

Town of New Point Council Meeting

June 9, 2025

Jeff Shouse-Council President called the June 9, 2025 meeting to order. He asked people in attendance to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Shouse-Council President asked if there were any correction or additions to the May 12, 2025 council meeting minutes? There was one correction Gary Wolford's-Council Member, last name and council position was left out, the correction was made. Jeff Shouse-Council President made a motion to approve the May 12, 2025 Council Meeting minutes and Gary Wolford second the motion. The May 12, 2025 were approved.

Those in attendance were, Jeff Shouse-Council President Gary Wolford-Council Member, Kelly Blodgett-Council-Member, Giltina Marshall Clerk-Treasurer, Andy Hadler-Town Marshall, Stacy Shouse Clerk-Assistant, Randy Gibbs Jr. Sewage Supervisor, Emily Wolford, Mike Novac, RCAP representative, Morgan Flaughner, RCAP representative in training,

Patron Comments;

Talked about upcoming meeting with Gary Hash, with the Decatur County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Andy Hadler-Town Marshall said he was going to try to attend, Jeff Shouse-

Council President also said he was going to try to attend.

Mike Novac to get together with Tina and Stacy about an Asset Management Plan. Mike also introduced Morgan Flaughner training with Mike.

Jeff Shouse-Council President to get with Steve Ruble with Strand Associates about smoke test to see who has illegally hooked up to the sewage system.

The new gas station has been approved. Deans have requested that the new owners put up A fence. If the trees need to be trimmed that are located on that property, it is the owner's responsibility to contact the state.

Sanitary Sewer and Liens,

New Sewage Pump has been installed at the Main Lift Station. Had to order two air valves for the Petro Truck Stop old rags were found in the old ones. Jeff Shouse-Council President asked Randy Gibbs Jr. to check the Truck Stop lift station grate to make sure it is on.

Hirt & Elco repaired the main lift station equipment. Doug Westerfeld has been notified of the repair. We had a resident to come in and pay to hook up to the sewer line in August. It was suggested that a flow meter be put in the manhole where it comes out of the main To check flow, ask Strand about flow testing

Liens have been paid are waiting to be released.

Alley Streets and Roads

Streets looked at we have estimates from Statewide Paving, If some streets can't be paved we need to look into the dips in the roads to be repaired, Jeff asked Andy to look into this.

Railroad was called about the weeds behind Community Building they sent a gentleman out to weed eat.

Need to talk to Pete Trenkamp about using Backhoe to dig out Tubb Creek.

Outside Building and Grounds

Jeff Shouse-Council President cleaned out gutters. Gary Wolford-Council Member fixed flag and line to the flag pole. Andy was asked if the repairs of Community Center have been done.

Inside Building

The Big Room and Meeting room was rented out all weekend.

Budget /Insurance

Everything good.

Permits and Ordinances

The Town Council discussed new speed limits in town. Andy Hadler-Town Marshall said the speed limit could not be lower than 15 mph or higher than 35 mph. The Town Council decided on 20 mph through the town. Jeff Shouse-Council President read the first reading of Ordinance 2025-5. Gary Wolford-Council Member did second reading of Ordinance 2025-5. Last reading to be read in July 14th Town Council Meeting.

There haven't been any street mileage signs ordered for the town as of this meeting. Signs will be ordered. After New Speed Limit Signs are put up there will be a "30 day" grace period given to residence of the town. We also need to get a sign stating LOW BRIDGE for trucks on 850 E.

at the viaduct.

Courthouse

The courthouse dropped the ball on Mr. Minning's lien for Spring settlement. The lien monies will be on fall settlement.

Vehicles

Police car is running fine. Bobcat needs schedule for maintenance and blade repair.

Fire Dept. Report

Training for new Volunteer Firefighters still on going. They took a couple of firetrucks to the Police Training course they did pretty well, only hit 2 ones.

Still taking order for Peaches until Saturday June 14th. Pick up June 28th and 29th.
Chicken Supper July 25th. 5-7 pm.

Events

Crack-Away Daze has been cancelled for this year.
Peach Sales until June 14th. Peach pick- up June 28th and 29th. 9-2
Chicken Supper Friday 25th. 5-7 pm.

Police

Bought 6 new Stop Signs and 6 new Post.
Note from IDOT on 46 at 600 & 850 Talked to Tim Ortman about Crossing Grant. Mr. Ortman said he would help. There are new rules For Crossing Paser Grants. Todd Hauk with Decatur County Highway may also help.

Andy Hadler-Town Marshal turned in paper work for new gun. Awaiting arrival.

Police Report

Traffic Stops 33
Citations 12
Warnings 30
Felony Arrest 0
Misdemeanor Arrest 0
Cases 0
Calls Given 41

__\$75,925.66__

General Fund

__\$10,848.30__

Community Building Fund

__\$121,103.36__

Sewage Operational Acc.

__\$35,650.79__

Sewer Bond & Interest

Jeffrey J. Shouse
Council President
7-28-25

Steph Wagoner
Council Member

Alicia Marshall
Clerk-Treasurer

Kelly J. Blodgett
Council Member 7-28-28