

# February NEWSLETTER

The Village of Indian Point

## Meet the Candidates



Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

*Host: Indian Point  
Women's Club*

**Sponsor: Indian Point Marina/Brett Stump**

Open to the public, Brett Stump and Indian Point Marina would like to cordially invite all residents to attend the "Meet the Candidates". Seven candidates will be running for three open positions for the Board of Trustees.

In preparation for our Meet the Candidates forum, each candidate was asked the following questions for this newsletter. (See Pages 2 & 3)



## Upcoming Events

### 1. Planning & Zoning

**Date:** 02/04/2026

**Time:** 5:45 pm

### 2. Board of Trustees Work Session

**Date:** 02/17/2026

**Time:** 5:00 pm

### 3. Board of Trustees

**Date:** 02/19/2026

**Time:** 6:00 pm

### 4. Meet the Candidates

**Date:** 02/23/2026

**Time:** 6:00 pm

**The Village offices will be closed on Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, for Presidents' Day.**



## Board of Adjustments

We have an open position for our Board of Adjustments. This Board meets annually to appoint officers. The Board then meets, as needed, when an appeal is filed after a ruling has been made by the Planning and Zoning Administrator. Apply by emailing:

[villageclerk@indianpoint-mo.gov](mailto:villageclerk@indianpoint-mo.gov)

## February 2026

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## Question:

Why do you want to run? What do you hope to change or accomplish?



### **Karen Hopkins**

Indian Point is my forever home. I love my home and my neighbors and I want to do my part for the Village. As a trustee and the current treasurer, I bring a direct, common sense approach to the board. My priorities:

- ✓ Transparency and open communication
- ✓ Supporting our local police
- ✓ Protecting our sales-tax revenue – vital to our tourism economy
- ✓ No new property or other taxes that fall primarily on our residents
- ✓ Fiscal responsibility and strong planning for infrastructure

I'm committed to keeping Indian Point strong, safe, and financially secure. I would appreciate your vote!



### **Keith Swank**

I am interested in becoming a trustee to serve the Indian Point community and its visitors, to enhance what Indian Point has available. I think this is a wonderful place to live and visit. I would like to help maintain and improve what we have available already, along with growing more resources for the community and its visitors. I want to be part of ensuring that ordinances are aligned with state statues to better serve everyone. I would appreciate your vote and look forward to serving Indian Point.



### **Denise Petersen**

While being a trustee for the past five years, I spent many hours working on changes that were implemented to better position the Village for the future. There are projects that have been started that I would like to continue working on. I will look for ways to diversify and add to our revenue streams. I will also continue to use my accounting knowledge to scrutinize all expenditures and look for ways to spend smarter and get better return on the dollars that we do spend.



### **Rose Hoynacki**

Having been born and raised here, my roots on Indian Point run deep. From working at my father's local business to serving on the first Planning and Zoning committee, I have witnessed our growth firsthand. I am grateful for those who built our village, and I feel it is time to give back. My goal is to respect our history while planning wisely for the future. I aim to ensure our basic needs are met through fiscal responsibility, promoting the safety and security that originally inspired our incorporation while representing the majority's wishes.



### **Bryan Battaglia**

I am running for Village Trustee with no personal agenda. Born and raised on Indian Point, this community is my home – where I live, raise my family, and run my business. As a proud local business owner, I am pro-business and know firsthand how balanced, thoughtful decisions support economic growth, protect property values, and create opportunities for all residents. But my priority is clear: I will always vote for what is best for Indian Point. What strengthens our village will benefit my businesses – and far more importantly, it will be best for me and my family as lifelong residents. I'm committed to listening, collaborating, and putting our community first. Thank you for your trust – I'd be honored to serve.



### **Dr. Tommy Wilks**

My parents instilled in me the belief that I should always be the change I want to see in the world. With that in mind, I am running for office to take personal responsibility in serving the residents of the Village of Indian Point as a member of the Board of Trustees. This is a solemn commitment that I pledge to take seriously. Along Indian Point Road, there is a sign that always makes me smile: "Arrive as guests and leave as family." As a trustee, I will work to keep our village safe, welcoming, and beautiful. I support initiatives such as lakeshore cleanup days, developing emergency response procedures in coordination with local authorities, and improving the village website. I respectfully ask for your vote and support.



### **Sara Abrams**

I've wanted to serve since moving here, but busy parenting two young boys kept timing off—until now. I'm deeply invested in our community and neighbors. My goal is to preserve Indian Point's residential character and the neighborhood feel that makes it home, while welcoming thoughtful improvements. I bring fresh ideas and real estate insight that can help our residents prosper and our village plan responsibly. I've been a quiet supporter for four years; now I want to contribute publicly and leave a positive footprint, strengthening our sense of community and stewardship for generations to come.

### **NOTICE: February Meeting Dates**

Due to Presidents' Day on Monday, February 16, 2026, some of our February meeting dates have changed. Please make note of the new dates and we hope to see you in the Indian Point community room.

- Planning & Zoning will be held on Wednesday, February 4, Public Hearing starting at 5:45pm.
- Board of Trustees work session will be held on Tuesday, February 17 at 5:00pm.
- Board of Trustees regular session will be held on Thursday, February 19 at 6:00pm.

### **Village Clerk Report (December)**

**Business Licenses** – There were no new business licenses for December. We have a total of 166 business licenses for the year. With the total amount of 148 from last year that is a 12% increase.

**Golf Cart Permits** – We completed a total of 82 Golf Cart Permits for the year; in comparison to 64 issued last year – **an increase of 28%. NOTE: The ones issued this year are bi-annual so we will not see this revenue next year.**

**Sunshine Requests** – We have had 12 Sunshine Requests this year in total.

### **Police Department Report (December)**

**Staffing** – Your police officers are available for all 911 calls and doing initiative-taking and reactive patrols 90-110 hours a week currently. We currently have four regular part-time officers, 1 full-time officer, and your Chief (also full-time). Your police officers are doing commendable work and visiting and serving the people in The Village daily. We are actively looking for and interviewing potential part-time P.O.S.T. Certified IPPD officers.

**Radar Speed Signs** – Please watch your speeds especially on Indian Point Road! There is no road or area in the Village where the speed limit exceeds 35 MPH. Speed slower than our posted speed limits are prudent in inclement weather. A second "NEW" Radar Speed Sign has been purchased and is now posted at the entrance to The Village. Budgeting for additional Radar Speed Signs have been requested in the 2026 first quarter budget.

**Patrol Events** – We had 40 patrol events in DECEMBER (calls for service -CFS).

Frequent Visible Police Patrols: IPPD Officers are continuing high visible patrols daily. In December, we logged 1640 miles of police driving / related patrols. There are approximately 18 miles of roads in The Village. That averages out to at least 91 trips around the Village Roads in December. Our officers have also been making more traffic stops in the last 90 days. Again, please watch your speeds.

**Flock Cameras Update** – Indian Point is now sharing cameras with 500 plus networks as of 12-31-2025. Updates will be performed in January to Flock sharing lists.

Networks oftentimes have multiple cameras such as Indian Point with (3). In other words, we are sharing cameras with several hundred cameras 24/7 from Dallas to Chicago, Tulsa to Tampa and departments across the USA. Your Chief is working hard to build this system which is of great benefit to the residents and visitors in your Village. FLOCK Cameras are like having an officer at the gate to your Village around the clock. Vehicle hits are most frequent from March through December.

### **Public Works Report**

- Staff completed an 8-hour class on confined spaces to help with their sewer license.
- We will be acquiring a 4-gas monitor for staff safety. Monitoring O2, CO, H2O, CH4 for confined spaces.
- Daron will be enrolling in a 10-hour class required for sewer test.
- Daron is working on a Culvert Plan that will be instrumental for our culvert seasonal clean-out. Includes purchase of a sewer jet.
- Street signs have been ordered to continue with our plan for new signs throughout.
- Public Works and Trustee Chris Houghton met with ESS and Cochran to review roads project. Residence communication will be coming in late February. Please watch our Facebook government page for updates.
- Public Works continue with daily testing of sewer making repairs, as needed.
- Completed Truck maintenance and weather preparation throughout January.
- Assisted with office organization and prepping for carpet cleaning.
- Continuing with leaves and dead tree removal in preparation for winter.
- Staff have also been instrumental in some P&Z tasks involving setbacks and property lines.

