

Bloomdale Village Council
Meeting Minutes
September 26th, 2023

Opening

The regular meeting of The Bloomdale Village Council was called to order at 7:00PM by Mayor Stephen Schafer.

Members Present

Julie Dean, Bethany Vincent, Robert Clark, Kathy Simon, Jamie Robinson and Tom Miller all answered roll call.

Tom Miller moved to approve the September 12th minutes & Bob Clark 2nd, all approved.

22-R-23: vacant board seat on NW Water's board, Bill Barnhart is the only one running. Bethany Vincent made a motion to vote for Barnhart and Julie Dean 2nd, all approved.

Billy Mareches is good for the Derek Sheldon run on 10/8/23.

The new tanker is in service now and he's still working on inventory for the insurance for the village to make sure everything is covered.

Dustin Moses on his basic EMT class. Billy has been sending him classes and his plan is that he's going to pay for it out of his pocket & take it again. The driving class, he passed that and has his certification.

The old engine their trying to bring back to life, they had a title issue. It vanished and is too far back & the department can't get a new one. Billy is going to see what he can do to get one/find it. Right now, it's uninsured. The township doesn't want to insure it.

J. Stone sent a letter 9/8/23 on behalf of Rona Barfell property. The right of way has been cleared until this year when the neighbor uprooted the tree without permission to put up a fence for his dog.

The village received a NSF check for electric to avoid electric shut-off. The Village did not know it was a NSF check until after shutoff date. Jeff Dennis will let us know how we can consider the first shut-off date sufficient and disconnect meter when notified a resident wrote a NSF check.

Bethany Vincent made the motion to no longer accept any personal checks from any person who writes a bad check to the village in payment of any service in the Village. Bob Clark 2nd, all approved.

Wood County EMA about updating the mitigation plan. We must complete a 45-page online survey by 9/29/23. We can have an individual or it or make it a group project. Julie, Bethany and Billy will meet on Thursday at 6:30PM to fill it out.

On 11/2/23 the EMA would like to use the CC building from 5-10PM, for free to hold another stage of the project. It's not being used that day, so Bob Clark made the motion and Kathy Simon 2nd, all approved.

Danielle Hale came to have her permission slip signed to hunt at the pond. Bethany Vincent made a motion and Julie Dean 2nd, all approved.

Danielle Hale had 4 major issues with the post office, and they claim it's council's job to maintain the cluster boxes. We didn't tell them to put the cluster boxes there. Also, the vacant alley in her backyard she thinks the farmer is moving closer to her property line. Bob Clark said he went to look at it and the farmer hadn't moved in on it.

Paul who comes with Sam would like to call us to discuss our transition plan from Sam's position in the member's relation group. He will be here 10/24.

Diane would like \$100 to attend annual continuing education for fiscal officers on 10/17. Bethany Vincent made a motion for it and Bob Clark 2nd, all approved.

The Sheriff's Department, Beth would like to pay to get them on a schedule. She's thinking M-F 6-8AM and 2:30-4:30PM. It'd be 80 hours/month. It'd be a little over \$3,500/month. We can be flexible with the hours, like 4 days during the week and one day during the weekend. We could do this for the 4th quarter of 2023 until we know what the levy for 2024 does in November.

Bethany Vincent made a motion to enter a contract with the county until the end of 2023 with 80 hours/month. We'd also like a Saturday in there once a month and Julie Dean 2nd, all approved except Bob Clark.

Jeff Dennis said the person handling the CSX, the person left. They think there's progress being made, and they should have a response to us soon. That was last Thursday. The man said he'd submit it to conveyance last Friday and have it executed to upper management this week.

Bob Clark made a motion to pay the bills and Julie Dean 2nd, all approved.

Steve's son wants to volunteer to do some mowing this fall. Bethany Vincent made a motion to allow Payton Schafer to volunteer his time to do some mowing and Kathy Simon 2nd, all approved.

The postcard electric bills, if you don't want them, you can have them emailed. Diane hasn't received any emails from lighting for the ballfield.

Bob Clark moved to end the meeting at 8:19PM.

/s/ Stephen A Schafer, Mayor

/s/ Julie Dean, Clerk of Council

DATE: October 10, 2023