

Village of Bloomdale
Council Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2025

Opening:

The regular meeting of the Bloomdale Village Council was called to order by Mayor Bethany Vincent at 7:02 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Bob Clark, Tom Miller, Kathy Simon, Becky Drake and Tommy O'Leary IV all answered roll call. Bob motioned to accept the meeting minutes from August 26 as written. Becky seconded, all approved.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Kathy read 2025-R-22, a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor. Bob motioned to accept and adopt. Tom seconded, all approved.

Kathy read 2025-R-23, a resolution submitting votes to fill a vacant board seat on the NWWSD board. Bob motioned to accept and adopt. Becky seconded, all approved. Beth read aloud the candidates hoping to fill that vacant seat. Bob motioned to submit the Village's vote as: 1. Chuck Latta and 2. Ryan Lee. Tom seconded, all approved. Discussion of beginning the process of implementing a road cutting ordinance which will carry a permit fee and guidelines for repaving. Council will think this over for discussion on 9/23.

Community Members:

Tom O'Leary III, Danielle Hale, and Kailey Keaton were in attendance. Kailey brought a letter of interest in the open council seat, which Beth read aloud. Danielle also expressed interest in the open seat. Council voted by paper ballot to fill the seat; Danielle: 1; Kailey: 3; N/A: 1. Bob motioned to welcome Kailey Keaton into the vacated council seat for the term expiring December 31, 2025. Kathy seconded, all approved. Kailey took her seat and Beth swore her in.

Committee Meetings:

Bob offered a recap of the Finance Committee meeting which took place on Thursday September 4 at 7 pm: Fire Department will require a transfer from the General Fund for 2026; Billy offered a ballpark figure of \$100,000. Beth reminded all that a Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 pm on Thursday September 11.

Fire Department:

Billy asked for approval for \$600 for American Biomedical & Imaging Group for last month's electronics inspections. Bob motioned to approve. Kathy seconded, all approved. Billy turned in July run reports; skipped June, will get those around for 9/23. Bennett's insurance disbursement schedule: 25% upon completion of demo & clean-up, 50% upon setting new home on the foundation, remainder once the certificate of occupancy is released. Bob motioned to follow this disbursement schedule. Kathy seconded, all approved. Danielle asked if it has been reported that the fire siren at the south end of town is out of service; it has. Discussion of pumper truck operations.

Discussion of problem properties: notices of ordinance violations were delivered to 306 S Main and mailed to 112 N Main. It is suggested that a notice be delivered to 401 S Garfield. Further discussions of homes in bad shape.

Danielle reported a street light is out at the corner of Hamm & S Garfield.

EJAD Update:

The Village submitted a bill to EJAD for \$40.50 for copies made. The crew is in the process of moving into the new building. Plan to hire a chief at the next meeting. Becky asked if a printout of a run reports would be available. Bob does have reports to share illustrating response times. Discussions of various situations, rumors and of trains blocking tracks. Beth explained that residents can check the CAD call log on the Wood County Sheriff's website via the "Police-to-Citizen" tab on the homepage. Choose "Event Search", then choose "Current CAD Calls" for anyone interested. Billy

asked that he be informed when rumors regarding the FD are out and about. Danielle asked if the FD flushes the hydrants. No, NWWSD does that.

Old Business:

It was requested that Council members bring ideas of streets to be repaved in preparation for the 2026 Budget Meeting. Mulberry, Main to Maple. Beall Drive. Vine, Maple to 403 Vine. Walnut, Main to Maple. Discussion of indigent cremation ordinance. Council liked the example from the Village of Genoa and would like to adopt that. Beth will take that to the Solicitor.

New Business:

Tommy brought up possibly hiring an additional employee; discussion to take place at Personnel Committee meeting on 9/11.

Back to **Old** – Bob brought 3 comps for the sale of the equipment truck. Much discussion; after the decals are removed Tommy will take updated pics and get the listing posted.

Back to **New** – Billy remarked that the condition of the Community Building was surprising in a sad way; noticed paint peeled, dry wall cracked, sound board falling.

Village Clerk:

Beth read aloud a copy of the levy language for Council to hear. Bob motioned to pay the bills. Kathy seconded, all approved.

Village Manager:

\$105 requested for recycling 21 old tires at Mid-Wood; Bob motioned to approve. Tom seconded, all approved. Beth shared that the Village is waiting on 1 remaining auction buyer to pick up items. Tom shared that CSX is scheduling with AMP and Bob Stewart for an electric service relocation at the tracks for the end of September; AMP billing to be submitted to CSX.

Beth asked for an executive session to discuss personnel at 9:12 and Kathy motioned for such. Tommy seconded, all approved. Bob motioned to move out of executive session at 10:20. Kathy seconded, all approved. Bob motioned no action was taken during the executive session. Kathy seconded, all approved.

Bob motioned to adopt a new task sheet for hourly employee use. Kathy seconded, all approved.

Discussion of finishing installation of the M-G-R on Saturday, September 20 if there is no rain.

Upcoming Meeting Dates: September 23 and October 14

Meeting Adjourned: Bob motioned to adjourn at 10:30 pm.

/s/ Bethany Vincent, Mayor

/s/Diane Miller, Fiscal Consultant

DATE: September 23, 2025