

**TOWN OF WEST POINT
CONTINUED MEETING
July 31st, 2013
Minutes**

I Call to Order

The Honorable James H. Hudson, III reconvened the Town Council meeting of July 29th 2013 on Wednesday, July 31st 2013 at 7:00 pm.

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

Members Absent: Deborah Ball

Also Present: John Edwards, Town Manager; Andrea Erard, Town Attorney; Karen Barrow, Town Clerk; Interim Chief of Police, Bobby Mawyer; TC Moore, Town Treasurer and other interested persons.

II Historical Overview of Split Levy Tax

Mr. John Edwards, Town Manager presented a review on the history of the split levy tax.

III History of Town School Funding in Virginia

Carter Glass, Attorney for the Town of West Point presented a review on school funding and legislation for Colonial Beach and Westmorland County.

IV discussion of Split Levy Legislation

Trent Funkhouser, County Administrator introduced Troy Bingham as the King William finance Services Manager.

Troy Bingham presented an Excel presentation of a theoretical model being used by King William for their budget.

Andrea Erard asked for a copy of the model.

Troy advised that he intends to give the thumb drive with the presentation to John Edwards to copy.

Andrea Erard advised that the writing and numbers are so small it is impossible to read, Ms. Erard asked for a paper handout. *[See Attached]*

TC Moore made paper copies of the presentation.

Andrea Erard asked Troy Bingham what the collection percentage rate is.

Troy Bingham advised it varies from 95% to 98%. The rate varies according to the tax, Machinery and Tools is 100% in collections.

Terry Stone asked if this model follows the Westmoreland model.

Troy Bingham advised yes.

Terry Stone suggested that Town Council share the model with the Town's auditors and if the auditors agree that the model works. Then we have eliminated the question on the model and we can move forward.

V Work Groups

The consensus of both the Town Council and King William Board of Supervisors is that Work Groups be developed to work on the legislative issues in between the monthly meetings. Mr. Edwards and Mr. Funkhouser will schedule the group meetings.

VI Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Hudson adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

James H. Hudson, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk

