

MINUTES OF THE POINT BLANK CITY COUNCIL

September 8, 2025

The Point Blank City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 8, 2025, at the Point Blank Civic Center in Point Blank, Texas.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Wood, Mayor
Mel Basham, Mayor Pro-Tem
Mike Pagel
Matt Smith
Gary Wulf

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jim Woods

OTHERS:

Levina Wulf
Kelly Hoot

CONVENED

Mayor Mark Wood called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was present, and the meeting was called to order.

READING OF SECTION 42.05 OF THE PENAL CODE, DISRUPTION OF A MEETING OR PROCESSION

Reading of Section 42.05 was not read.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Wood read a suspicious email that he had received to the Council. He informed them that he had tried to change the password to the account but is unable to do so. It will be 30 days before Microsoft will change it. He suggested that the Council be very cautious and change their passwords if needed.

MINUTES

Mayor Wood said the minutes of the August 11th meeting needed Council approval. Mayor Wood asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Ms. Basham made a motion to approve the August 11, 2025, minutes as amended.

Mr. Smith seconded the motion which passed (4 ayes, 0 nays).

CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON STREET REPAIRS

Mayor Wood said he and Mr. Wulf and Mr. Smith had discussed the city streets and the work the city does on them. They decided the city has been looking at streets the wrong way. It would be more cost effective to do routine maintenance than to wait until the roads are in such bad shape that they require major reconstruction. The cost of one mile of road is \$500,000 per TXDOT standards. There is no way the city can afford that unless we get grants to fund it. They decided to experiment with different types of sealers to fill the cracks and seal the roads.

Mayor Wood said he had ordered several different types of materials and they will apply them to different areas to see which ones work best. They all agreed if there is not a good base on the road that nothing will work. Mayor Wood, Mr. Wulf and Mr. Smith agreed to meet on Thursday morning to decide where the road tests will be done.

Mr. Wulf said he drove around recently and even the section on Wildwood in North Woods looks better because there has been no rain and people are driving over it and flattening it. When it starts raining again that is when we will see the problems pop up.

The area that the county fixed on White Oak looks really good but once again, we haven't received much rain.

UPDATE ON FEMA FLOOD, FEMA HURRICANE AND FEMA MITIGATION

Mayor Wood said he needed to get the documentation turned in to TDEM for the FEMA work that has been completed and they will reimburse us.

UPDATE ON GRANTS AND HAZARD MITIGATION

We are waiting for Bleyl Engineering on the block grant. That was originally supposed to be finished in November but because of having to be rebid, there is no way the grant will be compete. We will have to apply for an extension on it.

CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON HAZARDOUS MITIGATION PLAN RESOLUTION

Mayor Wood said he received a call from the county's grant administrator asking if we had signed off on the hazardous mitigation plan. The mayor told her that the city had agreed to the county's hazardous mitigation plan several months ago. The grant administrator told him she needed the city to approve a resolution stating that we had approved the hazardous mitigation plan and that is what this resolution does. He asked for a motion to approve the hazardous mitigation plan resolution.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the hazardous mitigation plan resolution as presented.

Ms. Basham seconded the motion which passed unanimously (4 ayes, 0 nays.)

CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON GRANT TO THE POINT BLANK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT (PBVFD)

Mayor Wood said he had received a letter from the Point Blank VFD requesting assistance in purchasing replacement shelving in the fire station for equipment and gear. Their shelving was destroyed when a tree fell through the roof.

Council discussed the request.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve a grant for \$2200 to the Point Blank VFD to purchase replacement shelving.

Mr. Pagel seconded the motion which passed (4 ayes, 0 nays).

CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON THE FY26 BUDGET

Mayor Wood informed the Council that this was the third and final reading of the budget. The budget would need to be approved tonight. All totals match the management report.

Mr. Wulf asked why the mayor's expense line was zero. Shouldn't there be an amount in that line as there was in previous years.

Mayor Wood responded there should be an amount in that line and he had mistakenly left it blank. He would put \$1500 in that line and reduce the road allocation by \$1500 to balance the budget. He thanked Mr. Wulf for catching that mistake.

Mr. Wulf made a motion to approve the budget as revised.

Mr. Smith seconded the motion which passed (4 ayes, 0 nays).

LEDGER REPORTS

Mayor Wood reviewed the ledger reports.

The balances are:

First State Bank Checking Account	\$224,819.95
First State Bank Grant Account	\$2,875.02
Petty Cash	\$13.60
First National Bank Savings Account	\$138,593.06

Sales tax for the month was \$26,462.32

Mayor Wood said he were very surprised when he saw the check was for \$26,462.32 so we called the Comptroller's Office and asked for an explanation. The Comptroller's Office said they had conducted an audit of the city's account and found we were owed these additional funds. We do not know if it was only for this year or included past years.

Mayor Wood said the city is \$20,971.15 ahead of where we were last year in sales tax revenue.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The mayor did not have any additional comments.

COMMENTS FROM ALDERMEN

Mr. Wulf informed the Council that he had attended the Public Safety Committee Meeting today and gave a brief overview of the meeting. He said 17 firefighters had recently taken the Firefighter 1 Test and only half of them passed the test.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

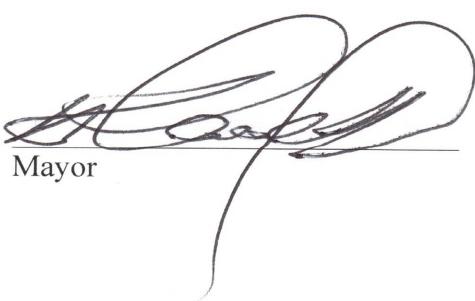
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Wood said if there were no additional comments, he would like to ask for a motion to adjourn.

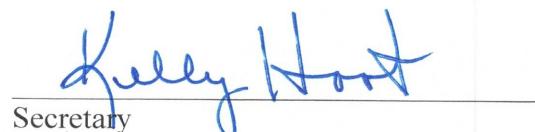
Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Wulf seconded the motion which passed (4 ayes, 0 nays).

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.



Mayor



Secretary