



The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall October 13, 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 Sandra Thornton
Councilmember Steven M. Tramell
Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox

Members Absent:

Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall

Mayor Ferguson called Pastor Matthew Thrower, Refuge Point Church for opening prayer.

Eagle Scout, Ryver Ewing led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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 September 8, 2014 regular meeting. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made said motion and was seconded by Councilmember Sandra Thornton; the minutes were **approved unanimously without change.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter presented the September financial report with the October cash position and forecast and made a motion to accept the report; motion seconded by Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox and **passed unanimously.**

AGENDA

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

BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Councilmember Sandra Thornton made a motion to appoint Debra Robertson to a three year term to serve on the Historic Preservation Commission. Ms. Robertson is currently serving as secretary. Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

FIRST READING PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

Mayor Ferguson read the first reading of a proposed Charter Amendment. The Ordinance will amend the City of West Point Charter so as to authorize the City to rent or lease real or personal property under certain conditions, to repeal conflicting provisions, to fix an effective date, and for other purposes.

PROCLAMATION POLICY & PROCEDURE

Councilmember Steven M. Trammell made a motion to approve the proposed Guidelines and Procedures for proclamation issued by the Mayor as a service to the City of West Point celebrating residents, employees, special events, nonprofit organizations and others who make a positive impact on the community. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III seconded the motion; **passed unanimously.**

PROCLAMATIONS

- **Proclamation for Mike Gaymon, Grater Columbus Chamber**

Mayor Ferguson read a Proclamation and presented it to Mike Gaymon, who is retiring as Executive Director with Columbus Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Gaymon has been Executive Director for over 26 years. Mr. Gaymon thanked the Mayor and Council for the proclamation and he also thanked them for their leadership for joining the Greater Valley Partnership.

- **Proclamation for Ryver Ewing, Eagle Scout**

Mayor Ferguson read a Proclamation and presented it to Ryver Ewing for making Eagle Scout. Mayor Ferguson also thanked Joel Finley for his work with the Boy Scouts. Ryver Ewing is the second young man to make Eagle Scout under Joel Finley leadership.

Other Comments

Councilmember Sandra Thornton thanked the Mayor and Council for wearing pink colors to the meeting. October is Cancer Awareness month.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Richard McCoy
City Clerk

A. Drew Ferguson IV
Mayor