



The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall March 13, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. with Pro-Tem Steven M. Tramell presiding.

Members Present:

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III
Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter
Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall
Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox

Members Absent:

Councilmember Sandra Thornton

Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell called Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter for opening prayer.

Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell led the Pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Pro-Tem Steven Tramell thanked Harris County Commissioner Jim Wood for his continue support and interest in the City by attending the council meetings.

Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell called the meeting of the Mayor and City Council to order and welcomed everyone.

MINUTES

Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2017 regular meeting. Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall made said motion and was seconded by Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter; the minutes were **approved unanimously without change.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter presented the February financial report with the March cash position and forecast and made a motion to accept the report; motion seconded by Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall and **passed unanimously.**

AGENDA

Mayor Pro-Tem asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made said motion and seconded by Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall and **passed unanimously.**

BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made a motion to appoint Dianne Davidson and Donald Cleveland to 3- year terms on the Board of Adjustments. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall; **passed unanimously.**

Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall made a motion to appoint Marshall Sapp to a 4-year term on the Hawkes Library Board. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III; **passed unanimously.**

Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox made a motion to appoint Bill Gladden to a 4-year term on the Municipal Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter and **passed unanimously.**

POLICE SURPLUS VEHICLE & MISC. OFFICE FURNITURE

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter made a motion to surplus

- 2005 Ford Crown Victoria
- 8 office chairs
- 3 multi-layer office shelves
- 1 office table
- 1,2-piece office desk

Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

VILLAGES AT HARRIS CREEK

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made a motion to approve an intergovernmental Agreement between Harris County, the City of West Point, and other municipalities within Harris County for the use and distribution of proceeds from the 2014 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax for capital outlay projects. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter and **passed unanimously.**

BUSINESS MEETING TIME

Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox made a motion to change all future city council meetings from 6:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall and **passed unanimously.**

RECOGNITIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Pro-Tem Steven M. Tramell on behalf of the Mayor and Council read plaques and presented them to Howard and Barbara Ruddick for their dedication, commitment and service to the citizens of West Point. Howard and Barbara served many years as the Chairperson for the Booker Hills Neighborhood Watch.

Police Chief Tony Bailey also presented Howard and Barbara Ruddick plaques from the Police Department thanking them for their devoted service to the health and welfare of the citizens of West Point.

Mayor Pro-Tem Steven M. Tramell read proclamations and presented them to Richard Lee Chapman and George Mark Spears thanking them for their dedicated service to our citizens and the City of West Point. Richard Chapman retired after 30 years of service in the Water Department. George Mark Spears retired after 40 years of service in the Electric Department. Their retirement date was March 1, 2017.

OTHER

Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall asked the Mayor and Council to keep Councilmember Sandra Thornton in their prayers. Councilmember Thornton has recently been hospitalized. Mayor Pro-Tem Tramell echoed the sentiments made by Councilmember Marshall.

ADJOURN

Mayor Pro-Tem Steve M. Tramell asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made said motion, seconded by Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall; **passed unanimously**. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Richard McCoy
City Clerk

Steven M. Tramell
Mayor Pro-Tem