

Union Point City Council Meeting
DRAFT- Minutes – May 12, 2026 – 6 p.m.
Four Room School House – 211 Veazey Street, Union Point, GA

Attendees: Mayor Lanier Rhodes **Council Members:** Jim Scott, Mary Mundy, Sally Boswell, Kaylin Johnson, Teneisha Pinkney, William Harris, Jr. **Others:** City Clerk Becky Cronic, Attorney Joe Reitman

Mayor Lanier Rhodes called the May 12, 2026, meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and opened the meeting with prayer. A quorum was present.

A motion was made by Council Member Boswell to approve the agenda for the May 12, 2026, meeting. Motion was seconded by Council Member Harris. Opportunity for discussion. The motion unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Council Member Harris to approve the minutes of the April 2026 meeting with minor changes. Second, Council Member Mundy. Opportunity for discussion. The motion unanimously passed.

Legal Matters: Attorney Reitman reviewed a “Friend of Court Resolution” in support of the City of Milton (Chang vs. Milton) that was presented to the Mayor and Council for potential adoption. After discussion and reviewing details of the resolution, Mayor Rhodes asked for a motion. A motion to adopt the “Chang vs Milton” Resolution was made by Council Member Boswell. No second to the motion, therefore, the motion failed.

Downtown Development Authority (DDA): DDA Member Jan Brazier reported that the Union Point Garden Club will be hosting a flower show at the Community Center on May 30th. Businesses may see an impact from the visitors who will be attending on that same day. Jill Rhodes, DDA Chair, reported that Business District signage is one of the items that the DDA is currently reviewing for the downtown area. DDA will continue to look at ways to improve the streetscape for pedestrians and businesses.

Attainable Housing Presentation Mike Sleeth with St. Vincent De Paul and Greene County Family Connection Partner, gave an overview of a program offering opportunities for middle income individuals interested in purchasing attainable homes. The homes are manufactured homes produced by Legacy Homes in Eatonton have state-of-the-art exteriors. Through the program presented by Mr. Sleeth, the homes will sell for \$160,000 to qualified applicants. Mr. Sleeth requested that the city consider supporting the homes in Union Point in areas that are currently blighted, and he will be available for further in-site of the program if necessary.

Clerk’s Report: Clerk Cronic reported that the 2022 Financial Audit is complete and she is now working with the auditors on FY2023’s audit. Mrs. Cronic is also seeking contractors to quote on repairing sidewalks and pavers that need repair throughout the town. A copy of the clerk’s report is filed with the Council minutes each month.

Old Business:

The Council approved the sale of surplus property including trucks and equipment to be auctioned through **GOVDEALS.com** at the April meeting. A Resolution Declaring Property to Be of No Use was required to complete the approval of allowing the sale. **A motion was made by Council Member Boswell** to approve a *Resolution Declaring Personal Property to Be of No Use to the City of Union Point*. Seconded by Council Member Harris. Opportunity for discussion. Motion unanimously passed.

New Business:

Clerk Cronic presented a Resolution To Open a Bank Account at BankSouth for the purpose of securing certain impact fees paid to the City from commercial facilities for long term maintenance of the water and sewer lines. **A motion was made by Council Member Scott** to open a checking account at BankSouth for the purposes of securing impact fee funds from commercial accounts to maintain the water and sewer lines long-term. Motion seconded by Council Member Boswell. Opportunity for discussion. Motion unanimously passed.

Greene County Development Authority: The four-year term on the Greene County Development Authority Board will expire for one of Union Point's representatives, Scott Tolleson. Mr. Tolleson expressed interest in continuing to serve if allowed. **A motion was made by Council Member Boswell** to appoint Scott Tolleson as one of Union Point's representatives on the board of directors for the Greene County Development Authority. Motion seconded by Council Member Mundy. Opportunity for discussion. Motion unanimously passed.

Zoning Ordinances: Recommendations to revise several zoning ordinances were given to the council members to consider revisions. The mayor and council will review, and further action will be taken at the June meeting.

Department Reports:

Animal Control Officer Wright gave a report on the month's animal control activity. Several foxes and racoons have been captured as well as dogs and cats. Mr. Wright encouraged the Council and those in attendance at the meeting to spread the word about potentially housing dogs and cats due to the overflow of animals in the area Humane Societies. David Stephens reported that the Environmental Protection Division Annual Consumer Water Report for Union Point will be published in the newspaper next week and on the city website. The water report confirmed that all complies. If anyone has any concerns, please contact City Hall and the staff will direct the request to the water department.

Public Comment: Clarence Hilsman, resident on Bloodworth Street, commented that he had concerns with an odor that he notices when he washes clothes. He also commented that he often had very low water pressure. Mayor Rhodes asked that Superintendent Stephens check the water pressure at the home and follow up with Mr. Hilsman about the odor.

Lawanda Randolph commented that she had concerns about noise when her water drains when she washes clothes. Darius Johnson commented that he encourages the council to carefully consider the manufactured homes presentation. He feels that the manufactured homes do not belong in the city as it sends the message to the public that we are a lower income community. Jan Brazier, resident commented that she was disappointed that the resolution presented by Attorney Reitman did not get a second and/or pass.

Mayor Rhodes asked if there was any need for Executive Session. None currently.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm by Council Member Mundy. Motion was seconded by Council Member Johnson. Opportunity for discussion. Motion unanimously carried.

Attorney Reitman closed the meeting with prayer.

Mayor

Clerk

Date