

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

**Tuesday, July 13, 2021
5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a regular meeting the 13th day of July 2021 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 Willian Binder, Selectman Ken Poole, Selectman Keith McBrayer and Selectman Jasper Pittman. Also present were City Clerk Deloris Doss, CAO Randy Jones, and City Attorney Orlando R. Richmond.

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

The Mayor called for a motion to approve the agenda. Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to approve the agenda with the addition of adding the approval of a code enforcer. 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 called for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of May 11, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of May 21, 2021 Special Called Board Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of Claims Docket for May 2021 Claims/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 for an update on the FYE 2019/2020 audit for General City from Mr. Andy Davis of Watkins, Ward & Stafford PLLC. Mr. Davis was not present to give update.

The Mayor next called up the matter to declare surplus property on thirteen (13) vehicles in the Public Works Department.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

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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 up the matter to approve matching funds for the Prairie Belt Power Site Wastewater extension project with a 20% match from the City and County. See attached exhibit. 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of authorization for the City to participate in the potential funding opportunities of the American Rescue Act (ARP) with the authorization of CAO Randy Jones as a representative to submit the application for project approval and draw down of grant funds.

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

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of recommendation for appointment to the Historical Preservation Committee. Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to appoint Ms. Barbara Swindol to the Historical Preservation Committee. 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>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried.

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The Mayor next called up the matter of approval of quote in the amount of \$27,840.00 form Fluid Process & Pumps. LLC in reference to Yokohoma Tire Plant. Proposals)

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

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter of amending the 2021-2022 Public Works City budget.

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 up the matter to approve travel for Court Clerk Monica Lairy to attend Municipal Court Clerk Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS July 25-27.2021. 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>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer voted	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried.

The Mayor next called up the matter for a citywide performance evaluation. This evaluation is for information purpose only.

The Mayor next called up the matter to advertise for all job openings within the City of West Point. Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion for advertise for Park and Recreation Director. 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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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

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to advertise for Water Superintendent. 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to advertise for Electric Superintendent; 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

Selectman Ken Poole made the motion to advertise for City Accountant. 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:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Mayo called up the matter to appoint Mayoral committee appointments. Appointments were as followed appointing Selectwoman Leta Turner as Vice-Mayor. 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>
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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

1. Finance Committee
Selectman Keith McBrayer
Selectman Jasper Pittman
2. Street Department
Selectman William Binder
Selectman Jasper Pittman
3. Public Safety
Selectwoman Leta Turner
Selectman Ken Poole
4. Utilities
Selectman Keith McBrayer
Selectman Ken Poole
5. Public Grounds and Buildings
Selectwoman Leta Turner
Selectman William Binder
6. Recreation
Selectman Keith McBrayer
Selectman William Binder

The Mayor next called up the matter of department head reports. Fire Chief Ken Wilbourne made the request to hire Mr. Skeeter Busbin to fill void in the department.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to hire Mr. Skeeter Busbin. 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>Abstain</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer: voted	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon Police Chief Avery Cook to present letter of resignation from Mr. Eric Morgan. 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>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer: voted	<u>Yea</u>

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Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

Next, Police Chief Avery Cook made the recommendation to hire Queenie Dean as a full time accreditation and training processor along with the duties of a police officer.

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: Yea

Selectman William Binder voted: Yea

Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

Mr. Jeremy Klutts Code Enforcer reported no properties. Mr. Jeremy Klutts Building Department Director gave update on buildings. Mr. Torrey Williams EMA Director gave update on Delta Variance.

Selectman Jasper Pittman moved to go into executive session to discuss legal matters.

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 McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

Selectman Jasper Pittman made the motion to go into executive session to discuss legal matter. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

The Mayor called for a motion to come out of executive session.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion to come out of executive session. 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: Yea

Selectman William Binder voted: Yea

Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea

Selectman Jasper Pittman voted: Yea

Motion carried

No action was taken in executive session.

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Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Selectwoman Leta Turner made the motion. Selectman Keith McBrayer seconded the motion.

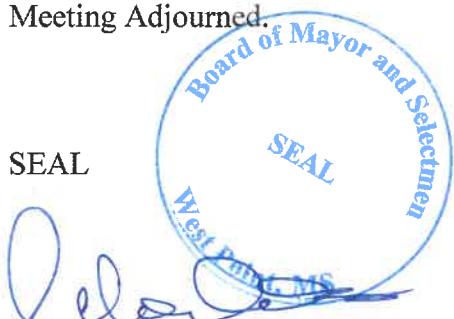
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Selectwoman Leta Turner voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman William Binder voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Ken Poole voted:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Keith McBrayer:	<u>Yea</u>
Selectman Jasper Pittman voted:	<u>Yea</u>

Motion carried

Meeting Adjourned.

SEAL



Deloris Doss, City Clerk



Rodrick "Rod" Bobo, Mayor