

**Draft REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN FOR THE
CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
Tuesday, January 10, 2023
5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a regular meeting the 10th Day of January 2023 at 5:30 p.m. upstairs City Hall, 580 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Members present were Vice-Mayor Leta Turner presiding. Selectman William Binder, Selectman Keith McBrayer, Selectman Jasper Pittman, and Selectman Ken Poole 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 Vice-Mayor called the meeting to order. The invocation was provided by City Attorney Orlando Richmond followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

The Vice-Mayor called for a motion to adopt and approve the agenda.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to adopt and approve the agenda. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

Selectman Ken Poole had to be excused from meeting.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Vice-Mayor next called for a motion to approve the consent agenda items 1 through 4.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of December 13, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of December 23, 2022, Special Called Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of December 2022 Claim Dockets/Financial Reports
4. Emergency Declaration Renewal-

Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

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The Vice-Mayor next called upon Mr. Wyman and members of the dog park. Vice-Mayor gave the public a recap on the meeting that was held in reference to the new location of the dog park.

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Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to approve the new site of the dog park to be next to skate park pending the amending of the ordinances to allow the new dog park. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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 Vice-Mayor next called upon the Board to approve resolution Authorizing the Golden Triangle Planning and Development District, Inc. to Prepare and Submit an Appalachian Regional Commission Application for the City of West Point, Mississippi.

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

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Vice-Mayor next called upon the Board to accept renewal of lease contract from Roger and Lisa Rhea for rental of approximately sixteen acres for \$60.00 per planted acre.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectman Jasper Pittman seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Vice-Mayor next called upon the Board to authorize CAO Randy Jones to setup special fund accounts, for Library Roof Replacement and sign all documents pertaining to.

No action was required on this item.

Hearing no further discussion, the Vice-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: Absent
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Vice-Mayor next called upon the Board authorize CAO Randy Jones to setup special fund account for the Northside School Alumni Donations and sign all documents pertaining to.

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

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Presiding
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Absent
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Vice-Mayor next called upon the Board to approve Task Order #4 from Waggoner Engineering, Inc. Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Presiding
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Absent
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Vice-Mayor next called upon the Board to receive certification from CAO Randy Jones as an ASFPM Certified Floodplain Manager. (For information only)

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to spread said certificate across the minutes. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Presiding
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Absent
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

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The Vice-Mayor next called upon the Board to accept letter of resignation from Deputy Court Clerk Chana Brooks effective January 6, 2023.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Vice-Mayor next called upon the Board to approve travel for T. Sloan, A. Lee, R. Doss, and J. Bland to attend Active Shooter Response in Meridian, MS, January 15-16, 2023. There will be no fee for this class, just submitting as travel notice.

Selectman William Binder made the motion. Selectman Jasper Pittman seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Vice-Mayor next called upon the Board to approve travel for EMA Director Torrey Williams to attend a Homeland Security Evaluation & Public Information meeting February 5-10, 2023, in Pearl, MS.

Selectman William Binder made the motion. Selectman Jasper Pittman seconded the motion. Hearing no further discussion, the Vice-Mayor called for a vote and the vote was as follows:

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Vice-Mayor next called upon department heads for reports.

Public Works Director Fred Ivy requested from Board to re-hire Deantonio Bradshaw as a full-time employee.

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Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to re-hire Deantomio Bradshaw. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

Police Chief Avery Cook made a request to the Board to accept letter of resignation from Detective Rameriz Ivy effective January 31, 2023.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

Police Chief Avery Cook made a recommendation to re-hire Michael Banks as a police officer.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

Police Chief Avery Cook made a recommendation to hire Kenneth Vaxter as a police officer.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Absent</u>
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Motion carried

COO Bob Edwards requested from the Board to authorize travel for Code Enforcer Eddie Longstreet.

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

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

COO Bob Edwards requested from the Board to authorize travel for Randel Atkins.

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

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

COO Bob Edwards requested from the Board to hire Soletta Morton as a cashier for the water/light department.

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

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

COO Bob Edwards requested from the Board to hire Teisha Swopshire as a cashier for the water/light department.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Absent</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>

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Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea
Motion carried

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

Selectman Jasper Pittman made a motion for a need for executive session to discuss personnel issues. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

The Vice-Mayor called upon the Board to move and remain into executive session to discuss personnel issues.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Vice-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: Yea

Motion carried

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

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

The City Attorney Orlando Richmond made a report to the public from executive session.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to terminate Calvin Robinson with Park/Recreation department.

Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Vice-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: Yea

Motion carried

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to hire Janel Davidson as deputy court clerk. Selectman Jasper Pittman seconded the motion.

Hearing no further discussion, the Vice-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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Motion carried

The Vice-Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

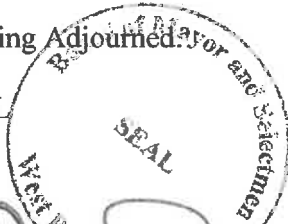
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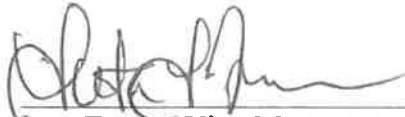
Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Presiding</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Absent</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried


Meeting Adjourned.

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Leta Turner, Vice-Mayor



Deloris Doss, City Clerk