

TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, January 11, 2011

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME: Dean Larson

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - January 11, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier (at 6:33pm), Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Parks Commission Chair (and Building Committee member) Dean Larson, 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.

- 2a. Official Designation of Ambulance as Authorized Emergency Vehicle: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to designate the Blooming Grove ambulance as an authorized emergency vehicle. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 (Supervisor Linzmeier not in attendance).
- 2b. Membership in Rock River TMDL Group: No action taken.
- **2c.** Update on Biooming Grove-Burke-Maple Bluff Dissolution Plan: Mike Wolf reported that the previous draft agreement was not accepted by the Maple Bluff Village Board. The three municipal administrators are working on a new version that is more likely to be approved by all three boards. This will likely be on the next Blooming Grove Town Board agenda.
- 2d. Walk-through of Fire Station: Supervisor McLaughlin explained that when the agenda for this meeting was done, it wasn't known whether or not the new fire station would be completed; it is not. Therefore there is no compelling reason for the Board to perform a walk-through of the building. None occurred.
- 2e. Closed Session, Pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(e), for the Purpose of Deliberating the Town's Negotiating Position re: Contracts: No action taken.
- 2f. Return to Open Session: No action taken.
- 2q. New Fire Station Decisions: No action taken.
- **3a. Minutes of December 14, 2010 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Linzmeier identified an omission in the draft (item 2g, which did not include a second or vote on a motion), and Supervisor Berg asked that the term "project" be changed to "fire station" in the agenda item (2f) that refers to being under budget by \$4000. Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2010 Board meeting as amended. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed 5-0.
- **3b. Minutes of December 30, 2010 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 30, 2010 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 5-0.
- **3c. Vouchers:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0.
- 3d. Town Board Member Reimbursements: No requests; no action taken.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked that the Town consider placing a sand barrel in Thurber Park; the sand could be used for traction for ice/snow on roads or sidewalks, and could also be used to replenish the park sandbox.

Supervisor McLaughlin acknowledged Chris Astrella's accomplishment in becoming a Certified Municipal Clerk in the State of Wisconsin.

Supervisor Berg said he would be absent for both Board meetings in February, as well as the first meeting in March.

Supervisor Young said he would be absent for the first Board meeting in February.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 5-0 at 6:55pm.

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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, January 25, 2011

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME: Dean Larson

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - January 25, 2011

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, Parks Commission Chair (and Building Committee member) Dean Larson, 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.

- 2a. Blooming Grove-Burke-Maple Bluff EMS District Dissolution Agreement: Mike Wolf said this agreement was already approved by the Village of Maple Bluff Board and the Town of Burke Board. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the dissolution agreement as presented (version dated January 11, 2011). The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson, and passed by a 5-0 vote.
- **2b.** Walk-Through of New Fire Station / Update on Fire Station: Chair Johnson made a motion to defer the walk-through of the new fire station. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. Supervisor McLaughlin reported that the Building Committee met for over three hours last Friday, and again today at 5:30pm. The Committee has not yet accepted the building from Wingra Construction, though that should take place within the next few days. There is a water pressure issue that is holding up occupancy sign-offs.
- **2c. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c), for the purpose of considering the appointment of the Clerk/Treasurer/ Administrator to a three year term commencing on April 12, 2011. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion. Mike Wolf took a roll call vote on the motion: Supervisor Berg, yes. Supervisor Linzmeier, yes. Chair Johnson, yes. Supervisor McLaughlin, yet. Supervisor Young, yes. Motion carried.
- **2d. Open Session:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it was approved by a vote of 5-0.
- **2e. Appointment of Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to appoint Mike Wolf to a three-year term as Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator beginning April 12, 2011. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- 2f. Decisions Pertaining to the New Fire Station: No action taken.
- **3a. Minutes of January 11, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 5-0.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 5-0.
- **3c. Property Tax Refunds:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the property tax refunds as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0.
- 3d. Town Board Member Reimbursements: No requests; no action taken.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked the town to consider having mini-Clean Sweep events during the year, that might focus on particular items.

Supervisor Berg said he will be out of town and therefore will not be in attendance at the Board meeting or Annual meeting on Tuesday, April 12.

Chief Linzmeier reported that the ambulance running out of Blooming Grove's facility has been on 37 EMS calls so far this year.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 6:48pm.

Template for Proposed Financial Reconciliation of Blooming Grove - Burke - Maple Bluff EMS District

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Estimated	Assets	of the	District	as of	12.31	10
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58% Pro-rated portion to Burke

26% Pro-rated portion to Maple Bluff

Cash on hand	\$156,000.00
FAP	\$19,970.00
Ambulance, equipment, etc.	\$106,000.00
Total Current Assets	\$281,970.00

Payment from District to Maple Bluff for Compensation for Labor and Dissolution of District Assets ir \$15,000.00

Estimated Net Worth of District	\$266,970.00
35% Contingency Fund	\$93,439.50
65% of Estimated Net Worth, Payable 1.31.11	\$173,530.50
Breakdown of Estimated Net Worth, Payable 1.31.	11
16% Pro-rated portion to Blooming Grove	\$27 764 88

\$100,647.69

Maple Bluff personnel will be responsible for collecting revenue, disseminating payments, liquidating equipment, etc. in 2011 on behalf of the District. Maple Bluff staff shall also manage any other assets or liabilities of the District, including unemployment insurance if applicable. All of these financial transactions shall impact the 35% contingency fund.

By 12.31.11 Maple Bluff personnel shall provide all three municipal boards with a final accounting of the District, and any net revenues (i.e., remainder of the contingency fund) shall be disbursed to the three muncipalities according to the percentages stated above.



TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Thursday, February 3, 2011

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - February 3, 2011

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, 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. Chair Johnson said item 2b will be moved to the end of the agenda.

- 2a. Dane County Petition #10265 (Approval of Rezone at 219 N. Fair Oaks Avenue): Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve Dane County Ordinance/Petition #10265 as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young, and passed by a 5-0 vote.
- **3a. Minutes of January 25, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Berg. The motion passed 5-0.
- 3c. Property Tax Refunds: None.
- 3d. Town Board Member Reimbursements: None.
- **4. Public Comment:** Supervisor McLaughlin publicly acknowledged the great job that the Public Works Department did with regard to clearing the town's roads during this week's blizzard.

Deborah Sellers asked the Town to consider passing an ordinance that would prohibit people from parking on the grass in Thurber Park.

Chief Linzmeier said that the volunteers in the Fire Department really stepped up during the blizzard, as between 7 and 10 people were here during the event to respond to emergency calls. He also reported that the EMS unit here responded to 46 calls in the month of January.

- **2b.** Walk-Through of New Fire Station / Update on Fire Station: The Town Board, and others in attendance, performed a walk-through of the new fire station. Chief Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Mike Wolf provided answers to questions that arose during the walk-through. No motions or decisions were made. Chief Linzmeier said the plan as of now is for the Fire Department to move into the new building some time in March. Supervisor Berg left at 6:55pm for another commitment.
- **5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0 at 7:15pm.



TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, February 22, 2011

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - February 22, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Berg was excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works staff Rick Konkel and Cory Buske, 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.** Town Road Projects: The Board suggested that Rick Konkel get estimates for placing a layer of blacktop on Carncross Avenue. No formal action was taken; this issue will be on a future agenda.
- **2b. Appointments to Town's Plan Commission:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the re-appointment of Ron Bristol and Ken Norton to three-year terms on the Town's Plan Commission, commencing May 1, 2011. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- 2c. Closed Session: No action taken.
- 2d. Open Session: No action taken.
- 2e. Decisions Pertaining to New Fire Station Contract: No action taken.
- **2f.** Changes to Employee Compensation: Discussion took place about the impact of the proposed State Budget Repair Bill. Chair Johnson said he thought it is premature to take any action, since the bill has not been passed into law. The other Board members agreed. No action taken.
- **2g.** Proposed State Budget Impact on Town: The governor has not yet released his proposed 2011-2103 biennial budget. There was no discussion, and no action taken.
- **3a. Minutes** of **February 3, 2011** Town **Board Meeting:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0.
- 3c. Town Board Member Reimbursements: None.
- 4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers suggested that if there is a future meeting pertaining to a rain garden in Thurber Park, that it should take place in the Waunona Sanitary District building.

Chris Astrella thanked the Board for discussing the impact of the state's budget repair bill on the town and on the employees.

Glenn Linzmeier reported that the ambulance running out of our facility has responded to almost 90 calls so far this year.

Supervisor McLaughlin thanked the Public Works staff for their excellent work clearing the roads of snow and ice this winter.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0 at 6:56pm.



TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, March 8, 2011

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME:	
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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - March 8, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Berg was excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Parks Commission Chair Dean Larson, 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. Presentation of 2009-2010 Stormwater Report/Permit: Anne Anderson of Mead & Hunt reviewed the report and answered questions. She also said the proposed state budget may eliminate the 40% Total Suspended Solids (TSS) requirement. She went on to say there are other stormwater mandates that would remain.
- **2b.** Approval of 2009-2010 Stormwater Report/Permit: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Stormwater Report/Permit as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2c.** Town Road Projects in 2011: Mike Wolf said that an estimate had been received for work on Carncross (from Rankin east to the Town/City limit) of \$13,600. Supervisor Young made a motion to proceed with receiving bids for this project. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- 2d. Closed Session: No action taken.
- 2e. Open Session: No action taken.
- 2f. Decisions Pertaining to New Fire Station Contract: No action taken.
- **2g.** Changes to Employee Compensation: The state senate has not yet taken action on the Budget Repair bill. No action taken.
- 2h. Proposed State Budget Impact on Town: Mike Wolf reported that of the \$130,000 of total state aid the town receives, it's estimated that the town will lose about \$28,000 in 2012. The proposed state budget also mandates that the Town Board not raise the local property tax levy at all from last year. The state budget doesn't change the fact that there is a method by which the town's residents, at a special meeting, could choose to raise the levy.
- 2i. Town Resolution 2012-02 Pertaining to the Authority of Local Government: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2012-02, which encourages the State government to respect the authority of local government. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. The Board directed Mike Wolf to share this resolution with the state legislature, governor, and other municipalities.
- **3a. Minutes of February 22, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed 4-0.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 4-0.