### **Trustees' Report**

Thursday January 22, 2026 (Voting):

- Ordinance to approve the Planning and Zoning Commission Resolution to Approve Road Name Change from Ridge Lane to Waterside Lane.
- Ordinance to approve the Planning and Zoning Commission Resolution Number P&Z 25-27 to approve the zoning map addendum for the property located at 911 Crows Nest Trail from R-1 to C-2PDD.
- Ordinance to Amend the Sewer User Charge Rate Ordinance NO 2-25 Article IV "User Charges and Surcharges"
- Ordinance to approve the Planning and Zoning Commission Resolution Number 26-01 of a setback variance P&Z Commission Resolution Number 26-02 for the property located at 1022 Tablerock Circle, adjusting the front yard setback from fifteen feet to eleven feet for the purpose of building a garage.
- Ordinance to approve the Indian Point Personnel Policy.
- Preliminary discussion for Tree Ordinance.

## Financial Report (December)

- December Tax Revenues, \$78,133.32, were better than budget by \$2,133.32 or (2.8%). YTD total Revenues were better than budget by \$52,023.46 or (5%). We fell slightly short of making our overall revenue budget for December but finished the year better than anticipated.
- December Expenses, \$99,975.07, were over budget by \$38,495.17 or (63%). YTD Expenses were below budget by \$131,733.53 or (9%). The overage on expenses for December is mostly attributable to Salary and Benefits for Staff (\$31K) due to staff extra workloads, Timing Expenses: Salt Shed (\$7K), Christmas Parade & October Clean up (\$1K).
- Findings – Village: YOY Comparison
  - YOY Total Revenues for December, \$85,896.15, were better than LY by \$2,188.19 or (3%).
  - YOY Revenues YTD, \$1,198,406.89, were better than LY by \$30,162.28 or (3%) from LY
  - YOY Expenses for December, \$99,975.07, were over LY expenses by \$50,281.78 or (101%). YOY Expenses YTD, \$1,004,266.15, were over LY expenses by \$160,098.14 or (19%) Factors: Rise in Salaries and Benefits Admin (\$65K), IPPD Police (\$14K), Roads (\$21K). SMCOG (\$10K), Trustee fund (\$4K), Police credit of (\$6.2K) for the sale of the Can-Am LY against Capital spending TY overage (\$5K), Trail Blazer Saw for tree Trimming (\$5K), Salt Dog (\$5K). 2024 Road Project carry over of \$274K overspent by (\$27K). 2025 Road Projects (\$170K) funds spent (\$14K)
- Findings – Sewer
  - December Sewer Revenues, \$13,480.09, were below budget by \$4,059.91 or (23%). YTD Revenues, \$151,418.04, were below budget by \$16,103.77 or (10%). This can be attributed to uncollected payments as well as lower than anticipated usage. Revenues not collected for December only: \$6573.32.
  - December Sewer Expenses, \$15,358.56, were over budget by \$3,453.82 or (29%). YTD Expenses, \$168,155.99, were over budget by \$2,406.53 or (1%). (Factors: Purchases of new back up pumps (\$3K), Repairs to the WWTP to improve the flow process & pump replacements (\$800), Utilities increase due to all of the pumps running with the new pumps (\$700), Training (\$350).
  - YOY Sewer Revenue in December, \$13,480.09, were better than LY by \$2,753.52 or (26%). YOY Sewer Revenues, \$151,418.04, were below LY YTD revenues by \$14,305.07 or (9%).
  - YOY Sewer Expenses in Decembr, \$15,358.56 were over LY by \$2,722.42 or (22%). YOY YTD Sewer Expenses, \$168,155.99, were below LY by \$9,296.66 or (6%).
- MODOR December Tax Collection Breakdown: \$78,133.32

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