

**Town of Blooming Grove
Board Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2009**

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

Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor McLaughlin, and Supervisor Linzmeier. Supervisor Stube was absent. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Dane County Board Supervisor John Hendrick, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Mike Meyers, and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all in attendance. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf stated that it had been. The agenda was changed as shown below.

2b. Dane County Ordinance Amendment No. 33, 2008-2009: John Hendrick explained that this ordinance amendment more clearly defines the definition of “building height”. There had been some confusion in the past as to how to measure this. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Dane County Ordinance Amendment No. 33, 2008-2009 as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2a. Review of Stormwater Management Agreement: Mike Wolf explained that this was before the Board for their review and/or comments. After this Board, and the other participating municipal boards and councils, provide feedback over the next month -- the final document will be created. Then that final agreement will come back before this Board for final approval. No action was taken at this meeting.

2c. Procedure for Notification of Neighboring Landowners for Conditional Use Permits: Based on a recommendation from the Town’s Plan Commission, Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to have the notification requirements for Conditional Use Permits be the same as the notification requirements for Rezones. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2d. Use of Direct Deposit for Town Paychecks: Mike Wolf stated he was looking to see if the Board wants him to explore the possibility of having the Town use direct deposit. Everyone agreed that oversight is a paramount concern, and there was general consensus that if this moves forward there should be some kind of proactive oversight on direct deposit payments. The Board asked Mike Wolf to explore this further.

2e. Road Construction Costs when Urban Services are Installed: Supervisor Berg made a motion to have the cost of road construction and/or repair in Rambling Acres removed from the costs of the sewer and water infrastructure project currently being analyzed by the Town Plan Commission. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0, with Chair Johnson abstaining.

3a. Minutes of December 9, 2008 Town Board Meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the December 9, 2008 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3b. Minutes of December 31, 2008 Town Board Meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the December 31, 2008 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0, with Supervisor Berg abstaining.

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

4. Public Comment: Supervisor Berg said there was still a sign on Sprecher Road that indicated the bridge was out on County Highway AB – and the bridge has been open for months now. Mike Wolf said he would communicate this to the City and/or County.

Supervisor McLaughlin stated that the Town may wish to look into some City of Madison ordinances that may make sense for the Town to adopt.

2f. Closed Session: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(e), for the purpose of deliberating the Town's negotiating position regarding contracts or potential contracts. Chair Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor McLaughlin – aye.

2g. Open Session: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. No action was taken by the Board as a result of the discussion that took place in Closed Session.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove
Board Meeting Minutes – January 27, 2009
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Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin, and Supervisor Stube. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkell, Dane County Sheriff Mike Butler, Donna Dillman, Barb Hockett, and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all in attendance. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf stated that it had been. The agenda was changed as shown below.

2b. Resolution 2009-01 Regulating Fire Department Response Fees: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2009-01, to regulate Blooming Grove Fire Department Response Fees, as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2c. Resolution 2009-02 Establishing an Equipment Rate Schedule: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2009-02, to adopt the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Equipment Rate Schedule, as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2d. Update on Northeast Community Court: Supervisor Linzmeier reported that the previous Court Chair and Court Clerk resigned. Tom Wilson is the new Court Chair, and Brenda Ayers is the new Court Clerk. Tom is the Village of Westport's Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator; Brenda is the Clerk/Treasurer of the Town of Burke. The next meeting of the NECC Board is February 5.

2a. Traffic Management in April Hill: Several ideas and thoughts were expressed about the potential for signage along Carncross. Chair Johnson made a motion to have a stop sign erected on the northeast corner of the Carncross / Jenness intersection, such that drivers heading west on Carncross would have to stop. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0. Mike Wolf will put this issue on follow-up for the second meeting in April, for consideration of other potential signage.

2e. "Public Comment" as an Agenda Item: Supervisor McLaughlin expressed his view that comments at Board meetings should be limited to topics on the agenda. Mike Wolf explained that "Public Comment" should be just that – comment (regardless of the topic, or whether or not it is on the agenda). When any individual speaks under "Public Comment", no discussions, answers, rebuttals, or anything else should ensue, as that would violate the law pertaining to public meetings. No action was taken.

3a. Minutes of January 13, 2009 Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the January 13, 2009 Town Board meeting minutes as presented.

Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Stube abstained.

3b. Vouchers & Tax Refunds: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers and property tax refunds as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers expressed her displeasure with the Town Board regarding their discussion about what is appropriate for "Public Comment".

2f. Closed Session: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(e), for the purpose of deliberating the Town's negotiating position regarding contracts or potential contracts. Chair Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor McLaughlin – aye; Supervisor Stube – aye. Note that towards the end of this closed session (7:35pm), Supervisor Berg excused himself as he had a prior engagement.

2g. Open Session: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2h. Action regarding EMS Services Beginning in 2010: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to appoint Chair Johnson to the task force charged with meeting with Town of Madison representatives regarding the possibility of contracting with the Town of Madison for EMS services beginning in 2010. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Chair Johnson abstained.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-02

To Adopt the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's
Classified Equipment Rates

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove periodically has cause to submit grant applications that require information and data about the use of Town Equipment; and


WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove recognizes the need to use objective and consistent information and data when writing for grants; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation annually establishes equipment rates that objectively determine values that can be used in submitting grants;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Blooming Grove Town Board does hereby authorize Town Employees to use the most current Wisconsin Department of Transportation Classified Equipment Rates at the time a grant application is being submitted.

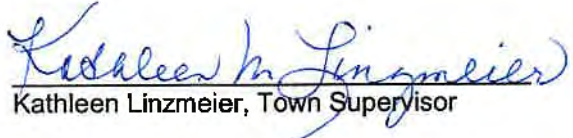
Adopted this 27th day of January, 2009 by a vote of 5-0 by the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board.


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair



Ed Stube, Town Supervisor


Arnold Berg, Town Supervisor


Mark McLaughlin, Town Supervisor


Kathleen Linzmeier, Town Supervisor

Attested by:


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

1/28/09
Date

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-01

To Authorize the Regulation of Fees for Blooming Grove Fire Department Responses

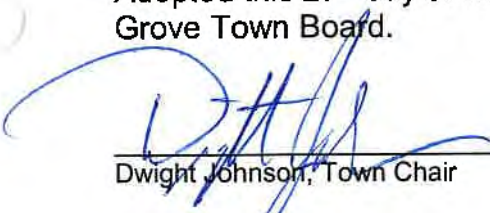
WHEREAS, the Blooming Grove Fire Department responds to incidents along state and federal highway; and


WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove recognizes the expenses incurred by the Blooming Grove Fire Department when responding to such calls; and


WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin, pursuant to State Statute 61.65 allows the Town to charge a reimbursement fee for such calls, and furthermore allows the Town to request reimbursement from the Wisconsin State Department of Transportation should the fee not be collected;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Blooming Grove Town Board does hereby authorize the Blooming Grove Fire Department to charge a fee of \$500.00, and to charge for the cost of materials used in the incident above and beyond the amount of \$500.00, pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes.

Adopted this 27th day of January, 2009 by a vote of 5-0 by the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board.


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair

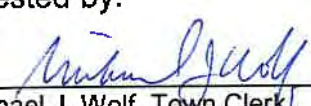

Ed Stube, Town Supervisor


Arnold Berg, Town Supervisor


Mark McLaughlin, Town Supervisor


Kathleen Linzmeier, Town Supervisor

Attested by:


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

1/28/09
Date

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – February 10, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Supervisors McLaughlin, Linzmeier, Stube and Chair Johnson were present, Supervisor Berg was excused. Also in attendance: Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Town Attorney Chris Hughes, and Deborah Sellers.

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

2a. Wingate by Wyndham's Delinquent Room Taxes: Town Attorney Chris Hughes gave a brief recap of his understanding of the situation and fielded questions from the board. He also gave three options that the town could pursue to obtain the money it was owed. They were: to go through municipal court (Northeast Community Court), proceed through circuit court, or to do both. Additionally, there was a discussion about further strengthening the town's room tax ordinance to put conditions on any licenses issued to hotels. The board expressed interest in both items and directed Chris Hughes to do further research and get more information on the different avenues to collect money. They also directed Chris Astrella to contact municipalities who have stronger room tax ordinances and obtain them for a future meeting. Lastly, the board scheduled a special meeting on Monday February 16, 2009 in regards to this specific issue.

2b. Direct Deposit: Chris Astrella updated the board that Monona State Bank and agreed to cut the fees from direct deposit since their packets had been distributed. Chris fielded a few questions regarding it, but ultimately the board decided direct deposit is something the town would not pursue for now.

2c. Reappointment of Joel Hasse to Plan Commission: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the reappointment of Joel Hasse to another three-year term on the Town Plan Commission, from May 1, 2009 through April 30, 2012. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier, and it passed 4-0.

3a. Minutes of January 27, 2009 board meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2009 Town Board meeting as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed by a vote of 4-0.

3b. Vouchers: Chair Johnson motioned to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers spoke about the East Washington/Highway 30 project.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson motioned to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Chris Astrella, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – February 16, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:00pm. Supervisors McLaughlin, Linzmeier, Stube and Chair Johnson were present, Supervisor Berg was excused. Also in attendance: Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella.

Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella stated that it had been. At 5:03pm attorney Chris Hughes and attorney Jon Evenson arrived at the meeting.

