February 2025

# The Village of Indian Point

Latest News and Updates

## **Financials:**

Valentine's Day money-saving tip: Break up on February 13<sup>h</sup>, get back together on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

January Sales Tax Revenues were down by \$2.7K for the month but expenses were below budget by \$3.1K

YTD Revenues are down by \$2.7K and expenses are over budget by \$27K.

Some of this is attributed to the weather and a decline in tourism.

January Sewer Revenues were down by \$7K for the month but YTD was up by \$1.7K.

January Expenses were up by \$2.7K.

A portion of this is attributed to delinquent accounts and reduced usage in sewer.

The Village Staff are cutting expenses as needed and monitoring them closely in both the Village and Sewer. We were able to move \$47K to the Village reserve account without any impact to the Villages operational account. The Village Staff believe the revenues will balance out and already took steps in the curation of the 2025 annual budget to account for the slow down in revenues we saw in 2024.



# What's going on at the office?



Daylight Saving begins Sunday March 9<sup>th</sup> and ends Sunday November 2nd

## Financial & Sewer Administrator:

Sewer: Revenues were down by \$7K for the month of January. We are working on alternative ways to collect on delinquent accounts as well as monitoring expenses as usage has been lower than anticipated. The Village of Indian Point held a meeting on February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025 for local business that would like to update their information or be added to the 2025 Indian Point Maps. Interested business can still reach out if they would like to be a part of the commemorative map.

Sewer Rate change letters were sent out with ACH forms in the last week of January.

 $\label{lem:meetings} \mbox{Meetings that Shannon attended in January:}$ 

- 1.15.25: IWORQ meeting via zoom regarding payment options
- 1.23.25: TCED Board Meeting at the Branson Chamber
- 1.30.25: Table Rock Chamber Luncheon

#### Village Clerk:

The new IWORQ system for Business License has resulted in 39 payments and 11 complete Business Licenses this year already. We are excited to see the businesses taking advantage of the new online process! Beth has worked very hard on this project. If you have any questions, please call Beth at the office between 9am-2pm at 417.338.5599.

No sunshine requests or golf cart permits for January.

Beth attended the following meetings in December:

- 1.3.25: IWORQ meeting
- 1.14.25: IWORQ meeting
- 1.22.25: IWORQ meeting



Blood Drive Reeds Spring High School

February 25, 2025 from 9AM-2PM

Reeds Spring High School Auxiliary Gym
20277 State HWY 413 Reeds Spring, Mo 65686

https://www.rs-wolves.com/article/1995924

Abou Ben Ahem Shrine GLOW Circus

March 7-16, 2025 at Multiple Times
601 St Louis St Springfield Mo
BOGO Tickets at the Village Hall! Arrive an hour before the
show to ride the animals, meet the circus stars, and enjoy
even more family fun!
www.glowcircus.com

Matilda The Musical Historic Owen Theatre

February 15,16,20,21,22,23 at 7PM 205 S. Commercial St Branson Mo

info@bransonarts.com

# **COMMUNITY SURVEY**



Your feedback will help guide the Village's future!

Participate in our community engagement survey!

Use your phone's camera to scan the QR code and take the survey!

SURVEY OPENS FEB 1st SURVEY CLOSES FEB 28th

Help shape the village's future! Share your input in the Comprehensive Plan survey by February 28th. Pick up and return paper copies at the Village Clerk or the drop-off box at 957 Indian Point Rd, Branson, MO 65616.

Public comments and questions may be submitted to Thomas Cunningham, Associate Planner. TCunningham@MissouriState.edu



2025 Comprehensive Plan



St. Louis Kansas City Union Wentzville Ozark Osage Beach Farmington

February 14, 2025

RE: Village of Indian Point Stormwater Improvements

#### Dear Citizens:

This is an informational letter to let you know about the upcoming meeting regarding stormwater improvements around Indian Point.