3c. Town Board Member Reimbursements: None.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers recommended that the public be notified when it is known what impact the state's budget will have on the Town.

Chris Astrella reported that he is working on developing the Town's new website. The new site will be easier to update and maintain, will allow for the Town's ordinances to be on-line, and should be operational within the next month. Chris thanked the Board for considering changes to employee compensation in the wake of the Budget Repair Bill. Lastly, Chris asked that anyone who wishes to provide articles to him for the next edition of the Town newsletter must do so within the next week.

Dane County Deputy Sheriff Mike Butler presented a list of calls over the past several months that originated from the Town. He also suggested some traffic-calming measures that can be utilized in the coming months.

Mike Wolf reported the Town's Open Book will be on Monday, June 6 from noon to 2:00pm, and the Town's Board of Review will be on Monday, June 27 from 5:30-7:30pm. Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Linzmeier were recertified for Board of Review last year, so nobody needs to go through recertification this spring.

Chief Linzmeier stated that the ambulance has responded to almost 100 calls so far this year, which is well ahead of projections. He also said the ambulance will go into service tomorrow, and the fire department plans on moving into the new fire station the weekend of March 18-20.

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

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Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-02

To Encourage State Legislators and the Governor to Respect the Authority of Local Government

WHEREAS, the most effective form of government is one that is accountable to its constituency, and municipal governments are the most responsive because they are closer to the people than any other level of government, and

WHEREAS, each municipality has different challenges, objectives, circumstances -- and different ideas for how best to deal with them, and

WHEREAS, the state's Budget Repair Bill (SB11) and the proposed state budget for 2011-13 dictate to municipal governments how they can and cannot reimburse their own employees and further dictate to municipal governments how much they can or cannot raise their local levy, and

WHEREAS, yet another state law dictates to municipal governments that they cannot reduce their costs for providing emergency services without risking the loss of more state shared revenue, and

WHEREAS, the intervention of the state into local affairs always includes strings attached, bureaucratic forms to fill out, and additional labor to deal with these intrusive laws;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board, Dane County, Wisconsin, does hereby encourage the government of the State of Wisconsin to cease and desist from passing legislation including SB11 – and to repeal existing legislation – that tells municipal governments how to do their business, including but not limited to dictating to them how much they can compensate their employees, and how much they can or cannot increase their municipal levies.

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - March 15, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor Young. Supervisor McLaughlin was excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella.

2a. Chris Astrella Assistance in the Town of Christiana: Chris Astrella explained that he was contacted by the Chair of the Town of Christiana last week to see if he could help them out while they looked for a permanent replacement for their clerk. Chris distributed an agreement between Blooming Grove and Christiana which, among other things, would allow Chris to be out of the Blooming Grove office up to 8 hours per week – with Christiana paying \$20/hour to Blooming Grove for Chris' time. Both Chris and Mike Wolf said the Town Office would be covered by at least one of them, so there should be no downside to Blooming Grove residents.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the agreement as presented, with an expiration date of June 1, 2011. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

- **3a. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0.
- 4. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0 at 5:37pm.

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Proposal between the town of Christiana and the town of Blooming Grove

- Chris will hold regular office hours in Christiana 8 hours per week with the
 flexibility to split those 8 hours into two 4 hour blocks or smaller ones if
 necessary. If it is determined that less or more hours are needed, they can be
 added and the agreement altered at any time.
- Christiana will pay Blooming Grove an hourly rate of \$20.00/hour for the hours that Chris is in the office. This includes Chris's salary and benefits at Blooming Grove
- Blooming Grove will bill Christiana every two weeks for Chris's time.
- Christiana will also pay Chris \$300.00 per week for performing the duties of Acting Clerk/Treasurer. This includes taking minutes at village board meetings which take place outside of business hours.
- Christiana will reimburse Chris mileage for any work related mileage expenses at the current IRS rate (which is currently .51/mile). Mileage and hours worked will be tracked on a timesheet provided by Chris each week.
- All parties agree that this proposal should be flexible, and adjusted as needed as time goes on.

Proposal analysis:

Entity	Benefits*	Costs and Risks
Christiana	First and foremost, Christiana will have a Clerk/Treasurer on staff to ensure that everything is running smoothly and to delegate any work to office staff. Chris will also be able to bring some of his practices at Blooming Grove and apply them in Christiana, hopefully on a permanent basis. Additionally, Chris is a neutral party and can fairly and impartially give advice on tough decisions.	Per week, this will cost \$460, and can fluctuate (higher or lower) depending on the amount of time Chris is in the office.
Blooming Grove	\$160 in additional revenue for Blooming Grove on a weekly basis. Also, Chris will be able to bring things back from Christiana that work and apply them in Blooming Grove.	Blooming Grove residents could see a reduction in the quality of services with Chris out of the office one full day per week.

^{*}One intangible benefit for both towns is the cross-pollination of ideas that can occur when employees work for more than one municipality. Chris can pick up some ideas from Christiana that may apply to Blooming Grove – and vice-versa. While impossible to quantify up front, just having one or two ideas implemented at a municipality can make a big difference in the quality of services, or in the effectiveness and/or efficiency with which they are delivered.

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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, March 22, 2011

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - March 22, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor McLaughlin. Supervisor Young arrived at 6:33pm. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, Tom Streber and Deborah Sellers.

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

- 2a. Approval of Road Repair on Carneross Drive: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the bid received from Payne & Dolan in the amount of \$13,007.50 for road work on Carneross Drive, as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2b.** On-line Payment of Credit Card Bills: Mike Wolf explained that some months the town incurs a late charge on the credit card bill because of the timing of the credit card due date and town board meeting dates. He said that if the Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator had the authority to pay the credit card on-line, this wouldn't happen. However, that might mean the bill would get paid prior to the Town Board approving it. Supervisor McLaughlin asked what would happen if the Board chose not to approve a specific purchase on the credit card, and Mike Wolf said that we would either contact the credit card company to reverse the charges, or simply return the purchased item to the vendor for future credit.

Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to authorize the Town Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator to pay the town's credit card bill on-line, with the understanding that this bill will still be on the voucher approval list presented at the following Town Board meeting. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

- **2c.** Time/Date of Next Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to have the next Town Board meeting start at 6:00pm on Tuesday, April 12, 2011. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- 2d. Changes to Employee Compensation: The State's Budget Repair bill has been signed into law, but not yet taken effect because it hasn't been posted by the Secretary of State pending court appeal. Supervisor Berg suggested that it was premature to consider this issue because the law has not yet taken affect. He also said that when the Board does consider this issue, he would be inclined to take no action now, and consider this issue in the fall when the 2012 budget is being developed.

Mike Wolf reported that other municipalities are doing a wide variety of things with regard to this issue, including nothing, pay raises, and bonuses. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to have Town office staff present the Board with options for a future meeting. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 with Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.

- **3a. Minutes of March 8, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 5-0.
- **3b. Minutes of March 15, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 4-0, with Supervisor McLaughlin abstaining.

- **3c. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 5-0.
- 3d. Town Board Member Reimbursements: None.
- **3e. Special Commendation:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the Special Commendation for Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier for his exemplary leadership regarding the delivery of EMS services in the Town of Blooming Grove, as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0, with Supervisor Berg abstaining.
- **4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers recommends the town vacuum out the storm sewers this spring.

Tom Streber said he would like the Board to reconsider listing their e-mail addresses and/or phone numbers in the town newsletter. He also asked that an article be placed in the newsletter regarding people's ability to receive meeting agendas via e-mail.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 5-0 at 7:11pm.

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TOWN ANNUAL MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, April 12, 2011

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME: Dean Lavson LIZ JOHNSON

Town of Blooming Grove Annual Town Meeting Minutes 6:30 PM -- April 12, 2011

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

Dwight introduced Town Board Supervisors Kathleen Linzmeier, Mark McLaughlin and Dave Young, noting that Mark McLaughlin was also the Town Plan Commission Chair. He also acknowledged Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, Public Works worker Cory Buske, Town Parks Commission Chair Dean Larson, Town Parks Commissioner Liz Johnson, Town Auditor Jim Block, and Dane County Deputy Sheriff Mike Butler. Also in attendance were Town residents Dick Riddle, Judy Riddle, Tom Streber and Deborah Sellers. Several members of the Blooming Grove Fire Department and EMS operation were also in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Financial Report

Town Auditor Jim Block reported he was able to provide an unqualified financial statement, and that the Town was in pretty good shape financially. For the year the Town finished about \$30,000 to the good, primarily due to the collection of definquent room taxes. The Town has about \$300,000 in unallocated reserves, which is a good amount to have as a contingency fund.

Fire Department Report

Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier introduced the firefighters and EMS personnel in attendance, and gave out length-of-service pins to those qualified for such. He presented Jay Oliver with the 2010 Firefighter of the Year award. He then went through a PowerPoint presentation regarding the EMS operation and new fire station in Blooming Grove.

Tom Streber asked if the Town had paramedics on site, and about why another resident had to wait an extended time for a paramedic. Chief Linzmeier said that we have paramedics on the ambulance about 20% of the time (with EMTs on the ambulance the remainder of the time), and the goal is to have paramedics on the ambulance 24x7x365 within two years. Chief asked Tom for more details about the specific emergency call he had concerns about, so Chief could check into it.

