Tuesday, June 10, 2025 5:30 P.M.

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a regular meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of June 2025 at 5:30 p.m. at the Civic Center, 91 6<sup>th</sup> Street West Point, Mississippi with Mayor Rodrick "Rod" Bobo presiding. The members present were Selectman Keith McBrayer, Selectman William Binder, Selectman Ken Poole, and Selectwoman Leta Turner. Selectman Cole Bryan was present via zoom. Also present were City Clerk Deloris Doss, CAO Randy Jones, and City Attorney Orlando Richmond. Deputy CAO Sherman Carouthers was absent.

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

The Mayor upon the Board for the adoption and approval of the agenda.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to amend the agenda to move item 6 before item 5. 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 V

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

Selectman Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the adoption of the agenda.

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:

Yea

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor 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 May 13, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 2. Approval of May 2025 Claim Dockets/Financial Reports
- 3. Emergency Declaration Renewal

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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:

<u>Yea</u>

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve Public Hearing June 10, 2025 for the adoption of the upcoming City of West Point FYE 2026 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.

The Mayor declared the Board into public hearing to present the FYE budget. There were no questions from the public.

The Mayor declared the Board out of the public hearing.

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the proposed budget for General Fund.

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:

Yea

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

<u>Yea</u>

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the proposed budget for the Water & Sewer Department.

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:

<u>Yea</u>

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the proposed budget for the West Point Electric Department.

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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 Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the proposed budget for the Tourism Tax Department.

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 Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the proposed budget for the Bond & Interest Fund.

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:

Selectman Cole Bryan voted:

Yea

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the proposed budget for the Maintenance Shop Fund.

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 Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

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The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the proposed budget for the Use Tax Fund.

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:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the proposed budget for the Street Paving Fund.

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:YeaSelectman William Binder voted:YeaSelectman Ken Poole voted:YeaSelectman Keith McBrayer voted:Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve an ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2.1.4, SECTION 7.2.2, SECTION 8.17.2, SECTION 8.17.4AND TABLE 8.1.3 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI.

The Mayor called the Board into a public hearing. There were no questions from the public.

The Mayor called the Board out of the public hearing.

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

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:YeaSelectman William Binder voted:YeaSelectman Ken Poole voted:YeaSelectman Keith McBrayer voted:Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

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The Mayor called upon the Board to ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF THE CITY OF WEST POINT, CLAY COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING ORDINANCE AND MAPOF THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI TO REZONE REAL PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS TAX PARCEL NO. 060-01-0020000, IN THE CITY OF WEST POINT, CLAY COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, BY CHANGING THE USE DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION FROM (A-0) TO (I-2).

The Mayor called the Board into public hearing to discuss ordinance. There were no questions from the public.

The Mayor called the Board out of the public hearing.

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

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve West Point Electric System Audit FYE June 30, 2024 from Watkins, Ward, and Stafford.

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: Yea
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve an appointment to the Golden Triangle Regions Airport Board for Ms. Robin McMormick time expiring June 30, 2025.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to reappoint Mrs. Robin McCormick. 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:YeaSelectman William Binder voted:YeaSelectman Ken Poole voted:Yea

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Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve declaring surplus purchasing sidearms by retiring law enforcement officers in reference to MS Code Section 45-9-131 in the amount of \$1.00.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to approve Lt. John Langford to purchase his firearm in the amount of \$1.00. 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 Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to approve Police Chief Avery Cook to purchase his firearm in the amount of \$1.00. 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: Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve blighted property as public nuisance under Section Code 21-19-11 belonging to Oletha M. Hankins Estate reference address 238 Meadow Hill Rd., Parcel # 083C414G 0100000 West Point, MS.

The Mayor called the Board into public hearing on said property. No one was present.

Selectman William Bidner 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:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Yea Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted:

Yea via zoom

Motion carried

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The Mayor called upon the Board to approve blighted property as public nuisance under Section Code 21-19-11 belonging to blighted property as public nuisance under Section Code 21-19-11 belonging to David Gamble reference address Lot 2 BLK 129 W 1 DB 94/280., Parcel # 083B311D 0260000 West Point, MS.

The Mayor called upon said owner. No one was present.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. Selectwoman 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 McBraver voted: Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve blighted property as public nuisance under Section Code 21-19-11 belonging to Rhonda Monroe Marble Estate reference address 140 Grove St., Parcel # 083C314D 0340000 West Point, MS.

