

**TOWN OF WEST POINT
TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES
March 25th, 2014**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The West Point Town Council held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 25th 2014. The Honorable James H. Hudson III called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Invocation was given by Reverend Wayne Groome followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Mayor, Jim Hudson; Vice Mayor, Deborah Ball; Tina Gulley; Wayne Healy; Paul Kelley; Jack Lawson; Bub Shreaves and Chris Vincent.

Also Present: John B. Edwards, Jr., Town Manager; Andrea Erard, Town Attorney; Karen Barrow, Town Clerk; Interim Chief of Police Bobby Mawyer, Sargent Lisa Woodson, WPPD; TC Moore, Town Treasurer; Holly McGowan, Community Development Coordinator; Walt Feurer, Director of Public Works; Dean Simmons, Building Inspector; Donna Pauley, Human Resource Officer and other interested persons.

II. AGENDA CHANGES

Mrs. Ball made a motion to move agenda item VIII – B, the FY 2014-15 Recommended Budget to item III – C under Citizens Address to Council, seconded by Mr. Vincent. Upon roll call, Deborah Ball; Tina Gulley; Wayne Healy; Paul Kelley; Jack Lawson; Bub Shreaves and Chris Vincent all voted “Aye”.

III. CITIZENS ADDRESS TO COUNCIL

A. YMCA Presentation

Sean Cogan, YMCA Branch Executive Director, presented Town Council with a power point presentation on activities and events for the past year.

B. FY 2012-13 Audit Report

Arron Hawkins, Representative for Farmer, Robinson & Cox presented Town Council with the audit report for FY 2012-13. Mr. Hawkins stated that the audit is clean with no discrepancies. The School Cafeteria Fund is operated independently from the Schools and the Town. It is the recommendation from Farmer, Robinson & Cox that controls be implemented to ensure that the financial operations of the School Cafeteria are being accounted for and reported similar to all other School Board operations.

C. Budget Presentation

Mr. Edwards presented Town Council with the recommended FY 2014-15 Budget and stated that the recommendation is the result of several Town Council and School Board work sessions. The Town Budget is calculated on the same town tax rates from 2012-13 before King William had increased the County taxes last year.

Mayor Hudson stated that the Town has returned to the tax rates that were in place before the tax issues with King William. This does not answer for King William, they will implement their own tax rate.

Mr. Vincent made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to advertise a Public Hearing for the proposed FY 2014-15 Budget for April 22nd 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall, seconded by Mrs. Gulley. Upon roll call, Deborah Ball; Tina Gulley; Wayne Healy; Paul Kelley; Jack Lawson; Bub Shreaves and Chris Vincent all voted “Aye”.

D. Citizens Address to Council

Mr. Hudson opened the floor for citizens to address Town Council on any Town related business. There being none, Mr. Hudson closed the Citizens Address.

IV. COUNCIL RESPONSE

None was noted.

V. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Healy made a motion to adopt the following consent agenda, seconded by Mrs. Ball. Upon roll call Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Gulley; Mr. Healy; Mr. Kelley; Mr. Lawson; Mr. Shreaves and Mr. Vincent all voted “Aye”.

- 1) Minutes of February 25th 2014 and continued meeting of March 4th 2014.
- 2) Cash Reports
 - a) General Fund
Cash on hand as of February 28th, 2014 - \$4,691,106.11
 - b) Water Fund
Cash on hand as of February 28th, 2014 - \$240,002.20
 - c) CIP
Cash on hand as of February 28th, 2014 - \$302,876.64
 - d) Solid Waste
Cash on hand as of February 28th, 2014 - \$99,158.11
- 3) Monthly Budget Report
- 4) School Fund Cash Report
 - a) Cash on hand as of February 28th, 2014 - \$263,856.91
- 5) West Point Monthly Police Activity Report
- 6) Building Official Monthly Report
- 7) Public Works Monthly Permit Report
- 8) Community Development Monthly Permit Report
- 9) Treasurer Monthly Report
- 10) Human Resource Monthly Report

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Economic and Community Development – Mr. Lawson reported for the Committee

1. Economic Development Consultant Contract

Jack Lawson made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to execute and deliver a 1 year agreement with the Economic Development Consultant. Seconded by Mr. Vincent, upon roll call Mrs. Ball; Mrs. Gulley; Mr. Healy; Mr. Kelley; Mr. Lawson; Mr. Shreaves and Mr. Vincent all voted “Aye”.

B. Education Committee – Mr. Shreaves reported for the Committee

Mr. Shreaves advised the Committee meet to review budgets and that there is no report.

C Finance Committee – Mrs. Ball reported for the Committee

Mrs. Ball advised there was nothing to report.

D. Public Safety – Mrs. Gulley reported for the Committee.

Mrs. Gulley advised there was nothing to report.