Public Works Report

Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel said that the Town cut back on the use of salt this past winter, in an effort to save money and help the environment... while still keeping roads safe. He went on to say Carncross Drive will have some road work done this summer, and that the Public Works Department is happy to be in their new location – inside the old fire bays. The Town's vehicles will be better cared for in this facility.

Plan Commission Report

Plan Commission Chair Mark McLaughlin reported that there has been very little activity for the Plan Commission the past year. He said the Plan Commission now meets the second Tuesday of the month at 5:00pm.

Parks Commission Report

Parks Commission Chair Dean Larson reported that new playground equipment was installed in the Town's three parks in 2010. This equipment should last ten years or more.

Action Item: 2010 Annual Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Dean Larson to approve the 2010 Annual Meeting minutes of April 13, 2010 as presented. Dave Young seconded the motion, and it passed 7-0.

Action Item: 2010 Town Budget Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Dwight Johnson to approve the 2010 Town Budget Meeting minutes of November 8, 2010 as presented. Dave Young seconded the motion, and it passed 6-0 with one abstention.

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

A motion was made by Mark McLaughlin to hold next year's Annual Town Meeting on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall. Dave Young seconded the motion, and it passed 7-0.

Citizen Comments/Concerns/Questions

Deborah Sellers asked if the Town's records had been moved from the old Public Works building yet, and Mike Wolf said they had not been – but that should occur within the next two months.

Deborah Sellers asked if the stop sign at the corner of Powers and Thurber was temporary (due to the road construction on N. Fair Oaks Avenue), and Rick Konkel said that it was indeed temporary.

Deborah Sellers asked if all of the Town's money was at Monona State Bank, and why. Mike Wolf replied that the Town does periodically look into other options, but is best served by this bank. There is no indication that Monona State Bank will get bought out by a larger institution.

Deborah Sellers asked if the Town would continue recycling operations even after the State takes away funding for it. Mike Wolf said that the State may or may not discontinue funding for recycling, and that this issue would be discussed at budget time in the fall.

Deborah Sellers asked who the Town's attorney is, and what would happen if something happened to that person. Mike Wolf said the Town uses the law firm of Stafford Rosenbaum, and has access to several different attorneys from that firm.

Deborah Sellers asked the Town to consider erecting another wooden fence in the right-of-way just past the curb on her property, in order to stop the plows from wrecking the curb when they pile snow there.

Dick Riddle asked if the Town had any ordinances pertaining to property maintenance, and if it does why they haven't been enforced on a particular property on Severson Drive. Mike Wolf said the Town does have ordinances such as this, and this property will be investigated.

Oath of Newly Elected Officers

Mike Wolf administered the oath of office to Town Chair Dwight Johnson, to Supervisor Kathleen Linzmeier and to Supervisor David Young. All three individuals began their new 2-year terms today.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mark McLaughlin to adjourn. Dwight Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 7-0 at 7:24pm.

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



TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, April 12, 2011

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - April 12, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Berg was excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, Public Works employee Cory Buske, Parks Commission Chair Dean Larson, Deborah Sellers and Robert Johnson.

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 No. 37, 2010-2011: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Dane County Ordinance Amendment No. 37, 2010-2011 to allow and regulate small-scale electric generating stations as a conditional use in A1Ex zoning, as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2b.** Dane County EMS Intergovernmental Agreement: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Blooming Grove's participation in the Dane County EMS Intergovernmental Agreement as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2c. Appointment of Kathy Clerkin to Town Parks Commission:** Supervisor Young made a motion to appoint Kathy Clerkin to the Town Parks Commission, to fulfill a term that expires June 30, 2013. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2d.** Rezone Petition #10292: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve Dane County Rezone Petition #10292 to allow for a parcel split and rezone from RH-3 to RH-1 and RH-2 at 4411 and 4413 Libby Road, as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **3a. Minutes of March 22, 2011 Town Board Meeting**: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0.
- 3d. Town Board Member Reimbursements: None.
- **4.** Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said there was a pothole at the corner of Powers Avenue and St. Paul Avenue about five inches from the railroad tracks.
- **5.** Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0 at 6:06pm.

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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, April 26, 2011

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - April 26, 2011

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 and Linda Hallman.

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. Magnuson Hotel Delinquent Room Taxes: Mike Wolf reported that there is still about \$10,000 of delinquent payments due the Town. Magnuson has been paying their current amounts on a timely basis now for well over a year, and it appears that business has picked up and stabilized. The Town Attorney, Jon Evenson, told the town that Randy hopes to be able to pay off the remaining amount due by the end of June.
- 2b. Christmas Tree Sales in Town Hall Lot: Mike distributed the plan for how the parking lot will be paved later this year. Chair Johnson instructed Mike to have Rick Konkel stake out (or paint markings) where the new lot will be done. Linda Hallman said she will then look at the resulting space to determine whether or not this will work for her Christmas tree sales operation. This issue will be placed on the next Town Board agenda for consideration. If the Hallmans should wish to continue to do business on the lot, a decision will need to be made about electrical service. That decision will need to be made prior to the lot being repaved.
- 2c. Closed Session: No action taken.
- 2d. Return to Open Session: No action taken.
- 2e. Decision Pertaining to Fire Station Contract: No action taken.
- 2f. Municipal Ward Redistricting: Mike Wolf stated that this process is a result of the 10-year federal census, and the requirement to have districts have the same number of residents. The process will go on for several months, and may or may not change the county wards in the Town. It is very unlikely that changes to congressional districts or state districts will impact Blooming Grove.
- **2g.** Hope Evangelical Cemetery: Mike Wolf reported that he received a phone call from a member of the board of the association responsible for this cemetery. Should this association dissolve the cemetery would, by state law, become an asset of the Town of Blooming Grove. There is no need for action at this time, because as of now the association still exists.
- 2h. Change in Employee Compensation: No action taken.
- **3a. Minutes of April 12, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 4-0. Supervisor Berg abstained.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0.
- 3d. Town Board Member Reimbursements: None.

4. Public Comment: Mike Wolf thanked Arnie Berg for suggesting American Family's warehouse as a place to find furniture and other equipment for the new fire station. Mike also thanked Chief Linzmeier for working the logistics with AmFam — and acquiring much-improved chairs for the Town Hall meeting room as well as chairs, desks, file cabinets and white boards for the new fire station. All of this was delivered by AmFam at no cost to the Town.

Chief Linzmeier reported that he had responded to a citizen's concern about a particular EMS response that was brought up at the Town's Annual Meeting.

Mike Wolf reported that the Town has completed the paperwork with FEMA, and should be receiving compensation for somewhere around \$4000 to help pay for the response to the blizzard of February 1-2, 2011.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 7:00pm.

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - May 10, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Berg and Supervisor Young. Supervisor McLaughlin was excused. Also in attendance were Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Bill, Linda, and Gavin Hallman.

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

Chair Johnson moved item 2c. to first on the agenda, without objection.

- **2c.** Christmas tree sales on town hall lot: The Hallmans were in attendance and inquired about the possibility of having a permanent electrical box put in so they could get power out to the lot. After some discussion regarding placement of the electrical box and how much of the grassy area would be left, Supervisor Berg made a motion that Blooming Grove bury the wire for the electrical and to work with Bill Hallman to lower the cost of the electrical box. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed by a vote of 4-0.
- 2a. Chair Johnson called to order the 2011 Board of Review for the purpose of postponing it until Monday June 27, 2011 at 5:30pm. Chair Johnson then made a motion to adjourn the meeting until June 27, 2011 at 5:30. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0.
- 2b. Town Board members' contact information availability: The board took no action, but each individual member stated whether or not they wanted their phone numbers and/or emails on the new website and/or in the newsletter. Supervisors Young and Berg agreed to have their home phone numbers on the website and in the newsletter, Supervisor Linzmeier did not want to have either her phone or email in the newsletter or on the website, and Chair Johnson asked to have his home phone and yahoo.com email address on the website and in the newsletter. Since Supervisor McLaughlin was absent, Deputy Clerk Chris Astrella will follow up with him regarding his preferences.
- Items 2d through 2f. Chair Johnson made a motion to defer the liquor licneses for Jerry's Place, Hope Rod and Gun Club, and Blue Plate Catering at Capital City Harley-Davidson until the next meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0.
- Items 2g through 2i: Supervisor Berg made a motion to accept and approve the Class B Beer and Class C Wine licenses for the Magnuson Hotel. It was seconded by Supervisor Young. In light of the room tax that the Magnuson Hotel owes the town a discussion ensued on the Beer, Wine, and Operators Licenses, as well as the Restaurant Permit for the hotel. None of the town board wanted to hinder the hotel's business, and it had been noted that they have been paying their room tax on time for the past several months, however the hotel still owes the town approximately \$10,000 from 2009. The vote was taken and the motion failed by a vote of 2-1-1, with Supervisor Linzmeier voting no and Supervisor Young abstaining. Deputy Clerk Astrella will look into what was done in the past in regards to these licenses and permits for the Magnuson Hotel. Supervisor Berg made a motion to defer these to the next meeting so more information can be gathered. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0
- 2j. 2011-12 Class B Beer and Class C Wine License for Four Star Restaurant, 4008 Milwaukee Street: No action taken.

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- **3a. Minutes of April 26, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0.
- 3c. Town Board Member Reimbursements: None.
- 4. Public Comment: Supervisor Berg made the town aware of some street signs that were down at the intersection of Cottage Grove Road and Severson Drive. Supervisor Berg also reported a street light out at the corner of Sprecher Road and Freedom Lane.
- **5.** Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm.

