

**TOWN OF WEST POINT
TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES
September 30th, 2014**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The West Point Town Council held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 30th 2014. The Honorable James H. Hudson III called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Invocation was given by Father Vincent Hodge 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, WPPD; Holly McGowan, Community Development Coordinator; Walt Feurer, Director of Public Works; Donna Pauley, Human Resource Officer and other interested persons.

II. CITIZENS ADDRESS TO COUNCIL

A. Public Hearing – Ordinance 04-2014, Virginia Natural Gas Franchise Agreement

Mr. Hudson read the advertisement and asked the Town Clerk if any one asked for a copy of the agreement or for assistance to attend the meeting.

The Town Clerk advised that no request were received.

Mr. Hudson opened the floor for citizens to comment on Ordinance 04-2014. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

1. Action

Jack Lawson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 04-2014, seconded by Tina Gulley. Upon roll call, Deborah Ball, Tina Gulley, Wayne Healy, Paul Kelley, Jack Lawson, Bub Shreaves and Chris Vincent voted “Aye”.

B. Citizens Address to Council

Mr. Hudson opened the floor for citizens to address Town Council on any Town related business.

1. Vincent Hodge, 34357, King William Avenue, West Point, Virginia stated that he is concerned about the number of vehicles that make a left turn from Kirby Street onto the Eltham Bridge, it is a very dangerous situation to make the left turn. There is a sign on the left side of the road on Kirby Street that states no left turn. Father Hodge suggested a sign also be posted on the right side of the road on

Kirby Street. Father Hodge also stated that he is concerned about the truck traffic that comes off the bridge and turns right onto Kirby Street then right onto 13th Street to gain access to the Chipping plant. The drainage on 13th Street from tractor trailer use needs to be investigated.

Mrs. Gulley advised that the Public Safety Committee discussed some of the above issues recently.

Mr. Hudson advised that the Town will discuss all of the above items with VDOT.

2. Don Hogg, 1101 Main Street, West Point, Virginia asked who is responsible for the lights at the intersection at 14th Street and Main Street. The lights are not working. Mr. Hogg also asked if the Town has a noise ordinance.

Mr. Hudson advised yes, the Town does have a noise ordinance.

Andrea Erard asked if there was a specific problem.

Mr. Hogg advised no.

Mr. Hudson asked if there was any one else that would like to address Town Council. There being none, Mr. Hudson closed the Citizens Address.

III. COUNCIL RESPONSE

None was noted.

IV. AGENDA CHANGES

Mr. Hudson asked for Town Attorney Items to be placed under New Business as item B.

Mrs. Ball made a motion to amend the agenda by placing the Town Attorney items under New Business. Seconded by Mrs. Gulley, upon roll call, Deborah Ball, Tina Gulley, Wayne Healy, Paul Kelley, Jack Lawson, Bub Shreaves and Chris Vincent voted "Aye".

V. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Lawson 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 August 26th 2014 Town Council Meeting.
- 2) Cash Reports
 - a) General Fund
Cash on hand as of August 31st 2014 - \$ 7,646,815.43
 - b) Water Fund
Cash on hand as of August 31st, 2014 - \$440,148.36
 - c) CIP
Cash on hand as of August 31st, 2014 - \$259,252,84

- d) Solid Waste
 - Cash on hand as of August 31st, 2014 - \$91,278.77
- 3) Monthly Budget Report
- 4) School Fund Cash Report
 - a) Cash on hand as of August 31st, 2014 - \$182,941.73
- 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

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Mr. Lawson advised there was nothing to report.

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

Mr. Shreaves advised there was nothing to report.

C. Finance Committee – Mrs. Ball reported for the Committee

1. Budget Amendment FY 2014/15

Mrs. Ball advised that the Finance Committee reviewed the following appropriation request: 1) Schools are requesting a combined appropriation for a total of \$248,049. 2) The Police Department \$32,333 and 3) Safe Routes to School are requesting \$58,259. Because the total of the appropriations are more than 1% of the town budget, a public hearing is required for a budget amendment.

Mr. Edwards advised that the schools just found out that a grant for Public School Security was awarded this afternoon for approximately \$49,000 and not for the expected amount of \$97,000. The resolution and advertisement will show the change in the amount.

Mrs. Ball made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to advertise a public hearing for a Budget Amendment for FY 2014-15 at the October 28th 2014 Town Council meeting, seconded by Mr. Shreaves. Upon roll call Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Gulley, Mr. Healy, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Shreaves and Mr. Vincent all voted “Aye”.

2. Boards and Commission Re-appointments

Mrs. Ball made a motion for Town Council to make the following re-appointments commencing October 1, 2014:

Building Code of Appeals
James Vadas for a 4 year term through September 30th 2018

BZA and Wetlands

Daniel Hockenburger for a 5 year term through September 30th 2019

Lynda Weaver for a 5 year term through September 30th 2019

EDA

Paul Kelley for a 4 year term through September 30th 2018

William B. Lee for a 4 year term through September 30th 2018

Planning Commission

James N. Brockwell for a 4 year term through September 30th 2018

Seconded by Mr. Healy, upon roll call Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Gulley, Mr. Healy, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Shreaves and Mr. Vincent all voted “Aye”.

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

Mrs. Gulley advised that Halloween will be on Friday, October 31st 2014, trick-or-treaters may canvass no later than 8:00 P.M. and masks may not be worn by any persons canvassing who is older than 13 years of age.

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

Mr. Vincent advised there was nothing to report.

VII. TOWN MANAGER’S ITEMS

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Planning Commission Report - Mr. Hudson

Mr. Hudson advised that there was no Planning Commission meeting for the month of September, therefore there is no report.

B. Town Attorney

Mr. Shreaves made a motion to authorize the Town Attorney to take any and all acts necessary for the collection of delinquent taxes and/or delinquent water accounts and to authorize the Town Attorney to initiate any and all legal action necessary for the collection of those taxes and/or water accounts. 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”.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Mayor Hudson adjourned the meeting a 6:50 PM.

James H. Hudson, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk