WEST POINT, KENTUCKY SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 25, 2025 7:00 p.m.

A called City of West Point Council Meeting was held on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, at the West Point Independent School building, 203 N. 13th Street, West Point, Kentucky, with Mayor Richard A. Ciresi presiding as chair.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Ciresi called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Ciresi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRAYER:

Roszelle Moore led in prayer.

ROLL CALL:

PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Ciresi, Mayor

PRESENT: A

Amy Bickel

Dwayne Culver

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Kevin Duke

Jo Sabol

RECORDING CLERK: Ashley Gates

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JANUARY 13, 2025:

The January 13, 2025, minutes were presented for approval. Dwayne Culver made a motion to adopt the minutes as written and his motion was seconded by Amy Bickel; Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 31ST, 2025:

Upon motion by Jo Sabol, duly seconded by Dwayne Culver, the financial report for January 2025 was accepted as presented. A roll call vote was taken; All members present voted "yes" and the motion carried.

3. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2025-02 CREATING UTILITY FRANCHISE:

Ordinance 2025-02 was read by Amy Bickel and presented for discussion. This ordinance creates a non-exclusive franchise for installing, maintaining, and operating electric and natural gas facilities within West Point's public rights-of-way. It authorizes the City to sell this franchise to the highest bidder, establishes a ten-year term with a potential five-year renewal, and requires execution of a franchise agreement outlining terms of service. A second reading will be held on the 10th day of March 2025 at the next regularly scheduled council meeting.

4. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2025-01 TINY HOMES:

Ordinance 2025-01 was read by Amy Bickel and presented for discussion. This ordinance revises zoning rules in R1 and R2 districts to permit and regulate Tiny Houses. It defines a Tiny House as a dwelling with a minimum of one hundred square feet of living space and sets general construction and design standards. The ordinance also allows for the development of Cottage Courts with shared open space. A second reading will be held on the 10th day of March 2025 at the next regularly scheduled council meeting.

5. <u>CONSIDERATION & FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2025-03 ABANDONED URBAN PROPERTY TAX:</u>

Ordinance 2025-03 was read by Amy Bickel and presented for discussion. This ordinance establishes a separate tax rate for "Abandoned Urban Property" under KRS 92.305. IT defines which properties qualify as abandoned, sets the tax rate at one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed value, and outlines the process for classifying, notifying, and removing properties from the abandoned list. A second reading will be held on the 10th day of March 2025 at the next regularly scheduled council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Ciresi called for a motion to adjourn. Jo Sabol motioned, with a second motion from Dwayne Culver. Motion passes unanimously, the time being 7:37 PM.

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Richard A. Ciresi, Mayor

ATTEST.

Ashley Gates, City Clerk