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

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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, May 24, 2011

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - May 24, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor McLaughlin. Supervisor Young arrived at 7:10pm. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Aaron Pruefert 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. Mike Pfefferle's Plans for his Property: Mike Pfefferle wanted the Board to know that he plans on re-working his land, south of the railroad tracks and east of Underdahl Road. He plans on taking out some of the current flora, restoring the land to its original topography, and replanting native species. He stated that he has the okay from both Dane County and the Department of Natural Resources. No Town action is required on this issue. Chair Johnson recommended that Mike Pfefferle report this information to the Plan Commission, and he agreed to do so.
- **2b. CMAR Resolution for Regas Road Sewer District:** Chair Johnson pointed out that the Board received material pertaining to this issue in their packets, but did not get the actual resolution. Mike Wolf will provide the resolution for the next Board meeting.
- **2c. CMAR Resolution for Sewer District #10:** Chair Johnson pointed out that the Board received material pertaining to this issue in their packets, but did not get the actual resolution. Mike Wolf will provide the resolution for the next Board meeting.
- 2i. Magnuson Delinquent Room Taxes: Aaron Pruefert, the general manager of the hotel, was present. The Board expressed its desire to see the hotel continue to succeed, but also is interested in getting closure on these delinquent room taxes. The hotel has been keeping current with its monthly payments over the past two years, but still owes about \$10,000 (out of the original \$40,000) of delinquent room taxes from over two years ago.
- **2j./2k. Magnuson Liquor License & Magnuson Restaurant License:** Supervisor Berg made a motion requiring Magnuson to make a payment of at least \$5000, and to submit a written plan for paying the remaining amount due by the end of this year, prior to June 28, 2011 as a condition of the approval of both the liquor license and restaurant permit. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2d. McDonald's Restaurant Permit:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2011-12 restaurant permit for McDonald's at 4020 Milwaukee Street. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2e. Operators Licenses:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2011-12 operators licenses for Donald W. Temby, Randy Retzlaff, and Jodi Jean Fowler. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2f.** Liquor License for Jerry's Place: The application and fee have not yet been received. No action taken.
- 2g. Liquor License for Hope Rod and Gun Club: The application and fee have not yet been received. No action taken.

- 2h. Liquor License for Blue Plate Catering: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the 2011-12 Liquor License for Blue Plate Catering as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- 21. First Quarter Treasurer's Report: Mike Wolf reported the Town was on target financially through the first month of the year. Supervisor Berg asked if the EMS and Fire Department expenses and revenues were supposed to be separated from one another. There was a brief discussion on this, and Mike Wolf will look back at the meeting minutes from last year to see what was agreed upon.
- 2m. Chris Astrella Assisting the Town of Christiana: Chair Johnson made a motion to extend the current agreement between the Town of Blooming Grove and the Town of Christiana through the month of June. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2n. ATC Reimbursement:** Mike Wolf reported that the Town of Blooming Grove received a check in the amount of \$308,744 from ATC because new power lines were going to be erected in the Town. Of this amount, \$268,473 is supposed to be allocated to "environmental" projects. Supervisor Berg pointed out that some of this money could be used for stormwater management costs, green initiatives, and improving parks among other ideas.

After some discussion it was agreed upon that none of this money should be used for 2011 operational expenses. At the next Board meeting the Board will decide how best to allocate these funds to outlay accounts. Between now and this fall the staff, Parks Commission, Plan Commission and Town Board can come up with suggestions for how best to use the environmental money. This fall, during the budget process – and after the stormwater management testing is completed – the Board will be in a better position to make this decision.

- **2o. Dane County Ordinance Amendment 37, 2010-11:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve Dane County Ordinance Amendment 37, 2010-11 as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **3a. Minutes of May 10, 2011** Town **Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Berg and passed 4-0. Supervisor McLaughlin 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 said there is a "No Parking" sign that is faded, and has graffiti on it, located at 3305 Commercial Avenue. She also reported a faded "No Parking Here to Corner" sign at 429 Powers Avenue.
- 5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 7:47pm.

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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, June 14, 2011

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - June 14, 2011

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, Parks Commission Chair Dean Larson, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, Jim Fuss, Rose Laubmeier 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 altered to best accommodate individuals present at the meeting.

2q. Alcohol Consumption at Thurber Park on July 10, 2011: Jim Fuss said they plan on having a family reunion at the park between noon and 4:00pm. He said that the beer would be monitored, and that they were expecting between 15-20 people.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the consumption of alcohol at Thurber Park on July 10, 2011 during this event. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

- **2p.** Alcohol Consumption at Thurber Park on June 19, 2011: Rose Laubmeier said they would like to be able to drink alcohol at their party between noon and 6:00pm on this date. She said the alcohol would be monitored. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the consumption of alcohol on June 19, 2011 at this event. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- 2a. Dane County Ordinance Amendment 4, 2011-12: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve Dane County Ordinance Amendment 4, 2011-12 pertaining to changes in accessory structures. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2b.** Town Resolution 2011-03 to Approve CMAR for Regas Road Sewer District: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2011-03 which approves the Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR) for the Regas Road Sewer District as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2c.** Town Resolution 2011-04 to Approve CMAR for Sewer District #10: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2011-04 which approves the Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR) for Sewer District #10 as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2d.** Capital City Harley-Davidson Large Assembly Permit: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve Capital City Harley-Davidson's Large Assembly Permit for their Juvenile Diabetes fundraiser on July 8-9, 2011. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.
- **2e. 2011-12 Class B Beer License for Hope Rod & Gun Club:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2011-12 Class Beer License for Hope Rod & Gun Club at 3454 Siggelkow Road. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2f. 2011-12 Operators Licenses:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2011-12 Operators licenses for Richard J. Kratochvil, Anthony J. Latzig, and Robin E. Thompson. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

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- **2g. Sale of Town-Owned Outlots in Freeway Manor:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to have the office staff continue the process for selling outlot #5 in the Freeway Manor subdivision. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. Mike Wolf explained that the next step will be to have the town electors, presumably at their November meeting, grant the Board the authority to sell this property. If approved, the Board would then be given the opportunity to decide to sell it, and how best to do so.
- **2h. Distribution of ATC Funds:** Chair Johnson made a motion to take \$50,000 out of the Town's Stormwater outlay fund, add to that the unallocated ATC money (\$40,271) the Town received, and distribute that total (\$90,271) into the following outlay accounts as such: \$40,000 into Roads, \$20,000 into Fire Department, \$20,000 into Public Works, and \$10,271 into Parks, and furthermore place the remaining \$268,473 of ATC money that was received into the stormwater outlay account. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- 2i. Town Hall Parking Lot Resurfacing: Town staff explained why this additional work would be a good long-term investment as it would improve the stormwater runoff of the resurfaced lot, and would also allow the entire lot to hold up better over time, thus reducing future maintenance costs. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the \$22,475 work as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **20. Dates for Board Meetings in July, August:** Mike Wolf explained that special elections are being held the second Tuesdays in July and in August, thus conflicting with the normal dates for Board meetings. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to move the Town Board meeting from July 12 to Wednesday July 13, 2011. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to move the Town Board meeting from August 9 to Monday August 8, 2011. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. Mike Wolf will e-mail Board members as a reminder of these changes.

- **2k. Update on Fire Station:** Supervisor McLaughlin reported that the last meeting of the Building Committee took place earlier this evening. The only thing left to be done on the building is the completion of the front overhang, and that should be completed within the next few days.
- 21. Closed Session: The Board did not go into Closed Session.
- 2m. Return to Open Session: Not needed.
- **2n. Decision Pertaining to Fire Station Contract:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the Building Committee's conditions on the final two payments to Wingra Construction, as documented in the Building Committee meeting minutes of June 14, 2011. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2j.** Traffic Control on Carneross Drive: The Board discussed several ideas for how best to improve safety along Carneross Drive, specifically with regard to drivers speeding and/or not stopping at stop signs. These ideas will be further investigated by Town staff:
 - i) temporary speed bumps
 - ii) installing cameras
 - iii) contact sheriff about availability and effectiveness of speed/radar signs
 - iv) speed boards
 - v) create pedestrian crossings
 - vi) have stop sign flashers and/or flags
 - vii) have a large permanent speed bump built onto the road
 - viii) contact City of Madison police for ideas and/or cooperative solutions

At a minimum Rick Konkel will present to the Board, at a future meeting, a detailed illustration of painted pedestrian crossings on Carneross.

- **3a.** Minutes of May 24, 2011 Town Board Meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 4-0. Supervisor Young abstained.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0.
- **4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers said that mini traffic circles existed at the corner of Walter Street and Milwaukee Street, and that this could be considered for intersections in the Town. She also said that large speed bumps were near Schenk Middle School.

Deborah Sellers was concerned that the decision of how to allocate ATC money was made by the Town Board, and not by the electors (who pass the levy every year).

Deborah Sellers pleaded with the Town Board to create an ordinance which would specifically outlaw parking on the grass in Thurber Park, and attach a \$100 fine for noncompliance.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 5-0 at 7:46pm.

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-03

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 2010 Compliance Maintenance Report (CMAR) for the Regas Road Sewer District as presented.

Adopted this 14 th day of June, 2011 by the scheduled Board Meeting by a vote of	Blooming Grove Town Board at a regularly 5 (ayes) to (nays).
Attested by:	
Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk	6/14/1(Date

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Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-04

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

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 in the Town of Blooming Grove; 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 2010 Compliance Maintenance Report (CMAR) for Sewer District #10 in the Town of Blooming Grove.

