

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – January 9, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, and Town residents Sharon White, Lois Corcoran, Marcia Dana, and Deborah Sellers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been. The agenda was reviewed, and no changes were made.

2a. Vacating Schohl Street: Mike Wolf explained that Sharon White asked this to be on the agenda. The Whites, and their neighbors – Lois Corcoran and Marcia Dana – would like to take over the land that was originally supposed to be Schohl Street. The Board agreed that if the adjacent landowners are willing to pay for the legal fees, that the Town would consider the vacation of this road. This issue does need to go through a process including notices and a public hearing. Mike Wolf will contact Sharon White and put her in touch with Town Attorney Chris Hughes to get things started.

2b. Condition of Property at 320 Powers Avenue: The Board, after reviewing the background material on this issue, asked that Mike Wolf move forward with doing whatever it takes to get this nuisance abated.

2c. Appointment of Ken Norton to Plan Commission: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the appointment of Ken Norton to the Town Plan Commission effective immediately, for the term ending April 30, 2008. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2d. Joining Rock River TDML Group: After some discussion, the Board took no action -- while indicating they had no interest in joining this entity.

2e. Town Resolution 2007-01: Supervisor Berg made a motion to adopt Town Resolution 2007-01, which acknowledges the new state ethics legislation that is being proposed this year. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2f. Reconsideration of Town Resolution 2006-12, which Supports the Metropolitan Planning Organization's Redesign: This resolution was adopted last year by the Board, and after some discussion the Board decided not to reconsider their decision at this time. Mike Wolf will forward any future correspondence to the Board, so they may have another opportunity for reconsideration. He will also gather information from adjoining Towns as to how they have responded to this issue.

2g. Meeting Room Cabinet: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve an additional \$1500 for the meeting room cabinet, to come out of the Town's Town Hall Outlay Fund. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion. Supervisor Stube expressed her concern that this process wasn't done properly. She stated that the cabinet should not have been started until this additional allocation had been approved by the Board. Supervisor Berg and Supervisor Young agreed with the point that Supervisor Stube made, but expressed their support of the cabinet itself. Supervisor Stube made it clear that her opposition wasn't to the cabinet, but to the process. She reiterated that the Board must be diligent about how the Town's money is being spent.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to close discussion on this issue. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Chair Johnson called for a vote on the original motion to approve the funding, and the vote was 4-0, with Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.

3a. December 12, 2006 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the December 12, 2006 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 with Supervisor Stube abstaining.

3b. December 28, 2006 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the December 28, 2006 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 with Chair Johnson abstaining.

3c. Vouchers: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 with Supervisor Young abstaining.

3d. Tax Refunds: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the tax refunds as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked about the progress of the sale of 5005 Allis Avenue. Mike Wolf said the notice went out over the weekend, and that the bids are due in by January 25.

Supervisor Berg reminded everyone that he will be out of state for both February Board meetings.

5. Adjournment – Supervisor Berg made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Young seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 7:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-01

Acknowledging New State Ethics Legislation

WHEREAS, the perception of clean and fair government in the State of Wisconsin has been tainted in recent years due to ethics concerns at the state level, and

WHEREAS, in 2006 the bill SB-1 was approved by one state legislative chamber but stalled in the other, which may have been due in part to an amendment that made this bill applicable to local officials, and

WHEREAS, the ethics of local officials is already covered in state statutes, and has proven over the years to be effective, and

WHEREAS, a new piece of legislation will be introduced this year which will put into place an independent Ethics Board which will help to address the aforementioned ethics concerns at the state level, without undue imposition on local officials,

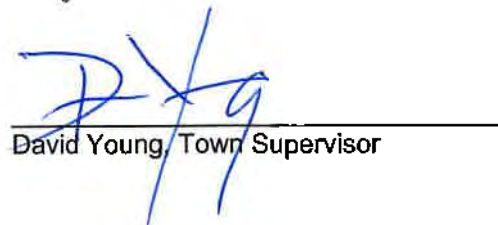
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Blooming Grove acknowledges and applauds the efforts of members of both major political parties to author and pass into law a new ethics reform bill in 2007, which will help improve the governance of the State of Wisconsin, without negatively impacting local forms of government.

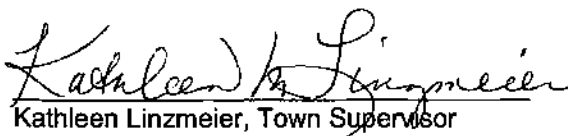
Adopted this 9th day of January, 2007 by a vote of 5-0 by the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board.


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair


Jean Stube, Town Supervisor


Arnold Berg, Town Supervisor


David Young, Town Supervisor


Kathleen Linzmeier, Town Supervisor

Attested by:


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

1/9/07
Date

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – January 23, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Tony Reigstad, and Town residents Dan Ampe, Dean Larsen, Ed Stube, Bill Powell, and Deborah Sellers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been. The agenda was reviewed, and item 2b was moved to the beginning, and item 2e moved to after item 2a.

2b. Strategic Decisions re: Costs for Stormwater and Road Projects:

Considerable discussion took place about whether or not the Town should pay for the installation, maintenance and/or replacement of culverts. In the end no action was taken, but Mike Wolf was asked to write up a proposal that would have the Town paying for culverts when it is part of a Town-initiated project. This will be on a future meeting agenda.

There was also long discussion about how to manage these kinds of projects. Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Berg expressed their dissatisfaction with how the Swinburne project was done. Ed Stube supported those same views. Mike Wolf agreed that the next time a walk-through with residents before the project begins would be beneficial.

Tony Reigstad will check with other Towns, specifically asking how they do these kinds of projects – and who does the engineering work. Mike Wolf will ask the same question on the Clerks Network, so that the Board will know how other towns handle this issue.

2a. Road & Stormwater Projects for 2007: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the following projects for 2007:

- The engineering work for the reconstruction of Siggelkow Road; estimated cost: \$12,700.
- Dig out and restore the stormwater drainage ditch along the railroad tracks by Fair Oaks; estimated cost: \$5,400.
- Several guardrails around the Town; estimated cost: \$3,600.
- Swinburne Drive, at an estimated cost of \$64,000.
- Patch a portion of Seminary Springs Road; estimated cost: \$3,200.

Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Mike Wolf will research the possibility of having Underdahl Road, south of the railroad tracks, vacated by the Town.

2e. Winter Parking on Alvarez Avenue and Bruns Avenue: Mike Wolf explained the uniqueness of these portions of road that have condo driveways on one side (thus preventing parking of any kind), and alternate-side parking on the other side. After some discussion, the Board instructed Mike Wolf to proceed with a Public Hearing to amend the alternate-side parking ordinance.

2d. Consideration of Dane County Amendment 9, to allow Biodiesel Manufacturing as a Conditional Use in Agricultural Business Zones: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the amendment as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2f. Public Hearing on Town Ordinance 2.03, to Formally Adopt the Town's Comprehensive Smart Growth Plan: Chair Johnson opened the Public Hearing at 8:36pm. Deborah Sellers and Dean Larsen asked about the nature of this plan. It was explained that this plan took over two years to create, that it was completed in September of 2005... and only recently did the Town discover that it needs to be codified in an ordinance. No changes to the plan itself are being made. Chair Johnson closed the Public Hearing at 8:42pm.

2g. Board Action on Town Ordinance 2.03, to Formally Adopt the Town's Comprehensive Smart Growth Plan: Supervisor Young made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2.03 as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. January 9, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Stube made a motion to approve the January 9, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3b. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3c. Tax Refunds: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the tax refunds as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked about the couch at 3213 Commercial Avenue, and the other furniture at the house at the corner of Furey and Powers. Mike Wolf said they had sent letters to these residents.

Deborah asked about the Rethke reconstruction project that was approved in 2005. Mike Wolf explained that this is a City of Madison project, and they have been going through their process. The City is now to the point where they plan on getting this done in late summer of this year.

Deborah suggested the Town be more diligent about ticketing alternate side parking violators. Mike Wolf explained that the Town does go out sporadically to ticket folks who are breaking the law, and will continue to do so.

Supervisor Berg asked about the status of the sale of 5005 Allis Avenue. Mike Wolf said the bids are due this Thursday at 2:00pm.

Supervisor Berg suggested the Board keep up on the news regarding the state ethics bill currently being debated in the Wisconsin legislature.

Supervisor Berg commented on the memo Mike Wolf provided to the Board regarding the possibility of urban services in April Hill and/or Rambling Acres. Supervisor Berg suggested we consider how best to approach the City so that they are likely to seriously discuss this issue.

Deborah Sellers asked when the next election would be, and Mike Wolf told her it will be February 20, 2007.

5. Adjournment – Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn. Chair Johnson seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 9:09pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2.03
AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
OF THE TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE, DANE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

The Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove in Dane County, Wisconsin does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. The Town of Blooming Grove is authorized to prepare and adopt a comprehensive plan as defined in sections 66.1001(1)(a) and 66.1001(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

SECTION 2. The Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove has adopted and followed written procedures designed to foster public participation in every stage of the preparation of a comprehensive plan as required by section 66.1001(4)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

SECTION 3. The Plan Commission of the Town of Blooming Grove, by a majority vote of the entire Commission recorded in its official minutes, has adopted a resolution recommending to the Town Board the adoption of the document entitled "Town of Blooming Grove Comprehensive Plan," containing all of the elements specified in section 66.1001(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

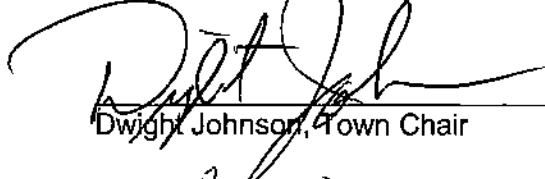
SECTION 4. The Town of Blooming Grove has held at least one public hearing on this ordinance, in compliance with the requirements of section 66.1001(4)(d) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

SECTION 5. The Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove, does, by enactment of this ordinance, formally adopt the document entitled, "Town of Blooming Grove Comprehensive Plan," pursuant to section 66.1001(4)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

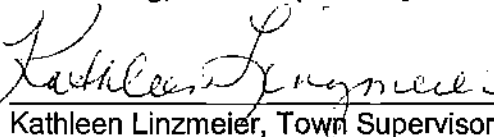
SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage by a majority vote of the members of the Town Board and publication/posting as required by law.

The above and foregoing ordinance was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove by a vote of 5-0 at a regular meeting held on January 23, 2007.

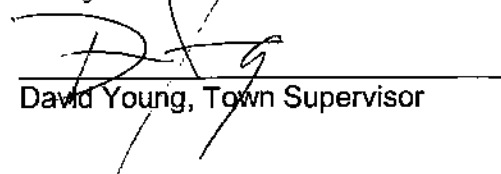
TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair

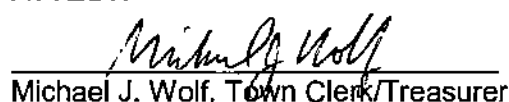

Arnold Berg, Town Supervisor


Kathleen Linzmeier, Town Supervisor


Jean Stube, Town Supervisor


David Young, Town Supervisor

ATTEST:


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk/Treasurer

1/23/07
Date

Approved: January 23, 2007
Posted: January 24, 2007

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – January 30, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Parks Commissioner Susan Anderson, Town Resident and Worthington Park Neighborhood Association (WPNA) Board member Renee Gilbertsen, and James Quinn. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Grant for Thurber Park Playground Equipment: Board members listed several concerns about the project, and asked Mike Wolf to check on these prior to the Board signing the Letter of Agreement (which needs to be signed if the grant is awarded):

- i) Confirmation that KaBoom! is legitimate; check with other organizations that received this grant.
- ii) What is the long-term cost of maintaining the surface of the playground.
- iii) Have an attorney – perhaps the attorney who is a Board member of the WPNA – review the Letter of Agreement.
- iv) Verify the legitimacy of Playground Systems.
- v) Check on whether the Town's insurance is adequate.
- vi) Make certain that the Town signs the Letter of Agreement as the "Community Partner"; and ask how the WPNA would or wouldn't sign the agreement.
- vii) Verify that the real value of the equipment is indeed \$35,000 - \$40,000.

Mike Wolf said that he and Renee Gilbertsen would get these answers within the next week. We should know whether or not we get the grant within the next two weeks.

Other concerns were also expressed about the ability for the Town or the WPNA to mobilize 50-90 volunteers for this effort. In addition, Board members asked about the peripheral costs associated with the project, such as soil sampling, the renting of a dumpster, the supplying of food and music, etc. Mike Wolf said that while the Town could be fully liable for these costs, it is expected that the WPNA would offset many if not all of these peripheral expenses. Renee Gilbertsen stated she was confident that the WPNA would raise money, and recruit enough volunteers, to make this happen. She said the WPNA Board was already working on this project.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to sign the Outreach Statement as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3. Adjournment – Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn. Chair Johnson seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 6:33pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – February 13, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Berg was absent.

Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Appointment of Mark McLaughlin to Plan Commission: Supervisor Young made a motion to appoint Mark McLaughlin to the Town's Plan Commission for another three-year term, commencing May 1, 2007 and ending April 30, 2010. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Chair Johnson asked Mike Wolf to investigate whether Commissioner McLaughlin would have to be re-appointed as Chair of the Plan Commission.

2b. Appointment of Carol Loomis to Plan Commission: Chair Johnson made a motion to appoint Carol Loomis to the Town's Plan Commission for another three-year term, commencing May 1, 2007 and ending April 30, 2010. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2c. Operators License for Karoline Elizabeth Ziells: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2006-2007 Operators License for Karoline Elizabeth Ziells. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2d. Vacating Schohl Street: Supervisor Young made a motion to introduce Town Resolution 2007-02 (to consider the vacating of Schohl Street), and to refer this issue to the Town's Plan Commission for their consideration, and to have the Public Hearing for this issue at 7:00pm on Tuesday, March 27, 2007 here at the Town Hall. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2e. Board Representation on McFarland EMS: Chair Johnson made a motion to have Supervisor Young be the Blooming Grove Town Board representative for McFarland EMS beginning immediately. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Young abstained.

2f. Bids for 5005 Allis Avenue: Chair Johnson made a motion to reject the two bids the Town received for the sale of 5005 Allis Avenue. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

3a. January 23, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the January 23, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3b. January 30, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the January 30, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3c. Vouchers: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3d. Tax Refunds: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the tax refund as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

4. Public Comments:

Deborah Sellers asked when the Annual Meeting was, and Mike Wolf said that it will be on Tuesday, April 10 at 6:30pm.

Deborah Sellers asked about the possibility of street lights, and Mike Wolf said that Chris Astrella was investigating this issue.

Supervisor Young and Chair Johnson asked Mike Wolf to sign them up for the Wisconsin Towns Association Board training on April 30.

Supervisor Young suggested that if the playground grant comes through, the Town could leverage the dumpsters that would be needed – and have a clean sweep in the neighborhood. This will be explored if the playground grant is received.

5. Adjournment – Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Stube seconded, and the motion passed 4-0 at 7:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – February 27, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Berg was absent.

Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Dean Taylor and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Gallagher Plat Task Force Recommendations: Chris Astrella explained that the task force had met twice in the last month to discuss options. They used feedback from the Gallagher Plat Improvement Plan, and the Town's Parks Plan, and additional feedback from residents in attendance at the meetings.

In the end they are recommending doing three things this year:

- have a neighborhood clean-up day, which would include having dumpsters placed in the park
- have a Fire Dept/EMS "night out" at Thurber Park, where fire trucks and personnel, Dane County sheriff's personnel, and perhaps Med Flight could make an appearance
- create a "sitting area" of sorts, to include a new park bench, large boulders with a plaque embedded in them with historical info about the park, and perhaps a flower bed around this area (it was noted the Town's quarries are willing to donate the boulders)

Chris said the cost of each of these things would be minimal: likely between \$200 and \$800. He also said the other ideas would be distributed to either the Parks Commission or Plan Commission for further consideration.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the task force's recommendations as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2b. Curfew for Blooming Grove: Chair Johnson said this is another idea that came out of the Gallagher Plat task force. Currently the Town's curfew is in line with the County's. But given most of the Town's proximity to the City of Madison, the recommendation is to change the Town's curfew times to mirror that of the City's. Chair Johnson made a motion to make the Town's curfew times the same as the City of Madison's. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. The curfew hours for 15-17 year-olds are: Saturday through Thursday 11:00pm – 4:00am, and Friday through Saturday from midnight to 4:00am. The curfew hours for those under 15 years of age are: any day of the week between 10:00pm and 4:00am.

2c. Culvert and other Right-of-Way Costs for Future Road/Ditch Projects: Chair Johnson made a motion that the Town will pay for culverts, sidewalks, and other right-of-way costs when it needs to be done as a result of a Town-sponsored project, with the

understanding that the material to be used in driveway aprons will be the same as the material used for the road. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and passed 4-0.

2d. Employee Unpaid Leave of Absence Policy: Mike Wolf stated that the Town doesn't have a written policy, and that is why this is being presented. Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young both expressed concern for employees that may have a medical reason to be off of work for several weeks or even months, and that they might be losing benefits during that time. After some discussion, Mike Wolf said he would re-write the policy and do some more investigation of the legality of the policy – and will then put this on a future agenda.

2e. Payment to Lussier Heritage Center: Mike Wolf said that the office received a call last week from the Center, asking where the remaining \$2000 donation was. After investigating, Mike Wolf said that the Town Board approved a \$2500 donation in 2001, but only paid \$500 of that. The next four \$500 payments were not made, no doubt because of the transition in Town Office staff in spring of 2002. Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the \$2000 payment to Lussier Heritage Center to fulfill the Town's obligation. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3a. February 13, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the February 13, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3b. Vouchers: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

4. Public Comments: Deborah Sellers said there was a pile of snow blocking the stop sign at the corner of Furey Avenue and Gannon Avenue. Deborah also said there was a red car on Gannon Avenue that has been there since the snowstorm started last Friday – and is creating a hazard. Mike Wolf said he would look into these issues.

5. Adjournment – Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Stube seconded, and the motion passed 4-0 at 8:01pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – March 13, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Anne Anderson from Mead & Hunt, and Town residents Alice Peper, Michael Peper, Renee Gilbertsen, James Quinn, and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Presentation of 2006 Stormwater Management Plan: Anne Anderson from Mead & Hunt spoke about the plan. She said there were no major issues for the Town. She said that Mead & Hunt will begin modeling for stormwater runoff, and will get this completed by the DNR-imposed deadline of September 9, 2007. The date for remediation, if any, is still March 10, 2008 – though it is likely this won't be necessary for the Town.

Chair Johnson asked about Site 8 in the Plan: why red discharge was detected. He also wondered why Site 7 in our plan is actually located in the City. Anne said that the location of Site 7 is the nearest culvert in that part of the Town. She said she would look into the issue of the red discharge at Site 8.

Supervisor Berg said that the last sentence on the first full page of Appendix A should be amended to read: "The Town and the Waunona Sanitary District may develop a joint Capital Improvement Plan to schedule the needed infrastructure improvement, as needed."

2b. Board Action on 2006 Stormwater Plan: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Town of Blooming Grove's 2006 Stormwater Plan as amended. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2c. Consideration of Libby Road as an ATV Trail: Michael Peper explained that for years he has taken his ATV down Libby Road (from his house on that road) to the lake to ice fish. Only this past winter a Dane County sheriff stopped him and told him he can't ride his ATV on that road unless it is designated as an ATV trail. Mike Wolf said the costs of putting up signs would be no more than \$100.00. Supervisor Young made a motion to proceed with the process of creating an ordinance which would designate Libby Road as an ATV trail. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2d. Employee Unpaid Leave of Absence Policy: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Employee Unpaid Leave of Absence Policy, to make it effective March 14, 2007, and to grandfather in any occurrences that began prior to that date. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3. Public Comments:

Deborah Sellers asked if 5005 Allis Avenue will be sold. Mike Wolf replied that at this time there are no plans to do that.

Deborah Sellers asked about the timing of the Clean Sweep day that is scheduled for Gallagher Plat. Chair Johnson said the Town is currently looking at either May 12 or May 19. Mike Wolf will ask Deputy Chris Astrella about these dates, and whether or not the event could coincide with Earth Day (in late April).

Deborah Sellers expressed various concerns about the flower bed, the sandbox, the tree stumps, and painting the shelter – all in Thurber Park. Mike Wolf said the Town plans on painting the shelter, he will make sure the tree stumps are not ground up until after the Parks Commission meets in April, and that all of these issues should be addressed at the next Parks Commission meeting.

Supervisor Young asked if the Town had been awarded the playground grant. Mike Wolf said that we did not get the grant.

Supervisor Young asked about any progress on the EMS Consolidation study. Mike Wolf said that one proposal is coming in under budget, and that this proposal would be going to all eight municipal boards in the month of April for their final approval.

Supervisor Berg asked about the date/time of the Annual Meeting. Mike Wolf said that it will be on Tuesday, April 10, 2007 at 6:30pm. The time of the Board meeting that night will be discussed as an agenda item at the next Board meeting on March 27.

4a. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion for the Board to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statute 19.85(c), for the purpose of discussing personnel issues, at 7:53pm. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session at 8:43pm. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

5a. February 27, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Stube made a motion to approve the February 27, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 with Supervisor Berg abstaining.

5b. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

6. Adjournment – Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Stube seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 8:44pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

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Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Renee Gilbertsen, James Quinn, and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Public Hearing on Vacating Schohl Street: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to open the Public Hearing for Vacating Schohl Street. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Jeff White, who owns the land to the north of this "street", is looking to have more land area available for his septic system. Nobody in attendance spoke against the vacating of the road.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2b. Board Action on Vacating Schohl Street: Supervisor Berg made a motion to adopt Town Resolution 2007-02, which vacates Schohl Street. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2c. New Street Light at 517 Gannon Avenue: Supervisor Berg said that a study on streetlights was done about six or seven years ago by the Town. He expressed concerns about setting a precedent, though he did say the Board wouldn't legally be bound by the decision. Lastly, he pointed out that the City of Madison's rule of not having mid-block streetlights when the block is more than 600' is useful information.

Renee Gilbertsen had a petition signed by 12 people on the block (all but two residences on the block) who supported putting in the streetlight. She said this is a matter of public safety, as people have had things stolen from their yards. She also said there is an existing pole that could be used for the streetlight, which would keep the cost of installation low.

Supervisor Stube also expressed concern about the precedent this may set, and further questioned whether or not safety would really be improved with a light at this location.

Chair Johnson suggested a neighborhood watch program may be more effective at deterring crime than the streetlight.

Mike Wolf will get a quote from Madison Gas & Electric for this particular streetlight installation, and will also get estimates for the installation of a streetlight assuming that

the pole would need to be installed as well. This topic will be placed on the April 24 Board meeting agenda.

2d. Contractor for Swinburne Drive Project: Mike Wolf stated that Tony Reigstad had checked references on the three contractors whose bids were all within \$2,000 of each other. Based upon that, and the fact that Payne & Dolan's bid was the least expensive, it was recommended to the Board that we accept Payne & Dolan's bid.

The Board expressed several concerns about the bid: the language about a two foot shoulder "where it will fit", the fact that one bid has more square footage than another, the concern about concrete driveways not being sawcut, and the fact that the Payne & Dolan bid includes going into driveways "a maximum of 2-3 feet". Mike Wolf will investigate these concerns in more detail with Tony Reigstad, and this will be re-presented to the Board at their April 10 meeting.

2e. EMS Consolidation Project Proposal: Supervisor Berg made a motion to accept the proposal from Virchow Krause for the EMS Consolidation project as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2f. Start Time for Next Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to change the start time for the next Town Board meeting to 6:00pm on Tuesday, April 10, 2007. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. March 13, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the March 13, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3b. Vouchers: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

4. Public Comments:

Deborah Sellers asked for details about the Clean Sweep day, and the Fire Department night out. Mike Wolf said Clean Sweep Day is May 5, and the Fire Department night out will be July 14. He went on to say that Deputy Chris Astrella is handling the details on these events, but that a presentation will be done for each of them at the Annual Meeting on April 10.

Deborah Sellers asked about the possibility of improving the safety of Commercial Avenue, between where the ramps come off of and back on to Highway 30. She suggested that double yellow lines or "2-way traffic" road signs may help. Mike Wolf said he would investigate the possibilities.

Deborah Sellers said she had placed a stick straight up in a fairly good sized hole in Thurber Park. The hole is a hazard that should be remedied. Mike Wolf will have Tony Reigstad take care of it.

Deborah Sellers reported that one of the swings on the swingset is broken and needs to be replaced. Mike Wolf said he would let Tony Reigstad know about this.

Supervisor Berg asked if the Town was continuing to make payments to the Blooming Grove Historical Society. Mike Wolf said he would look into it.

6. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Young seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 7:47pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

NEW STREET LIGHT ON GANNON AVENUE

March 17, 2007

This is a petition to have a new street light in the middle of the 500 block of Gannon Avenue. It is too dark in the center of the block which has contributed to thievery in the middle of the night on Gannon Avenue. Currently there is an MG&E pole already located on the property line between 512 and 520 Gannon Avenue. This would be the ideal spot for a street light to be installed. This would help to increase safety in this area.

The signatures below are from the people on the 500 block of Gannon Avenue who would like a street light installed in the above mentioned location:

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
<u>Gannan Ann</u>	<u>517 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>244-9267</u>
<u>Peter Gilbertson</u>	<u>517 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Stacy H. Newell</u>	<u>512 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>435-2713</u>
<u>Jan Kucin</u>	<u>508 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>244-2523</u>
<u>Jeff</u>	<u>501 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>358-4452</u>
<u>Donald</u>	<u>505 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>442-5009</u>
<u>John Kelly</u>	<u>513 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>242-4441</u>
<u>Sarah Lutz</u>	<u>524 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>672-4521</u>
<u>Robert Sheppard</u>	<u>530 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>204-0640</u>
<u>John Sheppard</u>	<u>530 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>204-0642</u>
<u>Brian Sheppard</u>	<u>530 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>241-3271</u>
<u>Terrell Anderson</u>	<u>520 Gannon Ave</u>	<u>244-3221</u>

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – April 10, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Jean Stube and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Assistant Fire Chief Jay Salvo, Blooming Grove Firefighter Patrick Edge, Town Board Supervisor-Elect Ed Stube, and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Contractor for Swinburne Drive Road Project: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the contract from Payne & Dolan as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. March 27, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Stube made a motion to approve the March 27, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3b. Vouchers: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

4. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Young seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 6:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

**Town of Blooming Grove
Annual Town Meeting Minutes
6:30 PM -- April 10, 2007**

Chair Dwight Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Present: Chair Dwight Johnson, Supervisor Dave Young, Supervisor Arnie Berg, Supervisor Kathleen Linzmeier, Supervisor Jean Stube, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Assistant Fire Chief Jay Salvo, Firefighters Troy Coogan, Mike Guerten, Patrick Edge, Allison Horst, Lance Reinacher, Mark Wendricks, Tyler Prothero, Shawn Morrison, Steve Anderson, Brad Buckingham, Town Board Supervisor-Elect Ed Stube, Dane County Board Supervisor John Hendricks, Town Auditor Jim Block, and Town residents Nancy Turcotte, Michael Schuster and Deborah Sellers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Financial Report, from Jim Block

Jim Block said he spent two days at Blooming Grove doing the 2006 audit. He said that, generally speaking, the Town is on sound financial footing -- with the fund balance increasing by about \$30,000 up to around \$430,000.

The 2006 year-end debt load is about \$565,000, which is less than the previous year. This is an average to below-average debt load for a town of Blooming Grove's size that is near an urban center.

Board Supervisor-Elect Ed Stube asked if the auditor had any concerns about the debt load, cash flow, or general direction in which the Town was headed. Jim Block responded that he saw no reason for concern in any of those areas. There were no other questions or comments about the 2006 audit.

Fire Department Report, from Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier

Chief Glenn Linzmeier introduced all Town firefighters in attendance. He presented 1-year length of service awards to the following fire fighters: Allison Horst, Patrick Edge, David Gatz, Shawn Morrison, and Tyler Prothero. The Chief then presented a 10-year service pin to Firefighter (and Town resident) Mark Wendricks.

The Chief and Assistant Fire Chief provided a brief PowerPoint presentation about the Blooming Grove Fire Department. Highlights included pictures of training that occurs during the year, and the fact that the department has secured grants totaling more than \$200,000 over the last four years.

Gallagher Plat Clean Sweep Day

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella reported that this Clean Sweep day will be on May 5 from 8:30am to 4:30pm in Thurber Park. The Town will have two 20-yard dumpsters at the Park, and residents can bring trash, furniture, construction material etc. to dispose of this material. There is no cost to residents. Postcards are being mailed to all residents in the Plat with more details about this event. Many Town officials and staff members will be on hand to help residents dispose of their items. For those items that cannot go into the dumpster, the Town will provide information to residents on how best to dispose of those items (such as hazardous material).

Residents expressed some opinions and concerns about the event. Chris responded by saying that this is the first event of this kind that the Town is doing -- and that we will learn from it so we can improve upon it in future years.

Thurber Park Public Safety Night Out

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella reported that this event is scheduled for Saturday, July 14 from 5:30 – 7:30pm in Thurber Park. The Blooming Grove Fire Department, Maple Bluff-Burke-Blooming Grove EMS, Dane County Sheriffs, and Med Flight are scheduled to be there. There will be food and beverages provided. Postcards will go out with information about this event as well.

Citizen Comments/Concerns/Questions

Deborah Sellers made a motion to have the Pledge of Allegiance recited at the beginning of every Town Plan Commission meeting and every Town Parks Commission meeting. Dave Young seconded the motion, and it passed 9-0 with one absention (Dwight Johnson).

2006 Annual Meeting Minutes

There were no amendments to the 2006 Annual Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Dave Young to accept the minutes as presented. Glenn Linzmeier seconded motion, and it passed unanimously.

Location, Time, Date of Next Year's Annual Meeting

A motion was made by Glenn Linzmeier to hold next year's Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Oath of Newly Elected Officers

Before the oaths were administered, Chair Johnson presented a certificate of appreciation to Jean Stube for her four years of service on the Blooming Grove Town Board.

Mike Wolf then administered the oath of office to Chair Dwight Johnson, Supervisor Kathleen Linzmeier and Supervisor Ed Stube.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Jean Stube to adjourn. Glenn Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously at 7:38pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – April 24, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Ed Stube and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Dane County Towns Association Secretary Julie Gau, Renee Gilbertsen and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Julie Gau from the Dane County Towns Association: Julie Gau introduced herself as the secretary of the Dane County Towns Association. She invited Town Board members to attend the next DCTA meeting – on May 9 at 7:00pm in the Town of Westport. Chair Johnson said he may attend. Ms. Gau said that the agenda will include the election of DCTA officers, and a presentation on identity theft.

2b. Seminary Springs Road Repair: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the road repair proposal as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2c. Dean Larson on Parks Commission: Chair Johnson made a motion to appoint Dean Larson to the Town's Parks Commission, with his term beginning immediately and ending on June 30, 2008. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2d. Emily Mueller on Parks Commission: Chair Johnson made a motion to appoint Emily Mueller to the Town's Parks Commission, with her term beginning immediately and ending on June 30, 2012. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2e. Susan Anderson on Parks Commission: Chair Johnson made a motion to re-appoint Susan Anderson to the Town's Parks Commission, with her new term beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2014. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2f. Street Light on Gannon Avenue: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the installation of a streetlight on the existing pole between 512 and 520 Gannon Avenue, with the understanding that there will be no cost to do so. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2g. State Bill regarding Cable TV Franchising: Supervisor Berg said he had some concerns about this bill, especially as it may impact the Town. He also stated that in recent days the bill had undergone some changes that would seem to alleviate some of those concerns. Still, he asked that Mike Wolf contact Barry Orton and Rick Stadlerman to get their feedback on the latest version of the bill. This issue will be placed on the next agenda for further discussion.

3a. April 10, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the April 10, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 – with Supervisor Ed Stube abstaining.

3b. Vouchers: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked Mike Wolf if he would check with Tony Reigstad about allowing Deborah to paint the fence along Commercial Avenue again this year. Mike Wolf said that he would do so.

5. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Young seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 7:27pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – May 8, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Dean Larson, Dan Ampe, Patti Gusbach, and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Rezone Request for Property on Highway T: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the rezone from RH-1 to LC1 at 3471 County Highway T. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2b. Traffic Concerns at Corner of Swinburne and Carncross: Dan Ampe said that a couple of weeks ago a couple of cars were racing around the neighborhood – speeding and blowing through the stop sign on Swinburne at the Carncross intersection. He said that he almost was hit by one of the cars, and that something needs to be done before someone is seriously hurt or killed. Several ideas were discussed, including removing one of the Carncross stop signs, stepping up traffic enforcement using either the Dane County Sheriff or the Dane County Traffic Enforcement Team, putting speed humps or speed bumps on Swinburne, and installing a roundabout at the intersection. It was decided that Mike Wolf will contact the Dane County Sheriff's Department to have one of their deputies attend a future Board meeting to discuss this issue.

2c. Approval of Regas Road Sanitary District Annual Report: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2006 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report for the Regas Road Sanitary District. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2d. Approval of Sewer District #10 Sanitary District Annual Report: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2006 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report for the Sanitary Sewer District #10. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2e. Large Assembly Permit for Harley-Davidson: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the Large Assembly Permit for the Juvenile Diabetes Fundraiser at Harley-Davidson, 6200 Millpond Road, on July 13-14, 2007. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2f. Restaurant License for McDonald's: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2007-2008 Restaurant License for McDonald's at 4020 Milwaukee Street. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2g. State Bill regarding Cable TV Franchising: Supervisor Berg expressed several concerns about the current bill, including the fact there would be insufficient oversight, what oversight there is would be done by four different State departments (i.e., not the PSC), the license would be granted in perpetuity, the license could be transferred without state approval, and the cost to the state would likely range from \$500,000 up to

\$1,000,000. Supervisor Berg's biggest concerns are inadequate safeguards, and the fact that a license transfer can take place without any authority from the state.

Chair Johnson said that the bill is not yet a done deal, and it is likely it will go through more changes before becoming law. Supervisor Stube pointed out that he and the rest of the Board like the idea of competition in this market, but that changes to the bill are needed.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to have Mike draft a letter to State Legislators (cc'ing the governor) outlining these points. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0. Mike will e-mail the Board with a draft of the letter for their input. After revisions, the Board will sign the letter and it will then be sent to State Legislators and the governor.

2h. Town's Insurance Policy / Provider: The Board was given the analysis of coverages and premiums prior to the meeting. After some discussion, Chair Johnson made a motion to keep VFIS as the Town's insurer. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2i. 10-Year Road Maintenance Plan: Mike Wolf explained that the Town is currently putting \$90,000 per year into the Outlay Fund for roads. If we stick with the current plan, over the next 10 years the Town would collect about \$1,000,000 – but will need over \$1,800,000 to adequately repair the roads over that time.

There was discussion about specific roads, especially how Femrite, Meier, and Siggelkow are in need of expense repairs – but they are primarily used by non-residents, AND they may get annexed to the City of Madison within a few years.

In the end the Board asked Mike Wolf to coordinate a driving tour of the Town's roads in August of this year. That will give the Board an opportunity to see first-hand the condition of the roads – and allow them to better make decisions about what roads to do in 2008. The suggestion was made to get a vehicle big enough so that the Board, Tony and Mike can make the tour together.

3a. April 24, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the April 24, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3b. Vouchers: Supervisor Stube expressed some concern about the expenditures listed on the Town's credit card account. Mike Wolf explained that department heads (Tony Reigstad and Glenn Linzmeier) keep all receipts, match them up to the bill, and sign off on them. Mike Wolf invited Supervisor Stube, or any other Board member, to stop in to the office any time to learn more about the system that is in place.

Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked about the condition of the PDQ property on Milwaukee Street, and Mike Wolf said a letter had already been sent on this.

Deborah Sellers asked about the lilac bushes, tree stumps, and vehicle ruts in Thurber Park. Mike Wolf said he would check on these concerns.

Deborah Sellers asked whether or not the Town would mow the north side of Commercial Avenue, east of N. Fair Oaks Avenue; Mike Wolf said he would talk with Tony Reigstad about that.

Supervisor Berg asked about the new Fire Department day room, and Mike Wolf explained the general design and purpose. Supervisor Stube asked if there would be any cost to the Town and Mike Wolf said no.

Supervisor Berg and Chair Johnson briefed the Board on the meeting they had earlier in the day with Dane County Supervisor Dave de Felice. Mr. de Felice intends on introducing a change to a County Ordinance that would subject Yahara Quarry (and only Yahara Quarry) to several conditions before they could blast. Assuming this goes through the County process as expected, this issue will be back on a future Town Board agenda.

5a. Going Into Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve a 4-week unpaid leave of absence for Mike Wolf, and to provide additional staffing for Chris Astrella during the last two weeks of December. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

5b. Coming Out Of Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

6. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 9:48pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – May 15, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:30pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, and Supervisor Linzmeier. Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young were absent.

Also in attendance was Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf.

2a. Going into Closed Session: Supervisor Berg made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c). Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

2b. Coming out of Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

3. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Berg seconded, and the motion passed 3-0 at 4:48pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – May 22, 2007

Supervisor Linzmeier called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Supervisor Young made a motion to have Supervisor Linzmeier chair this meeting in Chair Johnson's absence. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0 (Supervisor Berg was not in attendance at the time of this vote).

Board members in attendance: Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young. Chair Johnson was absent.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Dan Ampe, Bonnie Gudmandsen, Terry Gudmandsen, Erin Suter, and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Supervisor Linzmeier asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Alcohol Use for Event in April Hill Park: Erin Suter was present on behalf of Haley Mason – who is having a 23rd birthday party and wishes to have beer on hand. Erin assured the Board there would be no underage drinking. She also said that about 20 people would be in attendance, and that the party would go from 1:00 – 10:00pm. Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the consumption of alcohol for Haley Mason's 23rd birthday party from 1:00-10:00pm in April Hill Park on May 27, 2007. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2b. Certified Survey Map for Parcel Split at 3327 Swinburne Drive and 3316 Brugger Place: Owner Mitch Zimmerman is requesting this split (which is from two lots to three lots). Resident Dan Ampe stated that he would like the Board to postpone this decision, as he is uncertain if there is enough space on one of the remaining lots – the one that Dan believes he may own in the future – for a septic system. Discussion ensued about the merits of Dan's request. It was noted that the County and the City of Madison are in agreement with the parcel split, and that the Town's vote is advisory to the County. Supervisor Berg made a motion to postpone this item until the June 12 meeting. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2c. Thurber Park Improvements: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the installation of another park bench, and the enclosing of the sandbox, in Thurber Park. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2d. Operators Licenses: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2007-2008 operators licenses for George J. Koltjes, Donald L. Peterson, Richard J. Kratochvil, Robin E. Thompson, Floyd E. Richmond, Lynn M. Kosinski, and Erik D. Thompson. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2e. Queen Anne's Liquor License: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2007-2008 liquor license for Queen Anne's Catering (at Harley-Davidson). Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2f. Wingate Inn Liquor License: Mike Wolf stated that the application has not yet been received, so action cannot be taken at this meeting. Supervisor Young made a

motion to table this item until the June 12, 2007 Board meeting. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2g. Jerry's Place Liquor License: Mike Wolf stated that the application has not yet been received, so action cannot be taken at this meeting. Supervisor Young made a motion to table this item until the June 12, 2007 Board meeting. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2h. Hope Rod and Gun Club Beer License: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the 2007-2008 beer license for the Hope Rod and Gun Club. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3a. May 8, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the May 8, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3b. May 15, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Only two of the four Board members present at this (the May 22 meeting) were in attendance at the May 15 meeting. Thus a majority vote isn't possible. This will appear on the June 12 Board meeting agenda.

3c. Vouchers: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked if the Board could reconsider putting flowers in Thurber Park this year. Supervisor Linzmeier explained the Board can't take action on this issue because it is not on the agenda. This will be placed on the Parks Commission agenda for June 12, and on the Town Board meeting agenda for June 12.

Deborah Sellers asked if the dumpster could be moved, so that the odor doesn't impact those playing in the playground area. Mike Wolf said he would check into it.

Supervisor Berg stated he would miss the June 26 meeting. Supervisor Young said he would miss the August 14 meeting.

5. Adjournment – Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Young seconded, and the motion passed 4-0 at 7:46pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – June 12, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Roxie Stillman, Sue Sarbacker, Roger Sarbacker, Mitch Zimmerman, Dean Larson, Kellene Leicht, Mary Burmeister, Mark Wendricks, Emily Mueller, Renee Gilbertsen, James Quinn, and Deborah Sellers. {Town Attorney JoAnn Hart arrived at 7:45pm.} The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2c. Certified Survey Map for Parcel Split at 3327 Swinburne Drive and 3316

Brugger Place: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the certified survey map for the parcel split at 3327 Swinburne Drive and 3316 Brugger Place as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2d. Certified Survey Map for Parcel Split at 4122 County Highway AB: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the certified survey map for the parcel split at 4122 County Highway AB as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2e. Appointment of New Parks Commission Member: Parks Commission Chair Kellene Leicht said that the Parks Commission voted to recommend Elaine Strom to fill the last open position on the Parks Commission. Chair Johnson made a motion to appoint Elaine Strom to the Parks Commission, to fill a term that will expire on June 30, 2009. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2f. Improvements in Thurber Park: Kellene Leicht said the Parks Commission is recommending the purchase of a motion light for Thurber Park. Chair Johnson asked if they considered a regular street light, since the long-term maintenance of the street light would be MG&E's responsibility – while a motion light would be the Town's responsibility. After some discussion the Board asked that Mike Wolf and Tony Reigstad look into the possibilities of putting a street light (or two) in Thurber Park. This will be a future Town Board agenda item.

2a. Alcohol for Graduation Party at Severson Park on July 1: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the consumption of alcohol at Severson Park for the graduation party hosted by Jim Vaughn on July 1, 2007. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2b. Policy for Erecting Tents in Town Parks: Mike Wolf stated Jim Vaughn was interested in putting up a tent for the graduation party on July 1 (see above item). The Town has concerns about possible damage to the park grounds, liability if someone is injured, etc. Supervisors Berg and Linzmeier expressed their concern about the liability to the Town. The Board took no formal action, but asked Mike Wolf to find out what other towns do, and then put this on a future agenda.

2g. Town Land South of Meier Road: Mike Wolf reported that the narrow strip of land that is owned by the Town will likely be annexed into the City of Madison along with the Fait property – within the next few months. He said that it is likely that sometime in the future either the developer or City may wish to purchase this land from the Town.

2h. Operators Licenses: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2007-2008 operators licenses for Nancy C. Paulson, Carl A. Klappauf, Nicholas J. Robinson, Dennis P. McCaslin, and Randall B. Retzlaff. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2i. Temporary Beer License: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the temporary Class B Beer License for the Harley-Davidson Diabetes Fundraiser at 6200 Millpond Road on July 13-14, 2007. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2j. 2007-08 Class B Liquor License for Wingate Inn: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2007-08 Class B Liquor License for Wingate Inn. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2k. 2007-08 Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place: Mike Wolf reported that the application and fee have not yet been received. He stated that he had written to them in April, and called them early last week... but still has not received the application. Mike said that if they do not get the application and fee in time for the next Board meeting, their license will run out on June 30, 2007. Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this agenda item until the next Board meeting. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2l. 2007-08 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place: Mike Wolf reported that the application and fee have not yet been received. He stated that he had written to them in April, and called them early last week... but still has not received the application. Mike said that if they do not get the application and fee in time for the next Board meeting, their license will run out on June 30, 2007. Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this agenda item until the next Board meeting. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2m. 2007-08 Restaurant License for Wingate Inn: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2007-08 Restaurant License for Wingate Inn. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. May 15, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Mike Wolf stated that the state statute number listed in the minutes should have "(1)" inserted prior to the "(c)". Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the May 15, 2007 meeting minutes as amended. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisors Young and Stube abstained.

3b. May 22, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the May 22, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Chair Johnson abstained.

3c. Vouchers: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Stube abstained.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked how long the stumps would be in Thurber Park, as she has a concern about bugs and rodents. Mike Wolf said the contractor who will do the work called last week, saying they would do it this week. Mike Wolf said if it's not done by the end of the week he will call them.

Deborah Sellers asked if the sandbox would be in by July 14. Mike Wolf said he hoped that it would be by then.

Deborah Sellers said she had contacted Dave Janda at Dane County Emergency Management to find out if the Town could paint the County's siren box in Thurber Park. Deborah said that Dave said that we could paint it, as long as it's not painted shut. There was a brief discussion about who has the authority and/or responsibility to paint the box. Mike Wolf will call Mr. Janda (at 266-4330) to get written authorization to do this work.

Deborah Sellers and Renee Gilbertsen expressed their disappointment that lilacs weren't going to get re-planted in Thurber Park in the near future. There was a lengthy discussion between Parks Commission members present, Board members, Mike Wolf, and Deborah and Renee about planting the lilac bushes. Kellene Leicht stated that no action was taken by the Parks Commission at their previous meeting. No Town Board action was taken. Mike Wolf will continue to look at how this work fits in with the rest of the operational priorities of the Town.

5a. Going into Closed Session: Supervisor Young made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c) for the purposes of discussions pertaining to personnel decisions. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed 5-0.

5b. Coming out of Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

6. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Young seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 10:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – June 26, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Berg was absent.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. 2007-08 Liquor License for Jerry's Place: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2007-08 Liquor License for Jerry's Place as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2b. 2008-08 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2007-2008 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2c. Operators License for Vicki Lynn Bailey: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2007-2008 operators license for Vicki Lynn Bailey. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2d. Operators License for Jeffrey P. Kuske: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2007-2008 operators license for Jeffrey P. Kuske. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2e. Alcohol in Thurber Park on July 7, 2007: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the consumption of alcohol at Thurber Park at the birthday party hosted by Eva Abeyta on July 7, 2007. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-1 with Supervisor Young voting against it.

3a. June 12, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the June 12, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3b. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked the Town to look into the City proposal to move the bus stop on Commercial Avenue closer to N. Fair Oaks Avenue. Mike Wolf said he would investigate this.

5a. Going into Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to get into Closed Session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e), and 19.85(1)(g), for the purposes of discussions pertaining to personnel decisions. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed 4-0.

5b. Coming out of Closed Session: Supervisor Young made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed 4-0.

6. Adjournment – Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn. Chair Johnson seconded, and the motion passed 4-0 at 7:27pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – July 2, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Linzmeier was absent.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Town Attorney JoAnn Hart.

2a. Going into Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statutes 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e), and 19.85(1)(g). Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed 4-0.

2b. Coming out of Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3. Actions on Closed Session Items: Supervisor Young made a motion to direct Mike Wolf to post and fill the Public Works Supervisor position per the existing job description. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

Mike Wolf advised the Board that the best way to provide services to the Town until the Public Works Supervisor is employed by the Town, is to outsource the mowing, trimming, and chipping. The Town Office staff will do miscellaneous work during this time as needed.