The Village of Indian Point is preparing for a grant funded master stormwater study. A meeting is being held on March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 6:00 pm, at City Hall, 957 Indian Point Rd, Branson, MO 65616. This meeting will be held in order to hear from concerned citizens regarding troublesome stormwater areas that may need to be addressed in the study. Certain areas around Indian Point have already been included in the evaluation.

The Village would like to see and hear from you to ensure that all stormwater drainage issues are covered in the evaluation of this study. Hearing from you will help the Village and the engineering firm on this project to ensure that any stormwater problem areas can be included in the study.



# Important" Village News

## January, longest month ever......

Well done is better than well said!

Planning and Zoning: one PDD review and three Zone Map Amendment applications were reviewed in the January commission meeting. There will be 3 Public Hearings prior to the March Planning at Zoning meeting starting at 5:30PM. Updates on applications and permits will be discussed in the upcoming Planning and Zoning meeting.

**Comprehensive Plan Update:** The Comprehensive Community survey is live through February 1st through February 28th 2025. This has been emailed, mailed, and posted on social media for all residents, businesses, and guests to complete using the QR code or a paper form at the office.

#### **Storm Water Management Grant:**

Nathan alongside Public Works has a meeting with Cochran and SMCOG grants administrator to go over the timeline of implementation and the agreement for the Stormwater Grant. Cochran Engineers did a site visit on January 30<sup>th</sup> while we were receiving rain to see any potential issues and how our current infrastructure function flows. They will be taking this information and preparing for their first public hearing to hear from the community as to where residents/business may be having issues.

**Code Supplementation:** We have received our 6<sup>th</sup> code supplementation from General Code. 6 chapters of our codes will receive updates from the passed ordinances last year.

## Nathan attended the following meetings in December:

1.14.25: SMCOG Exec Meeting

1.16.25: Legislative Affairs Meeting

1.23.25: Meeting with SMCOG & Cochran 1.23.25: Public Hearing for Roundabout MODOT

1.30.25: Site Visit with Cochran



# have Resources for Low cost Spay and ion Neutering:

• The Branson Humane Society has a new low-cost clinic! This new clinic is next to the Human Society and is offering \$25 for spay/neuter of dogs and cats.

<u>info@bransonhumanesociety.com (417)</u> 337 – 7387

• Thomas Veterinary: Spay/Neuter Lowcost Vet Services in Branson If you are searching for a Low Cost, Spay and Neuter Clinic please call Thomas Veterinary. Find a trusted veterinarian at Thomas Veterinary Branson to perform this surgery on your pet. For low-cost Vet Services, including spaying and neutering, we are the best.

tel:866-983-4131





## **Indian Point Police Dept**

The latest from the Chief

The IPPD responded to 22 calls of service for the month of January. They also completed 100 miles of police patrols within the Village which is approximately 18 miles of roads throughout the Village.

Reminder: There is no road or area in the Village where the speed limit is over 35 MPH.

Indian Point Police Department Outreach and Community Involvement.

1.6.25: Chief Lucas and Officer Thomas attended the POST Training in Stone County

1.8.25: Chief Lucas was formally invited alongside Chief Lemoine by Representative Burt Whaley to attend his swearing in at the Capital in Jeff City.

1.9.25: Chief Lucas attended the monthly SW Missouri Chiefs meeting

1.15.25: Chief Lucas was recognized at a retirement ceremony at the Springfield Police Department

1.21.25: Chief Lucas attended the yearly MOCIC breakfast

1.21.25: Chief Lucas met with a rep from Lexipol and for updates to policy policies

1.23.25: Chief Lucas and Officer Thomas participated in the Firearms Training held at Drury University

1.23.25: Chief Lucas attended the monthly regional investigators meeting at MOCIC

1.27.25: Chief Lucas attended the quarterly Stone County Emergency Management Meeting held at the Stone County Health Dept

1.29.25: Chief Lucas hosted the Director (SAC) of the Springfield DEA at Indian Point

1.30.25: Chief Lucas attended the Table Rock Chamber Luncheon alongside Shannon McQuality

Flock Cameras: We are now sharing cameras with 3911 Networks as of 1.9.25. In summary, we have had 223 overall Network additions in just 7 months at no cost to the Village. Flock cameras help to keep crime out of our Village.

