



# TEXAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

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April 22, 2026

Mayor Angela Nelson  
320 North Locust St.  
Point, Texas 75472

via CM/RRR: 9589 0710 5270 3726 5478 87

Re: Findings on minimum standards for continued operation of Point Police Department,  
Agency no. 379203

Dear Mayor Nelson:

The mission of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE), as a regulatory State agency, is to establish and enforce standards to ensure that the people of Texas are served by highly trained and ethical law enforcement, corrections, and telecommunications personnel. A key component of that work is ensuring that law enforcement agencies meet minimum standards set forth by the Texas legislature and TCOLE.

TCOLE received a forwarded copy of your letter dated March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026, to all City of Point personnel in which you informed them of a substantial financial shortfall in the city. In that same letter, you notified all members of the police department that they were being laid off and that law enforcement assistance would be provided by Rains County.

TCOLE investigators responded to Point on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026, to assist you and city staff in processing the reports of separation for the officers who had been appointed by the Point Police Department. The investigators also conducted an inspection and found many deficiencies, including that the agency:

- Did not have sustainable funding sources that meet or exceed the continued operating expenses outlined in a line-item budget for the agency;
- Did not have physical resources available to officers, including at least one bullet-resistant vest per officer on duty with vest panels that are within the ballistic performance warranty period listed by the manufacturer on the affixed tags;
- Did not have all written policies required by 37 Tex. Admin. Code § 211.16(a)(5);
- Had appointed three times the number of reserve officers allowed by city ordinance;
- Did not have a public area including written notices posted and visible 24 hours a day explaining:
  - how to receive the most immediate assistance in an emergency;
  - how to make a nonemergency report of a crime; and
  - how to make a compliment or complaint on a member of the agency by mail, online, or by phone; and
- Did not have liability insurance for the agency and any vehicles used for agency purposes.

Based on the totality of the circumstances, TCOLE has determined that the Point Police Department (agency no. 379203) does not meet the minimum standards for the continued operation of a law enforcement agency. There are no licensees currently appointed by the agency. Effective immediately, the agency may no longer appoint any licensees and may not allow licensees to conduct any business under the authority of a TCOLE license.


Please be advised that this change in status does not absolve the city of certain responsibilities:

- Point Police Department motor vehicle stop data for calendar year 2026 must still be reported between January 1, 2027, and March 1, 2027.
- If there are unresolved allegations of misconduct against any of your licensees, those complaints must be investigated, resolved, documented, and reported to TCOLE within 30 days of that licensee's separation from your agency consistent with the model policy found at <https://www.tcole.texas.gov/document/mip-ma.pdf>. As it does not appear your agency adopted the required policy, you should use the model policy as your guide.
- All personnel records associated with the agency must be retained per applicable records retention schedules. All records related to TCOLE licensees must be retained for at least five years (37 Tex. Admin. Code § 211.19(f)) and must be shared with other agencies who consider hiring those same licensees during that period.

TCOLE is prepared to assist you with methods to simplify and support these continuing responsibilities. Field Service Agent Glen Stone ([glen.stone@tcole.texas.gov](mailto:glen.stone@tcole.texas.gov)) can assist city staff with the early reporting of traffic stop data, guidance on the process and policy for misconduct investigations and reporting, and how to upload personnel files to reduce the number of inquiries the city is obligated to respond to over the next several years.

If the city develops sustainable funding sources, can meet all the requirements of TCOLE rules (37 Tex. Admin. Code Chapters 211-229), and wishes to re-establish a law enforcement agency, you must first apply with TCOLE and obtain authorization to establish a law enforcement agency.

Sincerely,

  
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