Supervisor Young made a motion to accept Mike Wolf's recommendation for meeting the short-term needs of the Town until the new Public Works Supervisor is employed by the Town. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

4. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Berg seconded, and the motion passed 4-0 at 8:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – July 10, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor Stube. Supervisors Berg and Young were absent.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Bob Manor, Sheila Shigley, Linda Hallman, and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Christmas Tree Lot Merchants License: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2007 Transient Merchants License for the Christmas Tree Lot at 1880 S. Stoughton Road as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

2b. Policy for Erecting Tents in Town Parks: Chair Johnson made a motion to not allow tents or other portable structures to be erected in Town parks. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 2-1, with Supervisor Stube voting against it.

2c. Rankin Road Connection to City of Madison Street: With the likelihood of Siggelkow Road being completely torn up and reconstructed in 2008, the issue here is that Carncross – on to Siggelkow – is the only egress from the April Hill subdivision. The Board agreed we should proceed to have a Public Hearing on the possibility of extending Rankin Road to connect up with Madison's Rankin Road to the west. This Public Hearing could be done in conjunction with an informational meeting regarding the Siggelkow Road project.

The Board further authorized Mike Wolf to have a special informational meeting for the Siggelkow Road project, only for those residents who live along Siggelkow Road -- as those people will be impacted to a greater extent than any others.

2f. Live Bands, Alcohol Consumption in Thurber Park: Bob Manor explained that they would begin about 4:00pm, and two or three bands would perform. They would likely be done playing about 8:30pm – but would be there no longer than 10:00pm (which is when the park is closed). It was recommended that flyers be distributed by band members to immediate neighbors of the park, so they know this event will be taking place. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the bands and the consumption of alcohol at this event, and to waive the \$20.00 park rental fee. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

2d. Swinburne Ditch Project Concerns: Supervisor Stube stated that the result of the project (done in 2006) is that in some areas the steepness of the slope, from the road down to the bottom of the ditch, is unmanageable, unsafe, and no longer allows cars to be parked off the road. The Board discussed its options, and in the end authorized Mike Wolf to look into the cost of hiring an engineer to do an independent assessment of this project. This issue will be placed on a future agenda.

2e. Treasurer's Report: Supervisor Linzmeier asked about why the room taxes were lower than anticipated. Mike Wolf said that it was due to lower than expected occupancies. Supervisor Stube asked what was included in certain expense categories, and Mike Wolf answered those questions. Overall the Town is on target to meet its goal of being at or under budget for the year.

3a. June 26, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the June 26, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

3b. July 2, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the July 2, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 2-0, with Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.

3c. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked if Mike Wolf had called anyone at the City about the bus stop being moved on Commercial Avenue. Mike Wolf said he had talked with City Engineer Rob Phillips, and City officials will be meeting with Mike within the next week.

Deborah Sellers said she painted the County's siren box at Thurber Park.

5. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded, and the motion passed 3-0 at 7:44pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – July 24, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube, and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Swinburne Ditch Project: Supervisor Stube expressed several concerns about the way the ditch was done, and further more had reservations about making a decision on an engineering firm to review the project given that the Board just tonight received the proposals. Supervisor Berg and Supervisor Linzmeier suggested that all work slated to be done along Swinburne be put on hold until the Board made a decision about the engineer. Supervisor Young asked Mike Wolf to have the engineering proposals include the ditchwork, as well as an analysis of the asphalt berm.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to defer this issue to a future agenda. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2b. Board Member for Job Interviews: Mike Wolf asked if a Board member would join the panel that will conduct the final interviews for the Public Works Supervisor position. Chair Johnson said that he would volunteer to do so.

2c. NIMS Training: All Board members are expected to complete three courses of NIMS training. After some discussion, it was decided that Mike Wolf will provide the course material and written test for the ICS-100 test to Board members at the next Board meeting. Each Board member will take the material home, complete the test, and return it to Mike Wolf.

2d. Commemorative Rock in Thurber Park: Deborah Sellers explained that the Gallagher Grove Civic Club approved the verbiage to be engraved on the rock (at a cost of between \$700 - \$900), that the rock is 7000 pounds, that there probably ought to be a pea gravel bed for the rock, and that the Town is being asked to pay for the cost of the engraving, and the cost of transporting, the rock to Thurber Park.

Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Linzmeier expressed concern that some of the decisions about the rock have not yet been made by the Parks Commission. Supervisor Stube said he would like to see a comprehensive plan from the Parks Commission, which includes the details of the rock – as well as how that fits into the parks budget. Mike Wolf said he would write a memo to the Parks Commission, clearly identifying the expectations of this – and of future – parks projects.

Given that the Parks Commission next meets in August, this item will likely be on the Board agenda for their August 28 meeting.

3a. July 10, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the July 10, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0... with Supervisor Berg and Supervisor Young abstaining.

3b. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked if the park bench and/or sandbox would be installed in Thurber Park this year, and Mike Wolf said that he didn't know.

5. Adjournment – Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn. Chair Johnson seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 8:32pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – July 31, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Town Attorney JoAnn Hart.

2a. Going into Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statutes 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e), and 19.85(1)(g). Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed 5-0.

2b. Coming out of Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3. Actions on Closed Session Items: None.

4. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Young seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 6:54pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – August 14, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor Stube. Supervisor Young was absent.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Deborah Sellers, Doris Brendler, Bill Brendler, Don Luxem, BJ Roth Smail, Jacki Roth Bohne, and Jane Brun. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been. The agenda was rearranged to accommodate those in attendance.

2c. Gallagher Grove Civic Club Garage Sale: Chair Johnson made a motion to waive the fee for the rental of Thurber Park for the Gallagher Grove Civic Club's Garage Sale on August 24 and August 25, 2007. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Chair Johnson asked that the Civic Club wrap up at 1:00pm on Saturday, as another party would like the park beginning at 2:00pm that same day.

2d. Alcohol for Party in Thurber Park: Chair Johnson made a motion to allow the consumption of alcohol in Thurber Park for the party hosted by Don Luxem, to take place between 2:00pm and 10:00pm on August 25, 2007. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2h. Additional Lighting in Thurber Park: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Parks Commission's recommendation as presented, on increased lighting in Thurber Park. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2i. Commemorative Rock in Thurber Park: Deborah Sellers explained why the Gallagher Grove Civic Club's name should be on the rock. Further, she explained why the correct year for the establishment of the park is 1956 – not 1951. Mike Wolf stated that further research proved that 1956 was indeed accurate.

Supervisor Berg expressed his support for the Town Parks Commission's recommendations as presented.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Town Parks Commission's recommendation as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion.

After further discussion, Chair Johnson amended his motion to change the verbiage to be etched on the rock to read:

Thurber Park
1956
Gallagher Grove Civic Club

Supervisor Berg accepted the amendment to the original motion.

The motion then passed 3-1, with Supervisor Berg voting against.

2a. Resolution Adopting the Town's Emergency Management Plan: Supervisor Berg made a motion to adopt the Resolution 2007-02, which formally adopts the updated Town Emergency Management Plan. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2b. Swinburne Ditch: Supervisor Stube excused himself from the Board during this discussion and decision, as he stated there may be a perception of conflict of interest.

Supervisor Berg said he walked the road with Jean Stube earlier today, and one of the problems is that the ditch is significantly lower than it was, and the road is a bit higher than it was. There are two residents who have already done some landscaping to mitigate the erosion problem between their driveway and the ditch.

Ed Stube said there is a safety concern if cars pull off or drive off the shoulder, because of the steepness of the ditch.

The Board, after some discussion, decided not to spend any money on an engineer at this time.

Chair Johnson made a motion to have Mike get re-bids for the driveway-to-ditch remediation on the 12 properties identified last spring. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Stube did not vote.

Chair Johnson suggested that he and Ed Stube walk the road and look for potential solutions to some of the other issues with the road and ditch.

2e. Operators License for Donald W. Temby: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2007-08 Operators License for Donald W. Temby. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2f. Temporary Beer License: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Temporary Beer License for September 14-16, 2007 – for the Blooming Grove Fire Department's Fundraiser. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2g. Parcel Split at 4288 Venetian Lane: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the parcel split at 4288 Venetian Lane as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2j. Appointment to Personnel Committee: Supervisor Berg made a motion to appoint Supervisor Stube to the Town's Personnel Committee. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Stube abstained.

3a. July 24, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the July 24, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3b. July 31, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the July 31, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3c. Vouchers: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: Supervisor Berg stated he would be unable to attend the October 18 Board budget meeting.

5. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statutes 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e), and 19.85(1)(g), for the purpose of discussing and/or conducting business for which bargaining reasons require a closed session. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, with all four supervisors present voting in favor of the motion at 8:22pm.

At 8:46pm, Chair Johnson made a motion to reconvene to Open Session. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

6. Action Taken on Closed Session Items: None.

7. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded, and the motion passed 4-0 at 8:47pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-02

Adoption of Updated Emergency Management Plan

WHEREAS, emergency situations can arise at any time without warning; and

WHEREAS, the proper and swift responses to these situations is imperative to minimizing damage to property, as well as to provide the best possible care to individuals; and

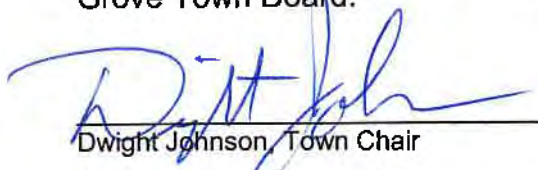
WHEREAS, emergency situations include man-made as well as natural occurrences including, but not limited to, terrorist attacks, accidental chemical and/or biological spills, tornados, and blizzards; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove wishes to have its personnel knowledgeable as to how best to respond to these events; and

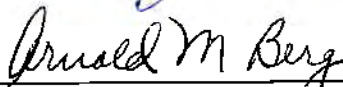
WHEREAS, a complete and up-to-date Emergency Management Plan provides a definitive reference for Town of Blooming Grove personnel so they know how to respond under specific circumstances;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Blooming Grove Town Board does hereby approve and adopt the attached Town of Blooming Grove Emergency Management Plan.

Adopted this 14th day of August, 2007 by a vote of 4-0 by the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board.


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair


Ed Stube, Town Supervisor


Arnold Berg, Town Supervisor

← ABSENT →
David Young, Town Supervisor


Kathleen Linzmeier, Town Supervisor

Attested by:


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

8/14/07
Date



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Parks Commission Recommendation Report

Date: August 8, 2007

What: Thurber Park Rock

Where: On the Park side of Thurber Avenue, see enclosed map location "D"

When: Either by October 15, 2007 or Spring, 2008

How Much: Between \$875, less the \$245 payment from WSD. Total cost to Town, \$630

What will it say: Raymond H. Thurber Park, 1951. See enclosed rendition

Vote by Parks Commission: For "smaller" rock, 5-1. For Words on the rock, 6-0.
For location, 6-0.

Details: On Friday Chris Astrella had a conversation with Joan at Pechman Memorials about the details of the rock. Joanne asked him where this rock was going and what it was going to be "used" for and when he told her she was surprised. She is familiar with Thurber Park and told him that a rock of that size is much too large for the park. Usually, a rock of this size would be put in a new subdivision, or something with more space.

Additionally, she informed him that Pechman only has equipment available to transport it to the park, not get it out of the truck since the rock is seven thousand pounds, or roughly the weight of two cars. To hire this out to a crane company would cost approximately \$150 to \$200.

Joan informed Chris that they have (in stock) a rock that is the same type that was approved (Lavender Haze), is about half the size, and would still provide the same amount of space to do "etching" on. Additionally, it would look better since it's a more size appropriate rock for our park. In a faxed quote/proposal from Pechman memorials, the final cost of the rock, etching on it, delivery, and installation is \$875.



