

**City of West Point  
Council Meeting Minutes  
May 10, 2021 at 7:00 PM**

Mayor Billy Ash called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mayor Ash lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were: Mayor Billy Ash, City Clerk/Treasurer Gaye Moore, Assistant City Clerk/Finance Dwayne Culver and Council members: Joseph Frost, Fran Moore, Richard Ciresi and Annette Baker

1. **MINUTES**

Richard Ciresi made a motion to accept the minutes from April 12, 2021. Annette Baker seconded the motion. Joseph Frost abstained. Fran Moore, Richard Ciresi and Annette Baker all voted yes.

2. **Old Business:**

Conditional Use Permit for 112 N. 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Roszelle Moore read the Finding of Facts from the May 4, 2021 Planning and Zoning meeting. Planning and Zoning recommends the application be approved with the following restrictions: All work must be contained inside the building, fluids must be disposed of in proper containers, area would be free of all parts and clean, time of operation be set and posted and street be kept clear for traffic. The Code Enforcement Officer will check periodically to see if he is in compliance of all restrictions. Fran Moore made a motion to accept the Conditional Use Permit for Mr. Conner at 112 N. 15<sup>th</sup> Street for an Auto Repair Shop with the recommendations and restrictions from Planning and Zoning. Joseph Frost seconded the motion. Annette Baker asked how often was the Code Enforcement Officer going to check on Mr. Conner? If not in compliance, will he cite him? Roszelle Moore stated the Code Enforcement Officer will occasionally go by to check, if he is not in compliance he will cite him. Joseph Frost voted yes, Fran Moore voted yes, Richard Ciresi voted no, Annette Baker voted yes. Motion passed.

3. **Mayors Report:**

Mayor Ash stated we have put an ad in the paper for the Police Officer's position, the ad is in four different papers until Friday at 4:00 PM. There have been no applicants so far. The First Baptist Church is down. Deputy London aims to have it all cleaned up by the end of the month. We have have a Quick Claim deed on the property since December. The American Relief money will be dispersed over a two-year period. It will have to be used by December 31, 2024. We had a water leak over the weekend at 1007 Riverview Drive. Water was shut off on Riverview from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 13<sup>th</sup> Street for a short time. Emerald Investment LLC has bought Timberwood MHP (Betty Collin's). They have stated they are going to put in RV's where there are no mobile homes. Richard Ciresi stated under the FEMA regulations that is the only practical use for the mobile home park. Joseph Frost ask if the RV will have to move after so many days? Richard Ciresi stated they can be restricted to a timeframe. The council suggested to not sign the Business License until some restrictions are made. Mayor Ash read a resignation letter from City Attorney Josh Cooper. Mayor Ash stated he has made contact with a few Hardin Co. Attorney's but has not found a replacement yet. Dwayne Culver presented Income/Expense statements for Jan. Feb. Mar. and Apr. 2021. Mayor Ash stated he was working to put together a budget for 20-21 and 21-22. He will present it for the council next month. They will have a working session to go over the budget and make changes.

4. **Council Concerns:**

Annette Baker presented an amendment to Ordinance 152.79. She would like to make changes to be able to fence in the front yard. Annette read the ordinance with changing section 3 subsection A from 25 ft to 1 foot, and to omit subsection B.

Annette Baker presented an amendment to Land Usage Ordinance 152.030. Annette recommended adding subsection 5 allowing poultry with restrictions. Annette read Land Usage Ordinance 152.030 with the added subsection.

Annette Baker asked how the tax liability was going? Dwayne Culver stated Joe Hurley CPA was writing a letter of abatement to the state and Federal tax offices. We have not heard back from him. Mayor Ash stated he will go to Mr. Hurley's office to see why he has not been in contact with City Hall.

Annette Baker state she got on City Council to do good for the city and would like everyone to get along and work together.

Joseph Frost ask what is the life span and warranty for the sewer plant work? Mayor Ash stated six-ten years with a one-year warranty. Joseph asked if it repair cost were added to the budget?  
How much are we bringing in on the cell towers, how is it listed on the financial statement? Mayor Ash stated he would get him an itemized list.

Joseph Frost stated he applied for two grants for bridge repair at Bee Branch, he should know something in about a month.

Mayor Ash asked Joseph Frost if he would like to help with the River Sweep. Stephanie Givens from Hardin Co. Solid Waste will get in touch with City Hall to schedule the event.

Ricahrd Ciresi presented a Resolution 2021-01. Resolution In Support of the Three Historic Trails Chautauqua. Joseph Frost made a motion to accept the resolution, Annette Baker seconded the motion. Joseph Frost, Fran Moore, Richard Ciresi and Annette Baker all voted yes. Motion passed.

How will we amend the current budget?

Richard Ciresi presented Ordinance 2021-04 an amendment for building permits issued within the City of West Point.

Richard Ciresi asked if the personal policy was the same as in the ordinance book? Mayor Ash stated the one in use was made by a Municipal Order. Richard Ciresi, suggest we remove the Personal Policy from the Ordinance. Richard Ciresi asked if the insurance has been contacted and accept the claim for theft. Dwayne Culver stated we have a fraud claim placed; an insurance adjuster has been assigned to the claim.

Planning and Zoning- Roszelle Moore stated committee passed a carport permit for 1115 Riverview Drive, a fence and deck permit for 1410 Geoghegan Street and a fence permit for 109 S 10<sup>th</sup> Street and a permit to build a house from Donna McCreary on the Ohio River property.

Finance Committee- Bonnie Ciresi stated the Fiscal Year 2016-17 is ready to be audited.

Code Enforcement Office, Bob Heuglin reported the camper at the end of Eighth St is gone.

5. **Citizens' Concerns:**

Darin Werner stated he does not want to get rid of his roosters, they don't bother anyone. Mr. Warner stated he has 14 roosters and no one sees or hears them.

Fred Staley would like the city to put a gate or something up by the impound lot between 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> streets, the people are driving through there all night. Mayor Ash state they will try to get this closed off temporarily.

Mike Bickel asked if they were going to keep 7<sup>th</sup> street closed? Mayor Ash stated it will stay closed until there are more officers.

Joe Short would like to get a business license for a Halloween event on his farm property. It will be eight weekends. Mayor Ash asked if he could set up a meeting with all involved to go over the plans.

Roszelle Moore stated she was concerned about the road collapsing on Main Street past 15<sup>th</sup> Street.

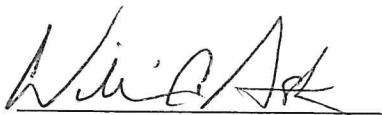
All the drainage ditches are filling up with dirt, need to be cleaned. Mayor Ash stated he will get with the State Highway Department.


There is an old well at the 9<sup>th</sup> Street trailer park with an old pallet over it.

Roszelle Moore suggest to contract out the water tower for advertisement.

6. **ADJOURN**

Richard Ciresi made a motion to adjourn, Joseph Frost seconded the motion. Joseph Frost, Fran Moore, Richard Ciresi and Annette Baker all voted yes. Motion passed. 9:00 PM

  
William C. Ash, Mayor

  
Sandra Gaye Moore, City Clerk/Treasurer