E. Public Works – Mr. Vincent reported for the Committee

1. VDOT Secondary Road Addition Resolution

Chris Vincent made a motion to adopt the attached Resolution, seconded by Mrs. Gulley. Upon roll call Mrs. Ball; Mrs. Gulley; Mr. Healy; Mr. Kelley; Mr. Lawson; Mr. Shreaves and Mr. Vincent all voted "Aye".

VII. TOWN MANAGER'S ITEMS

- A. Resolution to the Governor of Virginia and the Virginia General Assembly to timely pass a clean budget

Mr. Edwards advised that the State budget has not been passed due to negotiations regarding the expansion of Medicaid and Medicare. Mr. Edwards asked Town Council to adopt the attached resolution.

Mr. Shreaves made a motion to adopt the attached Resolution, seconded by Mrs. Gulley. Upon roll call Mrs. Ball; Mrs. Gulley; Mr. Healy; Mr. Kelley; Mr. Lawson; Mr. Shreaves and Mr. Vincent all voted "Aye".

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

There was nothing available for discussion under Old Business.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Planning Commission Report - Mr. Hudson

Mr. Hudson advised that Planning Commission meet on March 5th 2014 to review a request for public land by RockTenn, Planning Commission authorized advertisement for a public hearing for April 2nd 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Hudson adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

James H. Hudson, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk



TOWN OF WEST POINT
RESOLUTION
ADDITIONS TO SECONDARY SYSTEM
PORTION OF O.D.I STREET
(under Code of Virginia Section 33.1-79)

WHEREAS, the Town of West Point has authority pursuant to Section 33.1-79, Code of Virginia, to request the addition of mileage to the Secondary System of State Highways as long as all proposed mileage conforms to specific Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) requirements addressing widths of right-of-way and the 0.25 mile limitation of maximum allowable new mileage per VDOT fiscal year.

WHEREAS, The Town Council of the Town of Town West Point does guarantee to the Commonwealth of Virginia a clear and unrestricted right-of-way of 1304.16 feet of O.D.1. Street, (Route 1005) as required by VDOT Secondary System Policy and all necessary easements for cuts, fills and drainage structures.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Council of the Town of West Point requests the Virginia Department of Transportation to add the street(s) described on the attached additions form AM-4.3 to the Secondary System of State Highways

Certified to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Town Council of the Town of West Point at its regular monthly meeting held March 25th, 2014 at which meeting a quorum was present and voted throughout.

Those members voting:

James H. Hudson	N/A
Deborah Ball	Aye
Tina Gulley	Aye
Wayne Healy	Aye
Paul Kelley	Aye
Joshua Lawson	Aye
Otto Shreaves	Aye
Christopher Vincent	Aye

James H. Hudson, III
Mayor, Town of West Point

Adopted this 25th day of March, 2014

ATTEST:

Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk



***TOWN OF WEST POINT
RESOLUTION***

***Urging the Governor of Virginia and the Virginia General Assembly to
timely pass a clean budget***

WHEREAS, each year the foremost duty of the Virginia General Assembly is to pass a budget or budget amendments that serve as Virginia's financial blueprint for each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Virginia is consistently recognized for its sound fiscal management and budgetary practices as illustrated by its AAA bond rating and the strong bond ratings of many local government divisions throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the Town of West Point is currently in the process of developing and adopting its budget for the upcoming fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Town of West Point relies on the timely passage of a budget to allocate funding to local government services and make policy and hiring decisions for the upcoming fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, 3,300 residents of the Town of West Point depend on Town government to provide critical services such as education and public safety; and

WHEREAS, failure to pass a timely budget will result in uncertainty for The Town of West Point, which receives over 34% of its funding as direct aid from the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the Town of West Point School Board relies on the timely passage of the state budget in order to set its budget and make staffing decisions, which includes teacher contracts; and

WHEREAS, interruption of the provision of educational services to West Point students will have a significant negative impact on students and families, and

WHEREAS, the interruption of public safety services would likely result in the loss of property, serious injury, or loss of life for West Point citizens, and

WHEREAS, the Virginia General Assembly adjourned sine die on Saturday, March 8, 2014 without adopting a budget for the two year biennium beginning July 1, 2014, be it

RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of West Point, That the Governor of Virginia and the Virginia General Assembly are urged to pass a budget as soon as practicable to ensure the continued functioning of state and local governments; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the issue of Medicaid Expansion under the Affordable Care Act should be decoupled from budget negotiations and considered in a separate legislative session to facilitate prompt passage of a state budget; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Town Council of the Town of West Point shall transmit copies of this resolution to the Honorable Terence R. McAuliffe, Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia and the members of the Virginia General Assembly so that they may be apprised of the sense of the Town Council of the Town of West Point in this matter.,

Those members voting:

James H. Hudson	N/A
Deborah Ball	Aye
Tina Gulley	Aye
Wayne Healy	Aye
Paul Kelley	Aye
Joshua Lawson	Aye
Otto Shreaves	Aye
Christopher Vincent	Aye

James H. Hudson, III
Mayor, Town of West Point

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ATTEST:

Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk