

**TOWN OF WEST POINT  
TOWN COUNCIL  
CONTINUED MEETING  
MINUTES  
MARCH 5th, 2019**

**I. RECONVENE**

The Honorable Deborah T. Ball reconvened the West Point Town Council meeting from February 26th 2019 on Tuesday, March 5th 2019 at the West Point School Board Office, 1629 Main Street, West Point, Virginia.

Members Present: Vice Mayor, Deborah Ball; Tina Gulley; Robert Lawrence; Jack Lawson, Gail Nichols, Mr. Pruett and Mr. Ragsdale.

Members Absent: Jim Hudson

Also Present: John B. Edwards, Jr., Town Manager; Karen Barrow, Town Clerk; Tim Sawyer, Chief of Police 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 presented a power point presentation that reflects the following changes in the budget: 1) A 10% increase in employee health care cost. 2) A 2% salary plus a step increase for a total of 3% salary increase. 3) FY2019-20 Core Budget Priorities increase of \$170,000 and \$147,300 for Determined Priorities for a total increase of \$317,300. Of which \$254,909 will be a projected state revenue increase, leaving a local revenue increase of \$62,391. However, the school board has identified items in the budget that can be adjusted that can lower the schools budget request to \$38,500. Mrs. Abel also stated that the budget is based on a student enrolment of 780 students.

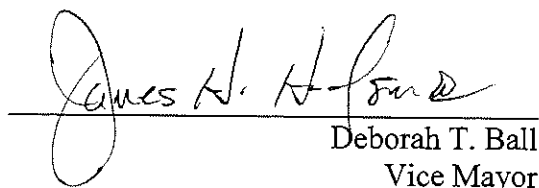
Mrs. Ball asked if the schools still receives funds from the state lottery.

Mrs. Abel stated yes but the identification, uses and line item changes from year to year.


Mr. Edwards advised the town is reviewing the budget request and that he will present the proposed budget at the March 26<sup>th</sup> Town Council Meeting.

**III. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Lawson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Gulley, upon a unanimous vote, Mrs. Ball adjourned the meeting at 6:20 P.M.

  
Deborah T. Ball  
Vice Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Karen M. Barrow  
Town Clerk