2a. Go into closed session pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats. Convene into closed session pursuant to section 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to confer with the Town Attorney who is rendering oral and/or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation the Town may initiate related to Wingate by Wyndham's delinquent room taxes. Chair Johnson made a motion to go into closed session and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. By roll call vote: Stube, Aye; McLaughlin, Aye; Johnson, Aye; Linzmeier, Aye. The board went into closed session at 5:05pm.

2b. Reconvene in open session reconvene into open session to take action with respect to Wingate Inn's delinquent room taxes: Chair Johnson made a motion to reconvene in open session and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0 and the board reconvened in open session at 6:25pm.

Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion that the Town cite Wingate by Wyndham, and direct Stafford Rosenbaum (the Town's attorneys) to write a letter to Wingate by Wyndham demanding that they pay the full amount owed to the Town by 4:00pm on March 16th, 2009 with a cashier's/bank check; furthermore the board authorizes Stafford Rosenbaum to coordinate with Chair Johnson, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, and the Northeast Community Court Prosecutor Lori Lubinski regarding this matter. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson, and passed by a vote of 4-0.

3. Adjournment: Chair Johnson motioned to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Chris Astrella, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – February 23, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin, and Supervisor Stube were present; Supervisor Berg was excused. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, and Deborah Sellers.

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

2a. Town Road Projects in 2009: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve moving forward with proper notices and Request For Proposals (RFPs) for the resurfacing of Karmichael Court, and the resurfacing of Furey Avenue between N. Fair Oaks Avenue and Jacobson Avenue. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2b. Consideration of an Ordinance to Regulate the Use of Outdoor Solid Fuel Heating Devices: After some discussion, the Board agreed to proceed with having a Public Hearing for this proposed ordinance. The Public Hearing will take place May 26 of this year.

2c. Approval of MAMSWaP Intergovernmental Agreement: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement regarding Storm Water as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin, and it passed 4-0.

3a. Minutes of February 10, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2009 Town Board meeting as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed by a vote of 4-0.

3b. Minutes of February 16, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2009 Town Board meeting as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed by a vote of 4-0.

3c. Vouchers: Supervisor McLaughlin 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 had several concerns and suggestions about the upcoming construction project along Commercial Avenue and Highway 30, including the possibility of erecting a temporary stop sign on the corner of Furey and Gannon when traffic gets re-routed that way.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Chair Johnson. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – March 10, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor McLaughlin were present; Supervisor Stube was excused. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Mead & Hunt Engineer Anne Anderson, and Stafford Rosenbaum Attorney Jon Evenson.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf stated that it had been. The order of the agenda was changed as indicated below.

2c. Update on Sewer/Water in Rambling Acres: Supervisor McLaughlin reported that letters will be going out to all Rambling Acres residents this week, along with a survey. Survey results will be brought to the next Plan Commission meeting for review.

2a. 2008 Annual Stormwater Report: Anne Anderson reported that there were no substantive changes from the previous year.

2b. Approval of 2008 Annual Stormwater Report: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to accept the 2008 Annual Stormwater Report as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2f. Closed Session: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(e), for the purpose of deliberating the Town's negotiating position re: contracts and/or potential contracts for EMS Services; and pursuant to section 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to confer with the Town Attorney who is rendering oral and/or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation the Town may initiate related to Wingate by Wyndham's delinquent room taxes. Mike Wolf took the roll call vote: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor McLaughlin – aye. Motion passed 4-0. Anne Anderson and Glenn Linzmeier left the room.

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

2d. MG&E Permit for Sprecher Road: Mike Wolf explained that this right-of-way permit will allow MG&E to run electric conduit and cable under the west edge of Sprecher Road. The work will be done this summer, and MG&E is obligated to repair the road after they are done.

2e. Minimize Risk concerning Town Data: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to direct Town Office staff to use alternate storage methods for the purpose of better securing the Town's back-up data. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3a. Minutes of February 23, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2009 Town Board meeting

as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed by a vote of 3-0. Supervisor Berg abstained.

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

4. Public Comment: None.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:12pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – March 24, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Stube were present. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkell, Stafford Rosenbaum Attorney Jon Evenson, and Deborah Sellers.

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

2a. Approval of Road Bids for Furey Avenue and Karmichael Court: Supervisor Stube expressed concern about the quality of the work we could expect from the contractors that submitted a proposal, including the one that provided the least expensive quote. Rick Konkell said that he had done due diligence on Payne & Dolan's proposal, got further clarification in writing, and recommends approval of their revised proposal at a cost of \$45,900. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the amended proposal as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2b. Approval of Loan for Public Works Equipment Purchases: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the resolution and loan application as presented in the amount of \$60,383.21, for the purchase of a one-ton truck and blower/mower for the Public Works Department. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2c. Resolution 2009-03 to Expand Scope of Practice for Blooming Grove Fire Department: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the Town Resolution 2009-03 as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2d. Amending Town Ordinance 6.04 regarding Fence Height: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the amendment to Town Ordinance 6.04, which would effectively allow an additional two feet in fence height for Town properties, with the exception of those in Gallagher Plat, Rambling Acres, Weather Oaks, April Hill, Freeway Manor, and one or two-family dwellings located on Alvarez Avenue, Bruns Avenue, Sprecher Road or Rustic Drive. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Stube abstained.

2e. Closed Session: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(e), for the purpose of deliberating the Town's negotiating position re: contracts and/or potential contracts for EMS Services; and pursuant to section 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to confer with the Town Attorney who is rendering oral and/or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation the Town may initiate related to Wingate by Wyndham's delinquent room taxes. Mike Wolf took the roll call vote: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor McLaughlin – aye; Supervisor Stube – aye. Motion passed 5-0.

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

2g. Wingate Inn Delinquent Room Taxes: Chair Johnson made a motion to authorize Town Attorney Jon Evenson to get a personal guaranty from Randy Retzlaff for the Wingate's delinquent room taxes within the next seven business days, and furthermore that the Town accept Attorney Evenson's specific recommendations for moving forward depending upon whether or not said guaranty is secured. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2h. EMS Services: No decision was made.

3a. Minutes of March 10, 2009 Town Board meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2009 Town Board meeting as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed by a vote of 4-0. Supervisor Stube abstained.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers suggested that the next time there is a Clean Sweep in Gallagher Plat, that the notice be posted in the Waunona Sanitary District building.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:58pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-03

To Expand the Scope of Practice of the Blooming Grove Fire Department

WHEREAS, the Blooming Grove Fire Department's primary jurisdiction is the municipal boundaries of the Town of Blooming Grove; and

WHEREAS, the municipal boundaries of the Town of Blooming Grove are non-contiguous; and

WHEREAS, the Blooming Grove Fire Department travels through other municipal jurisdictions on virtually every emergency response; and


WHEREAS, there are occasions when the Blooming Grove Fire Department will come upon another incident on the way to or from an emergency response; and


WHEREAS, the Blooming Grove Town Board recognizes the importance of coming to the aid of victims as quickly as possible, regardless which municipality the emergency responders are from;

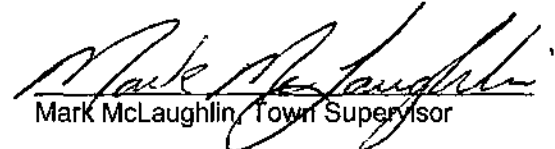
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Blooming Grove Town Board does hereby authorize Blooming Grove Fire Department personnel to, when on duty and at their discretion, stop and assist individuals who appear to be in distress or in a potentially unsafe situation, and/or stop and assist other emergency responders, without regard to location.


Adopted this 24th day of March, 2009 by a vote of 5-0 by the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board.


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair


Ed Stube, Town Supervisor


Arnold Berg, Town Supervisor


Mark McLaughlin, Town Supervisor


Kathleen Linzmeier, Town Supervisor

Attested by:


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

3/24/09
Date

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – April 14, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, and Supervisor Young were present. Supervisor Linzmeier arrived at 6:02pm. Supervisor McLaughlin was absent. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf and Dane County Board Supervisor John Hendrick.

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

2a. Operators License for Anita Crisman: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve a 2008-2009 Operators License for Anita L. Crisman. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Linzmeier was not yet present at the meeting.

2b. Operators License for Daniel Trapino: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve a 2008-2009 Operators License for Daniel L. Trapino. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Linzmeier abstained.

2c. Large Assembly Permit at Harley-Davidson: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Large Assembly Permit for Harley-Davidson, for their diabetes fundraiser on July 10-11, 2009 as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

3a. Minutes of March 24, 2009 Town Board meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2009 Town Board meeting as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed by a vote of 3-0. Supervisor Young abstained.

3b. 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: None.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting adjourned at 6:05pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

**Town of Blooming Grove
Annual Town Meeting Minutes
6:30 PM -- April 14, 2009**

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

Dwight introduced newly-elected Town Board Supervisor Dave Young, incumbent Town Board Supervisors Arnie Berg and Kathleen Linzmeier, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkell, Dane County Board Supervisor John Hendrick, and Town Auditor Jim Block. Also in attendance were Town residents Ed Stube, Caren Young, Liz Johnson, and Deborah Sellers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Financial Report

Town Auditor Jim Block said he spent two days at Blooming Grove doing the 2008 audit. He was once again able to submit an unqualified financial report. Jim reported that the town was in the red in 2008 by about \$65,000, primarily due to unpaid room taxes, a record amount of snowfall that needed to be plowed, and an unexpected jump in EMS costs. But overall the Town's financial health is still strong. The Town has a fund balance of \$357,427, of which about \$243,000 is undesignated.

