

Village of Bloomdale
Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2026

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. Brooke Moore, Tom Miller, Kailey Keaton, Kathy Simon, Becky Drake, and Cory Kirian all answered roll call. Ada Kitchen was absent. Becky motioned to approve the minutes from the September 22 meeting. Kathy seconded, all approved.

Ordinances & Resolutions: Third reading of 2026-O-09, an Ordinance for Naming the Parks. Kailey motioned to accept and adopt. Brooke seconded, all approved. Kathy read 2026-O-12 as an emergency, an Ordinance for amending appropriations in order to pay E. Brown Excavating for installing the Walking Path, which will be reimbursed to the Village by ODNR. Kathy motioned to suspend the rules. Tom seconded, all approved. Becky motioned to accept and adopt. Brooke seconded, all approved.

Community Visitors: Mike from NAT attended and informed Council that he has sold NAT to Stevens, based in Temperance, Michigan. Stevens hopes the Village will assign our current NAT contract to them. Becky motioned to do so. Kathy seconded, all approved. Kevin, at the Temperance office, will be in contact regarding the assignment of the contract.

EJAD Update, Bob Clark: Fielded 94 calls last month; cardiac monitor on order; looking into grants for Marks radios & CAD use in the squad. Ambulance to be repaired in November. Reached out to the new Fire Chief in Cygnet for relationship building. Discussion of overtime concerns. Beginning January 1, 2027 Cory Kirian will become the Village of Bloomdale's rep on the EJAD Board; the Village moved with the original intention of the EJAD Board at its inception: that a Council Member or Trustee from each entity will represent that entity.

Village Administrator, Tim Springer: Receipts presented: Menards \$30.39 and \$38.65. LOF for leaf vac and dump truck previously approved. Sunbelt rental for brush hog and trailer \$811, previously approved. Tim and Jon cleared the greenery at 106 Vine, fees to be assessed to property taxes. Cleared 9 overgrowth areas assigned by Mayor. Replaced an amp gauge on leaf vac. Re-addressed getting a carport installed over the USPS cluster boxes before winter. Mayor's assessment of faded street signs; quote from Wood County Sign Shop is approximately \$700; will be added to the budget meeting agenda for 2027.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer, Dave Smith: 111 Harrison St: noxious weeds & grass, improper installation of mobile home; few of the inoperable vehicles were removed; workers were on the garage roof, but the door is still wide open; have now added a metal clothing recycling drop box to the easement. 208 Rose St has removed goods from the porch and the porch roof is in the progress of being removed with help from neighbors. Beth sent the Village's Electric Policy to Dave for investigation of temporary electric service. Discussion of 201 Harrison St parking situation; Jeff said to ensure 10-foot clearance.

Fire Department, Billy Mareches: Annual Fire Safety Week Open House went over really well: big crowd and great weather, went thru 25 dozen donuts. Turned in run reports from May – September. 2 housekeeping items: several ceiling fans are non-operational and the hose-dryer is malfunctioning. Topic tabled till next meeting so that Maintenance can assess both situations. The department was thanked for hosting the end of Fire Safety Week steak dinner and inviting Council. Billy found the used toner cartridge and will get it to Beth or Ada for recycling.

Jon opened discussion of the brush pile at the Green Space and that it is growing. Led to discussion of the wood pile and the few remaining logs are too large for the equipment on hand. Beth will ask Ashcraft for an estimate of reducing to manageable sizes. The logs which are too old and rotten to burn can possibly be hauled to the landfill; Tim will look into that. Back to brush pile – use the chipper / shredder.