The Mayor called upon said owner. No one was present.

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 Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve blighted property as public nuisance under Section Code 21-19-11 belonging to Vonkeysha Gardner reference address 14 James ST., Parcel # 083B411C 0330000 West Point, MS.

The Mayor called upon said owner. No one was present.

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:YeaSelectman William Binder voted:YeaSelectman Ken Poole voted:YeaSelectman Keith McBrayer voted:Yea

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Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve blighted property as public nuisance under Section Code 21-19-11 belonging to Joe E. Huddleston Estate reference address 419 Mayhew St., Parcel # 082D115C 0120000 West Point, MS.

The Mayor called upon said owner. No one was present.

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:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Yea

Yea

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor declared the Board and the public out of public hearing.

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve spreading across the board minutes Certificate of Training for DCAO Sherman Carouthers for completion of the Elections Training Seminar sponsored by the Secretary of State.

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:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve spreading across the board minutes Certificate of Training for City Clerk Deloris Doss for completion of the Elections Training Seminar sponsored by the Secretary of State.

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:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

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Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve spreading across the board minutes Certificate of Certified International Institute Municipal Clerks for City Clerk Deloris Doss for completion of required classes. Graduation for said certificate will be held at the MML Conference in July 2025.

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: Yea
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea
Selectman Keith McBraver voted: Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve travel for Chief Water Operator Lawerence White to attend a Water Operator Training June 11-12, 2025 in Clinton, MS.

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: Yea
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve travel for Chief Water Operator Lawerence White to attend a Water Operator Training June 18-19, 2025 in Louisville, MS.

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:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve travel for travel for Fireman Gabe Harpole to attend a Rope Rescue Training June 23-27, 2025 at the MSFA in Pearl, MS.

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

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:YeaSelectman William Binder voted:YeaSelectman Ken Poole voted:YeaSelectman Keith McBrayer voted:Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve travel for Water Treatment Operator LaDaniel Jenkins to attend a MSWA Water Certification Class July 7-10, 2025 in Biloxi, MS.

Selectman Keith McBrayer 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:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve travel for SRO Uneco Harris to attend a MASRO Class July 13-18, 2025 in Biloxi, MS.

Selectman Ken Poole the motion. Selectman Willaim Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:YeaSelectman William Binder voted:YeaSelectman Ken Poole voted:YeaSelectman Keith McBrayer voted:Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board for department head reports.

Utility Manager Eddie Longstreet made a recommendation to the Board to accept a letter of resignation from Meter Technician George Derico.

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:YeaSelectman William Binder voted:YeaSelectman Ken Poole voted:YeaSelectman Keith McBrayer voted:Yea

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Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

Utility Manager Eddie Longstreet made a recommendation to the Board to accept a letter of resignation from Teller Catherine Sawtelle.

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:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

Utility Manager Eddie Longstreet made a recommendation to the Board to accept a letter of resignation from Warehouse Manager Margo Barnette.

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:YeaSelectman William Binder voted:YeaSelectman Ken Poole voted:YeaSelectman Keith McBrayer voted:Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

Utility Manager Eddie Longstreet made a recommendation to the Board to approve Youth Worksite Agreement with Three Rivers agreement with Three Rivers to hire a part-time employee.

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 Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

Utility Manager Eddie Longstreet made a recommendation to the Board to advertise for vacant positions.

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:

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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 Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

Public Works Director Chris Cox made a recommendation to the Board to hire six (6) summer youth workers with an hourly rate of \$12.00 for the months of July and August.

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:YeaSelectman William Binder voted:YeaSelectman Ken Poole voted:YeaSelectman Keith McBrayer voted:Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

Assistant Chief Michael Edwards made a recommendation to accept a letter of resignation from Officer Joshua Birchfield.

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: Yea
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

Assistant Chief Michael Edwards made a recommendation to hire Jamarcus Gooche as a full-time non-certified officer.

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:YeaSelectman William Binder voted:YeaSelectman Ken Poole voted:YeaSelectman Keith McBrayer voted:Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

There was no need for executive session.

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The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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:

Selectman William Binder voted:

Selectman Ken Poole voted:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:

Yea

Yea

Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea via zoom

Motion carried

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Meeting Adjourned.

Rodrick "Rod" Bobo

Mayor

Deloris Doss, City Clerk