Fire Department Report

Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier and most of the rest of the Blooming Grove Fire Department were attending funeral services of Assistant Chief Salvo's father-in-law, who passed away this past Saturday. Mike Wolf stated that the Fire Department had a good year. However, there was one fire-related fatality in Blooming Grove in 2008. He asked everyone to consider being extremely cautious when using candles in their home.

Public Works Report

Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkell reported that the record snowfall last year was a challenge, but that the increased number of alternate-side parking tickets helped Public Works to better clear the roads of ice and snow. The Department made a conscious effort this past winter to cut back on the use of salt, which saves money and is better for the environment. Several individuals at the meeting thanked Rick for his good work this past winter on the roads.

Parks Commission Report

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella reported on behalf of the Parks Commission. He said that in 2008 a sandbox was installed in Thurber Park, along with a commemorative rock. The Clean Sweep day in April Hill was a huge success.

For 2009 the Parks Commission has made recommendations to the Town Board to plant nine trees (3 in each of the three parks). There is also a possibility that some new playground equipment will be purchased for the parks. Lilac bushes will get planted in Thurber Park this spring or summer. The Clean Sweep this year will be in Rambling Acres on May 2.

Plan Commission Report

Mark McLaughlin, who is the Town's Plan Commission Chair, was unable to attend tonight's meeting due to a prior commitment. Mike Wolf reported that the Plan Commission has spent a great deal of time in the last six months investigating the possibility of urban services in Rambling Acres and April Hill. The process is ongoing. A recommendation for both subdivisions has been made, and the Town Board will consider those recommendations at its April 28 meeting. It was also noted that, thanks to a change in Dane County zoning code, the Town now has the legal authority to deny or amend a Conditional Use Permit request. Prior to this change, the Town's role was only advisory.

Action Item: Resolution 2009-04

Dave Young made a motion to approve Resolution 2009-04, which will allow the Town Board to spend up to \$500,000 in 2009 on Town roads. The motion was seconded by Liz Johnson, and it passed 7-1 (Deborah Sellers voted against).

Action Item: Resolution 2009-05

There was considerable discussion about the pros and cons of this resolution. After some debate, Dave Young made a motion to approve Resolution 2009-05, which will allow the Town Board to spend up to \$700,000 in 2009 on the construction of two new Town buildings. The motion was seconded by Kathie Linzmeier, and it passed 5-3 (Arnie Berg, Ed Stube, and Deborah Sellers voted against).

2008 Annual Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Dave Young to approve the 2008 Annual Meeting minutes as amended. Liz Johnson seconded motion, and it passed 7-0. Deborah Sellers abstained.

Citizen Comments/Concerns/Questions

Deborah Sellers suggested that any rain gardens that may be installed for stormwater management purposes be considered when deciding where to plant trees in the parks.

Liz Johnson asked the Board to consider repairing parts of Beegs Road and Brugger Place.

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

A motion was made by Dave Young to hold next year's Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall. Kathie Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 8-0.

Oath of Newly Elected Officers

Mike Wolf administered the oath of office to Chair Dwight Johnson, Supervisor Kathie Linzmeier, and Supervisor Dave Young. All began their 2-year terms today at 12:01am.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Dave Young to adjourn. Kathie Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 8-0 at 7:30pm.

Written and Submitted by Mike Wolf, Town Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-04

For the Town Electors To Authorize the Town Board to Exceed State Spending Limits on Town Roads

WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statutes limit towns from spending more than \$5,000 per mile of road during the course of a calendar year; and

WHEREAS, this limit includes the cost of all aspects of road repair and maintenance, including snowplowing, filling potholes, and re-surfacing; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove has about 18 miles of road, which limits the spending on its roads to no more than \$93,000 per year; and

WHEREAS, the State Statute hasn't been updated in decades to account for inflation; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove regularly spends between \$200,000 and \$400,000 per year on its roads;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the residents of the Town of Blooming Grove do hereby authorize the Blooming Grove Town Board to spend up to \$500,000 on Town roads in calendar year 2009, if the Town Board believes it is in the best interest of the Town to do so.

Adopted this 14th day of April, 2009 by Town of Blooming Grove residents at the Annual Town Meeting by a vote of 7 (ayes) to 1 (nays).

Attested by:



Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

4/14/09

Date

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-05

For the Town Electors To Authorize the Town Board to
Erect Two New Town Buildings at 1880 S. Stoughton Road

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove's three Public Works buildings located at 1880 S. Stoughton Road are inadequate for providing quality services to Town residents for the remaining 18+ years of the Town's existence; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove is seriously considering providing housing for EMS personnel at this location in order to provide more effective and efficient emergency services to Town residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board may wish to raze the three existing buildings and erect two new buildings at 1880 S. Stoughton Road – one of which would house EMS personnel and the other which would be a Public Works building;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the residents of the Town of Blooming Grove do hereby authorize the Blooming Grove Town Board to spend up to \$700,000 in 2009 on two new buildings to be located at 1880 S. Stoughton Road, if and only if the Town Board believes it is in the best interest of the Town to do so.

Adopted this 14th day of April, 2009 by Town of Blooming Grove residents at the Annual Town Meeting by a vote of 5 (ayes) to 3 (nays).

Attested by:



Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

4/14/09

Date

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – April 28, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin, and Supervisor Young were present. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkell, Plan Commissioner Ken Norton, Tom Streber and Deborah Sellers.

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

2a. Traffic Concerns on Commercial Avenue: There is a problem with many drivers traveling on the wrong side of the road on the one block of Commercial Avenue just east of Fair Oaks Avenue. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve erecting a 25mph speed limit sign, and a two-way street sign, on the same pole – after the road construction is completed later this summer. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2b. Municipal Sewer/Water Service in Rambling Acres: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Plan Commission's recommendation to proceed no further with this project. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0. Mike Wolf stated that the average cost per lot was between \$25,000-\$30,000, and that about 80% of the survey respondents were opposed to it. Supervisor Berg asked that the City of Madison be informed, and Mike Wolf will oblige.

2c. Municipal Sewer/Water Service in April Hill: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Plan Commission's recommendation to proceed no further with this project. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2d. Sinkhole at Corner of Rethke Ave and Furey Ave: Mike Wolf and Rick Konkell explained the background on this sinkhole, and distributed pictures taken by Rick last fall. Mike explained that a letter was going to be mailed to the City tomorrow, letting them know of this issue. It was recommended that this letter be cc'd to both Dane County and the State of Wisconsin as well.

2e. Chris Astrella Employment in Village of Rockdale: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to allow Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella to work for the Village of Rockdale up to 8 hours per week during regular work hours, and for Rockdale to pay Blooming Grove \$20 per hour for Chris' time, on a temporary basis until Rockdale hires a permanent replacement for their Clerk/Treasurer position. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2f. Planting Trees in Town Parks: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the Parks Commission's recommendation of planting three trees in each of the Town's three parks (total of nine trees). Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2g. New Park Bench in April Hill: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the Parks Commission's recommendation to purchase and place a new park bench in April Hill Park. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2h. Resolution 2009-06 Opposing Changes to Wisconsin's Prevailing Wage Law: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2009-06 as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2i. Setting Days/Times for Future Board Meetings: No action was taken. Town Board meetings will continue to be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 6:30pm.

3a. Minutes of April 14, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2009 Town Board meeting as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed by a vote of 4-0. Supervisor McLaughlin abstained.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said there was old furniture laying outside at 611 Powers Avenue, and this has been there for several weeks.

It was noted that the annual clean sweep, this year taking place in Severson Park, is 8:00am to 1:00pm this Saturday.

2j. Closed Session: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of deliberating the Town's negotiating position regarding contracts or potential contracts for EMS services. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor McLaughlin – aye; Supervisor Young – aye.

2k. Open Session: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2l. Decision on EMS Services: Supervisor Berg made a motion to have the following items placed on the next Town Board meeting agenda: a) informational presentation of EMS / Public Works facilities project; b) Public Comment on EMS / Public Works facilities project; and c) Board discussion/decision on EMS / Public Works facilities project; and furthermore have a memo of explanation of this project e-mailed along with the agenda, and posted around town with the agenda, and available in the front office, and posted on the Town's website. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0. It was agreed upon that Mike Wolf would provide a draft of the memo to the Board for their review and feedback prior to distribution.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 9:02pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

**Resolution Opposing Proposed Changes
to Wisconsin Prevailing Wage Law**

Whereas, Governor Doyle's proposed biennial state budget, AB 75, proposes to make the prevailing wage law applicable to any public work contract over \$2,000; and

Whereas, under the current law the prevailing wage requirements only apply to multiple trade public works projects over \$234, 000 and single trade public works projects over \$48,000; and

Whereas, reducing the threshold to \$2,000 will increase the cost of small public works projects previously exempted from the prevailing wage requirement; and

Whereas, the cost increase to pay prevailing wages on all public works projects over \$2,000 will force municipalities to reduce the number of and/or size of public works projects or raise taxes to meet the increased costs, which is an increased burden on property taxpayers; and

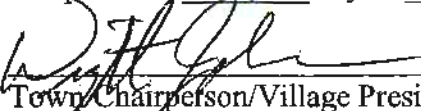
Whereas, the Governor's proposed state budget also for the first time proposes to make the prevailing wage law applicable to private projects that receive public financing; and

Whereas, the requirement to pay prevailing wage on all public works projects over \$2,000 will take away the competitive advantage that many smaller local contractors have on smaller public works projects over larger contractors from outside the immediate community, thus hurting the local economy in these communities while still increasing the costs of these projects; and

Whereas, the proposed changes to the prevailing wage law in the state budget are non-fiscal policy changes that only affect local government and should be introduced as a separate legislative bill rather than be included in the state budget; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the board of the Town/Village of BLOOMING GROVE, -
DANE County opposes the changes to the prevailing wage law included in Governor Doyle's state budget proposal, AB 75, and hereby urges the Wisconsin State Legislature to remove these items from the budget bill.

