

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for January 14, 2014

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

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

2a. Parcel Split and Rezone Request for 4565 Sprecher Road: Supervisor Bristol reported that nobody attended the public hearing for this request at the Plan Commission meeting held earlier this evening. The Plan Commission subsequently and unanimously recommended approval of the parcel split and rezones to the Town Board.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the parcel split (of parcel 0710-024-8331-0) at 4565 Sprecher Road, and subsequent rezoning of the two parcels, one from A-1ex to R-1 and the other from A-1ex to A-2, as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2b. Town Resolution for the Tobacco Integration Project: David MacMaster explained the goal of the organizations supporting this cause: they wish to have drug treatment providers in the area include tobacco cessation in their programs. He explained that more people die because of tobacco addiction than any other drug being used (legal or non-legal). He said the Dane County Board has already passed a resolution to this affect, and they are now reaching out to municipalities to continue to build momentum for this cause.

Supervisor Berg expressed his reservations about unintended consequences, that could include higher insurance costs, and more government mandates on employers / health providers. Supervisor Linzmeier also wondered if this might cost providers more money. Supervisor Bristol said if people quit smoking, that would end up costing health care providers less money.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-1, with Supervisor Berg voting against.

2c. Road Repair / Maintenance Projects for 2014: Mike Wolf presented a recommendation to have the roads in Rambling Acres treated with a black slag sealcoat. The estimate on this came in at \$31,000. Supervisor Berg asked if this was the best treatment for these roads, some of which are in poor condition. Mike Wolf said that a grind and overlay will eventually be warranted, but that the sealcoat treatment will extend the viable use of these roads several more years.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve staff's recommendation and proceed with an RFP for a black slag sealcoat of the roads in Rambling Acres. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Discussion ensued about the options for repairing Raywood Road, which included how best to repair the road, when to do it, and whether the Madison Metropolitan Sewer District may be a partner. No action was taken.

2d. 2013-14 Operator Licenses for Tonya Reed and Donald L McDowell: Tonya Reed explained that she had an OWI over 8 years ago, and a ticket for serving a minor in a bar about 7 years ago... and nothing since then. Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the 2013-14 Operator Licenses for Tonya Reed and Donald L McDowell. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2e. New Town Cemetery: Mike Wolf reported that the association in charge of the cemetery on County Highway AB has dissolved. Thus, by state statutes, the cemetery is now in the care and control of the Town of Blooming Grove. The Public Works department will maintain the cemetery, and spaces will be sold by the office staff – procedures consistent with the Town's cemetery on Pflaum Road. The existing sign will be modified to read "Hope Cemetery - Blooming Grove".

Chair Johnson made a motion to place the \$11,368.01 received from the now-defunct cemetery association into the Public Works outlay fund. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2f. Exploration of Consolidation of Emergency Services: Supervisor Young suggested the Town explore the possibility of consolidating emergency services with nearby municipalities. He said whatever may or may not come of this, the goals are to continue to provide quality services while keeping costs in check. He then made a motion to direct Chief Linzmeier and Town Administrator Mike Wolf to explore the possibility of consolidating emergency services, and to report back to the Board within the next three months. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2g. Establishment of a Length of Service Award Program for BGFD Volunteers: Mike Wolf explained some of how this program would work. He expressed his concerns about the Town incurring additional costs, with the benefit going to only a few volunteers. Chief Linzmeier thought that between 10 and 15 volunteers were most likely to benefit from the program, and he said most other departments in the County have this program.

Town Supervisors saw the upside of the State's matching funds, but were concerned about the cost to the Town, and the fact that volunteers aren't vested until 10 years into the program – and then it's only 50% vested. Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this item until Chief Linzmeier and Mike Wolf can talk with potentially-affected volunteers, and then come back with more specific information. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2h. Appointment of Plan Commission member: Supervisor Bristol reported that, at the Plan Commission meeting earlier this evening, it was unanimously recommended that Jim Frater be appointed to the Plan Commission. Chair Johnson made a motion to appoint Jim Frater to the Plan Commission effective March 1, 2014. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2i. Clarification of Overtime Rules in Personnel Manual: Mike Wolf explained that no change in how overtime is administered is being requested. Instead, the revised policy more specifically lays out how overtime is, and has been, administered... for firefighters as well as non-firefighters.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the policy as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. Minutes of December 10, 2013 Town Board Meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2013 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Berg, and it passed 5-0.

3b. Minutes of December 31, 2013 Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 31, 2013 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bristol, and it passed 3-0. Chair Johnson and Supervisor Young abstained.

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

3d. Property Tax Refunds: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the property tax refunds as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said she continued to have concerns with fire hydrants not being shoveled out, specifically at the corner of Furey and Powers, and at the corner of North Fair Oaks and Thurber.

2j. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into closed session, pursuant to state statutes 19.85(1)(b), 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e), and/or 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of deliberations pertaining to job performance, compensation changes to public employees, and/or contract negotiations. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:37pm.

Supervisor Linzmeier left the meeting at 7:58pm, to avoid any conflict of interest.

2k. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to return to open session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 8:11pm.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0 at 8:11pm.

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

Dane County Tobacco Integration Project

- Whereas, Wisconsin residents with alcohol, drug dependence and mental health disorders that are nicotine dependent are sick and dying at up to 4 times the rate of the general population and losing from 10 to 25 years of their expected life spans, and
- Whereas, nicotine dependence is a substance dependence disorder listed in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual IV-4 and presents the same diagnostic criteria for other substance use disorders
- Whereas, the preventable reality is that 2,200,000 Americans in these disparate populations have died from tobacco since 9/11 and
- Whereas, according to the 2010 Wisconsin Burden of Tobacco 353 Dane County residents die from tobacco annually: 157 of them have substance use and mental health disorders, and
- Whereas, Dane County has existing alcohol and other drug treatment services experienced in developing abstinence and harm reduction-based treatment plans for other substance use disorders and
- Whereas, Wisconsin has existing mental health providers capable of including evidence-based nicotine dependence interventions in their services, and
- Whereas, alcohol and other drug abuse and mental health providers need to make their programs and facilities tobacco-free and receive training in the provision of evidence-based nicotine treatment to their patients as ethical and clinical issues,

Be it resolved that:

Blooming Grove Town Board encourages policies that lead to the integration of evidence-based nicotine dependence treatment into Dane County substance abuse and mental health services.


Signed by

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Date

**A Community Public Health Project
From the Recovery Coalition of Dane County and
The Wisconsin Nicotine Integration Project**

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for January 28, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Bristol was excused. Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy C/T/A Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works worker Cory Buske, Fred lausly and Deborah Sellers were also in attendance.

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

2a. Fly Dane 2014: Fred lausly explained the history of this project, and asked the Board to consider participating this year. He said the cost would likely be between \$200 and \$250. Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve participating in the Fly Dane 2014 project. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2b. Denial of Vehicle Claim: Chair Johnson made a motion to deny the vehicle damage claim as brought forth by Thao Chania, per the letter presented to the Board. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2c. Contract Renewal for Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 3-year contract renewal for Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2d. Public Works Staffing Options: Mike Wolf briefly explained why the Board was being presented with two options. Chair Johnson made a motion to keep the staffing levels in the Public Works Department the same (i.e., two full-time people). Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2e. Dane County Ordinance Amendment 26, 2013-14, concerning abandoned nonconforming mineral extraction sites: Supervisor Berg made a motion to support OA 26 as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 3-1, with Supervisor Young voting against.

3a. Minutes of January 14, 2014 Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2014 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier, and it 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. Property Tax Refunds: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the property tax refunds as presented, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said she would hope that someone would have Roto-Rooter do work on sewers in her area.

