

Village of Bloomdale  
Council Meeting Minutes  
June 11, 2024

**Opening:**

The regular meeting of the Bloomdale Village Council was called to order by Mayor Bethany Vincent at 7 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Members Present:**

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 May 28, 2024 as written. Tom seconded, all approved.

**Ordinances and Resolutions:**

Read 2024-R-15, Submission of Park Grant Application, as an emergency. Motion to suspend the rules by Bob. Kathy seconded, all approved. Motion to submit grant application by Bob. Kathy seconded, all approved.

Read 2024-O-04, NAT 5-year contract, as an emergency. Motion to suspend the rules by Bob. Kathy seconded, all approved. Motion to enter into the contract by Bob. Tom seconded, all approved.

Read 2024-O-04, set NAT rates for 5-year contract, as an emergency. Motion to suspend the rules by Bob. Tom seconded, all approved. Motion to set the rates for five years by Bob. Tom seconded, all approved.

**Community Members Present:** None.

**Fire Department:**

Billy relayed that the second billing for the final payment to Stryker for \$5,263.62 carries a late fee of \$263.18 due to not receiving the first bill via USPS. Motion to make the payment less the late fee by Kathy. Bob seconded, all approved.

Billy will call Stryker to attempt to have the late fee waived. Motion to approve \$700 for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter medical supplies from Bound Tree by Bob. Becky seconded, all approved. Motion to approve \$500 for 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter medical supplies from Bound Tree by Bob. Kathy seconded, all approved. Billy shared that there are 4 unsettled insurance claims; he turned paperwork over to Kelly at Clean Claim. Medicare audit still not resolved; Diane provided phone numbers to Billy that were left on Village's voicemail. Siren is not working. Motion to approve service call from Radio Hospital made by Bob. Tom seconded, all approved. Grant funding not yet available for siren, Billy in close contact with Erin at Wood County Emergency Mgt regarding that. Billy is turning in a claim to our insurance company for the Lucas Device. Best case, it costs the deductible; worst case the claim is denied.

**Committee Meetings:** Kathy waiting to present Park Committee findings until all the quotes are gathered.

**Old Business:** Motion to assess 306 S. Garfield unpaid electric bill to property taxes by Bob. Kathy seconded, all approved. Motion to assess 107 S. Garfield unpaid electric bill to property taxes by Bob. Becky seconded, all approved. Motion to accept the USPS Petition letter with corrections to Council Members names by Bob. Tom seconded, all approved. Beth directed all to spend the next 2 weeks thinking about how to divide up and canvas the Village for signatures. Ideas: hold office hours for petition signing, get signatures on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July at the Veteran's Memorial, get signatures during community garage sales.

**Community Member Arrival:**

Cory Stewart arrived to speak about Bloomdale Little League and the evolution into Elmwood Little League; discussion of grant possibilities for field lights and scoreboard. Motion by Jamie to support Little League in 2025. Kathy seconded, all approved.

**Old Business Continued:**

Bob can get welding rods for \$15 and rent a welder for \$84 to repair merry-go-round. Tommy volunteered to use his own welder and Bob will assist, no cost to the Village. Kathy asked that the old merry-go-round be evaluated to be put back into use. Barfel property – what are we doing there? Discussion of vandalism, current ordinances, and curfews for teens. Kathy motioned have Jeff work the Blight Ordinance into our own. Jamie seconded, all approved.

**New Business:** None

**Village Clerk:**

We have learned that the request from Sheriff Wasylyshyn for a member of the 911 Review Board involves campaigning for a seat, similar to being on the NWWSD board. Tom Miller still agrees to this. Discussed John Courtney's suggestion to raise our electric rates. Kathy motioned to move forward with John Courtney writing the necessary ordinances. Bob seconded, all approved. Much discussion of keeping electric billing on postcards versus paper and envelopes. Kathy motioned to continue postcards thru 2024 and re-evaluate. Tommy seconded. Voting: Bob – No. Tom – No. Jamie – Yes. Becky – No. Kathy – Yes. Tommy – Yes. Tie-breaker: Beth – Yes. Motion carries. Bob motioned to pay Diane's bills. Kathy seconded, all approved.

**Village Manager:**

Task list distributed. Reminded council of Bob Stewart's vacation. Park restrooms are being locked at night due to vandalism. Beth relayed that Bob took delivery of the new Chevy on May 29. The updated logo for the doors was e-mailed to Council. Becky motioned to approve the new logo. Kathy seconded, all approved. Kathy motioned to purchase 7 of the 12"X14" logo stickers for Village vehicles at an estimate of \$280. Jamie seconded, all approved. Kalida Truck Equipment's quote of \$10,666 for a V-Snow Plow and an amber light bar was discussed. Jamie motioned to accept the quote. Bob seconded, all approved.

Kathy motioned to send out the Electric letter that Diane and Kelly composed. Jamie seconded, all approved.

**Communications from the Mayor:**

Checked in with Kailey Keaton as to the parking situation at her house; reassured her that the Dead End and No Parking signs are ordered. Discussion of allowing B'Hillz staging area to remain a stone parking lot, after Storm Sewer Phase II is complete, in anticipation of Storm Sewer Phase III; in the years between Little League will have more parking and the Village will have that much less to mow. Tommy motioned to keep as such. Jamie seconded, all approved. Beth learned from the Sheriff and ODOT that a study is to be taken regarding speed limits in the Village; findings will be presented to Council at the conclusion of the study.

Bob asked Billy for a status update on the back hoe.

**Upcoming Meeting Dates:** June 25 and July 9

**Meeting Adjourned:** Motion by Bob, second by Jamie, 9:07 p.m.

Electric bills can be e-mailed to residents. Interested, contact the Village at [villageofbloomdale@gmail.com](mailto:villageofbloomdale@gmail.com). Also, residents can check current electric balance at [www.villageofbloomdale.com](http://www.villageofbloomdale.com) with last name and account number.

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

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/s/ Beth Vincent, Mayor

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/s/ Diane Miller, Fiscal Officer

DATE: June 25, 2024