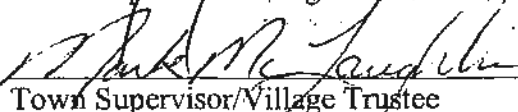
Adopted this 28 day of APRIL, 2009.


Town Chairperson/Village President


Town Supervisor/Village Trustee


Town Supervisor/Village Trustee


Town Supervisor/Village Trustee


Town Supervisor/Village Trustee

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – May 12, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin, and Supervisor Young were present. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkell, Town of Madison Fire Chief David Bloom, Maple Bluff-Burke-Blooming Grove EMS Director Josh Ripp, and town residents Dick Riddle, Judy Riddle, John Jaworski, Lisa Wells, Tom Streber, Ken Norton, Ed Stube, Liz Johnson, Deborah Sellers, and John Panuska.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf stated that it had been. The order of items on the agenda was changed to accommodate those in attendance, as follows:

2b. Alcohol in Thurber Park: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the consumption of alcohol in Thurber Park for the graduation party hosted by Blooming Grove Firefighter John Jaworski on June 20, 2009, contingent that the alcohol will be under adult supervision at all times such that no underage drinking will occur. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2o. EMS/Public Works Proposal Presentation: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf and Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier gave a PowerPoint presentation for this proposal. The presentation provided information about the benefits of the proposal, and the risks associated with it.

2p. Public Comment on EMS/Public Works Proposal: Some residents expressed support for the plan, but felt that the contract length was a sticking point. Others believed that the plan was completely unwarranted. Others stated their support for a new Public Works facility, but they had concerns about the EMS plan.

2q. Board Discussion/Decision on EMS/Public Works Proposal: Supervisor Berg stated his case for why he opposed this project – most of which revolved around the financial uncertainty of the EMS proposal, and the philosophical issue of placing a new EMS operation (equipment and personnel) in this location. Supervisor McLaughlin said that most of the feedback he received from constituents was in favor of a public works facility, but not so much for the EMS part of the proposal. Supervisor Young liked the proposal, but wanted to flush out the issue of the length of the contract with the Town of Madison. Chair Johnson said he supported the proposal, also contingent on the length of the contract.

Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this decision until more information is forthcoming about the length of the agreement, and until cost estimates for the two new buildings are separated out. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 3-1. Supervisor Berg voted against, stating that he is opposed to the project regardless of the length of the agreement or the cost of the buildings. Supervisor Linzmeier abstained due to a potential conflict of interest.

2a. Siggelkow Road Update: Chair Johnson reported that the surfacing of Siggelkow Road last year was not done correctly. In fact, the pavement joint in the road is directly under where vehicles' wheels ride... which causes stress and explains the cracking in the road already. Chair Johnson has met with City officials and Allan Coville of McFarland in an attempt to get this situation rectified. The road was engineered properly (with the joint directly under the middle white line); but it was not built to specifications by the contractor (Frank Brothers). This issue is ongoing, and the Board will be updated as events unfold.

2c. Temporary Class B License for Harley-Davidson's Diabetes Fundraiser: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the temporary Class B License for Harley-Davidson's Fundraiser on July 10-11, 2009. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2d. Liquor License for Jerry's Place: The application and fee have not yet been received. This agenda item will be on the agenda for the Town Board's May 26 meeting.

2e. Beer License for Hope Rod & Gun Club: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2009-10 beer license for Hope Rod & Gun Club. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2f. Liquor License for Blue Plate Catering, doing business at Harley-Davidson: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the 2009-10 liquor license for Blue Plate Catering. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2g. Beer & Wine License for Magnuson Hotel: Chair Johnson made a motion to deny the 2009-10 Beer & Wine license for Magnuson Hotel, due to non-payment of 2009 personal property taxes. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2h. Operators Licenses: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve 2009-10 Operators Licenses for George J. Koltjes, Donald W. Temby, Floyd E. Richmond, Donald L. Peterson, Robin E. Thompson, Jodi J. Fowler, Gary A. Breedlove, Daniel L. Trapino, and Anita L. Crismas. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2i. Cigarette License for Jerry's Place: The application and fee have not yet been received. This agenda item will be on the agenda for the Town Board's May 26 meeting.

2j. Restaurant Permit for McDonald's: The application and fee have not yet been received. This agenda item will be on the agenda for the Town Board's May 26 meeting.

2k. Restaurant Permit for Four Star Restaurant: The application and fee have not yet been received. This agenda item will be on the agenda for the Town Board's May 26 meeting.

2l. Restaurant Permit for Magnuson Hotel: Supervisor Young made a motion to deny the 2009-10 Restaurant Permit for Magnuson Hotel, due to non-payment of 2009 personal property taxes. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2m. Regas Road Sewer District Compliance Maintenance Report: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2009-07, which approves the 2008 Regas Road Sewer District Compliance Maintenance Report as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2n. Sewer District #10 Compliance Maintenance Report: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2009-08, which approves the 2008 Sewer District #10 Compliance Maintenance Report as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. Minutes of April 28, 2009 Town Board meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2009 Town Board meeting as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed by a vote of 5-0.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked that a temporary stop sign be placed on Furey Avenue at the corner at Gannon Avenue – since a great deal of traffic is being re-routed through that intersection as a result of the construction on Commercial Avenue.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 9:19pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-07

To Approve the Compliance Maintenance Report (CMAR) for the
Blooming Grove Town Regas Road Sewer District

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove desires to have adequate procedures, plans, and funding for the long-term maintenance and/or repair of the Regas Road Sewer District; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove further is committed to being in compliance with State of Wisconsin and Department of Natural Resources laws and administrative requirements;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Blooming Grove does hereby approve the 2008 Compliance Maintenance Report (CMAR) for the Regas Road Sewer District as presented.

Adopted this 12th day of May, 2009 by the Blooming Grove Town Board at a regularly-scheduled Board Meeting by a vote of 5 (ayes) to 0 (nays).

Attested by:

Michael J. Wolf
Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

5/12/09
Date

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-08

To Approve the Compliance Maintenance Report (CMAR) for the
Blooming Grove Sewer District #10


WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove desires to have adequate procedures, plans, and funding for the long-term maintenance and/or repair of Sewer District #10; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove further is committed to being in compliance with State of Wisconsin and Department of Natural Resources laws and administrative requirements;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Blooming Grove does hereby approve the 2008 Compliance Maintenance Report (CMAR) for Sewer District #10 as presented.

Adopted this 12th day of May, 2009 by the Blooming Grove Town Board at a regularly-scheduled Board Meeting by a vote of 5 (ayes) to 0 (nays).

Attested by:



Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

5/12/09

Date

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – May 26, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin, and Supervisor Young were present. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Lt. Scott Strassburg, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, Village of Maple Bluff Trustee and Blooming Grove-Burke-Maple Bluff EMS Board Member Jim Schuler, and Dane County Board Supervisor John Hendrick.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf stated that it had been. The order of items on the agenda was changed as follows:

2l. Dane County Ordinance Amendment 1, 2009-2010 to Allow for One Ground Sign (with Limitations) for Certain Conditional Uses in Residential Districts: John Hendrick said that there was a public hearing at the county tonight for this amendment. Chair Johnson expressed some concern about having these signs in residential neighborhoods. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to refer this issue to the Blooming Grove Plan Commission for their consideration. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. John Hendrick agreed to provide feedback to Blooming Grove from the county's public hearing.

2a. 2009 Board of Review: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to open the 2009 Blooming Grove Board of Review. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to recess the 2009 Board of Review, and reconvene September 23, 2009 at 6:30pm. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2b. Public Hearing for Town Ordinance 3.03 which Regulates Outdoor Solid Fuel Heating Devices: Chair Johnson opened the public hearing at 6:51pm. Lt. Scott Strassburg of the Blooming Grove Fire Department explained the reasoning behind the ordinance, and answered questions from those in attendance. Several changes were suggested to the draft presented at the meeting.

2c. Public Hearing Closed: Chair Johnson closed the public hearing at 7:08pm.

2d. Board Action on Town Ordinance 3.03 which Regulates Outdoor Solid Fuel Heating Devices: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to defer this decision until the draft ordinance was updated. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2e. 2009-2010 Operators Licenses: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Operators Licenses for Jeffrey P. Kuske and Dennis P. McCaslin. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2g. EMS Decision: Jim Schuler stated he believed that the Village of Maple Bluff, as well as the Blooming Grove-Burke-Maple Bluff EMS District Board, were open to possible EMS solutions with Blooming Grove for the future. Supervisor Berg voiced his concern about the proposal's numbers – specifically the revenue estimates and the

personnel costs. In addition, Supervisor Berg stated his opposition to adding more EMS resources to a geographical area that already had enough. Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young said their biggest concern was that the proposal would allow the Town of Madison to opt out of the agreement any time in the next ten years, with a one-year notice. Chair Johnson said he was in favor of the proposal as is.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to reject the proposal as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion. The vote was 2 in favor of the motion (Berg, McLaughlin), 2 against the motion (Johnson, Young), and 1 abstention (Linzmeier). The motion failed. Mike Wolf said that he and Chief Linzmeier would investigate options and bring them to the Board for consideration.