## **Public Works**

We love snow...when it comes in a paper cup and covered in strawberry syrup!



A HUGE Thank you to the Public Works
Department for the many hours spent keeping our roads cleared during the last two snowstorms!
The Public Works department purchased a new salt dog in January which allows both Public Work trucks to salt the roads during winter weather.
This will allow roads to be salted more efficiently and in a timely manner. Winter materials have been restored since our last snow in January to use as needed.

Daron has been working closely with representatives from Cochran regarding Stormwater Management Grant as well as upcoming road projects projected to start as early as March 2025.

Sewer repairs were completed at one residential from a work order request. If you have a work request for Public Works, please fill out a work order request. These forms can be found at indianpoint-mo.gov or at the Village Hall office.



## Stone County Library What do they offer?



Stone County Library: 322 West State Hwy 248 Galena Mo 65656 Blue Eye Library: 138 State Hwy EE Blue Eye Mo 65611 Crane Library: 201Main St Crane Mo 65633

When you think of your local Library you probably just think of books right? Your Stone County Library has so much more to offer:

#### **Monthly Events:**

- Story time: a program designed for young children where picture books are read aloud often incorporating songs, fingerplays, and other interactive activities.
- Activity Hour: Family friendly events that range from games, movies, dance parties, crafts, and cooking.
- Cookbook Club: 18+ group: share and exchange your favorite recipes with the group!

#### **Services:**

- Books to go Delivery Service: this is a service for individuals living in Stone County who are unable to visit the library due to temporary or permanent restrictions. This could be due to illness, injury, mobility issues, disability, or age.
- Copies & Faxes: twenty cents for B&W –
  Fifty cents for Color. Faxes: Sending
  \$1.00 for the first page and \$0.50 per
  page after. Receiving incoming faxes is
  \$.50 per page
- Youth Services: Stone County Library offers a range of outreach services from daycare and school visits to homebound delivery to residents of Stone County.
- **Free Meeting Room**: Please call the library branch where you wish to reserve a room or email <a href="mailto:info@scl.lib.mo.us">info@scl.lib.mo.us</a>
- Free Wi-Fi
- Free Exam Proctoring: Need a test proctored? Call the Galena Library at 417.357.6410 or email <a href="mailto:info@scl.lib.mo.us">info@scl.lib.mo.us</a>
- Curbside Pickup

#### **Resources:**

- Digital Resources: Stone County Library has access to a variety of online resources – everything from eBooks to Ancestry.com.
- E-Card: It's Free! Gain access to hundreds of e-books and e-audiobooks!
- Tax Resources
- Local Links
- Consumer Links

#### Continued....

- Homework Help
- Parenting Resources
- Online Catalog

http://www.stonecountylibrary.org/









## Peace Corps Day: March 1st, 2025

The History of the Peace Corps

On October 14, 1960, at 2 a.m., Senator John F. Kennedy spoke to a crowd of 10,000 cheering students at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor during a presidential campaign speech. In his improvised speech, Kennedy asked, "How many of you, who are going to be doctors, are willing to spend your days in Ghana? Technicians or engineers, how many of you are willing to work in the Foreign Service and spend your lives traveling around the world?" His young audience responded to this speech with a petition signed by 1,000 students willing to serve abroad. Senator Kennedy's challenge to these students—to live and work in developing countries around the world; to dedicate themselves to the cause of peace and development—inspired the beginning of the Peace Corps.

Just two weeks later, in his November 2, 1960, speech at the Cow Palace in San Francisco, Kennedy proposed "a peace corps of talented men and women" who would dedicate themselves to the progress and peace of developing countries. Encouraged by more than 25,000 letters responding to his call, Kennedy took immediate action as president to make the campaign promise a reality

The Peace Corps program was an outgrowth of the Cold War. President Kennedy pointed out that the Soviet Union "had hundreds of men and women, scientists, physicists, teachers, engineers, doctors, and nurses... prepared to spend their lives abroad in the service of world communism." The United States had no such program, and Kennedy wanted to involve Americans more actively in the cause of global democracy, peace, development, and freedom A few days after he took office, Kennedy asked his brother-in-law, R. Sargent Shriver, to direct a Peace Corps Task Force. Shriver was known for his ability to identify and motivate creative, visionary leaders, and he led the group to quickly shape the organization. After a month of intense dialogue and debate among task force members, Shriver outlined seven steps to forming the Peace Corps in a memorandum to Kennedy in February 1961.

The Peace Corps was established by executive order on March 1, 1961, and a reluctant Shriver accepted the president's request to officially lead the organization. Shriver recruited and energized a talented staff to implement the task force's recommendations. On his first trip abroad as director, he received invitations from leaders in India, Ghana, and Burma to place Peace Corps volunteers in their countries.

Tanganyika (present-day Tanzania) and Ghana were the first countries to participate in the program. President Kennedy welcomed the inaugural group of volunteers at the White House on August 28, 1961, to give them a personal farewell before their departure to Africa Congress approved the Peace Corps as a permanent federal agency within the State Department, and Kennedy signed the legislation on September 22, 1961. In 1981, the Peace Corps was made an independent agency.

In the 1960s, the Peace Corps was very popular with recent college graduates. But in the 1970s, the Vietnam War and Watergate eroded many Americans' faith in their government. Interest in the Peace Corps began to decline and government funding was cut.

In the 1980s, President Ronald Reagan tried to broaden the Peace Corps' traditional concern with education and agriculture to include more current fields such as computer literacy and business-related education. For the first time, a rising number of conservative and Republican volunteers joined the largely progressive Peace Corps contingent overseas. Peace Corps membership and funding increased after the opening of Eastern Europe in 1990.

To participate in the Peace Corps program, countries must meet certain requirements:

- A country must invite the Peace Corps
- Based on its limited budget, the Peace Corps decides which countries it can be active in and prioritizes each country's needs
- Peace Corps volunteers must be safe

Once these requirements are met, the Peace Corps begins working with the foreign government. Countries seeking help from the Peace Corps propose areas that could benefit from the skills of volunteers. The Peace Corps then matches assignments within foreign nations to applicants with the appropriate skills.

Life as a Peace Corps volunteer is not easy and volunteers face many challenges, from language barriers to poor living conditions. There is no salary. Volunteers receive a monthly stipend for room, board, and few essentials" enough to be at a level sufficient only to maintain health and basic needs. Men and women will be expected to work and live alongside the nationals of the country in which they are stationed—doing the same work, eating the same food, talking the same language."

Culturally, volunteers work to build trust within their communities and share their skills to solve challenges that face developing communities. Volunteers work in many different fields, including education, health, nutrition, HIV/AIDS training, agriculture, business, community development, forestry, and environmental protection. Since the inception of the Peace Corps, some 200,000 volunteers have served in 139 countries. They have learned more than 200 languages and dialects.

The Peace Corps is always adapting to the times and to an ever-changing world, but has never wavered from its three original goals

- To help the people of interested countries and areas in meeting their needs for trained workers
- To help promote a better understanding of Americans on the part of the peoples served
- To help promote a better understanding of other peoples on the part of

Today, on average, volunteers are older than their predecessors and more experienced in specialized fields. After more than five decades of service, the Peace Corps is more vital than ever and still growing. From John F. Kennedy's inspiration came an agency devoted to world peace and friendship and volunteers who continue to help individuals build a better life for themselves, their children, their community, and their country. *Ifkhistory.com* 







"The Star-Spangled Banner" is the national anthem of the United States. By the time the song officially became the country's anthem in 1931, it had been one of America's most popular patriotic tunes for more than a century. The anthem's history began the morning of September 14, 1814, when an attorney and amateur poet named Francis Scott Key watched U.S. soldiers—who were under bombardment from British naval forces during the War of 1812—raise a large American flag over Fort McHenry in Baltimore, Maryland.

Simmering anger at Britain for interfering in American trade, impressing U.S. sailors into the Royal Navy and standing in the way of westward expansion led the United States to declare war in June 1812.

With British forces distracted by the country's ongoing war with France, the United States scored some encouraging early victories in the War of 1812. But in August 1814, British troops invaded Washington, D.C. and set fire to the White House, the Capitol and other government buildings. The Royal Navy then trained its sights on the key seaport of Baltimore, Maryland.

On September 13, U.S. soldiers at Baltimore's Fort McHenry withstood some 25 hours of British bombardment. Early the next morning, they hoisted a gigantic U.S. flag over the fort, marking a crucial victory and a turning point in what would be considered a second war of American independence.

A Maryland-born attorney with a thriving practice in Washington, D.C., Francis Scott Key watched the bombardment of Fort McHenry from a ship anchored in Baltimore's harbor.

Key had been helping to negotiate the release of an American civilian, Dr. William Beanes, who had been captured in an earlier battle. As a condition of the release, the British ordered the Americans not to return to shore during the attack on Baltimore.

Francis Scott Key wrote "The Star-Spangled Banner" and its initial verse on the back side of a letter while watching the large American flag waving over the fort that morning. Back in Baltimore, he continued working until he had completed four verses (only one of which is commonly known today).

After a local printer issued the song, originally called "Defence of Fort M'Henry," two Baltimore newspapers printed it, and it spread quickly to various cities along the East Coast.

By November 1814, Key's composition had appeared in print for the first time under the name "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Ironically, the melody Key assigned to accompany the lyrics of "The Star-Spangled Banner" was a popular English drinking song called "To Anacreon in Heaven."

Written around 1775 by John Stafford Smith, the song honored the ancient Greek poet Anacreon, a lover of wine. It was originally performed at a London gentleman's music club called the Anacreontic Society. The Anacreontic Song, as it was known, had a track record of popularity in the United States by 1814. In one famous case, defenders of the embattled second president, John Adams, used the tune for a song called "Adams and Liberty."

Key himself had even used the tune before, as accompaniment for verses he wrote in 1805 commemorating American naval victories in the Barbary War.

After the war of 1812, Key continued his thriving law career. He served as a member of the "Kitchen Cabinet" of President Andrew Jackson and in 1833 was appointed as a U.S. attorney for the District of Columbia. He composed other verses over the course of his life, but none received anywhere close to the recognition of "The Star-Spangled Banner." After contracting pleurisy, Key died in 1843 at the age of 63.

At first, "The Star-Spangled Banner" trailed "Yankee Doodle" and "Hail Columbia" in popularity among patriotic 19th-century tunes. But during and immediately after the Civil War, Key's song gained a deeper meaning, as the American flag became an increasingly powerful symbol of national unity.

By the 1890s, the U.S military had adopted the song for ceremonial purposes, playing it to accompany the raising and lowering of the colors. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson signed an executive order designating it "the national anthem of the United States."

In 1931—more than 100 years after it was composed—Congress passed a measure declaring "The Star-Spangled Banner" as the official national anthem.

"The Star-Spangled Banner" made its sporting-event debut in September 1918, during that year's first World Series game between the Chicago Cubs and Boston Red Sox.

In addition to the ongoing toll of World War I, a cloud of violence hung over Chicago's Comiskey Park, as a bomb had torn apart the Chicago Federal Building just the day before. During the seventh inning stretch, the military band on hand struck up "The Star-Spangled Banner," and in a moving spectacle, players and fans alike fell silent and saluted the flag.

The practice soon spread across major league baseball, and into other sports, and eventually became a widely accepted pregame tradition.

While many view the playing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" before sporting events as an important patriotic ritual, over the years some athletes have chosen to protest enduring racial injustices in American society by turning their backs on the flag, refusing to stand or taking a knee while the national anthem is performed. History.com



## Authentic Polish Paczki: 3 Hr. 20mins 12 servs 276 Cals

March 4 is Paczki Day (Shrove Tuesday, Fat Tuesday)

Ingredients: 2 ¼ tsp Instant yeast, 1cup Whole Milk, ¼ cup sugar, 2 tbsp butter, ½ tsp vanilla, ½ tsp salt, 3 ½ all-purpose flour

Add: frying, sugar (dusting after frying), custard (or filling suggested: raspberry blueberry, cherry, or strawberry) In a small saucepan, heat the milk until steaming with small bubbles forming around the edges (about 180F). Do not boil. Remove from heat and let cool to lukewarm (about

105F). \*It's important to ensure the milk has cooled to lukewarm, of it may kill the yeast. In a large bowl or the bowl of a stand mixer, dissolve the yeast in the lukewarm milk and let stand for 5 minutes. Add 1 cup of the flour. Mix and let stand for 20-30 minutes, until 2. bubbly.

In the meantime, beat the yolks in a small bowl until they are light and fluffy. 3.

To the yeast mixture, add the melted butter and sugar and mix. Add salt and vanilla. Add beaten egg yolks. Slowly add more of the flour to bowl in small increments, adding flour just until you have a soft, moist, but not sticky dough. Remove the dough to a lightly floured work surface and knead 1 minute (adding a bit more flour if it is sticking to your hands or the work surface). Form dough into a ball.

Grease a clean bowl and add the dough. Cover the bowl with plastic wrap and let rise in warm place until doubled in size. (This dough is a bit of a slow riser, so expect this rise to be up to 90 minutes).

Deflate dough and pat out onto a floured cutting board. With a rolling pin, gently roll into a 1/2-inch-thick circle. Gently cut out circles with 3-inch biscuit cutter. Place onto a parchment lined baking sheet, cover with a clean tea towel and let rise until doubled (about 30 minutes). \*You can re-roll the scraps and cut more pieces, though they are never quite as neat as the first cuts. I like to use the ugliest of these ones as "test" ones, to test the temperature of the oil. I fry one, let cool, then cut it open to make sure it is cooking all the way through. I can then adjust time/temperature, as needed from there.

Meanwhile, heat oil to 360°F. in a deep fryer or in a large, heavy pot. Fry the Paczki until golden on one side, flip and fry the other side. \*Tip! chopsticks are great for flipping the Paczki! Don't try to cook too many at a time, so you don't reduce the temperature of the oil by adding too many at once. Don't rush the frying, to ensure that they are cooked all the way through well. Fry until they are a deep golden color. Remove paczki to a cooling rack for about 30 seconds, then immediately roll in granulated sugar. Let stand until completely cooled. Once cooled, using a sharp knife, poke a hole on the side. Use a pastry bag with a large plain tip to pipe the jam or custard filling inside.

Paczki are best enjoyed when freshly made, but you can freeze any extras up to 3 months. Authentic Polish Paczki Recipe | Seasons and Suppers



#### Classic New England Clam Chowder: 45 Mins 6-8 servs National Clam Chowder Day-February 25th

Ingredients: 4 oz of thick cut bacon cut into ¼ in pieces, 1 lg yellow onion, 2 celery stalks (diced), 2 (8oz) bottles clam juice, 1 cup of warm water, ½ tsp salt or more for taste, 2 russet potatoes peeled and cubed, 1 lb of frozen chopped clam meat (thawed in fridge overnight) or well drained canned clams or fresh clams, 1 cup of heavy cream, ground pepper to taste, oyster crackers for serving.

- 1. Cook the bacon: In a large pot or Dutch oven over medium heat, cook the bacon, stirring often, for 8 to 10 minutes, until the bacon releases most of its fat.
- Add the vegetables: Add the onion and celery and cook, stirring often, for 5 to 6 minutes, until softened.
- Add the liquids and potatoes: Add the clam juice, water, salt, and potatoes. Place the lid on and simmer for 15 minutes, until the potatoes are tender.
- 4. Add clams and cream: Add the chopped clams and cream and bring it to a simmer for 2 to 3 minutes.

