

Village of Bloomdale  
Council Meeting Minutes  
August 12, 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, Kathy Simon, and Becky Drake all answered roll call. Beth read an apology related to an incident at the July 22 meeting. Bob motioned to accept the meeting minutes from July 22, 2025 as written. Kathy seconded, all approved. Beth read aloud the resignation letter from fellow Council Member Jamie Robinson.

**Ordinances and Resolutions:**

Kathy read Resolution 2025-R-21 allowing for the prep and submission of an OPWC grant application. Bob motioned to accept and adopt. Kathy seconded; all present approved.

Kathy read the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 2025-O-2, Green Space Policy.

Kathy read the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 2025-O-3, Handbook Addendum.

Kathy read the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 2025-O-4, Creating the Ordinance Enforcement Officer position.

**Community Members:** Rob Fawcett attended, from UIS insurance. He explained the Village's projected insurance invoice for 2026. Discussion of reducing the cost by selling items at Saturday's auction and possible reductions of building values, based on the physical appraisal report that was provided. Electronic copies will be e-mailed to Council Members for review and further discussion at the August 26 meeting. Rob also reminded Council to submit receipts for PEP's annual safety grant; Beth will get the quote for the Merry-Go-Round mulch to Diane for submission.

**Committee Meetings:** Finance Committee meeting was set for 7 pm on Thursday September 4.

**Fire Department:**

Billy asked for approval for \$418.20 for Stryker for the Lucas device cord replacement from 03/02/2024. Bob motioned for approval. Tom seconded; all present approved. Billy provided the May pay-per-run report to Diane. The remote siren on the south end of town is not operating; Billy asked for approval to have Radio Hospital diagnose it. Bob motioned for approval. Kathy seconded; all present approved. Billy shared that Bennett's fire report has been submitted to the insurance company.

**EJAD Update:** Bob shared that the driveway is in, no update on the electric yet.

**Old Business:**

Tom provided a quote of \$20.59 for 20" X 10' aluminum pole wrap to (hopefully) prevent squirrels from causing future electric outages. Discussion; Bob motioned to spend up to \$150 for 20-inch wrap. Kathy seconded, all present approved. Bob has galvanized roofing nails to donate to this project. Beth had no reply as yet from Morlocks regarding the basketball pole hoop installation. Discussion of the old logs at the green space; 1. seating at the small pond, 2. offer to chainsaw carvers if one can be found, 3. post in the 3 official spots that it is available to residents, free of charge, to get on his or her own. Ideas shared: check out the Wood County Fair site for a list of vendors, a carver may be found there and to call Doug Laborie to inquire if he knows of any

carvers. The equipment truck/bread truck is not a Chevy; Bob will continue to look for comps and compose a post to offer it for sale. Conversation regarding the Merry-Go-Round: Bob will give the instructions to Billy; he will ask, at the next FD meeting, if any members would like to volunteer to help finish the installation. BCIA will also volunteer to assist.

**New Business:** None

**Village Clerk:** Bob motioned to pay the bills. Kathy seconded, all present approved.

**Village Manager:** Auction progress is GREAT! Only a few items to move on Thursday and Friday and most Council members plan to attend.

**Communications from the Mayor:**

Beth shared that the Village was indeed approved for ODOT's Abbreviated Safety Grant which will entail bus stop improvements. Beth will then share this news with Jenae King, who expressed concern regarding bus stop safety in January. Beth read a second letter from NWWSD regarding filling expiring board seats.

**Upcoming Meeting Dates:** August 26 and September 9

**Meeting Adjourned:** Bob motioned to adjourn at 8:20 pm.

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**Bethany Vincent, Mayor**

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**Diane Miller, Fiscal Consultant**

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