## TOWN OF WEST POINT TOWN COUNCIL CONTINUED MEETING MINUTES MARCH 6th, 2018

## I. RECONVENE

The Honorable James H. Hudson III reconvened the West Point Town Council February 27th 2018 meeting on Tuesday, March 6th 2018 at the West Point School Board Office, 1629 Main Street, West Point, Virginia.

Members Present:

Mayor, Jim Hudson; Vice Mayor, Deborah Ball; Tina Gulley; Robert

Lawrence; Jack Lawson and Gail Nichols.

Members Absent:

Christ Vincent and Paul Kelley

Also Present:

John B. Edwards, Jr., Town Manager; Karen Barrow, Town Clerk; TC

Moore, Town Treasurer and other interested persons.

## II. SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET PRESENTATION

Mrs. Abel, School Superintendent presented the proposed school budget and stated that the School Board is committed to providing a level of excellence in education.

Mrs. Abel also stated that the School Board is asking for an increase of \$133,000.00 in budget funding for the following: 1) \$60,000 for a Middle School Guidance Counselor. 2) \$34,000 for the school bus lease program. 3) Maintaining the Step Increase in the Pay Scale. 4) COLA 2% increase for all faculty and staff. 5) \$19,000 for the VRS program for bus drivers.

Mr. Hudson advised that the Town has some budget challenges with the loss of revenue from ITI and West Point Verneer, but the Town Manager is currently reviewing options.

Mr. Edwards advised that that there is a current budget short fall of \$160,000 and that he will present his recommended budget at the Town Council meeting on March 27<sup>th</sup> 2018. The budget public hearing will be on April 17<sup>th</sup> and Town Council can adopt the budget on April 24<sup>th</sup> 2018.

## III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mrs. Ball made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Gulley, upon a unanimous vote, Mr. Hudson adjourned the meeting at 7:45 P.M.

ATTEST:

Karen M. Barrow

Town Clerk

Bank

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