

The Mayor next called upon the Board to open a Public Hearing to declare said Parcel # 083C114B-0340000 belonging to William V. Porter, Jr. & Nebra, 1129 E. Broad St, West Point, MS 39773 as a public nuisance property.

The Mayor then called upon Mr. William V. Porter, Jr. & Nebra Porter. No one was present to respond.

The Mayor next called upon the Board to declared said property belonging to William V. Porter, Jr. & Nebra, 1129 E. Broad St, West Point, MS 39773 as a public nuisance property.

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

The Mayor next called upon the Board on the matter of declaring said Parcel # 082D415B-0270000 belonging to Sadie Heard, 424 Little Street, West Point, MS 39773 as a public nuisance property.

No one was present to respond. Selectman William Binder made the motion to declare said property as nuisance property. 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>Absent</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Absent</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board in taking official action of approving a resolution relating to setting public hearing for July 12, 2022 for the Urban Renewal Plan (Infrastructure Improvement Project 2022); and for other related purposes.

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve the renewal agreement of SMAC (Statewide Mutual Aid Compact).

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to set a bond requirement fee and any other fee requirement for the purpose of receiving a taxicab permit. The Board made a decision to take this matter under advisory.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to take this matter under advisory. 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>Absent</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Absent</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve and to access the damaging fees on Briarwood Road pertaining to damage caused by the City of West Point heavy use equipment.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner amended her motion to state that the Board will approve and access the damaging fees relating to a finding that was caused by City equipment. Selectman 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>Absent.</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Absent</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to accept a recommendation from Fire Chief Wilbourne to hire a non-certified fireman by the name of Jaylen Calmie effective immediately.

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to accept a proclamation requesting Amateur Radio-Week, June 19-26, 2022.

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve and accept premium quotes on property and casualty insurance with Travelers for the City of West Point.

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon department heads for reports. Public Works Assistant Director Fred Ivy made a recommendation to the Board to hire two (2) part-time employees by the name of Thomas Bell and Rico Smith with an hourly rate of \$10.00.

Selectman William Binder 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>

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Selectman Ken Poole voted: Absent

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent

Motion carried

Next, COO Bob Edwards presented the Board to accept a resignation from Mr. Wes Milsaps from the water department. COO Bob Edwards will also begin to advertise for a laborer in the water department to replace Mr. Milsaps.

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: Yea

Selectman William Binder voted: Yea

Selectman Ken Poole voted: Absent

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent

Motion carried

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion for a need of executive session to discuss personnel issues. 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: Absent

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to move into executive session to discuss personnel issues.

Selectman William Binder 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: Absent

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to come out of executive session.

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

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The Mayor made the report from executive session.

Selectman William Binder made the motion to terminate Mr. Undrake Lane from the water department.  
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: Nay
- Selectman William Binder voted: Yea
- Selectman Ken Poole voted: Absent
- Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
- Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent

Motion carried

Selectman William Binder made the motion to promote Ms. Taylor Avant from part-time cashier to full time Billing Assistant with the Electric Department. Ms. Avant hourly rate will move from \$12.36 to \$14.42.

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: Absent
- Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
- Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent

Motion carried

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to promote Mr. Patrick Collins from \$14.00 to \$16.48 an hour.

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: Absent
- Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
- Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent

Motion carried

Selectman William Binder made the motion to authorize the insurance company to settle with Mr. Jimmy Birchfield. 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: Absent
- Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

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Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent  
Motion carried

The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Selectwoman Leta Turner 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: Absent  
Selectman Keith McBrayer: Yea  
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Absent


Motion carried

Meeting Adjourned

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Deloris Doss, City Clerk



  
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Rodrick "Rod" Bobo, Mayor