2f. New Public Works Building: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion that the Town not build a new Public Works building at this time. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-1 (Chair Johnson voting against the motion).

2h. 2009-2010 Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place: Application and fee not yet received. No action taken.

2i. 2009-2010 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place: Application and fee not yet received. No action taken.

2j. 2009-2010 Restaurant Permit for McDonald's: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Restaurant Permit for McDonald's. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2k. 2009-2010 Restaurant Permit for Four Star Restaurant: Application and fee not yet received. No action taken.

3a. Minutes of May 12, 2009 Town Board meeting: The minutes were not in the Board's packets. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to defer this agenda item until the next Board meeting. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3b. Vouchers: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 5-0. Supervisor Berg expressed his concern that funding for extrication training was coming from the Town, as opposed to the Association.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said there was quite a bit of junk at the east end of Commercial Avenue. Supervisor Young asked that something be put in place so that the meeting agendas are always e-mailed on Fridays. Supervisor Young asked that an update on Siggelkow Road be on the next Board agenda. Supervisor Berg said he would like to have the Board consider an agenda item regarding the posting of the agenda on the Town's website, and also an agenda item to consider providing the general public with the memo that goes with Board packets.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:58pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – June 9, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor McLaughlin were present. Supervisor Young arrived at 6:42pm. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, Dane County Board Supervisor John Hendrick, Blooming Grove Plan Commissioner Ken Norton, and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf stated that it had been. The order of items on the agenda was changed as follows:

2g. Dane County Ordinance Amendment No. 1, 2009-10: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Dane County Ordinance Amendment No. 1, 2009-10, which would allow for one ground sign between 36 and 96 square feet, depending on the speed limit of the adjacent road, on conditional uses in R-1 to R-4 residential districts. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 (Supervisor Young was not present for this vote).

2a. Siggelkow Road Construction Flaw: Chair Johnson reported that he and Allan Coville (Public Works Director, Village of McFarland) have been communicating on this issue. An e-mail from Frank Brothers, the contractor who did the paving, was presented to the Board. It indicated that Frank Brothers doesn't think they did anything wrong. The Town of Blooming Grove and Village of McFarland are disputing that assertion. We are currently awaiting a response from the City to an e-mail sent by Allan Coville. (Supervisor Young arrived during this discussion).

2b. Town Ordinance 3.03 to Regulate Outdoor Solid Fuel Heating Devices: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to defer this item. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2c. 2009-2010 Operators Licenses: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Operators Licenses for Richard J. Kratochvil and Lynn M. Kosinski. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2d. 2009-2010 Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place: The application and fee have not yet been received. No action taken.

2e. 2009-2010 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place: The application and fee have not yet been received. No action taken.

2f. 2009-2010 Restaurant Permit for Four Star Restaurant: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Restaurant Permit for Four Star Restaurant located at 4008 Milwaukee Street. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2h. Waive Park Rental Fee for Gallagher Grove Civic Club: Chair Johnson made a motion to waive the park rental fee for the Gallagher Grove Civic Club's garage sale at

Thurber Park on July 24-25, 2009. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2i. How and When to Distribute Town Board Meeting Agendas: Supervisor Berg indicated that this was not the issue that he wanted on the agenda. Instead he asked that the issue of whether or not to distribute meeting agenda Board memos to the public prior to Board meetings be placed on a future agenda.

2j. Application for Federal Grant for New Blooming Grove Fire Station: Chief Linzmeier recommended the Town apply for this grant, as it would provide adequate facilities at very little cost to the Town. Mike Wolf recommended against applying, as he didn't believe we should apply for a grant for a new fire station when the one the Town already has would suffice for the last 18 years of the Town's existence.

Supervisor Young made a motion for the Town to apply for the grant, and to have the Town contribute \$50,000 towards the grant. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Berg and Chair Johnson abstained.

3a. Minutes of May 12, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2009 Board meeting as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3b. Minutes of May 26, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2009 Board meeting – with an amendment to alter the verbiage in item 2g to clarify Supervisor Young's position on the EMS decision. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers suggested the Thurber Park picnic tables be painted, so as to cover up the obscene writing on them.

Chief Linzmeier reported that this upcoming Saturday's extrication competition had been cancelled. There weren't enough teams to hold the event.

Chair Johnson said that he, Rick Konkell and Mike Wolf met with Dane County Public Works officials late last week. The County is planning on building a salt shed on County Highway AB, between Femrite and the beltline. This could be done as early as this winter, and would greatly benefit our Public Works staff's ability to get salt.

Supervisor McLaughlin expressed concern about the Town's nuisance ordinance, and whether or not it has enough teeth in it to motivate people to properly care for their property.

Rick Konkell reported that last night he received a phone call at 7:30pm at home from a woman who said there was a deep hole in Sprecher Road. Rick came in to check it out, and found a 8"x10" hole in the road that was 2 ½ feet deep, and 2 ½ feet around. He filled in the hole. Mike Wolf said that he had contacted ATC to have this road repaired as soon as possible (given that ATC did work there 3 years ago, and had said they

would come back to fix the road this spring but hadn't yet done so). Mike also thanked Rick for coming in last night to check this out; Rick's actions may have prevented a serious accident.

2k. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to section 19.85(1)(g) of Wisconsin Statutes in order to confer with the Town Attorney who is rendering oral and/or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation the Town may initiate related to Magnuson Hotel (formerly known as Wingate by Wyndham) delinquent room taxes; and pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of deliberating the Town's negotiating position regarding contracts or potential contracts for EMS services.

After discussion was over, Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2l. Potential Decision regarding Magnuson Hotel Delinquent Room Taxes: No action taken.

2m. Potential Decision regarding EMS Services: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to have Chief Linzmeier and Mike Wolf explore the best possible EMS alternatives for 2010. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Chair Johnson made a motion to have Chief Linzmeier and Mike Wolf explore all possibilities for EMS services in 2011 and beyond, including but not limited to partnering with the Town of Madison. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:46pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – June 23, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young were present. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Randy Wirtz and Jeff Brochtrup and Mike Simon from the Madison Metropolitan Sewer District, and Town residents Deborah Sellers and Barb Hockett.

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

2a. Madison Metropolitan Sewer District 50-Year Plan: Mike Simon, with assistance from Randy Wirtz and Jeff Brochtrup, presented the Madison Metropolitan Sewer District's 50-year Plan as it is currently drafted. They pointed out that this is a plan that will need revising and tweaking over the course of the upcoming five decades, but that it is valuable in terms of looking at strategic decisions as it pertains to the treatment and/or use of wastewater in the area.

2b. Road Patching in April Hill: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the patching of Beegs Road and of Brugger Road from Beegs to Bittner. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0. Barb Hockett asked when the work might be done, and Mike Wolf said there was no way to know for sure – but that Payne & Dolan would be contacted in the morning and it would likely be completed within the next month.

2c. Siggelkow Road Construction Flaws: Mike Wolf stated that both Allan Coville and Don Peterson of McFarland called in support of the letter that Chair Johnson had sent to Larry Nelson at the City. They said that McFarland would be following up with their own letter, which would be supportive of Blooming Grove's position.

2d. Town Ordinance 3.03 to Regulate Outdoor Solid Fuel Heating Devices: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve Town Ordinance 3.03 as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2e. Distributing Board Meeting Memos to the Public: Supervisor Berg suggested that items listed on Board agendas aren't always detailed enough for the public to fully understand what the issue is. So if the Board meeting memo was disseminated to the public (or at least to those that get the agenda e-mailed to them), it would provide them with more specific information about the topics listed on the agenda.

Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to not have the Board meeting memos disseminated to the public prior to the Board meeting. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-1 (Supervisor Berg voted against).

2f. Rescind 2009-2010 Reserved Class B Liquor License for Blue Plate Catering: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to rescind the 2009-2010 Reserved Class B Liquor License for Blue Plate Catering, doing business at Harley Davidson. Chair Johnson seconded the motion.

Supervisor Berg didn't agree with the thought process behind this maneuver, and believed it was best to not rescind the reserved license already granted by the Board.

The vote was taken, and the motion passed 4-1 (Supervisor Berg voted against).

2g. Approval of 2009-2010 Regular Class B Liquor License for Blue Plate Catering: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Regular Class B Liquor License for Blue Plate Catering doing business at Harley Davidson. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2h. 2009-2010 Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2i. 2009-2010 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2j. 2009-2010 Class B Beer and Class C Wine License for Magnuson Hotel: Mike Wolf reported that Magnuson Hotel paid their personal property taxes in full. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Class B Beer and Class C Wine License for Magnuson Hotel. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2k. 2009-2010 Restaurant Permit for Magnuson Hotel: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Restaurant Permit for Magnuson Hotel. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2l. 2009-2010 Operators Licenses for Nicholas J. Robinson, Randy Retzlaff, and Vicki Lynn Bailey: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Operators Licenses for Nicholas J. Robinson, Randy Retzlaff, and Vicki Lynn Bailey. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. Minutes of June 9, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor Berg recommended minor verbiage changes to item 2i in the minutes. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2009 Board meeting as amended by Supervisor Berg. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers suggested the Town consider having the Town Hall used as a cooling station on very hot days. She also recommended the Town consider where a rain garden might go, when the decision is made about where to put playground equipment in Thurber Park

2m. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to section 19.85(1)(g) of Wisconsin Statutes in order to confer with the Town Attorney who is rendering oral and/or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation the Town may initiate related to Magnuson Hotel

(formerly known as Wingate by Wyndham) delinquent room taxes. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken on this motion: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor McLaughlin – aye; Supervisor Young – aye.

After discussion was over, Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2I. Potential Decision regarding Magnuson Hotel Delinquent Room Taxes: No action taken.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – July 14, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor Young were present. Supervisor McLaughlin was absent. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Attorney Jon Evenson, Kenneth Jick and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf stated that it had been. The agenda was rearranged as hereby presented:

2b. Operators License for Kenneth Jick: The Board was presented with the information gleaned from the background check performed on Kenneth Jick, along with a copy of his application. Mr. Jick was in attendance and explained what occurred. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Operators License for Kenneth Jick. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2a. Christmas Tree Sales: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the transient merchant's license as presented which allows for Linda & Bill Hallman to sell Christmas Trees at 1880 S. Stoughton Road between Thanksgiving and Christmas of 2009, contingent upon payment of the \$1200.00 fee. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2c. Blooming Grove Second Quarter Treasurer's Reports: Mike Wolf provided the Board with an overview of the Town's financial condition half-way through the year. The Treasurer's Report shows that the Town has a net surplus of about \$6800 compared to what would be expected through June 30.

3a. Minutes of June 23, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2009 Board meeting as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said that someone had cut down a tree and the brush was piled up by her property. She also reported that there was material piled up on Powers "after Thurber" – but wasn't sure if it was from Blooming Grove or the Waunona Sanitary District. Lastly, Deborah asked who would be re-seeding the grass along Furey Avenue where the road work had been done.

2d. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to section 19.85(1)(g) of Wisconsin Statutes in order to confer with the Town Attorney who is rendering oral and/or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation the Town may initiate related to Magnuson Hotel (formerly known as Wingate by Wyndham) delinquent room taxes. Supervisor Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken on this motion: Supervisor Berg – aye;

Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0.

2e. Board Decision on Delinquent Room Taxes from Magnuson Grand Hotel: No action taken.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:02pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – July 28, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. In attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor McLaughlin. Supervisor Young arrived at 6:33pm. 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 stated that it had been. The agenda was rearranged as hereby presented:

2a. Class B Beer and Class Wine License for Four Star Family Restaurant: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve a Class B Beer and Class C Wine License for 2009-2010 to Four Star Family Restaurant located at 4008 Milwaukee Street. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Young was absent for this vote.

2b. Amendment of 2009 Budget for Legal Expenses: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to amend the 2009 Town budget and approve spending on legal expenses up to \$15,000. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Young was absent for this vote.

2c. Consideration of Changes to Town Nuisance Ordinance: Mike Wolf asked the Board if they wished to have the office staff proceed with looking at other options for these ordinances. Supervisor McLaughlin expressed support for finding ways to achieve better compliance, and in a more timely fashion. The Board agreed that further investigation is warranted.

2d. Magnuson Grand Delinquent Room Taxes: Chair Johnson made a motion to grant Stafford Rosenbaum the authority to garnish Raningrid LLC's and/or Mr. Retzlaff's checking accounts if the Town does not receive \$10,000.00 from Mr. Retzlaff by August 1, 2009. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2e. Town Resolution 2009-11 Authorizing the Town Treasurer to Submit Electronic Payments to the State for Health Insurance and Retirement Costs: Mike Wolf explained that the State is mandating that these payments and reporting data be done via the web. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2009-11 as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. Minutes of July 14, 2009 Town Board meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2009 Board meeting as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Supervisor McLaughlin abstained.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said that parts of Gannon Avenue and Commercial Avenue will be blocked due to construction, so Green Valley's trash collection will be jeopardized. Deborah stated there was a large pile of brush in front of 512 Gannon Avenue. Deborah further reported that there were shoulder-high weeds in the backyard between 611 Powers Avenue and 3313 Commercial Avenue.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Chair Johnson. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 6:47pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-11

To Authorize the Town Treasurer to Submit Electronic Payments to the State of Wisconsin for Health Insurance and Retirement System Costs

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin is mandating that submission of health insurance and retirement system information be done electronically no later than September 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin is further mandating that the submission of payments for health insurance premiums and retirement system costs be submitted electronically no later than September 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Blooming Grove Town Board wishes to continue to have proper oversight of any and all payments made by the Town Treasurer;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that effective immediately the Blooming Grove Town Board does hereby authorize the Town Treasurer to submit information and payments for health insurance and retirement system costs electronically to the State of Wisconsin in accordance with applicable state statutes, state regulations, and Town policies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Blooming Grove Town Board require the Town Treasurer to list these payments on the "Vouchers for Approval" listing at the next Town Board meeting.

Adopted this 28th day of July, 2009 by the Blooming Grove Town Board at a regularly-scheduled Board Meeting by a vote of 5 (ayes) to 0 (nays).

Attested by:



Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

7/28/09

Date

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – August 11, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. In attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, and Supervisor McLaughlin. Supervisor Young and Supervisor Linzmeier were absent. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf and Deborah Sellers.

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

2a. Soccer Goals in April Hill Park: Supervisor Young provided the Board with a written report that stated the McFarland Soccer Association may have an extra set of soccer goals to give to the Town to place in April Hill Park. They have not yet made the decision, but if they do the Town would need to decide if they would accept them.

Supervisor McLaughlin said that he was not opposed to this idea, but had several concerns, dealing with the nets, winter storage, liability, setting precedent, lining the field, turf deterioration, neighborhood acceptance, proximity to an existing soccer facility, increased trash, parking, and how to anchor them.

Chair Johnson made a motion to grant the Office Staff the authority to accept the soccer goals as a gift from the McFarland Soccer Association, contingent upon the approval of the Town of Blooming Grove's Parks Commission. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Mike Wolf and Rick Konkel will work with the Parks Commission to address the aforementioned concerns.

2b. Dane County Ordinance Amendment No. 1, 2009-2010: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve Dane County Ordinance Amendment No. 1, 2009-2010 as presented, which allows for a ground sign -- with conditions -- for conditional uses in residential districts. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

2c. Report on Master Plan for Capital Springs Recreational Area and Centennial State Park: Supervisor Berg said three things stood out to him: 1- that this was part of a larger 'greenspace' plan that had been talked about over the years that would surround the City of Madison and/or the greater community; 2- that there wouldn't end up being a great deal of development in Centennial Park (less than he had anticipated); 3- that the plan would incorporate a bike path all the way to Fish Hatchery Road.

Supervisor McLaughlin said that this was a strategic plan that will take 10-15 years to complete, that it encompassed a very large area -- from the Northeast corner of Mud Lake all the way to Fish Hatchery Road, and that it included an area for handicapped hunters.

2d. Consideration of Amending Town Ordinance 7.04 regarding Town Economic Development Grant: Chair Johnson made a motion to allow the Town Office staff to

proceed with this process. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Berg suggested that one possible idea would be to allow the grant to be disbursed over a number of years, contingent upon positive behaviors (such as paying local taxes promptly and/or not creating any kind of nuisance).

2e. Appointment of Board Member to Personnel Committee: Mike Wolf said that he had talked with Supervisor Young about his interest in the open position on the Town's Personnel Committee, and that Supervisor Young said he was interested. Supervisors Berg and McLaughlin also expressed interest. Supervisor Berg suggested that, while it may make sense to continue to have Chair Johnson on the committee, Supervisor Linzmeier's participation is more problematic given that she is married to Chief Linzmeier.

Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this item to another meeting, when the full Board can consider membership on this Committee. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

3a. Minutes of July 28, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2009 Board meeting as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said that the weeds (burdocks) on land adjacent to her property are invading the flowers on her property.

Chair Johnson said that he and Mike Wolf met with a representative from the Capitol Area Regional Plan Commission today, and that it was a constructive meeting.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Chair Johnson. The motion passed 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:07pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – August 25, 2009**

Supervisor McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. In attendance were Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin, and Supervisor Young. Chair Johnson and Supervisor Berg were absent. Also in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, and Deborah Sellers.

Supervisor Young made a motion to have Supervisor Linzmeier chair the meeting in Dwight Johnson's absence. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Supervisor Linzmeier asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf stated that it had been.

2a. 2009-2010 Operators License for Adam Robert Golding: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Operators License for Adam Robert Golding. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

2b. Personnel Committee Membership: Supervisor Young made a motion to appoint all five members of the Town Board to the Town Personnel Committee. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.

3a. Minutes of August 11, 2009 Town Board meeting: Deferred, as only one Board Supervisor at the August 11 meeting was in attendance at this meeting.

3b. Vouchers: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 3-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said that the weeds are hip-high between her property and the 611 Powers Avenue property.

