

**City of West Point  
Special Council Meeting  
February 28, 2023 7:30 PM**

**MINUTES**

Mayor Richard Ciresi called meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Mayor Ciresi led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Annette Baker led in Prayer. Present were Mayor Richard Ciresi, City Clerk/Treasurer Deena Thomas, and Council members: Annette Baker, Amy Bickel, Kevin Duke, Eric Duvall, Chris McVey, and Jo Sabol.

A Water Rate Increase Proposal and Ordinance 2023-01 that revises the rates and charges for the use and services rendered by West Point Water and Sewer System was presented. Mayor Ciresi explained Hardin County Water District No. 1 increased the cost of water to the City of West Point. The water rate now has a 41.2% increase, \$0.97 cent increase from December 31, 2022 to January 1, 2023. The current water rate is \$18.70; which has not been increased since calendar year 2017. The proposed new rate is \$22.85; an increase of \$4.15 for the first 2,500 gallons for water only. Raising the water rates to the citizens of \$1.63 per thousand gallons will offset the increased costs.

Held first reading of Ordinance 2023-01 to increase water rates. Eric Duvall made a motion to accept. Annette Baker seconded the motion. Roll Call: Annette Baker, Amy Bickel, Eric Duvall, Chris McVey, and Jo Sabol voted yes. Kevin Duke voted no. Motion passed.

**ADJOURN**

Jo Sabol made motion to adjourn, Amy Bickel seconded the motion. Motion passed, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.



Richard Ciresi, Mayor



Deena Thomas, City Clerk/Treasurer