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Parks Commission Recommendation Report

Date: August 8, 2007

What: Thurber lighting

Where: Various locations throughout the park, see enclosed map locations "A", "B", and "C"

When: When MG &E can fit it into their schedule, probably fall of 2007

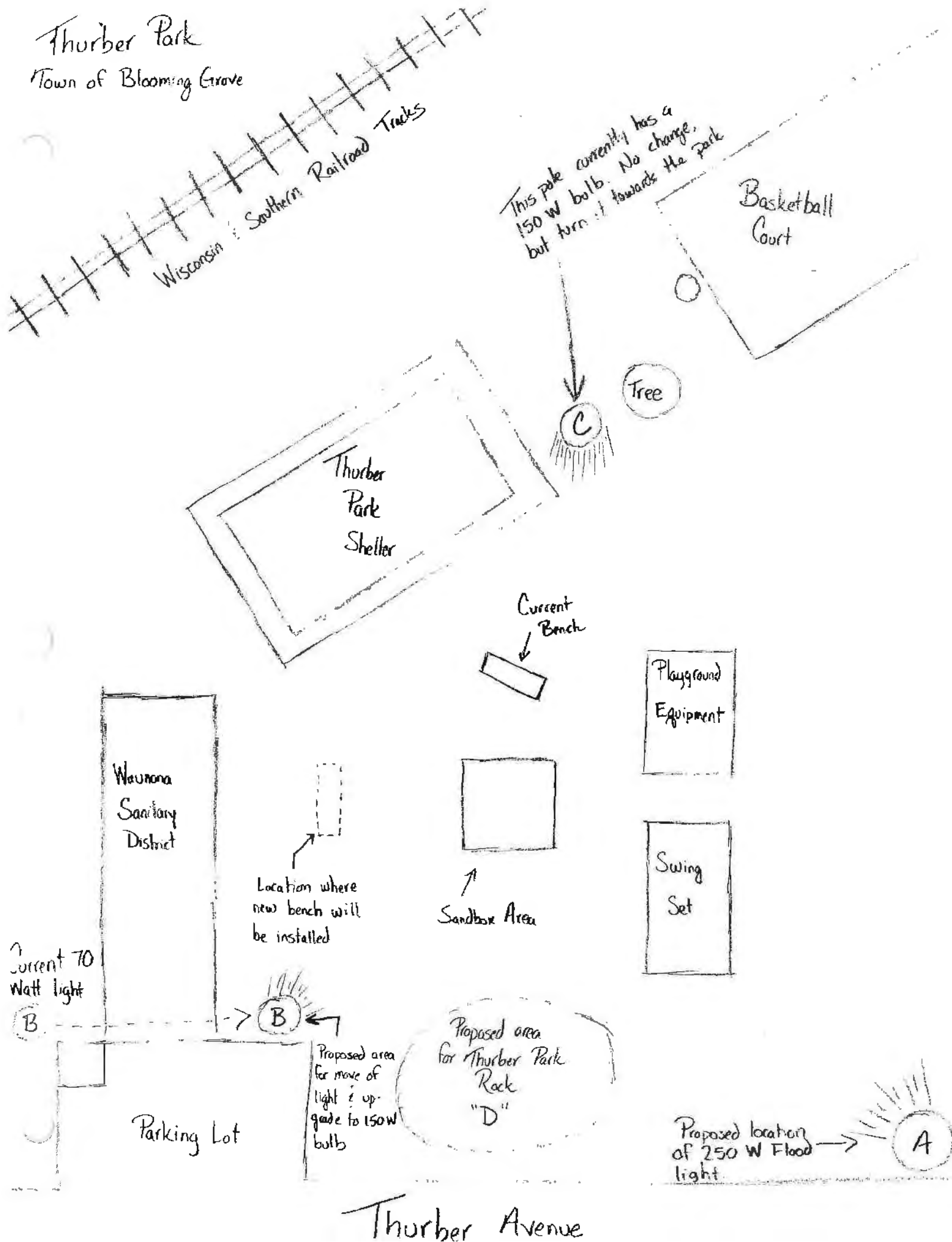
How Much: Location A would be an additional \$23 per month, location B would be an extra \$5 per month, and no charge for location C

Vote by Parks Commission: 6-0.

Details: Dan from MG&E faxed details on how much and where the lights would be placed. All of these lights will be placed on existing poles, and there is no charge for moving the poles; essentially we are 'leasing' the poles from MG&E. Location A is at the intersection of Thurber and Gannon, will be a 250W flood light and shine away from the residents on Thurber Ave; but in towards the park. Location B will be moved to the other side of the WSD building and upgraded from a 70W bulb to a 150W bulb again facing the park. Location C is currently a 150W bulb and will not be changed, but will be angled more towards the park.

Thurber Park

Town of Blooming Grove



Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – August 25, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:00am. Board members in attendance at 9:00am: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance was Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf. Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Berg were both in attendance at 9:05am.

2a. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0 (Supervisor Berg and Supervisor Stube not yet in attendance).

3a. Road Tour of the Town: With all Board members present, the Town Board and Mike Wolf proceeded to drive around the Town to view Town roads.

4. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 11:54am.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – September 11, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Stube, and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Linzmeier was absent.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkell, Plan Commission member Ken Norton, Deborah Sellers, and Dan Ampe.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Resolution regarding the Regional Transportation Authority: Supervisor Berg made a motion to pass the resolution opposing the proposed RTA plan, further instructing the Town Clerk to write a cover letter expressing support for the general concept of regional planning – but not for this particular proposal. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Stube abstained.

2b. Resolution regarding County Ordinance Amendment 16, 07-08: Supervisor Berg expressed concern that this amendment allows for villages and cities to maintain their comprehensive plans – but allows for the County to override the comprehensive plans of Towns at its discretion. Supervisor Berg made a motion to adopt the resolution, as presented, urging the County to respect Town Comprehensive plans. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2c. Resolution regarding County Ordinance Amendment 17: Supervisor Berg made a motion to support the County Amendment, which would change the number of acres of development for which the County would have oversight. The motion died for lack of a second.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the resolution, as presented, which opposes the County Amendment allowing for broadening the County's subdivision review. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion. Discussion ensued about the merits of this amendment.

Some members of the board expressed interest in taking more time to review this issue, and allowing Dane County Supervisor John Hendrick the opportunity to attend the next meeting. Chair Johnson withdrew his motion. Supervisor Stube withdrew his second. This will be placed on the September 25, 2007 Board meeting agenda.

2d. Resolution regarding MABAS: Chief Linzmeier explained the merits of the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS), and why it would be to the Town's advantage to approve the resolution.

Chair Johnson made a motion to adopt the MABAS resolution as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2e. Swinburne Ditch: Supervisor Berg made a motion to have Mike Wolf proceed to meet with Don Peckham Landscaping or Gausmann Trenching, and to meet with the residents along Swinburne Drive who require work to be done in the area between their driveway and the ditch, and to get agreement on the work to be done, and then authorize that work to get done prior to this winter. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2f. Stoughton Road Update: Chair Johnson updated the Board on the plans for the eventual road work to be done on Stoughton Road. Highlights include the fact that a decision won't be made about how the road will be done until August of 2009, the construction itself won't likely occur prior to 2017, and there will be some minor improvements made in the next few years. It was noted that two of the three alternatives being considered would have an off-ramp going directly through the Town Hall / Fire Station property.

3a. August 14, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the August 14, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Young abstained.

3b. August 25, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the August 25, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3c. Vouchers: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked if the weeds on the north side of Commercial Avenue could get mowed soon. She also asked if a new tree would be planted in Thurber Park, and when the lights, bench, and sandbox would be placed in Thurber Park. Mike Wolf said that the new Public Works Supervisor has a list of items to attend to, but that these items will get done as soon as possible.

Dan Ampe asked that the Swinburne / Carncross intersection be placed on the next meeting agenda.

Ken Norton expressed his concerns about the Regional Transportation Authority, and in particular with the idea of commuter rail. He said it will cost more to build, more to operate, and won't be used as much as supporters contend. All in all, it's a bad idea for a metropolitan area of this population density.

5. Adjournment – Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn. Chair Johnson seconded, and the motion passed 4-0 at 8:17pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

**RESOLUTION
OPPOSING LEGISLATION CREATING A
DANE COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AND
IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMUTER RAIL**

WHEREAS, proposals are being advanced in the State Legislature to create a Regional Transportation Authority for all of Dane County;

WHEREAS, these proposals are being advanced to facilitate construction of a commuter rail system which would be located initially from Sun Prairie to Middleton, and would be funded by adoption of a one half percent county sales tax;

WHEREAS, this recommendation was worked out by the Dane County Executive and the Mayor of the City of Madison, and includes some additional revenues which would be provided to local governments to pay for road work;

WHEREAS, the studies which were performed of the various transportation alternatives by the Transport 2020 Committee appeared to indicate that bus transportation expansion would actually provide equivalent or greater increases in mass transit use at a much lower cost;

WHEREAS, national experience with commuter rail systems indicates that none of them have been constructed without significant cost overruns and operating subsidies are almost invariably greater than anticipated;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the undersigned Town Board that:

1. The Town believes that commuter rail is not the most economical way to meet the County's need for mass transportation and believes that bus transportation should be expanded instead;
2. If commuter rail is not going to be constructed, the amount of funding associated with the Regional Transportation Authority proposal is unnecessary and, therefore, the Regional Transportation Authority is unnecessary;
3. Expansions to bus transit can be funded more appropriately by the communities which actually benefit from them.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned Town opposes legislation creating a Regional Transportation Authority and construction of a commuter rail system.. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the Dane County Clerk, the Speaker of the Wisconsin Assembly, the President of the Wisconsin Senate, the Governor and the Federal Transit Administration.

Dated this 11 day of SEPTEMBER, 2007.


Chairperson

SIGNATURES CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE FOLLOWING)

Arnold M Berg
Supervisor

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Supervisor

Supervisor

Supervisor

CERTIFICATION

I, MICHAEL J. WOLF, the Town Clerk of the Town of BLOOMING GROVE, do hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by a majority of the Town Board assembled at a lawful meeting thereof on the 11 day of SEPTEMBER, 2007.

Michael J Wolf
Town Clerk

Addresses:

Dane County Clerk, 210 Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd., Madison, WI 53703

Rep. Michael Huebsch, Speaker, Wisconsin Assembly, P.O. Box 8952, Madison, WI 53708-8952

Sen. Fred Risser, P.O. Box 7882, Madison, WI 53707-7882

Governor James E. Doyle, P.O. Box 7863, Madison, WI 53707-7863

Federal Transit Administration, Region V, 200 West Adams Street, Suite 320 Chicago, IL 60606

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-03

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Statute 66.0301(2) authorizes any municipality to contract with other municipalities and with federally recognized Indian tribes and bands in this state for the receipt or furnishing of services, such as fire protection and emergency medical services. Such a contract may be with municipalities of another state, as provided in Wisconsin Statute 66.0303(3)(b); and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Statute, 166.03(2)(a)3, provides that the standards for fire, rescue, and emergency medical services shall include the adoption of the intergovernmental cooperation Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) as a mechanism that may be used for deploying personnel and equipment in a multi-jurisdictional or multi-agency emergency response throughout Wisconsin and neighboring states; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General of the State of Wisconsin must approve any agreement between a Wisconsin municipality and a municipality of another state, and said agreement was approved by the Attorney General of the State of Wisconsin on December 22, 2000; and

WHEREAS, said agreement was submitted to the governor of the State of Wisconsin for his concurrence, which was obtained and later adopted under Wisconsin Statute 66.0303(3) (a) and (b); and

WHEREAS, the Dane County Fire Chiefs' Association adopted a resolution on May 11, 2005 supporting formation of a MABAS division for Dane County; and

WHEREAS, the Dane County EMS Association adopted a resolution on July 27, 2005 supporting formation of a MABAS division for Dane County; and

WHEREAS, the Dane County Public Safety Communications Center Board adopted a resolution on July 18, 2007 supporting formation of a MABAS division for Dane County; and

WHEREAS, the town of Blooming Grove Town Board believes that intergovernmental cooperation for purposes of public safety and protection should be encouraged and that the Mutual Aid Box Alarm (MABAS) Agreement would afford these benefits to county residents by coordinating fire protection and emergency medical services, as recommended in Resolution 2007-03; and

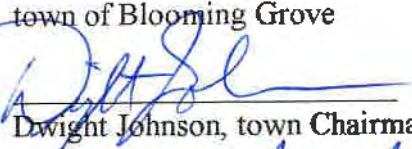
WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the town of Blooming Grove to enter into the proposed Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Agreement to provide for the coordination of fire protection and emergency medical services in the event of a large scale emergency, natural disaster, or man-made catastrophe.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, is hereby approved and the town Chair, and town Clerk, be authorized to execute the same on behalf of the town of Blooming Grove.