Adopted this 14 th day of June, 2011 by the scheduled Board Meeting by a vote of5	Blooming Grove Town Board at a regularly- (ayes) to (nays).
Attested by:	
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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, June 28, 2011

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – June 28, 2011

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, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, Public Works Worker Cory Buske, 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. Magnuson Room Taxes: Mike Wolf stated that the Town received \$5000 from Magnuson for delinquent room taxes. Supervisor McLaughlin expressed his concern about \$5000 still being due two years after it was originally due and that this amounts to an interest-free loan for Magnuson. Supervisor Berg said the second condition that the Board set at their meeting in May had not been met, that being a plan for how the rest was to be paid by the end of this year. Mike Wolf said that he had not clearly communicated that condition to Aaron at Magnuson, but said he would contact Aaron as soon as possible to let him know that needs to be done.
- **2b. 2011-12 Class B Beer License and Class C Wine License for Magnuson:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2011-12 Class B Beer License and Class C Wine License for Magnuson Hotel located at 3510 Millpond Road. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 4-1 (with Supervisor McLaughlin opposing).
- **2c. 2011-12 Restaurant Permit for Magnuson:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2011-12 Restaurant Permit for Magnuson Hotel located at 3510 Millpond Road. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 4-1 (with Supervisor McLaughlin opposing).
- 2d. 2011-12 Class B Beer License and Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the 2011-12 Class B Beer License and Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place located at 601 N. Fair Oaks Avenue. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2e. 2011-12 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2011-12 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place located at 601 N. Fair Oaks Avenue. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2f. Temporary Class B Liquor License for Harley-Davidson's Thunder Run:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve a Temporary Class B Liquor License for Capital City Harley-Davidson's Thunder Run on July 7-8, 2011 at 6200 Millpond Road. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.
- **2g. 2011-12 Operators Licenses:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2011-12 Operators licenses for Floyd Earl Richmond Jr., Donald Lee Peterson, and Vicki Lynn Bailey. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2h. Road Project for TRIP Funds:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the road repair project on St. Paul Avenue as presented, and to use the remaining TRIP funds (in the amount of \$3118.50) to help pay for it. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- 2i. Change to Employee Compensation: Supervisor Berg recommended a one-time yearend bonus for employees, to compensate them for the additional cost of the state-mandated retirement contributions. Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve a 5.1% pay

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increase for Town employees who, by state statute, will be required to pay 5.8% of their gross wages into the Wisconsin Retirement System, effective when the state requires them to do so, and ending on December 24, 2011. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 3-1 (with Supervisor Berg voting against, and Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining).

- **3a. Minutes of June 14, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0.
- **4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers said that there is a crack in the road on Furey Avenue that is getting both wider and deeper, and needs patching.

Chris Astrella reported the Clean Sweep in April Hill Park was a huge success. Two large dumpsters were filled, and a large number of electronics properly disposed of. He said that next year's Clean Sweep is scheduled to be in Severson Park.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 6:55pm.



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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Wednesday, July 13, 2011

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME:	
Brek Konkel	

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - July 13, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Berg arrived at 6:37pm. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, 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 the agenda was changed as follows:

- 2c. Property Damage Claim by Bob Hackl Date of Loss May 31, 2011: Chair Johnson made a motion to deny the property damage claim as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2b. Yard Waste Collection:** Chair Johnson said he wanted this topic open for discussion. The idea of placing a dumpster at the Town Hall was discussed, though some were concerned that items other than yard waste would end up in it and there was concern that people other than Blooming Grove residents would utilize it. No action was taken.
- **2a. Second Quarter Treasurer's Report:** The report was reviewed. The Town's finances looked good through mid-year, with slightly higher-than-expected revenue and slightly lower-than-expected expenses. Mike Wolf said the one area of concern in expenses was with utility costs of the Town Hall building. He will investigate this matter further.
- **3a. Minutes of June 28, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson 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 there is a half-built house near 412 Powers Avenue that may be a safety concern.

Deborah Sellers asked the Board to consider doing what it needs to in order to prevent concealed guns from being carried into town parks, or into the town hall during meetings or elections. Supervisor Berg also expressed interest in exploring these options.

Mike Wolf thanked Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel for saving the Town thousands of dollars it would have otherwise needed to spend, cutting down trees and/or branches 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 7:04pm.



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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, July 26, 2011

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Fick Konkel	

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - July 26, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Berg was excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier (until 6:53pm), Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, 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 the agenda was changed as follows:

- **2c. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statutes 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e) and 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of discussing Fire Department and EMS Personnel. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Linzmeier aye; Chair Johnson aye; Supervisor McLaughlin aye; Supervisor Young aye. The Board went into Closed Session at 6:32pm.
- **2d. Return to Open Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 6:52pm.
- **2e. Fire Department / EMS Personnel:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to give Mike Wolf and Chief Linzmeier the latitude to adequately staff fire and EMS through the end of 2011, so long as the amount does not exceed what was originally budgeted. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- 2a. 2011-12 Operators License for Jeffrey Paul Kuske: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2011-12 Operators License for Jeffrey Paul Kuske. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2b. Traffic Control on Carncross Drive**: There was considerable discussion on the many alternatives presented. In the end the Board asked Rick Konkel and office staff to further investigate costs of a more heavy-duty removable speed bump, a concrete speed hump, and an asphalt speed hump. They asked that this be done in time for the next Board meeting.
- **3a. Minutes of July 13, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 4-0.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0.
- 4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked the Board to consider making the Town Hall or new Fire Station into a cooling center during very hot days.

Supervisor McLaughlin acknowledged the thank you letter received by the Blooming Grove Fire Department from MATC.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0 at 7:26pm.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - August 8, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor McLaughlin and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Linzmeier was excused. 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 that it had been.

- **2a. Town Resolution 2011-05 regarding Ward Redistricting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2011-05 for Town Ward Redistricting as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2b.** Transient Merchants License for Christmas Tree Sales: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the 2011 Transient Merchant's License to Linda Hallman for the sale of Christmas trees on the Town Hall lot, pending receipt of the \$1200 fee. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- **2c. Ramifications of New State Laws:** Mike Wolf identified law changes that will impact Blooming Grove. While some of these impact the Town immediately, many will take affect next year and thus will be brought up again during budget meetings.
- **2d. Change to Employee Health Insurance Contributions:** Mike Wolf said the Town currently pays 75% of health insurance premiums, and that 2 of 9 eligible employees have their health insurance through the Town. There was discussion about the ramifications if the Town should decide to lower that contribution to 70%. No action was taken.
- **3a. Minutes of July 26, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 3-0; Supervisor Berg abstained.
- **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 the "Welcome to Blooming Grove" sign on N. Fair Oaks Avenue was scratched and should be fixed or replaced. She then reiterated her support of an ordinance that would allow citations to be issued for those that park on the grass in the parks.
- **5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0 at 7:13pm.

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Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-05 TO ESTABLISH MUNICIPAL WARDS AND TO COMBINE WARDS FOR VOTING PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statutes Section 5.15, requires all towns with a population of 1,000 or more to establish municipal wards based on the results of the 2010 census,

AND WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove's population as of the 2010 census is 1815,

AND WHEREAS, Section 59.10(3)(b) of the Statutes requires that each county board adopt and transmit to each municipal governing body in the county a tentative county supervisory district plan dividing the county into districts and designating the approximate location and population of each ward proposed to effectuate the division of the county into districts,

AND WHEREAS, these laws require that each municipality designate by consecutive whole number, geographical description and population the various wards to be created within the municipality,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Blooming Grove has adopted the wards as described below and as set forth on the attached map and that the polling place for all three (3) wards will be at the Town Hall located at 1880 **S.** Stoughton Road, Madison WI 53716:

Ward 1, with a population of 601, is land within Blooming Grove's municipal jurisdiction that is bounded to the north by Commercial Avenue, to the west by Rethke Avenue, to the south by Milwaukee Street, and to the east by Walbridge Avenue.

Ward 2, with a population of 557, is land within Blooming Grove's municipal jurisdiction that is bounded on the north by County Highway T, to the west by Interstate 39-90, to the south by Buckeye Road and the railroad tracks that cross County Highway AB, and to the east by the municipal boundary with the Town of Cottage Grove.

Ward 3, with a population 657, is land within Blooming Grove's municipal jurisdiction that is bounded to the north by Buckeye Road and the railroad tracks that cross County Highway AB, to the west by the municipal boundaries with the City of Madison and City of Fitchburg, to the south by the municipal boundary with the Town of Dunn, and to the east by the municipal boundary with the Town of Cottage Grove.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that wards created as set forth above are combined for voting purposes so as to share the common polling place indicated and such combined wards shall use common voting machines and separate returns shall not be maintained for the combined wards at any election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon passage, a copy of this resolution shall be filed with the Town Clerk who shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the County Clerk within five days of its adoption and that this resolution shall remain in effect for each election until modified or rescinded in accordance with state statute or until a new division is made following the next federal decennial census.

This resolution was adopted August 8, 2011 by a vote of $\underline{\mathcal{G}}$ ayes and $\underline{\mathcal{G}}$ nays at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Blooming Grove Town Board.

Dwight Johnson, Town Chair

Michael J. Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Monday, August 23, 2011

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME:	
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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - August 23, 2011

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, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, 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 modified as recorded.

- **2a.** Town Hall Canopy: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the purchase and installation of a canopy for the front entrance to the Town Hall, as recommended by town staff. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Berg abstained.
- **2b. New Furnace for Town Hall:** Mike Wolf explained that the current furnace needed a repair that cost about \$500, that it is 17 years old, and that R.A. Heating would waive the repair bill if we purchase a new furnace. The new furnace would be considerably more efficient than the old one. The recommendation is to purchase a new furnace.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the purchase and installation of a 92% efficient furnace for the Town Hall at a cost of no more than \$2735.00. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion. The motion failed on a 2-3 vote (Chair Johnson and Supervisor Linzmeier voting in favor, and Supervisors Berg, McLaughlin and Young voting against).

Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve a 95% efficient, two-stage variable furnace for the Town Hall at a cost of no more than \$3243.00. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 3-2 (Supervisors Berg, McLaughlin and Young voting in favor, Chair Johnson and Supervisor Linzmeier voting against).

Rick Konkel said he would do what he could to get the \$150 rebate and/or \$560 credit for which the Town may be eligible.

- 2c. Traffic Control on Carncross Drive: Supervisor Young made a motion to purchase one 19-foot long portable speed bump as presented by staff, along with applicable signage, and to install the speed bump on Carncross Drive approximately halfway between Jenness and the City/Town border. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 4-0, with Chair Johnson abstaining due to his concern that the installation of the speed bump would compromise the integrity of the road surface.
- 2d. Fire Station Open House: There was discussion about whether to hold a separate event for the new fire station, or leverage off of the National Fire Safety Awareness Week in October. The decision was made to invite residents to the fire station on Saturday, October 8 which will be in conjunction with Safety Awareness Week. Mike Wolf said the town's fall newsletter will be mailed out in late September, and will include information about this event.
- **2e. Town's Comprehensive Plan:** Mike Wolf explained that the Comprehensive Plan, as completed in 2005, was never formally adopted by Dane County. Furthermore, the plan as is will not be adopted by the County because it doesn't include now-required Farmland Preservation land. Supervisor Young made a motion to agree with the Town's Plan Commission and take no action on the Plan at this time. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. Mike Wolf will investigate who the consultant was at the time the Plan was completed in 2005.

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- **3a. Minutes of August 8, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 4-0; Supervisor Linzmeier 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 asked the Board to consider planting a commemorative tree either next to the flag pole or next to the fire station, in honor of those that died on 9/11/2001. The tenth anniversary of that event is coming up in a few weeks.
- **2f. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to State Statutes 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e), and 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of discussing Fire Department and EMS personnel. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion. A roll call vote ensued: Supervisor Berg yes; Supervisor Linzmeier yes; Chair Johnson yes; Supervisor McLaughlin yes; Supervisor Young yes. Motion passed 5-0 at 7:47pm.
- **2g. Open Session:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 at 8:23pm.
- **2h. Fire Department / EMS Staffing:** Chair Johnson made a motion to revise the job descriptions of the three full-time (2912-hour per year) positions in the Blooming Grove Fire Department such that they include the need to be a paramedic effective January 1, 2013. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **5. Adjournment:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed 5-0 at 8:29pm.

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Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:09pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg and Supervisor McLaughlin. Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young were excused. Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf was also present.

- **2. Approval of Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.
- **3. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Berg and passed 3-0 at 4:10pm.



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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, September 27, 2011

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Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes - September 27, 2011

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/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, 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 modified as recorded.

- 2a. Town Resolution 2011-06 to Adopt Employee Grievance Procedure: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2011-06 to adopt the Employee Grievance Procedure as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0
- **2b.** Fees for Rental of Town Parks and Town Hall Meeting Room: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve rental fees as such:

Town Parks

Rental: \$50 for residents; \$75 for non-residents

Deposit: \$100

Town Hall Meeting Room (no kitchen)

Rental: \$50 for residents; \$75 for non-residents

Deposit: \$100

Town Hall Meeting Room (with kitchen)

Rental: \$75 for residents; \$100 for non-residents

Deposit: \$125

Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0. It was noted that a procedure will be developed and brought back to the Board that will link illegal parking of vehicles in the park to the deposit. Currently the deposit is withheld if the park is not properly cleaned or is damaged in some way.

- **2c. Parking Restrictions in the Park:** The Parks Commission has unanimously endorsed the draft ordinance that would allow the town to issue citations for parking illegally in town parks. Mike Wolf explained a public hearing would be needed if the Board would like to move forward with the consideration of this change to Ordinance 9.02. The public hearing will indeed take place on October 25, 2011.
- **2d.** Road Projects for Applications for State Funding: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to submit a TRI application for road work on Brugger Road, and to submit a TRID application for road work on Siggelkow Road, as presented. It was understood that this approval is specific to the applications, and does not represent a final authorization of the work itself. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson, and passed 5-0.
- **3a. Minutes of August 23, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 5-0.

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- **3b. Minutes of September 13, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed 3-0, with Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young abstaining.
- **3c. Vouchers:** Supervisor Young 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 asked the Board to consider placing 'no concealed weapon' signs in the park at the same time the 'no parking' ordinance is being considered next month.
- **5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 7:16pm.

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Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-06 TO ESTABLISH AN EMPLOYEE GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statute 66.0509(1m) requires all local government units to adopt an employee grievance procedure;

AND WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin has thoughtfully considered this requirement and prepared an employee grievance procedure that contains the required elements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin adopts the attached employee grievance procedure pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 66.0509(1m).

This resolution was adopted September 27, 2011 by a vote of <u>5</u> ayes and <u>0</u> nays at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Blooming Grove Town Board.

By the Town Board:

Dwight Johnson, Town Chair

Mark McLaughlin, Town Supervisor

Arnold Berg, Town Supervisor

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Kathleen Linzmeier, Town Supervisor

Attested by:

Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk/Treasurer/Admin

Date

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Definition of "Discipline". Discipline may result when an employee's actions do not conform with generally accepted standards of good behavior, when an employee violates a policy or rule, when an employee's performance is not acceptable, or when the employee's conduct is detrimental to the interests of the Town. Disciplinary action may call for any of four steps – verbal warning, written warning, suspension (with or without pay) or termination of employment – depending on the problem and the number of occurrences. There may be circumstances when one or more steps are bypassed. Certain types of employee problems are serious enough to justify either a suspension or termination of employment without going through progressive discipline steps. The Town reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to impose disciplinary action as may be appropriate to the particular circumstances.

Applicability of this Policy. This policy is intended to comply with Section 66.0509, Wis. Stats., and provides a grievance procedure addressing issues concerning workplace safety, discipline and termination. This policy applies to employees covered under Section 66.0509 of Wisconsin State Statutes, and excludes fire volunteers, EMS volunteers, election workers, Parks Commission members, Plan Commission members, and elected officials. An employee may appeal any level of discipline under this grievance procedure. For purposes of this policy, the following definitions apply:

- 1. "Employee discipline" includes all levels of progressive discipline, but shall <u>not</u> include the following items:
 - Placing an employee on paid administrative leave pending an internal investigation;
 - Counseling, meetings or other pre-disciplinary action;
 - Actions taken to address work performance, including use of a performance improvement plan or job targets;
 - · Demotion, transfer or change in job assignment; or
 - Other personnel actions taken by the employer that are not a form of progressive discipline.
- 2. "Employee termination" shall include action taken by the employer to terminate an individual's employment for misconduct or performance reasons, but shall <u>not</u> include the following personnel actions:
 - Voluntary quit;
 - Layoff or failure to be recalled from layoff at the expiration of the recall period;
 - Retirement:
 - Job abandonment, "no-call, no-show", or other failure to report to work; or
 - Termination of employment due to medical condition, lack of qualification or license, or other inability to perform job duties.
- 3. "Workplace safety" is defined as conditions of employment affecting an employee's physical health or safety, the safe operation of workplace equipment

and tools, safety of the physical work environment, personal protective equipment, workplace violence, and training related to same.

Any written grievance filed under this policy must contain the following information:

- The name and position of the employee filing it,
- · A statement of the issue involved,
- · A statement of the relief sought,
- · A detailed explanation of the facts supporting the grievance;
- The date(s) the event(s) giving rise to the grievance took place,
- The identity of the policy, procedure or rule that is being challenged;
- The steps the employee has taken to review the matter, either orally or in writing, with the employee's supervisor; and
- The employee's signature and the date.

Steps of the Grievance Procedure

Employees should first discuss complaints or questions with their immediate supervisor. Every <u>reasonable</u> effort should be made by supervisors and employees to resolve any questions, problems or misunderstandings that have arisen before filing a grievance.

- 1. Step 1 Written Grievance Filed with the Department Head. The employee must prepare and file a written grievance with their direct supervisor within five business days of when the employee knows, or should have known, of the events giving rise to the grievance. The supervisor or his/her designee will investigate the facts giving rise to the grievance and inform the employee of his/her decision, if possible within ten business days of receipt of the grievance. In the event the grievance involves the supervisor, the employee may initially file the grievance with the Town Clerk, who shall conduct the Step 1 investigation.
- 2. Step 2 Review by Town Clerk. If the grievance is not settled at Step 1, the employee may appeal the grievance to the Town Clerk within five business days of the receipt of the decision of the supervisor at Step 1. The Town Clerk or his/her designee will review the matter and inform the employee of his/her decision, if possible within ten business days of receipt of the grievance.
- 3. <u>Step 3 Impartial Hearing Officer</u>. If the grievance is not settled at Step 2, the employee may request in writing, within five business days following receipt of the Town Clerk's decision, a request for written review by an impartial hearing officer. The Town Board shall select the impartial hearing officer. The hearing officer shall not be a Town employee. In all cases, the grievant shall have the burden of proof to support the grievance. The impartial hearing officer will determine whether the Town acted in an arbitrary and capricious manner. This process does not involve a hearing before a court of law; thus, the rules of evidence will not be followed. Depending on the issue involved, the impartial

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hearing officer will determine whether a hearing is necessary, or whether the case may be decided based on a submission of written documents. The impartial hearing officer shall prepare and provide a written decision to the Town and the employee. Costs associated with the hearing and the Hearing Office shall be paid by the Town.

4. Step 4 – Review by the Town Board. If the grievance is not resolved after Step 3, the employee or the Town Clerk shall request, within five business days of receipt of the written decision from the hearing officer, a written review by the Town Board. The Town Board shall not take testimony or evidence; it may only determine whether the hearing officer reached an arbitrary or incorrect result based on a review of the record before the hearing officer. The matter will be scheduled for the Town Board's next regular meeting. The Town Board shall decide the matter by majority vote and this decision shall be final and binding. The Town Board shall inform the employee of its decision in writing within ten business days of the Town Board meeting.

An employee may not file a grievance outside of the time limits set forth above. If the employee fails to meet the deadlines set forth above, the grievance will be considered resolved. If it is impossible to comply with the deadlines due to state meeting notice laws or due to meeting preparation, the grievance will be reviewed at the next possible meeting date. An employee must process his/her grievance outside of normal work hours, unless the employee elects to use accrued vacation time in order to be paid for time spent processing his/her grievance through the various steps of the grievance procedure.

Town of Blooming Grove Board Budget Meeting Minutes - October 4, 2011

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/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, and Deborah Sellers.

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

- 2a. Review Draft of the 2012 Town Budget: Town Board and staff reviewed the 2012 Town Budget draft as presented. Mike Wolf agreed that he would:
 - Check with Jim Block to see if Woodland tax needed its own budget account.
 - Create a separate ATC revenue line in the budget.
 - · Do an analysis of investment options.
 - Continue to look for evidence of the agreement between Blooming Grove and City of Madison Water Utility.
 - Check with Dane County Zoning re: the missing Severson street sign.

No formal action was taken on the budget.

- **2b. State Levy Limit Law:** Mike Wolf explained that one of the exceptions of the recently-passed levy limit law deals with additional debt payments, and that because the fire station's loan payment was beginning in 2012, the Town could increase the levy by over 7%. Thus the 2.5% levy increase being proposed would not require the Town to take any extraordinary actions. As in past years, the levy still needs to be passed by Town electors at the November 7 meeting.
- **3. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 5-0 at 8:15pm.

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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, October 11, 2011

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

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. Possibility of Dane County's Mass Decon Program being Coordinated by Blooming Grove Fire Department: Chief Linzmeier and Mike Wolf explained the potential upsides and downsides to this proposal. At this stage of the process, Board direction is needed not a final decision. Supervisor Young made a motion to have Chief Linzmeier pursue an agreement that would be in the best interest of Blooming Grove, and then bring it back to the Blooming Grove Town Board for final approval. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0.
- **2b. EMS Agreement for Paramedic Responses:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve Appendix D as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.
- **3a. Minutes of September 27, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 3-0.
- **3b. Minutes of October 4, 2011 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2011 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 3-0.
- **3c. Vouchers:** Supervisor Young 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 asked the Board to consider placing 'no concealed weapon' signs in the park and/or the town hall. She also asked that the "No Parking Here to Corner" sign near 429 N. Fair Oaks Avenue be replaced.

Supervisor Young thanked Chief Linzmeier and the Blooming Grove Fire Department for coordinating the successful open house this past Saturday.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 3-0 at 6:58pm.

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APPENDIX D

USE OF OTHER MUNICIPAL AGENCIES WHEN STAFFED WITH 2 PARAMEDICS

ALS Providers who are transitioning to becoming a 24/7 two Paramedic agency may participate as part of the Auto ALS Response Program under the following conditions:

- Staffing shall be for a minimum 4 hour period
- Notification will be made to the Dane County Public Safety Communications Center when staffed with two paramedics and when staffing does not meet the requirement of two paramedics.
- Alert will be toned on the City and County Admin channels to advise all agencies of the staffing changes
- All requirements listed in the intergovernmental agreement including but not limited to training, quality assurance and protocol use will be necessary.
- ALS Providers exercising this option must be a signatory to the ALS Intergovernmental Agreement

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for October 25, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and all board members were in attendance. Also in attendance were Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, and Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Chris Astrella stated that it had been.

- 2a. Open Public Hearing for Revision of Town Ordinance 9.02 pertaining to Restricted Activities in Town Parks: Chair Johnson opened the public hearing regarding ordinance 9.02. There were some comments shared regarding who writes municipal tickets and how often they could write tickets. Members of the Parks Commission, and the Parks Commission chair were suggested, but it was determined the best course of action was to keep things regarding tickets, the way they were. Chief Linzmeier brought forth some concerns as far as the ordinance being consistent with the park rental agreement handed out to residents. Supervisor Berg brought some concerns forward regarding the availability of the park to outside organized sporting groups. He felt the park should be available for any and all people to use whenever they want. Other board members thought it was not wise to allow organized sporting groups rent the park, because the field would not survive under the stress of 10 to 20 pairs of cleats on multiple occasions. It was suggested that the office staff hand out ordinance 9.02 with the park rental agreement when the park is rented.
- **2b. Close the Public Hearing:** Once all comments during the public hearing were shared, Chair Johnson closed the Public hearing at 7:05pm.
- 2c. Board Decision on Town Ordinance 9.02 pertaining to Restricted Activities in Town Parks: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the changes to ordinance 9.02 as presented and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 3-1-1 with Supervisor Young voting against and Supervisor Berg abstaining.
- 2d. New Personnel Policy Regarding Photographs Taken at Work: Chair Johnson Made a motion to adopt the policy as presented. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and discussion followed. One of the points brought up is that the policy, as presented, did not include video or audio recordings, only pictures. While the merits behind this policy are to stop any potential postings to social media sites, it was discussed that people can make audio and video recordings and this policy would not cover them. The board decided that the policy needed to be changed, to include video and audio recordings, and the board would then like to reconsider it. Supervisor McLaughlin rescinded the second to the original motion, and Chair Johnson rescinded his original motion. It was suggested that other fire departments/municipalities be surveyed to see what kind of policies they have in place in regards to "media" at the workplace. There was no action taken.
- **2e. Town Contribution to city of Madison Downtown Redevelopment:** Supervisor Berg reviewed the memo he circulated to Board members in which he recommends the Board take action to give moral support to the City of Madison for the Jerome Frautschi proposal to redevelop a block of State Street properties across from the Overture Center. Frautschi's proposal would require consideration of the historical preservation of the properties on that block, would be done at no cost to the City of Madison, and is expected to provide revenue for Overture Center's operational costs.

There was not much support from the board for this subject right now, for many reasons, one of which was that the buildings were being torn down except for the façade. At this time there was no board support for a resolution, however it was asked to be placed on a future board agenda in about 6 months, to see how the redevelopment project has moved forward.

- **3a. Minutes of October 11, 2011 Board Meeting:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2011board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 3-0-2 with Chair Johnson and Supervisor Berg abstaining.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 5-0.
- **4. Public Comment:** Supervisor McLaughlin pointed out that Supervisor Linzmeier did a great job chairing the last board meeting in Chair Johnson's absence.
- **5. Adjournment:** Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm.

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

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TOWN BUDGET MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Monday, November 7, 2011

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME:

Town of Blooming Grove Town Elector Annual Budget Meeting Minutes – November 7, 2011

Chair Johnson called the Town Elector Annual budget meeting to order at 6:59pm.

Town electors in attendance: Arnie Berg, Dwight Johnson, Liz Johnson, Mark McLaughlin, Kathie Linzmeier, Julie Kelley, Dave Young, Glenn Linzmeier and Deborah Sellers. Also in attendance was Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf.

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

- **2a.** Town Resolution 2011-08 regarding Town Levy: Deborah Sellers made a motion to set the levy at a 2% increase over last year's levy. The motion died for lack of a second. Dwight Johnson made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2011-08 as presented, which established the 2011 town levy at \$742,800. Dwight Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 7-1 with Deborah Sellers voting against and Glenn Linzmeier abstaining.
- **2b.** Town Resolution 2011-09 regarding Town Road Expenditures: Dave Young made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2011-09 as presented, which allows the Town Board to spend up to \$500,000 on town roads in 2012. Mark McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 7-0, with Deborah Sellers and Glenn Linzmeier abstaining.
- **2c. Town Resolution 2011-10 regarding the sale of Town property:** Dave Young made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2011-10 as presented, which allows the Town Board to sell town-owned parcel #0710-364-0185-4, otherwise known as outlot #5 in the Freeway Manor subdivision. Mark McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 9-0.
- **3. Adjournment:** Mark McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Dave Young. The motion passed 9-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:04pm.

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 2011-08 Electors Adoption of the Town Tax Levy

Whereas, Sec. 60.10(1)(a) of Wis. Statutes authorizes the town electors of a town to adopt the town tax levy at a town meeting of the electors; and

Whereas, a meeting of the town electors has been called for this 7th day of November, 2011;

NOW THEREFORE, the town electors of the Town of Blooming Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin, by a majority vote on this 7th day of November, 2011 duly assembled and voting, do hereby adopt the town tax levy for 2011, to be collected in 2012, as \$742,800.

The Town Clerk shall properly post or publish this resolution as required by law under Sec. 60.80 of Wis. Statutes within 30 days of the below noted adoption date.

Adopted this 7 th day of November, 2011 at a	Special Town Meeting.
Number of Town electors voting aye	
Number of Town electors voting nay	
Number of Town electors abstaining or not v	oting (if determined)
Attested by the Town of Blooming Grove Cle	erk/Treasurer
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Michael J. Wolf	Date

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Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-10

For Town Electors To Authorize the Town Board to Sell Town Property: Parcel #0710-364-0185-4

WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statutes dictate that sale of Town-owned property must be approved by Town electors; and

WHEREAS, the property under consideration is of no known value to the town; and

WHEREAS, the sale of this property will provide the town with revenue from the sale, and will likely become assessed value for property tax purposes;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the electors of the Town of Blooming Grove do hereby authorize the Blooming Grove Town Board to sell parcel number 0710-364-0185-4, also known as Outlot 5 in the Freeway Manor subdivision, should the Town Board deem it to be in the best interest of the Town.

