

Village of Bloomdale
Council Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2024

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, Becky Drake, Kathy Simon, and Tommy O'Leary IV all answered roll call. Jamie Robinson was absent. Bob motioned to accept the meeting minutes from June 25, 2024 as written. Kathy seconded, all present approved.

Ordnances and Resolutions: Resolution 2024-R-16, Estimate of Revenues. Bob motioned to adopt. Tom seconded, all present approved.

Community Members Present:

Sheriff Wasylshyn attended for discussion regarding ODOT and our posted speed limits on State Route 18. Bob motioned to accept ODOT's invitation to participate in a speed study. Tom seconded; all present approved. Conversation turned to Accessing Agency Agreements. The Sheriff shared that Bloomdale is one of only 10 remaining Wood County entities that have not yet passed this legislation and he kindly asked that we do so at our July 23 meeting. Discussion regarding "No Trucks" signs. Sheriff said those signs are vague and that Council should consult the solicitor about updating the signs to "5 Ton Load Limit" which is an easily enforceable sign and could cut down on incidents in the Harrison and Mulberry area.

Billy and the Sheriff discussed a new product from Verizon which allows for better cell and hot spot coverage in Wood County. Billy will get details from Meridith at the Sheriff's Office.

Frank Harris of Kleinfelder and Kevin Bradford of B'Hillz attended to discuss the self-tie-in to our current storm sewer improvement. After much conversation, Frank will perform an inspection at the homeowner's expense and the homeowner will be required to make any adjustment deemed necessary. Paperwork will be generated and shared among Kleinfelder, B'Hillz and the Village.

Fire Department:

As discussed with the Sheriff the Accessing Agency Agreement needs to be passed at the July 23 meeting. Medicare audit: Billy will set up the account to allow Diane and Kelly from CleanClaim to enter reports. The back hoe will be returned to the Village this week and in time for Village Clean-Up.

Committee Meetings: none

EJAD Update:

Bob Clark gave EJAD update.

Old Business:

Per Randy Cunningham, scheduling for his new construction laterals now lies with his plumber; once completed repaving by Morlock can be scheduled. Brianna Delancy has not yet provided RITA dispute. Kathy inquired about Sunshine Law training for all Council Members to become compliant with audit standards. Beth and Diane will coordinate on that. Beth shared there will be required fraud reporting training as well. Becky asked how do new residents know about things such a RITA and when to expect siren testing as opposed to a siren that means something more. Discussion ensued regarding various topics within this category. Becky will make a list of "things to know" and bring it to the next

meeting. Council will make a sheet that will be given to new residents upon application for electric service with a signature of accountability page. Beth distributed the Blight Ordinance for Council's review and discussion at the next meeting. Kathy distributed signature pages for the USPS petition. Beth distributed address lists procured from the Board of Elections to Council members. Council will get signatures during Community Garage Sales and then canvas the Village for the remainder. Loose deadline set for mid-September.

New Business:

There was a power outage on June 27 at 105 S Garfield, HWEC responded and repaired. Residents' trash pick-up was impeded by equipment for the storm sewer improvements; affected residents moved trash to east side of N Main; Beth call NAT to inform. A resident asked Beth if the police department's training range open to the public? Tom motioned that the range is not open to the public. Bob seconded; all present approved. Tommy questioned cameras at the pond area.

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

Village Manager: Task list was distributed.

Communications from the Mayor:

The reading of the Declaration of Independence at the Veteran's went well, an estimated 10 people were in attendance. Beth asked Council to approve hosting that event again next year on Friday, July 4th at 10 am. Bob mentioned a number of residents would make plans to be out of town, as it would make a long weekend available to many. Discussion about holding an event for Memorial Day or Veteran's Day, nothing confirmed. Kathy motioned to allow the planning of the 2nd annual reading of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 2025. Tommy seconded; all present approved.

Before adjourning, Becky asked about Council's policy of making and passing motions and recording to the minutes. Conversation turned to electric.

Upcoming Meeting Dates: July 23, August 13. July has 5 Tuesdays lending to an extra "off" Tuesday.

Meeting Adjourned: Bob motioned to adjourn at 8:58 pm. Tom seconded.

Utility bills can be e-mailed to residents. Interested, contact the Village at villageofbloomdale@gmail.com. Also, residents can check current utility bill balance at www.villageofbloomdale.com with the last name and account number.

Community Building Rentals – Contact Bre 910-635-5496 or Jose 419-379-4779.

Bethany Vincent, Mayor

Diane Miller, Village Clerk

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