Supervisor Young thanked Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf for moving the start time of this meeting back an hour to accommodate his work schedule.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:39pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Meeting Minutes – September 8, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. In attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor McLaughlin. Note that Supervisor Young got to the meeting at 7:35pm, or about 10 minutes into item 2c. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, Blooming Grove-Burke-Maple Bluff EMS Director Josh Ripp, Blooming Grove-Burke-Maple Bluff EMS Board member Christine Legler, Town of Burke Clerk/Treasurer Brenda Ayers, and town residents John Jaworski and Deborah Sellers.

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

2a. Dane County Ordinance Amendment 16, 2009-2010: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve Dane County Ordinance Amendment 16, 2009-2010 as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2b. Ditch at 3351 Swinburne Drive: Ed Stube stated that the ditchwork didn't need to be done in the first place, that the ditches are now too deep, the slopes too steep, and the shoulders are now inadequate. He went on to say that the Mead & Hunt engineering report suggested remediation, so the town should do something.

Mike Wolf stated that three other residents called the office today to express similar concerns: Dennis Stuart at 3334 Swinburne, Betty Zelenka at 3329 Swinburne, and Brian Maund at 3333 Swinburne.

Supervisor Berg concurred that the town did not do a satisfactory job, and that any remediation done would not set a precedent.

Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to defer this topic in order to better define the problem and potential solutions. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Young was not yet in attendance; Chair Johnson abstained.

2c. Decision for EMS in 2010: The Board reviewed three options that were presented to them. Option A was the status quo, at a cost of about \$47,000. Josh Ripp provided a presentation on behalf of the Blooming Grove-Burke-Maple Bluff EMS District. Option B involved using Ryan Brothers instead of the Blooming Grove-Burke-Maple Bluff EMS District in the northern portion of the town, at a total cost of \$39,000. Option C was to have the Town of Madison provide service out of the Blooming Grove station for the entire town at a cost of \$10,000.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the Inter-Governmental Service Agreement with the Town of Madison for EMS services in 2010 as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2d. Public Hearing on Amendment to Town Ordinance 7.04: Chair Johnson opened the public hearing on the proposed amendment. Discussion ensued about changing the existing amendment such that the amount of the economic development

grant would vary by the size of the business requesting the reserved liquor license. In addition, there was a discussion about having the economic development grant distributed over a two year period instead of right away. Mike Wolf made note of the suggestions, will re-write the draft, and bring this back to the Board for further consideration at a later date.

2e. Board Action on Amendment to Town Ordinance 7.04: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to defer this item until the next Board meeting. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2f. Purchase of a Fire Suppression Vehicle by the Blooming Grove Fire Association: Chief Linzmeier asked the Board to pay for insurance, fuel and maintenance on a new brush truck if and when the Blooming Grove Fire Association should decide to purchase one and donate it to the town. Supervisor Young made a motion to accept this donation and the future operational costs as stated, per the Chief's recommendation. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

3a. Minutes of August 11, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2009 Board meeting as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Young and Supervisor Linzmeier abstained.

3b. Minutes of August 25, 2009 Town Board meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2009 Board meeting as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0. Chair Johnson and Supervisor Berg abstained.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said that the weeds are hip-high between her property and the 611 Powers Avenue property. She also noted that there is a very large pile of discarded vines that have been placed in the road in front of her property.

Chief Linzmeier reported that the Blooming Grove Fire Association has purchased a new park bench for Thurber Park.

Chief Linzmeier said that the Blooming Grove Fire Association annual fundraiser is a raffle – and that tickets are now available.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

**Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Budget Meeting Minutes – October 8, 2009**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Supervisor McLaughlin was absent. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, and Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier.

2a. Review/Revise 2010 Budget Draft: The draft of the 2010 Budget was reviewed and revised. No formal action was taken.

3. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Berg, and passed 4-0 at 8:55pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – October 13, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin, and Supervisor Berg. Supervisor Young was excused. Also in attendance were Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella Harold Bohne, John Johnson, 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. The agenda was reviewed and no changes were made.

2a. Request from Waunona Sanitary District for funding for improved parking and access in Thurber Park: A copy of a proposed improvement to the WSD parking lot and an optional path along the building leading to the shelter was previously distributed to the board. Harold Bohne and John Johnson were available to answer any questions that arose, and after some discussion, Supervisor Berg made a motion to split the cost of the entire project with WSD with the town's share not to exceed \$5000. Chair Johnson seconded it and it passed 4-0.

2b. Time/Day of future board meetings: there was considerable discussion about the current time of board meetings. Chair Johnson spoke on behalf of Supervisor Young to explain why he can't make meetings on a regular basis. With his job, he usually doesn't get home until 7pm and couldn't get here till about 7:15pm or even later. Supervisor McLaughlin reiterated that this was not about accommodating Dave, but more about the residents; and his in opinion, the residents are better served by a 6:30pm start time. Supervisor Berg concurred with Supervisor McLaughlin. Chair Johnson felt that the meeting times should be moved later so that all board members were present to conduct business. After a few more minutes of discussion, Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to keep the board meeting start time at 6:30. It was seconded by Supervisor Berg and passed 3-1.

3a. Minutes of September 8, 2009 town board meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Supervisor Linzmeier seconded it. The motion passed 3-0-1.

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

4. Public Comment: Harold Bohne commented that as long as he could remember, town board meetings started at 6:30pm, and that he has lived in the town for over 25 years.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27pm. It was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin, and passed 4-0.

Chris Astrella
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove
Town Board Budget Meeting Minutes – October 22, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, and Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier.

2a. Review/Revise 2010 Budget Draft: The draft of the 2010 Budget was reviewed and revised.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to not hire a second full-time Public Works employee in 2010. The motion was not seconded.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve hiring a second full-time Public Works employee in 2010. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 4-1 (Supervisor Berg voting against).

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the equivalent of a 1.5% pay raise for all employees, to be allocated at the discretion of the Town Administrator. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 3-1 (Supervisor Berg voting against; Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining).

3. Adjournment: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young, and passed 5-0 at 7:31pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Mike Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – October 27, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Berg. Supervisor Young was excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkell, 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 stated it had been. The agenda was reviewed and no changes were made.

2a. Public Hearing on Nuisance Ordinances: Chair Johnson opened the Public Hearing on changes to Town Ordinances 00-04, 6.01, and 8.01 at 6:32pm.

Deborah Sellers stated that if this would help get rid of the weeds in her neighbor's yard, she would support the changes. Supervisor McLaughlin stated that the intent was to shorten the timeframes people have to remediate the nuisance, and to increase compliance. Chair Johnson suggested that Ordinance 6.01, page 6, paragraph 7 should specifically state that the Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator have authority to inspect properties. Chief Linzmeier asked if the ordinances would preclude prairie grasses and lawns.

Chair Johnson closed the Public Hearing at 6:58pm.

2b. Board Action on Nuisance Ordinances: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to postpone action on these ordinances. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Chair Johnson asked that the Board be provided with updated versions of the proposed ordinances the next time they are on the agenda.

2c. Ditches on Swinburne Drive: Ed Stube stated that the ditchwork didn't need to be done in the first place because there was no drainage problem, that subsequent to the work being done the shoulders are too narrow and the slope into his ditch too steep. Chair Johnson expressed concern about any remediation work that could be done would be precedent-setting. Supervisor Berg said that what the Town did made things worse, so remediation should be done.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to defer this issue, pending an on-site meeting of as many Board members as possible, Mike Wolf, Rick Konkell, and a resident from the Stube household. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 1-0 (Supervisor Berg voted in favor; Chair Johnson, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Linzmeier abstained).

2d. Landscaping along Highway 30: Chair Johnson stated that this area was not within the jurisdiction of the Town.

2e. Dane County Zoning Amendment No. 21, 2009-2010 regarding Zoning Changes for Farm Residences: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve Dane County Zoning Amendment No. 21, 2009-2010 as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3a. Minutes of October 8, 2009 Town Board Budget Meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2009 Town Board Budget Meeting as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3b. Minutes of October 13, 2009 Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2009 Town Board Meeting. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion. Various typographical errors were pointed out, and corrections offered as amendments. Supervisor Berg accepted those amendments to his motion, and Supervisor McLaughlin also accepted the amendments. Motion passed 4-0.

3c. Minutes of October 22, 2009 Town Board Budget Meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2009 Town Board Budget Meeting as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said there is a "one-way" sign that faces the off-ramp from Highway 30 – but is angled such that people driving on Commercial Avenue heading east could easily think the sign applies to them. She asked that this be looked into.

Ed Stube asked that as many Board members as possible be at the Swinburne ditch meeting.

Chief Linzmeier said that a resident wishes to put up metal bars outside some of his/her windows, and currently there is no law or ordinance to prevent this. This is a fire safety concern, and an ordinance may be forthcoming for Board consideration to prohibit this from being done.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 4-0 at 7:38pm.

Michael J. Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – November 10, 2009 (3:00pm)

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 3:00pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin, and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkell, Ed Stube, Jean Stube, and Dennis Stuart.

2a. Ditches on Swinburne Driver: Ed & Jean Stube stated that the ditch work didn't need to have been done, that there were no stormwater runoff problems prior to the work being done, and that the end result of the Town's work were inadequate shoulders and ditches that are too steep. They would like to see the ditches filled in to the way it was prior to the work being done.

Dennis Stuart, another resident on the street, mentioned that he sold his riding lawn mower because his ditch was steep – which made the riding mower a danger.

Supervisor Berg observed that there are other ditches in the neighborhood and in the Town that are worse than the Stube's. That said, he felt that the Stubes were disadvantaged by the Town's actions and that some remediation should be considered.

