

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting

Held: Tuesday June 3, 2025

The regular meeting of the South Point Village Council was called to order at 7:00 PM. Mayor Jeff Gaskin led with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by prayer offered by Pastor Ryan Byers.

Roll Call:

Members Present-

David Classing
Brad Adkins
Rockford McCoy
Chuck Austin
Mary Cogan

Members Absent-

None

Village Solicitor, Randy Lambert was present.

A short discussion was held regarding appointment of new council member. A roll call recommendation vote was held and the results are as follows:

Mr. McCoy, Sandy Daniel
Mr. Classing, Sandy Daniel
Mr. Adkins, Charles Withrow
Mr. Austin, Charles Withrow
Mrs. Cogan, Charles Withrow

Mr. Withrow was sworn in as the new council member by Mayor Gaskin.

Mr. Austin made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held May 6, 2025. Mr. McCoy seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Classing-yes, Mr. McCoy-yes, Mr. Austin-yes, Mr. Adkins-yes. Mrs. Cogan, Abstain, Mr. Withrow, Abstain, Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Classing made a motion to approve the payment of invoices paid in May 2025. Mr. McCoy seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Classing-yes, Mr. McCoy-yes, Mr. Austin-yes, Mr. Adkins-yes. Mrs. Cogan, yes, Mr. Withrow, yes, Motion carried 6-0.

Public:

Michael Chapman, 102 Mulberry Street, to discuss vacating of property located in South point, specifically the alley behind his house. He and his neighbors have always maintained the property. He would like to have the property split between all of the neighboring owners of the property. Mr. Lambert explained that if all property owners agree and sign a contract, they would then need to bring it to council to approve or deny.

Judy Daniels, 404 Dean Street, questioned if there is an ordinance on dog barking.

Ms. Childers, High Street, asked if the meetings could be put online so that everyone who can't attend can listen to what is going on.

Jeremy Clay gave an update on progress at the Industrial Park.

Linda Main with People with the Point spoke about Party in the Park which will be held on Saturday, July 5. Several events have been lined up along with food trucks and vendors. Anyone wishing to set up needs to give her a call. Invited everyone to come down to enjoy and also asked for volunteers to help. Fireworks will be held at 10 pm.

Old Business:

Chuck discussed cybersecurity for the village. He stated that he is requesting another bid using the items that the Village needs, hoping to have everything wrapped up for next meeting.

Randy presented a draft for the back yard chicken ordinance for council to review.

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New Business:

1. Mr. Austin made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule for **Ordinance 25-10** An Ordinance Amending and Replacing Ordinance 24-08 Employee Benefits of the Village of South Point, Ohio, Repealing any Legislation in Conflict. Mrs. Cogan seconded the motion. All yes, Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Austin made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 25-10**. Mr. Adkins seconded the motion. Roll Call Mr. Adkins, yes; Mr. Austin, yes; Mr. McCoy, yes; Mr. Classing, yes; Mrs. Cogan, No; Mr. Withrow, yes. Motion carried 5-1.
2. Mrs. Cogan made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule for **Ordinance 25-11** An Ordinance Modifying the Salaries of Village employees and Fixing Rate of Compensation. Mr. Austin seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Mrs. Cogan made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 25-11**. Mr. McCoy seconded the motion. Roll Call All yes, Motion carried 6-0.
3. Mr. McCoy made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule for **Ordinance 25-12** An Ordinance to Amend Appropriation Ordinance 24-21 to Make Appropriations for Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the Village of South Point, State of Ohio, During the fiscal Year ending December 31, 2025 and Suspending the Three Reading Rule. Mr. Austin seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Austin made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 25-12**. Mrs. Cogan seconded the motion. Roll Call All yes, Motion carried 6-0.
4. Mr. Austin made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule for **Resolution 25-07** A Resolution Acknowledging Acceptance of a Capital Improvement Community Park, Recreation/Conservation Project Pass-through Grant Agreement with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) and Suspending the Three-Reading Rule. Mrs. Cogan seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. McCoy made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 25-07**. Mrs. Cogan seconded the motion. Roll Call All yes, Motion carried 6-0.
5. Mr. Austin made a motion to Adopt **Resolution 25-08** A Resolution of Authorization. Mr. Adkins seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Classing made a motion to approve the transfer of funds for the month of June 2025. Mr. McCoy seconded. Roll call: All yes. Motion Carried 6-0.

<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
General Fund	2904 Police Dept. Fund	40,000.00
Sewer Fund	5721 Solida Sewer Bond (2017 LCNI)	4,375.00
Sewer Fund	5701 Sewer Improvements Bond (OPWC-2009)	3,380.00
Sewer Fund	5761 Sewer Reserve	4,500.00
Sewer Fund	5723 WWTP Clarifiers Rehab Loan (OWDA-2018)	4,305.00
Water Fund	5762 Water Reserve	1,667.00
Street Fund	3101 Street Repaving Bond (2015 LCNI)	456.00
Vehicle Permissive Tax	3101 Street Repaving Bond (2015 LCNI)	3750.00
Fire Dept. Fund	3102 Fire Truck Bond (2020 PNC)	2,500.00
Sewer Fund	3103 Vacuum Truck Bond (2021 US Bank)	7,995.00
Water Fund	5722 Phase 1 Waterline Replacement Loan	4,061.82
Water Fund	5724 Phase 2 Waterline Replacement Loan	6,603.80

Mr. Classing made a motion to approve the Clerk/Treasurer's financial report, and the Rev/Expenditure account status report and the bank reconciliation for the month ending May, 2025. Mr. McCoy seconded. Roll Call: All yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Department Reports

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Village Administrator:

Russ presented his report for the month of May, the water department pumped 12,995,000. Getting estimates on replacing roof on water tank. They were painted in 2016. They will need to be painted again. Also working on getting the portal up and running so that residents can view their usage and bills. The sewer department treated 27 million gallons of sewage. Headworks is being replaced. Bid will be done this month. Working on getting a plan to get the storm water out of the system. The street has been mowing grass and patching roads. Pickle ball court: concrete is done, contractor will be doing striping and adding the fence. Trying to get it ready before July 4 event and Party in the Park.

Fire Department: Had the fire truck here for the Memorial Day parade. The truck is back in Columbus. Will need to make some adjustments to be able to get the truck inside of the garage.

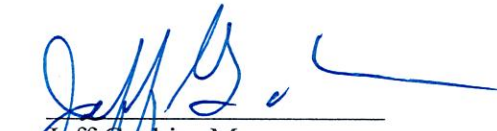
Police Department: More police activity and presence due to filling of vacant positions.

Miscellaneous

Mayor Gaskin spoke about getting a grant writer to help with the first responder grants. He discussed tire issue at Malone Trailer Park. He has found an EPA grant that will help if you inherit the tires. Fund is empty now but should be funded again in July. Also stated that he continues to work on drug rehab issues every month. And lastly, an age discrimination suit was filed against the Village but was dismissed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30.


Lori Jordan, Clerk


Jeff Gaskin, Mayor