

Village of Bloomdale  
Council Meeting Minutes  
March 25, 2025

**Opening:**

The regular meeting of the Bloomdale Village Council was called to order by Mayor Bethany Vincent at 7 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Bob Clark, Tom Miller, Jamie Robinson, Becky Drake, Kathy Simon, and Tommy O'Leary IV all answered roll call. Bob motioned to accept the meeting minutes from March 11, 2025, as written. Tom seconded, all approved.

**Ordinances and Resolutions:** none

**Community Members:**

Rhonda Ervin asked that her family be allowed to use the Community Building on June 26, fee free, to hold the annual Tony Ervin Memorial Blood Drive. Bob motioned to allow. Kathy seconded, all approved. Rhonda paid the deposit.

Cory Stewart updated Council on Elmwood Little League. There are 23 teams and 7 will be using Bloomdale fields as home field. Practice begins Tuesday April 1. Discussed scoreboards, funds, and parking. Bob will get quotes from Cramer Signs for signs which include a towing ORC notice. Tom and Bob Stewart will test field lights.

Rory Fitch discussed weed control. Discussed weed-whacker feed, spraying with brine, having Village employees become licensed to spray, a quote from Deere Creek, comparing that with the labor cost of weed-whacking, securing a roller to smooth out part of the land out behind the Community Building, and planting wildflowers instead of maintaining so much grass. Jamie motioned to approve Deere Creek's quote for \$650 per application, for this season, with Bob Stewart and J. Gase deciding on frequency. Kathy seconded, all approved.

**Committee Meetings:** none

**Fire Department:**

Beth asked Billy to complete the report request from Diane. Billy shared that the radios have been installed and requested \$356 payable to RayleCom. Bob motioned to pay. Jamie seconded, all approved. Billy is sorting the bills between the Village and the Township and is on track for the June 1 deadline. Still working on renewing the drug license. Mother's Day Chicken BBQ to be held on Sunday, May 11, 2025.

**EJAD Update:**

Bob shared that there are enough employees to cover shifts and the calendar is full. Council needs to re-do the vote for the equipment swap between BFD and EJAD. Kathy motioned to swap the power cot, LifePak 15 modem and LifePak 15 brackets for the jaws-of-life. Tom seconded. Bob-abstain. Tom-yes. Jamie-yes. Kathy-yes. Becky-yes. Tommy-yes.

**Old Business:**

Bob Stewart placed the cones out by the parking lot lines as requested. Kathy didn't have playground turf quotes yet. Tom had no additional electric quotes.

**New Business:**

The digger truck failed the March 18 electronics inspection spectacularly. Bob motioned to take it to Casey's for repair. Tom seconded, all approved. Bob motioned to purchase 3 tons of cold-patch. Kathy seconded, all approved. Billy updated that the backhoe is repaired and will arrange pick up with Bob Stewart. Bob mentioned that since it is spring break Rory may be able to do some of the picking up and dropping off. Tom would like to buy more street light replacement heads as the inventory is down to just 3 or so. Bob motioned to make the purchase up to \$2,100. Jamie seconded, all approved.

**Village Clerk:**

Per Diane, it needs to be formally acknowledged in our minutes that Beth is an authorized signer for an upcoming SBA Communications contract renewal. This is in regard to the cell tower that T-Mobile rents. Bob motioned to pay the bills. Kathy seconded, all approved.

**Village Manager:**

The task list was distributed. Beth shared that the employees have the auction item list, auction set for Garage Sale weekend.

**Communications from the Mayor:**

Beth shared that a meeting with AMP took place on March 6 to review the Power Supply Update and a copy is available to interested parties. Beth read aloud the Tree City USA Awards invitation: April 16 in BG, \$40 per person.

**Upcoming Meeting Dates:** April 8 and April 22; April has 5 Tuesdays.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Bob motioned to adjourn at **8:21**

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/s/ Bethany Vincent, Mayor

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/s/ Diane Miller, Fiscal

DATE: April 8, 2025