

MINUTES OF THE POINT BLANK CITY COUNCIL

October 13, 2025

The Point Blank City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 13, 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
Jim Woods
Gary Wulf

OTHERS:

Ken & Karen Black
Dr. Gregory Parker
Ron Weis, Governor's Point
Katy Price, Grant Works
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

Ken Black addressed the Council about the possibility of the city hosting an independence day celebration. July 4, 2026 will be the 250th anniversary of our independence. Mr. Black distributed copies of a proposed layout for the celebration including set up of food trucks, vendor booths, children's area and a main stage area and a list of possible activities such as bounce house, dunking booth, music, baking contests, raffle items, etc. Mr. Black said the Point Blank Community Church's building on US Highway 190 would be the perfect location if the city was able to use it.

The Council discussed the topic and decided to put it on the November agenda.

Ron Weis, Governor's Point Property Owner's Association, introduced himself to the Council and said he would be attending the meetings for Governor's Point and looked forward to working with the Council in the future.

Dr. Gregory Parker introduced himself to the Council. He has recently moved to the area and would like to help the city in anyway possible. He is a former city manager, county commissioner and adjunct professor at South College and Lee College.

MINUTES

Mayor Wood said the minutes of the September 8th meeting needed Council approval. Mayor Wood asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the September 8, 2025, minutes.

Ms. Basham seconded the motion which passed (5 ayes, 0 nays).

PRESENTATION OF TDA FORM A1024 CDBG SECTION 3 GOALS AND CONCEPTS AS RELATED TO THE CDBG PROGRAM AND GRANT CONTRACT CDV23-0124

Katy Price, GrantWorks, project manager, introduced herself and said she looks forward to working with the city on the block grant. She gave a presentation on the TDA form A-1024 CDBG Section 3 goals and concepts as they related to the CDBG program and grant contract CDV23-0124. This presentation was a mandatory part of the block grant.

CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON STREET REPAIRS

Mayor Wood, Gary Wulf and Matt Smith informed the Council that they have done four test sites on Loper Lane in Forest Cove so far. So far, only one test site does not look like it is holding up well. They decided to get together on Thursday, October 23 and do a few more test sites with other materials.

Mr. Black said there was a large lump on the left hand side of the road on High Drive in Forest Cove.

Mr. Wulf said he would check the area.

UPDATE ON FEMA FLOOD, FEMA HURRICANE AND FEMA MITIGATION

Mayor Wood said most of the FEMA funds have been sent the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM). The city is waiting for the money from the Sam Houston Loop project.

UPDATE ON GRANTS AND HAZARD MITIGATION

The mayor gave a brief update on the grants.

**PRESENTATION BY CHIEF STANLEY JOLLY OF THE SAN JACINTO COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Chief Jolly was not in attendance so this item was skipped.

**CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON ITEMS RELATED TO
THE PRE-CONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE MEETING**

There was no vote needed so this item was skipped.

**CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON THE TEXAS BANDIT
SIGN RULES**

Mayor Wood said that Mr. Smith had asked for this topic to be on the agenda so he asked Mr. Smith to cover the topic.

Mr. Smith said House Bill 3611 “Bandit Signs” was passed by the Texas Legislature and went into effect on September 1, 2025. Mr. Smith gave an overview of the new law and stated that initially a company is given a written notice to remove the sign before penalties are assessed. The first offense is a fine of \$1,000 to \$2,500 for a second offense and up to \$5,000 for a third or subsequent violation. The law applies statewide to signs on medians, sidewalks and utility poles. It holds not only the person who placed the sign but also the business or individual advertised on it liable.

The Council discussed the issue and exactly what type of signs were included. Ms. Hoot will email the current sign ordinance to the members for review and comment before the November meeting. This item will be placed on the November agenda.

**CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION OF TDEM REGION 3 REGIONAL
FUNCTIONAL EXERCISE ON NOVEMBER, 13, 2025**

Mayor Wood read the flyer that he had received from TDEM on an exercise that will be done on November 13th. The exercise will simulate major flooding, localized storms, and a dam failure. He instructed the Council to contact Kris Eastham at TDEM if they were interested in participating.

LEDGER REPORTS

Mayor Wood reviewed the ledger reports and detailed some of the new budget lines with the audience.

The balances are:

First State Bank Checking Account	\$228,389.08
First State Bank Grant Account	\$2,875.02
Petty Cash	\$13.60
First National Bank Savings Account	\$138,694.82

Sales tax for the month was \$10,513.78

Mayor Wood said the city is \$21,394.08 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 said he attended the safety meeting and everyone in the room had on shirts that identified who they were representing. He asked about the possibility of getting shirts for the city council.

Mayor Wood asked Ms. Hoot to contact the county to see who they use when purchasing shirts and bring the information back to the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

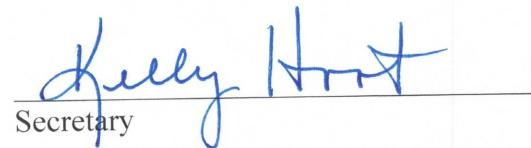
Mayor Wood said if there were no additional comments, he would like to ask for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Woods seconded the motion which passed (5 ayes, 0 nays).

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.



Mayor

Secretary