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The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall June 9, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. with Mayor A. Drew Ferguson IV presiding.

Members Present:

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III  
Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter  
Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall  
Councilmember Sandra Thornton  
Councilmember Steven M. Tramell  
Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox

Members Absent:

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter led the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Ferguson called Rev. Leonard Autry, Associate Pastor Pilgrim Baptist Church for opening prayer.

Mayor Ferguson called the meeting of the Mayor and City Council to order and welcomed everyone.

**MINUTES**

Mayor Ferguson asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2014 regular meeting. Councilmember Sandra Thornton made said motion and was seconded by Councilmember Gloria Marshall; the minutes were **approved unanimously without change.**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter presented the May financial report with the June cash position and forecast and made a motion to accept the report; motion seconded by Councilmember Sandra Thornton and **passed unanimously.**

**AGENDA**

Mayor Ferguson asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter made said motion and Councilmember Sandra Thornton seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

**POLICE CHIEF OATH OF OFFICE**

Mayor Ferguson swore in Tony Bailey as the Chief of Police for the City of West Point. Mayor Ferguson and the City Council welcomed Mr. Bailey to the City of West Point.

**BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter made a motion to appoint Tammy Dycus to the Hawkes Library Board. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall; **passed unanimously.**

Council Member Benjamin F. Wilcox made a motion to appoint Ralph Davidson to a four year term to the West Point Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter; **passed unanimously.**

**RESOLUTION FOR CHIP POLICY & PROCEDURES**

Councilmember Steven M. Trammell read a resolution in the form of a motion to revise policies and procedures for the 2013 CHIP program. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox; **passed unanimously.**

**FORWARD FUND REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURE**

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter made a motion to amend the Forward Fund Loan program Procedures. The amendment includes the grant recipient must pay 100 percent of the cost of an item before submitting a request for reimbursement for eligible costs. The City will process the reimbursement expeditiously. Request for reimbursement may not be submitted to the City for less than 25 percent of the total grant amount. The final pay request will be withheld until the project is completed and inspected by the City or its representative. Reimbursements will be made only for those items that are listed on the Project Application and Agreement and subsequent approved amendments. Copies of contracts, contractor's estimates, invoices, canceled checks, etc. shall be included with the reimbursement request. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall; **passed unanimously.**

**FORWARD FUND REQUEST HWY 18 & O.G. SKINNER DRIVE**

Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall made a motion to provide \$250,000 from the Forward Fund to assist in the construction of a signalized intersection at Highway 18 and O.G. Skinner Drive. The total cost of the project is \$539,000. West Point Villages, LLC will construct the project; provide the remaining funds and all other cost associated with the project. Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

**REZONING REQUEST AT THE SUMMIT AT HARRIS CREEK**

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made a motion to amend the zoning map and ordinances of the City of West Point to reclassify from MXD-1 (mixed use district to R-2 (multi-family dwelling district high density) all that tract or parcel of land, lying and being in the City of West Point, Georgia, Land Lots 178 and 225 of the 5<sup>th</sup> Land District Harris County, Georgia, containing 222.530 acres of land, more or less, and also known as all that portion of Harris County Tax Map Parcel Number 006-065 which lies east of State Route 103. Councilmember Sandra Thornton seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

**CITY FACILITIES RELOCATON/DOWNTOWN RIVER PARK DEVELOPMENT**

Councilmember Sandra Thornton made a motion to approve a budget of \$500,000 for the purchase of property and renovation of buildings to relocate certain city facilities located on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue to new facilities at 1506 Highway 29. Councilmember Steven M. Tramell seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

**MEAG PLANT VOGTLE RESOLUTION**

Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall made a motion to amend the Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4 Power Sales Contracts and to give the Mayor and City Clerk authority to sign the amended contracts when completed by MEAG Power. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

**SOLID WASTE AGREEMENT**

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made a motion to approve a contract with C&C Sanitation for garbage and recycling services. The agreement is contingent upon the agreement of a purchase price for the city equipment and existing carts. There will be no rate increase associated with the outsourcing of this service. The contract includes continued “back door” collection for those who qualify and cans for garbage and recycling at no cost. There will be a premium service offered for those who wish to continue to receive back door collection. No city employees will be displaced by this service change. Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

**TPL AGREEMENT**

Councilmember Steven M. Tramell made a motion to approve the Trust for Public Land amended agreement (Huff et al Property Donation). Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

**Other Comments**

Mayor Ferguson announced Relay For Life will take place this weekend in the City of West Point and he asked for support from the Council and the citizens of West Point.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Richard McCoy  
City Clerk

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A. Drew Ferguson IV  
Mayor