Serve: Taste and season with more salt if you'd like. Ladle the chowder into bowls, grind black pepper over each, and serve with oyster crackers.

Leftover chowder will last for three to 3-4 days in the refrigerator. It can be frozen for 4-6 months, but in terms of flavor, it is best if eaten before the 4 months. Heat the thawed chowder in a pot over low heat on top of the stove and stir well to keep it from curdling.



### March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025! Things to do on this day!

- Join in fundraising
- Spread awareness 2.
- 3. Donate to a dementia patient
- Visit dementia patients and enjoy games or the outdoor activities
- Learn more about dementia at Greater Missouri Chapter | Alzheimer's Association



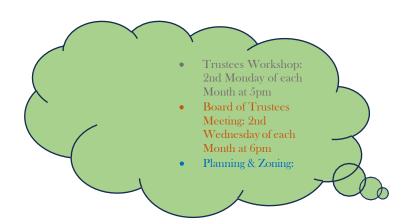
### March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025! Things to do on this day!

- Check in on your teens
- Listen to them 2.
- 3. **Encourage socialization**
- Brainstorm with them about a project you both can do
- Limit screen time
- 6. Exercise together
- Have family night resources: Child and Teen Services | dmh.mo.gov Mental Health | My Site





Public Hearing Notice on March 5th, 2025: The Planning and Zoning Commission will consider an application from Bobby Morrell located at 282 John the Diver Trail for a Zone Map Amendment from Residential (R-1) to Commercial (C-2) at 5:30pm. The Planning and Zoning Commission will also consider an application from Blue Water Developers located at parcel # 13-3.0-05-003-002 & parcel # 13-3.0-05-003-002-001.003 located on Indian Point Road for a Zone Map Amendment from Residential(R-1) to Commercial (C-1) at 5:45 PM.





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# Community Member of the Month February



Sharon has been the **President of the Indian Point Women's Club since 2008**, not necessarily because she wanted to, but in reality, it was something no one else wanted to step up and take over. In this capacity **she held our meetings in a friendly, organized, and professional manner,** raising funds to help charities in the local community, and made sure the Club ran efficiently drawing Community Members together, sharing monthly meetings on the first Monday of the month.

Sharon loves being a person **drawing neighbors together** and encourages anyone of our neighbors to get together at local restaurants to share camaraderie and stories every Tuesday evening. As a huge portion of our community is 'seasoned', this might be the only social activity where some of these attendees feel comfortable.

Also, as a **long-time member of the Ozarks Women's Club**, meeting once a month, on the fourth Monday – Sharon is **active in getting information out** to our local schools **encouraging young high school women** to apply for one of the three scholarships every year sponsored by the Club. To help make money, the Club members take turns volunteering their time selling tickets at the Lions Club, on the nights their hold Bingo.

Another passion, **Sharon is active in our Stone County Republican Club**, spending **countless hours researching** politics from both sides of the aisle to share at meetings held on the second Thursday of every month.

She is also **active in the Annual Veterans Event** put on by the Club, raising funds to help support the November Event where Veterans are fed free of charge and where they get to enjoy an evening with other Veterans and their families. She is retired, living a quiet life with Rex, her spouse of going on half a century, and their four-legged family member, Skippy, the home alarm system. Sharon is very deserving of this recognition as a valuable member of our very diverse but wonderful community. A HUGE Thank you from the Village and the Village Hall staff! Your hard work and dedication do not go unnoticed!





And thank you, Brett Stump, for your assistance during the recent snow!

Also noted, Brett assisted with clearing local and surrounding area businesses and churches with the clearing of their lots as well.

Brett Stump is always around during snow to assist our Public Works which the Village is always very grateful for during times when we receive so much snow.

From all of us at the Village Hall, we THANK YOU!