

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting

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Held: Tuesday, March 4, 2025

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The regular meeting of the South Point Village Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Jeff Gaskin.

Roll Call:

Members Present-

David Classing  
Rockford McCoy  
Chuck Austin  
Mary Cogan  
Marlene Arthur  
Brad Adkins

Members Absent-

Village Solicitor, Randy Lambert was present.

Mr. Austin made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held March 4, 2025. Mrs. Cogan seconded. Roll Call: All yes, Motion Carried.

Mr. Classing made a motion to approve the payment of invoices paid in March 2025. Mr. McCoy seconded. Roll Call: All yes. Motion carried.

**Public:**

Public comments started with discussing issues with the police department involving police officers leaving the department and the budget for the police department.

Randy Guthry of Brubaker Drive added that it is hard to find police officers due to lack of interest and support.

Melvin Atwood of South Point added that the South Point police department went out of their way to assist him in letting him know about a personal matter. He was very appreciative of their help.

Leslie Salyers of Alex Drive gave a short presentation about raising backyard chickens in South Point to have cheaper eggs. There was a discussion about amending the ordinance to allow backyard chickens in the Village of South Point. Council decided to discuss this further and possibly revisit at a later time.

Oscar, Kitts Lane, thanked the Village street department for their excellent work in snow clean up. Also discussed cleanup of property around Sand Road.

Brandie Jackson thanked the Village for the delivery of gravel. She stated they went above and beyond what was expected.

Becky read a statement regarding her involvement with Bethesda Services LLC, what the program does and who they help. A discussion continued regarding how the recovery housing affects the residents of South Point. Pastor Byers brought up the issue that it might help if they were intermingled with the people of South Point and not transported out of the Village for Church services or other events. A discussion was also held regarding permits and whether or not they were grandfathered in. Randy stated that the ordinance would need to be amended because the Village cannot regulate a business that is already in existence.

**Old Business:**

None

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### **New Business:**

Mr. McCoy made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule for **Ordinance 25-04** An Ordinance to Modifying the Salaries of Village Employees and Fixing Rate of Compensation. Mr. Classing seconded the motion. Roll Call: All yes. Motion carried.

Mr. McCoy made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 25-04**. Mr. Classing seconded the motion. Roll Call: All yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Classing made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule for **Ordinance 25-05** An Ordinance to Amend Appropriation Ordinance 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. Mr. Austin seconded the motion. Roll Call: All yes. Motion carried.

Mr. McCoy made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 25-05**. Mr. Austin seconded the motion. Roll Call: All yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Classing made a motion to approve the transfer of funds for the month of March 2025. Mrs. Cogan seconded. Roll call: All yes. Motion Carried

<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)	3,750.00
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 for the month ending January, 31 2025 and February 28, 2025. Mr. McCoy seconded. Roll Call: All yes. Motion carried.

### **Department Reports**

#### **Village Administrator:**

Russ presented for the month of February, the water department pumped 12,779,000 with 0 water breaks. Have completed the first tower read. We are now 99% tower reads. If we notice that there is large usage, we will contact you and let you know you have high usage and will give a one-time leak adjustment. Planning on getting estimates to repair the roof of the tank at the water tower. Sewer department treated 33 million gallons for the month of February. Let everyone know that there will be a culvert replacement on Solida Road.

**Fire Department:** Absent

**Police Department:** Absent

#### **Miscellaneous**

Seth talked about dogs not being tagged and running loose in the Village and trash on properties in the Village. Working on updating the code enforcement ordinance to have everything on one which includes unsightly properties, grass, cars, and trash.

Mayor Gaskin informed everyone that the new vac truck was picked up yesterday and is in the parking lot for everyone to view.

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He also discussed the balance of the general fund and that we are expecting the property tax deposit soon. General plan for the water filtration has been started but will take several months to complete.

Mary Cogan made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Mr. Austin seconded the motion.

There was no vote taken after executive session.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

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Lori Jordan, Clerk

  
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Jeff Gaskin, Mayor