

**TOWN OF WEST POINT
TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
MINUTES
APRIL 18th, 2022**

I. Call To Order

The Honorable James H. Hudson, III called to order the special called meeting of West Point Town Council on Tuesday, April 18th 2022 at 6:30 pm at West Point Town Hall, 802 Main Street, West Point, Virginia.

Members Present: Mayor James H. Hudson, III; Deborah T. Ball, Vice Mayor, Robert Lawrence, Jack Lawson, James Pruett, John Ragsdale and Chris Vincent.

Members Absent: Tina Gulley

Also Present: John B. Edwards, Jr., Town Manager, Karen Barrow, Town Clerk, Susan Harlow, Town Treasurer, Walt Feurer Director of Public Works, Holly McGowan, Director of Community Development and Donna Pauley, Human Resource Officer.

Mayor Hudson stated that the proposed Budget has been available on the Towns Web Site, in the lobby at Town Hall or by request from the Clerk's office.

Mr. Edwards gave a power point presentation and stated that there are no proposed changes with the tax rates this year, Real Estate, Machinery and Tools and Personal Property will remain the same as last year. There is a public hearing scheduled for this evening for a waiver of the vehicle license fee for this year. Mr. Edwards also stated that the schools remain level funded and that the budget does include the funding of the new Fire Chief position. The budget for FY 2022-23 is \$21,043,312.

II. Public Hearing, Ordinance 04-2022, Vehicle License Tax

Mr. Hudson stated that the Daily Press inappropriately advertised the public hearing, it is in the process of being readvertised, however it was advertised so we will proceed with a public hearing.

Mr. Hudson read the advertisement and asked the Town Clerk if anyone asked for a copy of Ordinance 04-2022. or for assistance to attend the meeting.

The Town Clerk stated that no requests were received.

Mr. Hudson opened the floor for citizens to comment on Ordinance 04-2022. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Mr. Hudson advised that Ordinance 04-2022 will be readvertised with a seconded public hearing scheduled for the May Town Council meeting.

III. Public Hearing, FY 2022-23 Budget

Mr. Hudson read the advertisement then asked the Town Clerk if any requests were received for a copy of the budget or for assistance to attend the public hearing.

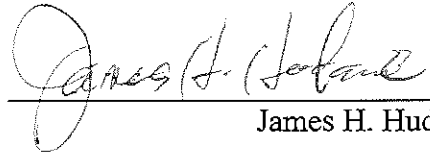
The Town Clerk advised that no requests were received.

Mr. Hudson opened the floor for citizens to comment on the proposed FY 2022-23 budget. There being none. The public hearing was closed.

Mr. Hudson advised that State Code requires the town wait seven days after the public hearing before the budget can be adopted. Adoption of the budget will take place at the Council meeting next week.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned 6.40 p.m.



James H. Hudson, III.
Mayor

ATTEST:



Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk