



The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall October 8, 2012 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 Benjamin F. Wilcox
 Councilmember Judy L. Wilkinson

Members Absent:

Mayor Ferguson called Rev. Walter Darden Retired Pastor, St. John Baptist Church Lanett, Alabama 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 September 10, 2012 regular meeting. Councilmember Sandra Thornton made said motion and was seconded by Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall; the minutes were **approved unanimously without change.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Councilmember Judy Wilkinson presented the September financial report with the October cash position and forecast and made a motion to accept the report; motion seconded by Councilmember Sandra Thornton **passed unanimously.**

TASER/Complaint Police Advisory/Review Group (s)

Mayor Ferguson asked for a motion to pass a resolution to establish a TASER Use Review Committee. Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox made the motion to pass a resolution expressing the Mayor and Council desire to provide the inhabitants of the City with the best Law Enforcement Agency possible and in a effort to deliver this service the Council feel that a TASER Use Review Committee should be established from the regional law enforcement professionals to review the use of TASERS in the West Point

Police Department as outlined in the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter and **passed unanimously**.

COUNCIL MEETING PROCEDURES

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III made a motion to pass a resolution authorizing changes to City of West Point's Meeting Procedures. The changes are to ensure that meetings of the City Council are conducted in a way that allows the business of the City to be effectively conducted, ensure that members of the public who attend meetings of the City Council can be heard in a fair and impartial manner, and insure meetings are open to all viewpoints. Work Session #2 will allow speakers three (3) minutes to speak on agenda items. Councilmember Judy Wilkinson seconded the motion. During the discussion a motion was made by Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III to amend the motion to allow five (5) minutes for speakers to speak on agenda items. The amended motion was seconded by Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall and **passed unanimously**.

LOCAL SALES TAXES ON ENERGY USED IN MANUFACTURING BEING ELIMINATED

Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter made a motion to pass a resolution approving Energy Excise Tax Intergovernmental Agreement and to authorize the Mayor to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement on behalf of the City of West Point. Councilmember Judy L. Wilkinson seconded the motion and **passed unanimously**.

MALT BEVERAGE & WINE LICENSE APPLICATION FOR WEST POINT STOP & GO

Mayor Ferguson asked for a motion to approve an Off-Premise Consumption Malt Beverage and Wine License to Svetlaha V. Kotak at 403 A 3rd Ave, West Point Stop & Go. Councilmember Sandra Thornton made said motion and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox and **pass unanimously**

MALT BEVERAGE & WINE LICENSE APPLICATION FOR WEST POINT SHELL

Mayor Ferguson asked for a motion to approve an Off-Premise Consumption Malt Beverage and Wine License to Salim Punjani & Aziz Ali at 1860 GA Hwy 18, West Point Shell. Councilmember Sandra Thornton made said motion and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III and **pass unanimously**.

APPOINTMENT TO THE ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION BOARD

Mayor Ferguson asked for nominations to appoint a member to the Troup County Board of Elections and Registration. Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox nominated Ms. Gloria Watson. There being no other nominees. Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox made a motion to appoint Ms. Gloria Watson to the Troup County Board of Elections and Registration. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Judy Wilkinson and **passed unanimously.**

OTHER

Mayor Ferguson reported the Bus Shelter Project is progressing. He commended Steve Trammell and Joel Finley for the work they are doing with the project.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Richard McCoy
City Clerk

A. Drew Ferguson IV
Mayor