Dated this 11 day of September, 2007

town of Blooming Grove

By:


Dwight Johnson, town Chairman

Attest:


Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer Administrator

**RESOLUTION URGING THE COUNTY TO RESPECT
TOWN COMPREHENSIVE PLANS**

WHEREAS, the Dane County Board will be considering Ordinance Amendment 16, 07-08, which proposes to adopt the Dane County Comprehensive Plan by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, such an ordinance is an appropriate action because the Comprehensive Plan needs to be adopted by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance, however, further proposes to incorporate city and village Comprehensive Plans "without change to said plan . . ." but proposes to "include all or portions of a town plan that are determined to be consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan;" and

WHEREAS, the comprehensive planning law, section 66.1001, Wis. Stats., makes no distinction between town, city and village plans, and places all of them on the same level as master plans under section 62.23, Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, town Comprehensive Plans are the product of hundreds, if not thousands, of hours of work by dedicated citizens and volunteers, and represent a significant expense and investment of resources aimed at determining the wishes and concerns of each local community, as is provided for the comprehensive planning law; and

WHEREAS, the County has not conducted a public participation process within each Town by which the County is in a position to evaluate what each Town's residents feel concerning their own land use and planning needs; and

WHEREAS, neither state law nor good policy allow the County to arbitrarily override the wishes of the people who will be affected by comprehensive plans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned Town Board does hereby go on record as opposing the provisions of Ordinance Amendment 16 which would have the County place itself in the role of deciding what parts of Town plans to approve or not approve. The undersigned Town board further notes that if the County takes the position that the County will decide what parts of Town plans will be implemented, it makes little sense for Towns to spend scarce Town funds to do all the work and undertake all the costs involved in preparing a plan.

This Resolution shall be sent to the Dane County Clerk and to the Chair of the Dane County Zoning Committee, Supervisor Richard Pertzborn, at the City-County Building, 210

Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., and to Supervisor Richard Pertzborn at 1825 Oakview Dr.,
Stoughton, WI 53589.

Dated this 11 day of SEPTEMBER, 2007.

TOWN BOARD

[Signature]
Arnold M Berg
[Signature]
[Signature]

CERTIFICATION

I, MICHAEL WOLF, the Town Clerk of the Town of
BLOOMING GROVE, do hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly
adopted by a majority of the Town Board assembled at a lawful meeting thereof on the 11
day of SEPTEMBER, 20 07.

Michael J Wolf
Town Clerk

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – September 25, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube, and Supervisor Young.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Dane County Board Supervisor John Hendrick, Dane County Deputy Sheriff Mike Butler, City Engineers Rob Phillips and Chris Petykowski, and Town residents Barb Hockett, Donna Dillman, Taylor Dillman, Laura Dupor, Deb Dupor, Steve Peck, and Deborah Sellers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Resolution regarding County Ordinance Amendment 17: Dane County Board Supervisor John Hendrick explained that the purpose of this amendment was to close a loophole in the current ordinance, that is unintentionally encouraging homes to be built on very large tracts of land (over 35 acres). Supervisor Berg made a motion to pass Town Board Resolution 2007-05y, which supports Dane County Ordinance Amendment 17, as presented. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to put a reconsideration of the Town Board's action regarding Dane County Ordinance 16 on the next Town Board agenda. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0, with Chair Johnson abstaining.

2b. Traffic Control at Intersection of Carncross and Swinburne: Dane County Sheriff Deputy Mike Butler talked about the issues at this intersection. He said enforcement has been stepped up a bit, and several citations issued for people who don't stop at the stop signs at this intersection. He didn't think this intersection was any worse or more dangerous than any other. After some consideration, it was agreed that enforcement and education would be better than any change in the existing intersection.

2c. Siggelkow Road Reconstruction: Mike Wolf provided background information about this project. The Village of McFarland, City of Madison, and Town of Blooming Grove conceptually agreed on reconstructing Siggelkow Road almost two years ago. Since then meetings have taken place, and engineering done, to flush out the details and the costs.

City Engineers Chris Petykowski and Rob Phillips provided specific information about the project, which will run from Marsh Road to just past Catalina Parkway. The projected cost for the Town is currently about \$700,000, which is not something the Town can afford. It was agreed upon that staff would meet again to see if a compromise can be met that would be amenable to all parties. It was also agreed upon that the informational meeting about this project will go on as scheduled: Thursday, October 11 at 6:30pm at the McFarland Municipal Building. Postcards will be mailed to all April Hill residents. This issue will again be on the Board's October 9 meeting agenda.

2d. Meeting Room Rental Fee Waived: Supervisor Young made a motion to waive the meeting room fees for four one-hour meetings in October for the group who wish to explore setting up football games with players from Russia. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. September 11, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the September 11, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Linzmeier abstained.

3b. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked if a replacement tree could be planted in Thurber Park this year. Chair Johnson noted that this can't be decided because this isn't an item on the agenda. Deborah Sellers asked that it be placed on the Board agenda for the next meeting, and Chair Johnson agreed.

5. Adjournment – Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn. Chair Johnson seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 at 8:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-05y

In Support of Additional County Subdivision Review

WHEREAS, Ordinance Amendment 17 proposes to increase the scope of review of land divisions in Dane County from 35 to 160 acres; and


WHEREAS, the intent of this ordinance is to restrict the number of single homes being built on large tracts of land; and

WHEREAS, another goal of this ordinance is to preserve farm land in the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Blooming Grove Town Board does hereby support Dane County Ordinance Amendment 17.

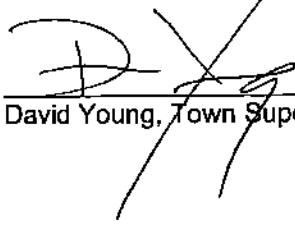
Adopted this 25th day of September, 2007 by a vote of 5-0 by the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board.


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair


Arnold Berg, Town Supervisor


Kathleen Linzmeier, Town Supervisor


Ed Stube, Town Supervisor


David Young, Town Supervisor

Attested by:


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

9-25-07
Date

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, and Supervisor Linzmeier. Supervisor Stube and Supervisor Young were absent.

Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Anna Kopp and Deborah Sellers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. TRIP Funds Road Project: Supervisor Berg made a motion to choose the road work on Gannon Avenue between Thurber Avenue and Furey Avenue, for the TRIP funds grant application. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

2b. Town Hall HVAC System: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Town Administrator's recommendation to reconfigure and improve the Town Hall's heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

2c. Reconsideration of Board Action on Dane County Ordinance Amendment 16: Supervisor Berg asked that this be reconsidered, as there was a situation in the Town of Cross Plains whereby a developer wanted to create housing in an area not designated for such use in the Cross Plains Comprehensive Plan. This illustrates a concern that Comprehensive Plans adopted by Towns may be at risk by political or economic changes. This County Amendment would provide additional County oversight on Town Plans.

Chair Johnson and Supervisor Linzmeier took the position that there are adequate checks and balances as is (including zoning review by the ZLR and County Board), and that the resolution originally passed by the Board which opposes OA16 should stand.

Mike Wolf was asked to gather information from Dane County Supervisor John Hendrick, and also find out the status of the County's vote on this amendment. Depending upon the latter, this issue may or may not be on a future Town Board agenda.

2d. Siggelkow Road Project: Mike Wolf stated that the meeting with residents who live in Blooming Grove along the north side of Siggelkow Road who will be most impacted by the project took place last night. The meeting went well, with some specific concerns discussed – but overall nobody was against the project. Mike said the bigger informational meeting will be in McFarland in two days. He also reported that the project has been modified, both in scope and in how the municipalities share the costs, such that the latest version has Blooming Grove's cost at about \$408,000. He emphasized that this is not a final number, as there are still issues to be resolved.

This project will be on the Town Board agenda either October 23 or November 13 for a final decision. Detailed information will be provided to the Board, in writing, prior to that meeting.

2e. Replacement Tree in Thurber Park: Deborah Sellers asked that the Town replace the tree that fell down a few months ago – and that it be done as soon as possible this year. All Board members agreed that the Parks Commission should provide the Board with a comprehensive recommendation for trees in parks, and that this isn't necessary by year-end.

2f. Fred Warren Settlement Agreement: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the settlement agreement between the Town and Fred Warren as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

2g. EMS Representative: The Maple Bluff-Burke-Blooming Grove EMS District Board will be having an important budget meeting next week. The Town's representative on that Board, Supervisor Berg, will be out of the country at that time. Chair Johnson made a motion to appoint Mike Wolf as the Town's proxy on the Maple Bluff-Burke-Blooming Grove EMS Board from today through October 26, 2007. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Berg will reassume his post on this EMS Board effective October 27, 2007.

3a. September 25, 2007 Meeting Minutes: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the September 25, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

3b. Vouchers: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

4. Public Comment: Anna Kopp had some questions about the Siggelkow Road project. Mike Wolf suggested she come into the office after the meeting, and with maps they could talk about it. Anna agreed to do that.

Deborah Sellers said the weeds were very high on the property owned by PDQ at the corner of Walbridge and Milwaukee.

Deborah asked if the road construction on Gannon Avenue would eliminate the water from pooling on that road. Chair Johnson replied that the road will be crowned so that the water shouldn't pool.

Deborah asked when the Town Budget meeting was, and Mike Wolf said that it was on November 8.

5. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0 at 7:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – October 4, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:35pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Stube, and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Linzmeier was absent. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf.

Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Draft of 2008 Town Budget: Discussion took place regarding the revenues and expenditures for the 2008 Town Budget. No decisions were made. Mike Wolf will modify some budget numbers given new information, and provide an updated draft to the Board – and place it in their bins on Friday, October 12.

3. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Young seconded, and the motion passed 4-0 at 9:23pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – October 18, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor Stube. Supervisors Berg and Young were absent. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf and Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier.

Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Draft of 2008 Town Budget: Discussion took place regarding the revenues and expenditures for the 2008 Town Budget. No decisions were made. Mike Wolf will modify budget numbers given new information. The Town Budget meeting notice, along with the budget summary, will be posted no later than next Wednesday.

2b. Closed Session: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c), for the purpose of evaluating performance of the Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

3. Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Stube seconded, and the motion passed 3-0 at 9:34pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – October 23, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor Stube. Supervisors Berg and Young were absent. Also in attendance: Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Chris Petykowski (city of Madison engineer), Rob Phillips (city of Madison engineer), and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Chris Astrella said that it had been.

2a. Driveway access on to Siggelkow Road for 3623 Siggelkow Road property:

Rob and Chris from the city of Madison took questions from the board regarding 3623 Siggelkow. It was noted that the overall cost of the project would be cheaper if the board did not grant access. After further discussion, Chair Johnson made a motion to defer discussion on this topic to the next meeting. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

2b. Siggelkow Road Project: Chris and Rob from the city took any questions and addressed concerns in regard to the entire Siggelkow Road project. A left turn lane turning into Camcross Drive from Siggelkow Road was discussed along with its cost and how that cost would be incorporated into the project in total. It was determined that if the left turn lane would be part of the project, that its cost would be added to Blooming Grove's share of the project cost. Rob informed the board that he would incorporate the left turn lanes into new maps so the board could review them at their next meeting. Also, talk about assessing the two properties along Siggelkow that are surrounded by Secret Places commenced, and the board will make a decision on how to assess them at their next meeting.

2c. Resolution opposing United States Congress Resolution H.R. 811, pertaining to changes in election procedures and equipment: Chair Johnson made a motion to pass the resolution as presented, and Supervisor Linzmeier seconded it. The motion passed 3-0.