Other Board members expressed concern about the shoulders, the ditches, parking along the street, how any remediation may or may not set a precedent, and how this ditch compared to others.

No Board action was taken.

3. Adjournment: Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 5-0 at 3:50pm.

Michael J. Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – November 9, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Berg. Supervisor Young was excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, and town residents Joseph Rane, George Psaris Jr., Susan Psaris, Jean Karls, Liz Johnson, Tom Karls, Mary Karls, Kathy Newhouse, Lois Kvammen, Norm Kvammen, and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf stated it had been. The agenda was reviewed and no changes were made.

2a. Public Hearing on 2010 Budget: Chair Johnson opened the Public Hearing on the 2010 Town budget at 6:32pm. Various questions and answers took place with regard to the draft budget.

2b. Close Public Hearing: Chair Johnson closed the Public Hearing at 6:56pm.

3. Recess Town Board Meeting: Chair Johnson recessed the Town Board meeting at 6:55pm, in order to facilitate the Town Elector Meeting.

TOWN ELECTOR BUDGET MEETING

1a. Call to Order: Dwight Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:55pm.

1b. Posting: Dwight Johnson asked if the meeting agenda had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf said that it had been.

2a. Adoption of 2009 Town Levy: Joe Rane made a motion to approve the 2009 Town Levy of \$704,260.00. The motion was seconded by Mary Karls. The vote was taken with 14 voting in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstained.

3. Adjourn: Mark McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn the Town Elector Budget meeting. It was seconded by Kathie Linzmeier, and passed unanimously at 6:58pm.

4. Reconvene Town Board Meeting: Chair Johnson reconvened the Town Board meeting at 6:58pm.

5. Approval of 2010 Town Budget: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2010 Town Budget as presented. It was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 4-0.

6. Adjourn: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 4-0 at 6:59pm.

Michael J. Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – November 10, 2009 (6:30pm)

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Jefferson Fire & Safety Sales Representative Doug Quam, 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 stated it had been. The agenda was reviewed and no changes were made.

2a. Ditches on Swinburne: Supervisor Berg thanked the other Board members for attending the 3:00pm on-site meeting on this same afternoon, given that the vote at the last Board meeting indicated that the majority of Board members may have been luke-warm to the idea of that meeting. He went on to suggest that the shoulders are worse than the condition of the ditch, but that adding to the shoulder would likely make the slope of the ditches worse. In the end he asked that the Board consider a couple of ideas. One would be to do a demonstration project just in front of the Stube residence – which might improve that ditch and/or shoulder while not setting a precedent for the Town. The second idea would be to establish a committee to further investigate possible options.

There were various discussions pertaining to the possible use of a french drain, or reasonable facsimile thereof, which could allow the ditches to be partially filled in.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to further study the Swinburne ditch/shoulder issue, and to pursue this with a committee consisting of himself, Supervisor McLaughlin, Mike Wolf and a Public Works person, and for said committee to come back at a later date with a recommendation to the Board. There was no second; motion died.

Chair Johnson made a motion to not do any work to the Swinburne ditches, and if any work was done along Swinburne that it be done to the shoulders. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young. The vote was 2 in favor (Johnson, Young) and 3 opposed (Berg, Linzmeier, McLaughlin). Motion failed.

Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to reinforce the shoulder where he saw road fatigue, in order to minimize future damage to the road. Chair Johnson seconded the motion. After some discussion about the verbiage and/or intent of the motion, Supervisor McLaughlin and Chair Johnson subsequently withdrew the motion.

Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to do no work on the ditches on Swinburne Drive. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-1 (with Supervisor Berg voting against).

2e. Purchase of New Tender: Doug Quam explained that new emission standards, which take affect January 1, 2010, will increase both the purchase price and operational expenses of new tenders made after that date. Given that the Town's tender is already 20 years old, he, the Fire Chief, and Mike Wolf are recommending the Town purchase a new tender now. While ordered now, this vehicle would be delivered and paid for in the 3rd quarter of 2010. Chief Linzmeier pointed out that the payments for this vehicle would come out of the Fire Department's Outlay account. Supervisor Berg suggested that the Town is spending a great deal of money on new positions and new equipment, and that this may not be a financially prudent course of action.

Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the purchase of a new tender for no more than \$150,000. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-1 (with Supervisor Berg voting against).

2b. Changes to Town Ordinance 00-04: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the amendments to Town Ordinance 00-04 as amended. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2c. Changes to Town Ordinance 6.01: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the amendments to Town Ordinance 6.01 as amended. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2d. Changes to Town Ordinance 8.01: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the amendments to Town Ordinance 8.01 as amended. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. Minutes of October 27, 2009 Town Board Meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2009 Town Board Meeting as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 (Supervisor Young abstained).

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said that she hoped there was money in the budget for new stop sign poles in Gallagher Plat.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 7:53pm.

Michael J. Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – November 24, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf stated it had been. The agenda was reviewed and no changes were made.

2a. Amend 2009 Budget for Additional Fire Department Expenses: Mike Wolf explained the need for additional funds as a result of a large unexpected repair bill on the Squad. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve an additional \$5000.00 for the 2009 Fire Department operational budget. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a(i). Minutes of November 9, 2009 Town Board Meeting: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2009 Town Board Meeting as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 (Supervisor Young abstained).

3a(ii). Minutes of November 9, 2009 Town Elector Budget Meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2009 Town Elector Budget Meeting as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0 (Supervisor Young abstained).

3b. Minutes of November 10, 2009 3:00pm Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2009 3:00pm Town Board Meeting as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3c. Minutes of November 10, 2009 6:30pm Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2009 6:30pm Town Board Meeting as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3d. Vouchers: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked that the Town consider making the temporary stop sign at the corner of Furey Avenue and Gannon Avenue permanent. She also stated that her neighbors at 611 Powers Avenue had raked their leaves up against her property, and was hopeful the Town would do something about this situation.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 5-0 at 6:35pm.

Michael J. Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – December 15, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, City of Madison Engineer Christy Bachmann, and Deborah Sellers.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf stated it had been. The agenda was reviewed and the Closed Session regarding unpaid room taxes was postponed.

2c. Magnuson Hotel Unpaid Room Taxes: Mike Wolf reported that the hotel has not paid the last two months' worth of room taxes, in addition to the debt still unpaid from 2008. This issue will be on the agenda in January for further consideration.

2d. Joint Road Project on N. Fair Oaks Avenue: Christy Bachmann of the City of Madison explained the intent of the project, which is basically a reconstruct of N. Fair Oaks Avenue from Milwaukee Street north to the railroad tracks. The City is looking for financial support from the Town, as a portion of this project is in the Town's jurisdiction. Christy said that this project could occur in either 2010 or 2011, and that the City had yet to talk with the Waunona Sanitary District about their involvement. It was agreed upon that the City would talk with the Waunona Sanitary District, and then this issue would come back to the Town Board sometime in January.

2e. Interoperable Radios: Chief Linzmeier said that there are two major issues here.

One is that the system being put into place should be one that meets all the objectives originally identified several years ago. The County's current proposal, with a price tag of about \$29 million, would not meet all of those objectives. The leadership of emergency services have communicated to the county that they would not support this plan, and that they would support a plan costing about \$34 million – that would meet all of the objectives.

The other major issue is long-term operational funding. The County wants the municipalities to pay this (for Blooming Grove, an annual cost of about \$4700 – at least initially). Chief Linzmeier and some others believe the County should pay for these costs.

A meeting on this issue will take place tomorrow (Wednesday, December 16), and Mike Wolf and Chief Linzmeier will attend. Other Blooming Grove Board members may also be going.

No action was taken.

2f. Dane County's Regional Transportation Authority: Mike Wolf distributed information about appointments to the RTA Board.

2g. Approval of Election Workers: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the following individuals to be election workers for the Town of Blooming Grove in 2010 and 2011: Romey Carta, Lois Corcoran, Bonnie Gudmandsen, Terry Gudmandsen, Elaine Gundlach, Ruth Hermsdorf, Mary Karls, Tom Karls, Sarah Leonhardt, Scott McKay and Gail Phippen. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2h. Operators License for Rodney Sherwood: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Operators License for Rodney Sherwood. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. Minutes of November 24, 2009 6:30pm Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 24, 2009 Town Board Meeting as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3d. Vouchers: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0, with Chair Johnson abstaining.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said that fire hydrants were buried at the corner of Powers and Furey, and at the corner of Thurber and N. Fair Oaks, and asked the Town to shovel them out. She also asked that Public Works dig out the temporary stop sign at the corner of Furey and Gannon.

Supervisor Young thanked Rick Konkel and the Public Works staff as a whole for the excellent job they did plowing the big snow storm last week. He said that, as a Fedex driver, he sees roads all over the area – and that Blooming Grove roads were in the best condition of all. Supervisor McLaughlin and Chair Johnson also acknowledged the good work done on the roads.

Chief Linzmeier thanked the Fire Department volunteers for stepping up to the plate during last week's storm. He said the Department had 8 to 10 volunteers at the station during that storm. Chief Linzmeier also reported the number of applications for volunteer fire and EMS personnel has been far more than anticipated.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 7:45pm.

Minutes written by Michael J. Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – December 31, 2009

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 12:32pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Linzmeier was absent. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella.

2a. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 4-0.

2b. Property Tax Refunds: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the property tax refunds as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0.

3. Adjournment: Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 4-0 at 12:34pm.

Minutes written by Michael J. Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

