

**Draft REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN FOR THE
CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
Tuesday, April 12, 2022
5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a regular meeting the 12th Day of April 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 Attorney Orlando Richmond followed by Pledge of Allegiance by CAO Randy Jones.

The Mayor called for a motion to adopt and approve the agenda for April 12 2022.

Selectman Ken Poole 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>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 Ken Poole made the motion to approve the consent agenda including items 1 through 4.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Approval of March 8, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of March 24, 2022 Special Board Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of March 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 the Board for a need to go into executive session.

Selectman Ken Poole made the motion for a need to go into 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
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Motion carried

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

Selectman Ken Poole 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>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 come out of executive session.

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

No action was taken in executive session.

The Mayor next called upon the Board to conduct a public hearing on redistricting with Mr. Toby Sanford with GTPDD.

The Mayor notified the public of this public hearing on redistricting and all information given and received will be taken under advisory.

The Mayor next called upon the Board to declare an emergency for the repairing of the roof on the library.

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:	<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 declare an emergency for Core & Main.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectman Binder 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:	<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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve two (2) electronic fast charging station site with one being ADA accessible with TVA subsidies each combined with TVA subsidies and ARC grant application.

Selectman William Binder 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>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 Mayor next called upon the Board to approve the operation of a Dog Park to be located at the old West Side School property owned by the City of West Point.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion pending information that needs to be given to City Attorney and Board approval on the rules, regulations, and guidelines. 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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to make a make a donation in the amount of \$1400 on the Time Capsule that will be located by the City Hall in the Rose Garden.

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:	<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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to accept a lease agreement offer for cell phone site from AT&T.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion pending City Attorney approval of contract. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Absent</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 accept the Planning Commission Appointments:

Herbert Gunn- Voting member January 1, 2022 - January 1, 2025
Richard Henson- Voting Member January 1, 2022 - January 1, 2025 to replace Monte Brasfield
Mary Ann Briggs- Alternate Member January 1, 2022- January 1, 2026

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:	<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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to accept recommendation on new hire for the WPF.

Fire Chief Willbourne stated that there were three (3) candidates that interviewed for the position. Chief Willbourne recommended the hire of Mr. Calvin Montgomery as an entry level firefighter.

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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve travel for Mayor to attend a 2022 AAMA Annual Conference April 27-29, 2022 in Washington D.C.

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>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Absent</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
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Motion carried

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The Mayor next called upon the Board to reallocate funds in the amount of \$3,000 from the Street Department to the Parks 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>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 Mayor next called upon the Board to accept RFQ form Path on the LED street lighting.

Selectman Keith McBrayer 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>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 Mayor next called upon department heads for reports. Public Works Assistant Director Fred Ivy made a recommendation to the Board to hire three (3) part-time employees for seasonal help.

Selectman William Binder made the motion to hire Traevon Williams, Dennis Collins, and Nicolas Haynes as part-time seasonal help. 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>Yea</u>

Motion carried

Fire Chief Ken Wilbourne wanted to thank Police Chief and the police department for assisting with fire on East Main Villa.

Police Chief Cook made a recommendation to the Board to hire Mr. Emmitt Johnson as a full-time certified officer with the police department.

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>

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon Ms. Virginia Birchfield on public appearance. Ms. Birchfield presented the Board with a proclamation to recognize April as Fair Housing Month along with the Mayor's signature.

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon Ms. Gayla Bradshaw in regards to the motorcycle/night club at the corner of Cottrell Street and East Morrow St.

No action was taken.

The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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

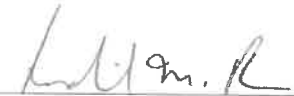
Motion carried

Meeting Adjourned.

SEAL




Deloris Doss, City Clerk


Rodrick "Rod" Bobo, Mayor