

## **Bethel Local Development Corporation**

**December 3, 2025**

The Bethel Local Development Corporation (BLDC) meeting was called to order by Supervisor Sturm at the Duggan Community meeting room on December 3, 2025.

Present: Daniel Sturm  
Wendy Brown (arrived 6:15)  
William Crumley  
Fred Michel  
Moreen Lerner

Mr. Sturm began the meeting at 6pm and wanted it noted for the record that there was not a quorum.

Ms. Lerner went over the organization chart.

Ms. Brown arrived at 6:15, there is now a quorum.

### **Role of the BLDC**

Ms. Lerner discussed. Mr. Sturm discussed the acquisition of the Smallwood Golf Course, now the Forest Reserve at Smallwood.

### **Financial Report**

Mr. Sturm went over the Profit & Loss sheets.

Motion by Ms. Brown to receive and file, seconded by Mr. Crumley, put to a vote and carried 4-0.

### **Minutes**

Motion by Mr. Crumley to approve the 9/17/2025 minutes, seconded by Mr. Michel, put to a vote and carried 4-0.

### **2026 BLDC meeting dates**

Motion by Ms. Brown to approve the meeting dates for 2026, seconded by Mr. Crumley, put to a vote and carried as follows:

January 8, 2026

April 1, 2026

July 1, 2026

October 7, 2026

All meetings will be held at 6pm at the Duggan Community meeting room. A legal notice will be sent to the Sullivan County Democrat.

### **BLDC Activities**

Farmer & Makers Market  
Bethel Business Association  
Forest Reserve at Smallwood property funding  
Comprehensive Plan  
Playscape  
Grant Writing

### **Bethel Business Association**

Mr. James Loney is present to speak about.  
He read the BBA mission statement. Talked about the Bethel Guide and the gazebo in Mongaup Valley that has spots for members marketing materials. There are currently 67 members.

The current BBA board is:

Marie Smith  
Carol Malek  
Suzanne White  
Dina Sturm  
Lori Rae Silver  
Nicole Newick  
Karen Reily  
James Loney  
Beth Johnston(sp)

Daniel Sturm is the Town Board Liaison

There are several committees such as, Membership, Marketing, Media and Tech.  
The BBA Board has a meeting every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month and it is open to the members and public. There are mixers almost every month as well.

### **2025 BLDC Grants**

DVAA  
SC Discretionary fund for the Farmer & Makers Market and Welcome signs

Mr. Sturm said there is a lot going on in town and suggested the BLDC should have a presence at events.

Being there is no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Brown to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Crumley, put to a vote and carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dina Sturm  
Recording Secretary

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