Adopted this 7 th day of November, 2011 by Town Elector Budget Meeting by a vote of abstaining.		
Attested by:		
Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk	11/7/2011 Date	

Town of Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes – November 7, 2011

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, Julie Kelley, Liz Johnson 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.** Open Public Hearing on 2012 Town Budget: Chair Johnson opened the public hearing on the proposed 2012 Town Budget at 6:32pm. Residents in attendance asked several questions about specific budget items, and those questions were answered. No changes to the proposed budget were made.
- **2b. Close Public Hearing:** Chair Johnson closed the public hearing on the proposed 2012 Town Budget at 6:58pm.
- 3. Recess Town Board Meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to recess the Town Board meeting, in order to hold the Town Elector meeting. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 at 6:58pm.

Town Elector Meeting took place		Town	Elector	Meeting	took	place	
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- **4. Reconvene Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to reconvene the Town Board meeting. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 at 7:04pm.
- **5. Adopt Town Budget:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adopt the 2012 Town Budget as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **6.** Adjournment: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 7:05pm.

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-09

For Town Electors To Authorize the Town Board to Exceed State Spending Limits on Town Roads in 2012

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 2012, if the Town Board believes it is in the best interest of the Town to do so.

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Attested by:	
Michael J. Wolf, Town/Clerk	11/7/2011 Date

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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, November 8, 2011

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Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for November 8, 2011

Supervisor Linzmeier called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. She asked attendees to sign in at the door. Board members in attendance: Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Chair Johnson and Supervisor McLaughlin were excused. (Chair Johnson subsequently arrived at 6:36pm, but Supervisor Linzmeier continued to chair the meeting). Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier and Deborah Sellers.

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. Closed Session:** Supervisor Berg 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 the sale of town property: parcel #0710-364-0185-4. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg aye; Supervisor Linzmeier aye; Supervisor Young aye. The motion passed 3-0 at 6:32pm.
- **2b. Return to Open Session:** Supervisor Young made a motion to come out of closed session. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 at 6:45pm.
- 2c. Board Decision on Sale of Town Land: Parcel #0710-364-0185-4: No action taken.
- **2d. Personnel Policy pertaining to Photos, Audio, Video:** Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to adopt the policy as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.
- 2e. Town Resolution 2011-11 to Discourage the County Board from Passing a Wheel Tax: Supervisor Berg proposed verbiage changes to the resolution as submitted. After some additional discussion and changes, Supervisor Berg made a motion to adopt Town Resolution 2011-11 as amended, which discourages the Dane County Board from passing a wheel tax. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.
- **3a. Minutes of October 25, 2011 Board Meeting:** Supervisor Berg suggested some verbiage changes to the minutes as presented. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2011 board meeting as amended. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0.
- **3b. Vouchers:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0.
- **4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers suggested there is a safety hazard with some vehicles that are parked on Commercial Avenue, and further asked the Board to consider putting up a "No Parking 8:00am-4:00pm" sign on Commercial Avenue.
- **5. Adjournment:** Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0 at 6:59pm.

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Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-11 To Discourage the Dane County Board from

Implementing a Wheel Tax in Dane County

WHEREAS, Dane County and all municipalities within Dane County have had to tighten their budgets in the last few years in order to minimize the tax burden on Dane County residents, many of whom are struggling in the challenging economic conditions in which we live, and

WHEREAS, Dane County Supervisor Eileen Bruskewitz informed the Town of Blooming Grove of the potential for a county board amendment to adopt a county-wide wheel tax to help fund social services; and

WHEREAS, the Dane County Board has not presented documentation which establishes a need for additional taxes beyond those generated from current revenue sources; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Wheel Tax is a regressive tax, whereby wealthier individuals pay the same per vehicle as middle class and poor individuals, and

WHEREAS, in the coming years when the economy improves and sales tax revenues increase for the County, there is no reason to believe the Wheel Tax will ever get repealed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board, Dane County, Wisconsin, does hereby discourage the Dane County Board from imposing a regressive Wheel Tax on the vehicle owners of Dane County.

Adopted this 8th day of November, 2011 by the Town of Blooming Grove Town Board at a regularly scheduled Board Meeting by a vote of ______ (ayes) to _____ (nays).

Attested by:

Michael J. Wolf, Town Cle

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for November 22, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg and Supervisor McLaughlin. Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young were excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella.

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

- **2a. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 3-0.
- **2b. 2011-12 Operators License for Evangelia D. Fowler:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the 2011-12 Operators License for Evangelia D. Fowler. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson, and passed 3-0.
- **3. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 3-0 at 4:02pm.

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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET Tuesday, December 13, 2011

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Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for December 13, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. He asked attendees to sign in at the door. 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, Public Works Supervisor Rick Konkel, Judy Riddle, Dick Riddle, Tom Streber, Greg Schultz 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. Approval of Election Workers: Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to appoint the following individuals as election workers in the Town of Blooming Grove in 2012 and 2013: Romey Carta, Lois Corcoran, Kris Frater, Bonnie Gudmandsen, Terry Gudmandsen, Elaine Gundlach, Mary Karls, Tom Karls, Cheryl Larson, Sarah Leonhardt and Gail Phippen. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Chair Johnson made a motion to appoint the following individuals as election workers in the Town of Blooming Grove in 2012 and 2013, contingent upon them receiving the required training: Jim Groat, Joanna Messer, Alyson Pohlman, Lynn Smith and Cheryle Wampole. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 5-0.

2b. Biodegradable Yard Waste Bags: Town staff was asking the Board to consider mandating the use of biodegradable paper yards waste bags, as doing this would save the town time and money – as well as be more environmentally friendly.

Tom Streber provided the Town Board with a petition from 55 individuals who did not want the Town to mandate the use of these bags. Tom went on to say that he is very much against this proposal.

Supervisor Berg expressed his desire to not move to the requirement of the paper bags, and would prefer the status quo. Supervisors Young and Supervisor McLaughlin were open to other methods of collecting yard waste, such as vacuums. Supervisor Linzmeier suggested that we don't make the bags mandatory, but rather give residents the information, and the option of using them. Chair Johnson said he mulches his leaves, which is better for the lawn.

Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to not require the use of biodegradable paper bags for yard waste. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

- **2c. Investment and Loan Strategy:** Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve staff's recommendation to use \$57,299.09 of unallocated funds to pay off loan number 02004084.01 in 2012, thus saving the Town about \$11,000 of interest on that loan. Supervisor **Y**oung seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2d. Intergovernmental Agreement on DaneCom:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the revised Intergovernmental Agreement on DaneCom (the Interoperable Emergency Radio System) as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

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- **2e.** Road Sign Reflectivity Plan: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the federally-mandated Road Sign Reflectivity Plan as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- **2f. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e) and/or 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of discussing Fire Department personnel. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg aye; Supervisor Linzmeier aye; Chair Johnson aye; Supervisor McLaughlin aye; Supervisor Young aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:09pm.
- **2g. Return to Open Session:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to come out of closed session. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0 at 7:20pm.
- 2h. Simplifying the Method of Fire Chief's Compensation: Chair Johnson made a motion to pay Chief Linzmeier the same amount of money that was budgeted for in the 2012 budget but to do so strictly on a salaried basis beginning in 2012 (thus eliminating stipends, per diems, and any other hourly compensation he previously received). Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0, with Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.
- 2i. Next Town Board Meeting Date/Time: Supervisor Young made a motion to hold the next Town Board meeting at 4:00pm on Thursday, December 29, 2011. Supervisor McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.
- **3a. Minutes of November 7, 2011 Board Meeting:** Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2011 board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin and passed 5-0.
- **3b. Minutes of November 8, 2011 Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2011 board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0, with Supervisor McLaughlin abstaining.
- **3c. Minutes of November 22, 2011 Board Meeting:** Supervisor McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2011 board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed 3-0, with Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young abstaining.
- **3d. 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 Board consider putting up signs to deal with the state's new the concealed carry law, both in the parks and in the town hall.
- **5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 7:24pm.



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ROAD SIGN REFLECTIVITY PLAN

Plan approved December 13, 2012 by the Blooming Grove Town Board

The federal government, via the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, has mandated that the Town replace all road signs and street signs, such that they meet specific reflectivity guidelines.

The Town of Blooming Grove plans to address this mandate in the following manner:

- a. Stop signs and yield signs located at major intersections and in rural areas of the Town will be replaced by December 31, 2012. Street signs located at major intersections and in rural areas will also be replaced by December 31, 2012.
- b. All speed limit signs will be replaced by December 31, 2014.
- c. All remaining stop signs and yield signs will be replaced by December 31, 2015.
- d. All other signs that are subject to the federal mandate, with the exception of street signs located in subdivisions, will be replaced by December 31, 2017.
- e. No later than October 1, 2016, the Town Board will determine whether or not it makes sense to replace street signs located in subdivisions by the federal mandated date of December 31, 2017. Consideration will be given to the fact that, on November 1, 2027, the entire town will cease to exist and the streets will be turned over to the City of Madison who have different-colored street signs.

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Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for December 29, 2011

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg and Supervisor McLaughlin. Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young were excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella.

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

- **2a. Vouchers:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin. The motion passed 3-0.
- **2b. Property Tax Refunds:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2011 property tax refunds as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McLaughlin, and passed 3-0.
- **3. Adjournment:** Supervisor Berg made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed 3-0 at 4:02pm.