

Bloomdale Village Council
Meeting Minutes
October 24th, 2023

Opening

The regular meeting of The Bloomdale Village Council was called to order at 7:00PM by Mayor Stephen Schafer.

Members Present

Julie Dean, Bethany Vincent, Robert Clark, Kathy Simon, Jamie Robinson and Tom Miller all answered roll call.

Bethany Vincent moved to approve the October 10th minutes & Kathy Simon 2nd, all approved.

Amplex came to discuss fiber networking and want our town to be the next build. They're on Baird Road now and their next build would bring them into town and to the tracks. Phase two (across the tracks) would be coming in from the south. They utilize the utility poles for distribution. Their estimated start time is the next few weeks. We can have the paperwork to Amplex by the first meeting in November (11/14).

Paul from AMP was here with an update. Sam Wolfe left AMP so their looking to fill his position. Paul and Harry Phillips are currently over it right now. They hope to have the position filled within the next month but there'll be transitions so probably the end of the year. They'll be back sometime before the end of the year to go through the power supply plan. They'll have some recommendations for the village's consideration.

Paul was also looking for any feedback on the circuit rider program. Bob Clark said it seems to be going fine, he hasn't had any complaints.

Billy Mareches needs \$500 for medical supplies through Bound Tree for the last quarter. Bob Clark made the motion and Julie Dean 2nd, all approved.

\$500 for oxygen bottles for the squad from Air Gas. Bethany Vincent made the motion and Kathy Simon 2nd, all approved.

\$2,000 for meds from Bound Tree medical. Epi pens are getting ready to expire. Julie Dean made the motion and Bethany Vincent 2nd, all approved.

The survey Billy, Julie & Bethany did. We received a confirmation from Suzette Paul the day after we filled it out.

The old engine, a quote on the premium is \$325/year. It's titled to Bloom Township. It'd cost them \$17 and \$17 to transfer it to the village's name. The Village of Bloomdale owns the Model A. The old engine would be put in fire rides and trick-or-treat parade as well as another parade depending on the route it'd have to travel. Bethany Vincent made a motion add the engine truck to the Village of Bloomdale's policy and we'd pay the \$325/year insurance premium. If the old engine goes in the village's name, they won't be held responsible for the repairs—the Fire Department would. Jamie Robinson 2nd, all approved.

Pay per runs, Billy cannot receive compensation for Acting Fire Chief and pay per run. Diane cancelled the third quarter check, and he can pay her back for the first & second quarter or she can deduct it from his paycheck & we'll be squared away. Billy had it deducted from his October Fire Chief pay.

Bob wants to put one 4 x 4 banner by the community building and one on N. Main Street for the ambulance district. He might see if Bob Stewart can help him.

Fire Equipment truck, we can do a sealed bid to sell it. The township is set up on Gov deals and that's the loophole to get around the sealed bids and things. We will talk with Jeff Dennis about the legality of it as the Village of Bloomdale is also set up with it.

Penalty and interest through RITA. We should've checked all four boxes not just two of them. The fees are already in the account but if they fall below, it gives them permission to replenish the account. Kathy Simon made a motion to check all four boxes and Bethany Vincent 2nd, all approved.

The agreement with the sheriff's department for the patrolling. The typo, Paul Dobson said everyone knows the intent and that it has that little hiccup in there but there's no need to do anything unless we want it to be more correct.

Verizon added to the water towner for better service. Jerry Griner from Northwest Water & Sewer says they aren't opposed and agree with the 40-45 employees on the road have the similar issues with Verizon in our area. Beth will pursue it.

Morlock gave a quote for Vine Street heading east out of town where the dips are. Morlock would have time to do it this year if it doesn't snow next week. We can wait until next year's budget and do the whole length or if we have \$2,043, we can do the five areas—he'd mill out 2.5 inches to level it out and patch those five dips. Council decided to wait until 2024 budget.

Beth as BCIA would like to have council approve the dates for the 2024 Easter Egg Gather (03/30/2024 from 1PM in the side yard at the municipal building) and for the Halloween Parade & trick-or-treat (10/26/2024, 5:30 for the parade

and 6:30-8 for trick-or-treat. Kathy Simon made the motion and Julie Dean 2nd, all except Beth approved. Beth abstained.

A few trees on N. Main might need to be cut down for the storm sewer project. Ashcraft would have to come in.

Cory Stewart wants all the asphalt we have piled up for his property if we don't want it. He'd move it and everything. Bob Clark made the motion and Jamie Robinson 2nd, all approved.

Bob Clark made a motion to pay the bills and Kathy Simon 2nd, all approved.

Restrooms will be opened up for trick-or-treat on Saturday.

Bob Clark moved to end the meeting at 8:18PM.

/s/ Stephen A. Schafer, Mayor

/s/Julie Dean, Clerk of Council

Date: November 14, 2023