2d. Proposal to change cost of cemetery spaces, and to allow for the sale of single spaces: Chair Johnson made a motion to lower the cost of a cemetery space for non-residents, from \$800.00 to \$600.00, and further to allow for the sale of individual spaces. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

2e. Chris Astrella request for sick pay: Supervisor Stube made some comments about the "non-medical" nature of this request and suggested that the policy be looked at in the future. Supervisor Stube also asked Chris Astrella a few informational questions for further clarification. Chair Johnson agreed with having the policy reviewed, and suggested the Personnel Committee take a look at it. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Chris' request for sick pay, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 3-0.

3a. Minutes of October 4, 2007 town board meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the October 4, 2007 minutes as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Stube. The motion passed 2-0, with Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.

3b. Minutes of October 9, 2007 town board meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the October 9, 2007 minutes as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 2-0, with Supervisor Stube abstaining.

3c. Minutes of October 18, 2007 town board meeting: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the October 18, 2007 minutes as presented, and it was seconded by Chair Johnson. The motion passed 3-0.

3d. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 3-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked if Blooming Grove had any bridges that would need inspection, as to prevent a collapse similar to what happened in Minneapolis, MN this summer. Chair Johnson informed her that the county handles bridge maintenance.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:23pm. It was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 3-0.

Concisely Presented, Chris Astrella Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-6

Opposing U.S. House Resolution 811 (the Voter Confidence and Increased Accessibility Act of 2007)

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove is in compliance with all State of Wisconsin approved voting system requirements; and

WHEREAS, any new voting system equipment mandated by H.R. 811 will likely not be developed and tested in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove is spending considerable dollars on long term maintenance contracts, and H.R. 811 as drafted underestimates the amount of federal dollars needed to upgrade and maintain the proposed new equipment; and

WHEREAS, the current voting system in place at the Town of Blooming Grove has not outlived its useful life; and

WHEREAS, the public perception in implementing new voting system equipment is that it is a waste due to the fact the equipment proposed to be replaced has been used successfully; and

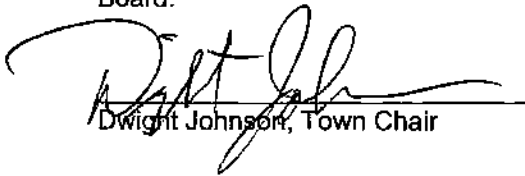
WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin already has a comprehensive audit program and the federal government should accommodate the unique needs of individual states; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 811 as drafted puts a great deal of burden on local governments to adequately meet the new requirements as mandated by the federal government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Blooming Grove urges Congress to oppose the passage of H.R. 811, and in particular provisions that would provide undo hardships to local governments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Congresswoman Tammy Baldwin, and to United States Senators Herb Kohl and Russ Feingold for their consideration.

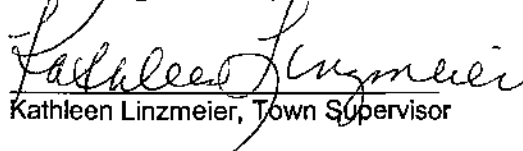
Adopted this 23rd day of October, 2007 by a vote of 3-0 by the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board.


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair

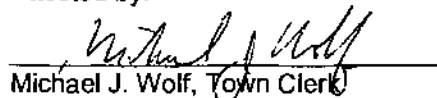

Ed Stube, Town Supervisor

<< ABSENT >>
Arnold Berg, Town Supervisor

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David Young, Town Supervisor


Kathleen Linzmeier, Town Supervisor

Attested by:


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

10/25/07
Date

Town of Blooming Grove Budget Meeting Minutes – November 8, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Stube, and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Berg was absent. Others in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Dane County Board Supervisor John Hendrick, and Town residents Deborah Sellers, Liz Johnson, Caren Young, and Tom Streber.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been. The agenda was reviewed, and no changes made.

2a. Public Hearing for 2008 Budget: Chair Johnson made a motion to open the Public Hearing on the 2008 Budget at 6:32pm. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Deborah Sellers and Tom Streber had various questions about the budget. Deborah Sellers concerns were primarily about having enough money in the budget for improvements to Thurber Park. Tom Streber's comments were primarily about the need for additional Public Works staff to continue to provide quality services to residents (in particular chipping brush). Chair Johnson made a motion to close the Public Hearing on the 2008 Budget at 7:14pm.

2b. Approval of 2007 Town Levy by Town Residents: Dwight Johnson made a motion to approve the 2007 Town levy of \$641,727. Kathie Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 7-0, with Deborah Sellers abstaining.

2c. Approval of 2008 Town Budget: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2008 Town Budget as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2d. Approval by Town Residents to Exceed Statutory Limits on Town Roads in 2008: Mike Wolf explained that state statutes limit the ability of the Board to spend more than \$93,000 next year on town roads. Dwight Johnson made a motion to allow the Town Board to spend up to \$750,000.00 on Town roads in 2008. Dave Young seconded the motion, and it passed 6-1, with Deborah Sellers voting against.

Adjournment – Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Young seconded, and the motion passed 4-0 at 7:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – November 13, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor Stube. Supervisor Young was absent. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Chris Petykowski (city of Madison engineer), Rob Phillips (city of Madison engineer), and Town residents Noelle Goben, Dori Matson, Jerry Matson, Tom Streber, and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Driveway access on to Siggelkow Road for 3623 Siggelkow Road property:

Chair Johnson asked if the property owner was mailed a copy of this agenda, and Mike Wolf said that this had been done. Supervisor Berg made a motion to have the driveway at 3623 Siggelkow Road closed off to Siggelkow Road, as part of the Siggelkow Road project in 2008. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2b. Special Assessments for 3530 and 3536 Siggelkow Road: Noelle Goben and Dori Matson expressed their concern about the cost of these assessments to their properties. Chair Johnson and Mike Wolf stated two reasons why these back-assessments were being considered: one is that the Town is only incurring costs of the Siggelkow Road project in front of April Hill (which is an area protected from annexation), and the other is that the improvements are being made to the front of these two properties – whereas the improvements in April Hill are being made to the property owners' back yards.

Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the option which states the Town will not incur any expenses to the Siggelkow Road project east of April Hill, thus allowing the City to back-assess improvements to 3530 Siggelkow Road and 3536 Siggelkow Road. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2c. Siggelkow Road Project: Mike Wolf reported that the Village of McFarland Council passed this agreement unanimously at their meeting last night. Supervisor Berg asked about financing options, and after some discussion it was agreed upon that this would be on the January 8, 2008 Board agenda. Supervisor Berg asked if this additional cost would be a problem, given the state's mandated 2% levy limit. Mike Wolf said that increased debt is an exception to the levy limit law. Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the Siggelkow Road project as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2d. Resolution Allowing for Less than Seven Election Workers per Election:

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2007-11, allowing for less than seven election workers to work Town elections. Supervisor Stube seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3a. Minutes of October 23, 2007 Town Board meeting: Supervisor Linzmeler made a motion to approve the October 23, 2007 minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0; Supervisor Berg abstained.

3b. Minutes of November 8, 2007 Town Budget meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the November 8, 2007 minutes as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeler. The motion passed 3-0, with Supervisor Berg abstaining.

3c. Vouchers: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Chair Johnson. The motion passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers commented that MG&E had put in new gas lines in the neighborhood, and attempted to re-seed the lawns where the work had been done. She asked that, if next spring it looks like some remediation is needed, who would be responsible for that. Mike Wolf said it would likely be MG&E.

Tom Streber distributed a petition to the Board, which dealt with the Town's decision to chip brush less frequently next year. This issue will be on the January 8, 2008 Town Board agenda, and Mike Wolf will make sure Tom Streber gets a copy of that agenda. In the meantime Mike Wolf will provide Mr. Streber with the cost of the contractor who has been chipping for the Town over the last several months.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51pm. It was seconded by Supervisor Stube, and the motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted
Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-11

To Authorize the Reduction of Election Officials For All Future Elections

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove is served by one polling place; and


WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove uses electronic voting equipment; and

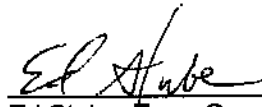
WHEREAS, the duties and responsibilities of the election officials can be effectively and efficiently carried out by less than seven election officials; and

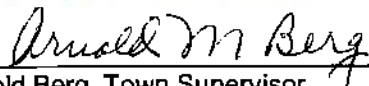
WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statute 7.32 allows the governing body of the municipality, by resolution, to reduce the number of election officials for each polling place from seven to new fewer than three.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Blooming Grove Town Board does hereby authorize the Town Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator to determine the number of poll workers needed for each election – either three, or five, or seven – depending on the anticipated voter turnout, the number of ballots, and the number of choices to be made on each ballot. Furthermore, the Town Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator may authorize split shifts for poll workers as needed.

Adopted this 13th day of November, 2007 by a vote of 4-0 by the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board.


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair

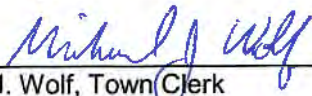

Ed Stube, Town Supervisor


Arnold Berg, Town Supervisor

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David Young, Town Supervisor


Kathleen Linzmeier, Town Supervisor

Attested by:


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

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Date

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – November 27, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Young were in attendance. Absent from the meeting was Supervisor Stube. Also attending were Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Chris Astrella stated it had been.

2a. Approval of Election Workers for 2008-2009: Lois Corcoran, Bonnie Gudmandsen, Terry Gudmandsen, Elaine Gundlach, Ruth Hermsdorf, Mary Karls, Tom Karls, Rose Leonhardt, Sarah Leonhardt, Gail Phippen: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the election workers for 2008-09 as presented and it was seconded by Supervisor Berg. The motion passed 4-0.

3a. Minutes of November 13, 2007 town board meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Supervisor Linzmeier seconded it. The motion passed 3-0 with Supervisor Young abstaining.

3b. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked about putting a new fence in when Highway 30 gets reconstructed.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:03pm. It was seconded by Supervisor Berg, and passed 4-0.

Chris Astrella
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – December 11, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Young were in attendance. Absent from the meeting was Supervisor Stube. Also attending were Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Dan Ampe, Kenneth Boyd, Chase Boyd, Rob Phillips, and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Chris Astrella stated it had been.

2a. Rankin Road Connection: Supervisor Johnson made a motion to open Rankin Road to the west, connecting it with the city of Madison. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and discussion ensued. (Comments sent in via postcards were distributed to the board prior to the meeting and they are attached to these minutes for review.) After each board member expressed their opinion a vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.

2b. Bill for Dan Ampe, April Hill Work: Board members asked various questions of Dan and Dan responded. During discussion Dan handed a packet of information to Chris Astrella for his review.

Supervisor Stube arrived at 7:10pm

Chris Astrella asked the board to let him review this new information, as he was just handed it, and, as Supervisor Young pointed out, handouts are not allowed to be presented at the night of the meeting. Supervisor Young made a motion to defer this issue until the next meeting, with Supervisor Linzmeier seconding it. The motion passed 4-1.

3a. Minutes of November 27, 2007 town board meeting: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Chair Johnson seconded it. The motion passed 4-0-1 with Supervisor Stube abstaining.

3b. Vouchers: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the vouchers and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: Dan Ampe asked if the area around the town hall had been considered as a dump site for yard waste, etc.

Deborah Sellers asked if we would be able to plow around the bus stop on Commercial Ave. Chair Johnson informed her that it is not the town's responsibility to keep Metro Bus stops clear from snow, and that she should call Metro for help.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor young made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. It was seconded by Chair Johnson, and passed 5-0.

Chris Astrella
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – December 28, 2007

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 11:30am. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Stube were in attendance. Absent from the meeting were Supervisors Linzmeier and Young. Also attending was Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Chris Astrella stated it had been.

2a. Vouchers: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the vouchers and it was seconded by Supervisor Stube. The motion passed 3-0.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:31am . It was seconded by Supervisor Berg, and passed 3-0.

Chris Astrella
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