Committee Meeting Recaps: None

Old Business: Beth asked if Council considered raises; Kathy said it is not necessary, all agreed. Beth met Rob Fawcett of UIS on-site at the Community Building area to assess the buildings and contents. Rob relayed an increase in coverage that falls below the threshold for an increase in premium. Chad Culbert of AMP was able to visit and prepare an estimate of materials to be covered. Maintenance and the Circuit Riders will spend some time over the winter organizing those materials. Employee Handbooks: learned from PEP that 1099 contractors do not need it (Community Building Rental Coordinator). Discussion among Council, Billy, and Jeff about the volunteers of the Fire Department, which led to discussion of FD by-laws. Discussion of updates from Red Alert regarding HB96, decisions tabled and Beth will invite Adam to the November 10 meeting. Discussion of the Village possibly providing Billy a cell phone. Erin Miller at AMP replied to the inquiry of a home generator policy – not needed as the generators do not interconnect.

with the utility distribution system. If the Village is still interested in creating a generator policy she provided 4 examples from member municipalities. The Village is not interested in pursuing this. Update on the abandoned tanks: no need to pursue brownfield grant money; discussion with AMP lead Beth to contact Artesian of Pioneer, who came on-site to evaluate the tanks and provide a quote for the removal (\$28,000). Beth contacted Bates Recycling about tank removal; waiting to hear back.

New Business: Kelly was notified by ITRON that our current Field Collection System software is not going to be supported after December 31, 2028. Beth will ask Kelly to arrange for a company rep to attend a meeting and explain options. The Village's Electric Policy was most recently updated in 2018; Beth asked Council to consider updating it since it seems to be lacking clarity on the length of time temporary service can be installed and fees for planned events. Council agreed that Beth may check with John Courtney for his opinion if an update is needed. Beth also reminded Council that the BG BTM Solar project is still something we can pursue. AED pads in the Council room are nearing expiration. Kailey motioned to pay \$83.99 for replacements. Kathy seconded, all approved. Beth brought up completing an Income Survey update so the Village can again apply for grants for Storm Sewer Phase III. Kleinfelder will do this at no fee to the Village; Beth will work with Kelly and Ada to provide the data needed to begin.

Fiscal Officer-Clerk Ada Kitchen: Kailey motioned to pay bills. Kathy seconded, all approved. RITA mailed 150 non-filer letters to residents. Kelly provided a list of over 30 residents who were served 14-day shut-off notices; all accounts were paid before any meter was pulled.

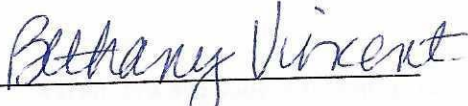
Communications from Mayor Bethany Vincent: Beth shared info from Columbia Gas and Kathy provided insight that some of the current riders may be reconfigured into the base fee, if allowed. These changes are not expected until 2028. Beth signed up to attend a Data Center webinar sponsored by Ohio Municipal League, free to attend since the Village is a member. Beth asked Council to approve \$50 for an additional in-person Data Center Panel Event sponsored by NOMMA. Kathy motioned to spend the \$50. Brooke seconded, all approved. It is time to vote for the 4 At-Large seats on AMP's Board; in previous discussions Council decided to support the 4 municipalities that expressed interest in our vote. Cory motioned that the Village vote for the City of Cuyahoga Falls, the Village of Wellington, the City of Painesville, and the Village of Grafton. Becky seconded, all approved. Beth shared that Sharon Springer spiffed up the landscaping at the Fire Department prior to the Open House, Council and the FD thank her for her time and energy. The Walking Path project is wrapping up; Beth will ask Morlock's to quote asphalt for it. Beth asked if Council had additional streets in mind for asphalt in 2027 in addition to the final section of Cherry St; Council is encouraged to drive around and bring ideas to the next meeting.

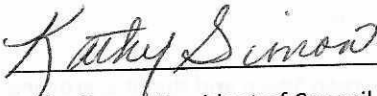
Next 2 Meetings: October 27 – AMP EcoSmart presentation; November 10

Executive Session: At 9:30 Kailey motioned to move into Executive Session for the purpose of employment compensation, Ada Kitchen's 180-day Review. Kathy seconded, all approved. At 9:40 Kailey motioned to move out of Executive Session. Kathy seconded, all approved.

Kailey motioned to increase Ada's monthly salary by \$50 to \$1700 per month. Tom seconded, all approved.

Meeting Adjourned: Kathy motioned to adjourn at 9:41 pm.


Bethany Vincent, Mayor


Kathy Simon, President of Council


Ada Kitchen, Fiscal Officer-Clerk

DATE: 10-27-26