

**DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN FOR
THE CITY OF WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI
Tuesday, November 12, 2024
5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of West Point, Mississippi held a regular meeting on the 12th Day of November 2024 at 5:30 p.m. upstairs City Hall, 580 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi with Mayor Rod “Rodrick” Bobo presiding. Members present were Selectman Keith McBrayer, Selectman William Binder, Selectman Ken Poole, Selectwoman Leta Turner, and Selectman Cole Bryan. Also present was City Clerk Deloris Doss, CAO Randy Jones, and Deputy CAO Sherman Carouthers. City Attorney Orlando Richmond was present.

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 upon the Board for the adoption and approval 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:

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

Motion carried

The Mayor thanked all the Veterans for their service.

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the consent agenda.

Selectman William Binder made the motion to approve the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of October 8, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of October 2024 Claim Dockets/Financial Reports
3. Emergency Declaration Renewal

Selectman Ken Poole seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve property as public nuisance under Section Code 21-19-11 belonging to Willie Gibson, 504 E. Half Mile St., Parcel #083B411C 0130000.

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The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve permission to advertise for Construction of Electric Vehicle DC Fast Charging Station.

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:

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve a letter of approval from the West Point Planning Commission in relevant to issuance of the Major Conditional Use Permit for property located at 619 Commerce Street.

Selectman Ken Poole 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:

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

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve letter of approval from the West Point Planning Commission in relevant to issuance of the Major Conditional Use Permit for property located at 380 Dunlap Road for the construction of a duplex on this site.

Selectman William Binder made the motion to accept letter of approval form the West Point Planning Commission with all the necessary criteria for obtaining a major conditional use permit, including compatibility with the surrounding neighborhood and adherence to zoning regulations. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

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

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

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Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Yea
Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board to approve the vacancy seat on the Housing Authority Board of Directors.

Selectman Ken Poole made the motion to appoint Mrs. Margaret Shelton to fill the vacancy. Selectwoman Leta Turner seconded the motion.

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

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea
Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Yea
Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve potential citywide sidewalk repairs. No action was taken.

The Mayor next called upon the Board to approve the best bid tab for refuse bags.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to accept the best bid to Dyna Pak in the amount of \$33,500.00. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea
Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Yea
Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea

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 Devin Jones as a cashier with the Electric Department.

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:

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

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Utility Manager Eddie Longstreet made a recommendation to the Board to approve an increase salary by \$5.00 per hour to Daryl Thomas for additional duties and responsibilities performance by senior linemen.

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:

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

Motion carried

Utility Manager Eddie Longstreet made a recommendation to the Board to approve an increase salary by \$5.00 per hour to Curt Ward for additional duties and responsibilities performance by senior linemen.

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:

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

Motion carried

Utility Manager Eddie Longstreet made a recommendation to the Board to approve advertisement for Electric Accountant.

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:

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

Motion carried

Police Chief Avery Cook made a recommendation to the Board to accept a letter of resignation from Officer Jarred Bell.

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

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Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea
Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Yea
Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea

Motion carried

CAO Randy Jones made a recommendation to the Board to hire Montrell Collins as a laborer in the Water department.

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:

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea
Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Yea
Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea

Motion carried

The Mayor called upon the Board for a need for an executive session. The Mayor closed the meeting for a need for an executive session.

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to move into executive session to discuss legal issues. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea
Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Yea
Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Yea

Motion carried

Selectman Keith McBrayer made the motion to say in executive session to discuss legal issues. Selectman William Binder seconded the motion.

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

Selectman Keith McBrayer voted: Yea
Selectman William Binder voted: Yea
Selectman Ken Poole voted: Yea
Selectwoman Leta Turner voted: Yea
Selectman Cole Bryan voted: Recused

Motion carried

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