

**Draft REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND
SELECTMEN FOR THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
Tuesday, November 14, 2023
5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a regular meeting on the 14th Day of November 2023 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 Keith McBrayer, Selectman Jasper Pittman, and Selectman Ken Poole were present. Selectman William Binder was absent. Also, present were City Clerk Deloris Doss and City Attorney Orlando R. Richmond. CAO Randy Jones and Deputy CAO Sherman Carouthers were absent.

Mayor called the meeting to order. The invocation was provided by City Attorney Orlando R. Richmond followed by a Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor said a Thank You to all Veterans.

The Mayor next called upon the Board to adopt and approve the agenda.

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>Absent</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 the consent agenda items 1-3.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to approve the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of October 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of October Claim Dockets/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:	<u>Yea</u>
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Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea
Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to discuss insurance for the City of West Point. From Galloway/Chander/McKinney.

After discussion on insurance for the City of West Point 2024 plan year, Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to elect Galloway/ Chandler/McKinney for insurance agents.

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: Absent
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve an e 1% tourism tax resolution renewal from the Growth Alliance.

Selectman Jasper Pittman 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: Absent
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the West Point Electric System Audited Financial Statements from Watkins, Ward, and Stafford.

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Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectman Ken Poole seconded the motion.

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Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Absent</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 upon the Board to approve for Police Chief Avery Cook to attend 2023 Winter Conference December 11-15, 2023 in Oxford, MS.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Absent</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 upon the Board to approve travel for Mayor Bobo to attend 2024 MML Mid-Winter Legislative Conference January 9-11, 2024 in Jackson, MS.

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>Absent</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
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The Mayor next called upon department heads for reports.

Police Chief Avery Cook made a recommendation to the Board to hire Alkenvis Allen as a police officer.

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

Motion carried

Utility Manager Eddie Longstreet made a recommendation to the Board to hire Marvin Poole as a laborer in the water 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Absent</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried

Utility Manager Eddie Longstreet made a recommendation to the Board to promote Teisha Swoopshire as cashier and assistant billing clerk.

Selectman Ken Poole made the motion. Selectwoman Let Turner seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried

The Mayor in the absence of CAO Randy Jones made a recommendation to the Board from Wastewater Operator Shawn Doss to give a pay increase to Randall Akins in the amount of \$18.25 per hour.

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: Absent
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Mayor in the absence of CAO Randy Jones made a recommendation to the Board from Wastewater Operator Shawn Doss to give a pay increase to Allen Earnest in the amount of \$18.54 per hour.

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
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The Mayor in the absence of CAO Randy Jones made a recommendation to the Board from Wastewater Operator Shawn Doss to hire Kymbotric Mason as a laborer in the wastewater department.

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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Absent</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 for a need for executive session. There was no need for an executive session.

The Mayor called upon the Board to adjourn the meeting.

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

Motion carried

Meeting Adjourned.

SEAL


Deloris Doss, City Clerk




Rodrick "Rod" Bobo Mayor

