

*Village of Bloomington*  
Joint Committee Meeting  
May 29, 2024

The Joint Committee meeting of the Village Board was called to order by Village President Robert McLimans at 5:00 p.m.

The Pledge Allegiance to the Flag was said.

Roll call was taken, present: Robert McLimans, Dennis Moris, Scott Daentl, Chasity Allen, Alan Mergen, and Dawn Drew. Absent was Michelle Atterbury.

Cemetery update and recommendations: Discussion was had on marking out rows, increasing rates, and leveling stones. Moris spoke with Osterdays regarding purchasing plot and location. Daentl spoke with Brendemuehls regarding selling extra plot. Daentl told Brendemuehls that the Village will help with selling. Sue Kaufman, from Peoples State Bank, received invoice for flowers for the Charles & Hilary Trust Fund. There are not enough funds in the savings account to cover invoice. Clerk will pay invoice from Village General Fund and reimburse Village when the Trust CD matures in July. Cemetery Committee will set up a time to meet with Clerk to go over required paperwork. Cemetery Committee will make the recommendation to the Village Board to increase rates, which will go into effective September 1, 2024, and discuss hiring someone to level stones.

Building Regulations ordinance and Zoning: McLimans discussed recommendations from General Engineering Company and feedback from Village Attorney, Ben Wood. Discussion was had on establishing a Chapter dedicated to general zoning requirements, and Committee will make that recommendation to the Board.

Village ordinance for Operator's License: McLimans explained the Village ordinance currently states the fee is \$10 for a two-year term. Clerk explained that she is required to perform a background check on each applicant, which is \$7 for each, and Operator's License fees in other municipalities are \$15-\$35 for a one-year term. Committee will make recommendation to the Board to increase the fee to \$25 for a one-year term.

Sidewalk repairs needed: McLimans had asked Joe Walsh and Mark Moris to put together a list of sidewalks in need of repair. Because of the rain/weather, they haven't had time to do so. They will have that list for the regular board meeting on Monday, June 3, 2024. The Village typically budgets \$10k each year for sidewalk repair. Discussion was had on repairs needed on Main Street and taking out sidewalks in front of 413 Third Street and 540 Fifth Street. No recommendations will be made at this time and will be discussed further at the regular meeting.

Traffic control on Congress Street, Pleasant Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Street, and Mill Street: McLimans stated the main objective is to slow down traffic and suggested installing four-way stop signs at 4th Street and Pleasant Street, 4th Street and Congress Street, and 4th Street and Mill Street. The cost of stop signs is \$75 each, and six will be needed. McLimans asked for other ideas. Discussion was had on putting up "Slow Down" signs on Canal Street. It was decided there is not enough room and signs would probably not be seen. Discussion was had on painting a crosswalk on Canal Street. Committee will make recommendation to install stop signs to the Board.

McLimans discussed the contractor hired for the street repair is looking for a place to dump, which is going to be about 1400 loads. McLimans, Mark Digman, Joe Walsh, and the contractor looked at the ditch between Mill

Street and Union Street today. They have a quote of \$2400 to remove the trees and \$300 per foot to extend the culvert. Delta 3 Engineering will have more quotes for this at the regular meeting on Monday, June 3, 2024. Discussion was had on doing the project all at once or a section at a time. Village will need permission from landowners.

There being no additional business to come before the board, Moris moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mergen. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer  
Shawna Atterbury