Chris Astrella reported that the Parks Commission would likely be making a recommendation to the Board for purchasing new parks equipment. He said this would probably be coming to the Board at their March 25 meeting.

Mike Wolf announced that Cory Buske is the new Public Works Supervisor of the Town of Blooming Grove.

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

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

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for February 11, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and all board members were in attendance except Supervisor Berg. Also in attendance were Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, 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 Chris Astrella stated that it had been.

2a. Dane County Deputy Sheriff Mike Butler's Annual Report to the Town: Deputy Butler was unable to make it to tonight's meeting. He will be appearing at the March 11th meeting.

2b. Unused Federal Grant Funds for the Fire Department: Chief Linzmeier was in attendance to speak on this subject. There was approximately \$94,000 left over from the Federal Radio Grant, and the Federal Government gave it to us. It needs to be spent on items related to the original grant (fire department only) and we have received assurances from the Federal Government that this is in fact our money. Nothing will be purchased yet, but this was to make the board aware of what's going on with the money.

3a. Minutes of January 28, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 4-0-1 with Supervisor Bristol abstaining.

3b. Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers; seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0.

3c. Property Tax Refunds: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the property tax refunds as presented; seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 5-0.

4. Public Comment: none.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:36pm.

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

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for February 25, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and all board members were in attendance except Supervisor Linzmeier who was excused. Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella was also in attendance. 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. Operator's License for Nicole Uphoff: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the operator's license for Nicole Uphoff and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0.

2b. Update on Plow Truck: Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Astrella gave a summary of the situation that Public Works experienced with the older plow truck. The transmission needed to be replaced, the details of the cost, and how Public Works Supervisor Buske ended up saving Blooming Grove almost \$2,000. At this point, the plow truck has been repaired, and should be able to make it through the rest of plow season without any problems. However, Deputy C/T/A Astrella also noted there will be more items needing repair during the summer, so some more bills should be expected.

3a. Minutes of February 11, 2014 Board Meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bristol and passed 4-0.

3b. Vouchers: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the vouchers; seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: none

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 6:34pm

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

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for March 11, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Dane County Deputy Sheriff Mike Butler, and town residents Deborah Sellers and Ed Stube were in attendance. 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. Annual Report from Dane County Sheriff Mike Butler: Mike Butler presented a list of law enforcement calls and contacts in 2013. He stated that while the numbers were higher than previous years, most of that had to do with a specific part of the town that has stores open 24-hours, just off Highway 51.

2b. Board of Review Training Timetable: Chair Johnson suggested that in the future, the 2-year training for Board of Review gets staggered, so two Board members take the training in one year, and three the following year. There was general agreement on this approach, and Mike will put this on follow-up for next year in order to implement it.

3a. Minutes of February 25, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 25, 2014 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed 4-0. Supervisor Linzmeier abstained.

3b. Property Tax Refund: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the property tax refund as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young, and passed 5-0.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said the "Do Not Enter" sign was down along the Highway 30 exit onto Commercial Avenue. She asked that the streets in her neighborhood get swept, as there was debris collecting in the storm water drains. She went on to say that the orange snow fence in the yard of 434 Powers (or thereabouts) was down, and this could allow kids to get into the house and hurt themselves.

2c. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statutes 19.85(1)(b), 19.85(c), 19.85(1)(e), and/or 10.85(1)(g) for the purpose of deliberation or discussion pertaining to job performance and/or compensation changes to public employees, and/or for the purpose of contract negotiations. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:45pm.

2d. Open Session: Supervisor Berg made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0 at 7:05pm.

2e. Tentative Contract with Firefighter Union Local 311: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the tentative contract with Firefighter Union Local 311 as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator, Town of Blooming Grove

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for March 25, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, Ty Westrick, Tim Roehl, Robin Loger, Tom Voit and Deborah Sellers were also in attendance.

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. Reconsideration of Dane County OA26: Tim Roehl from the Town of Middleton Board expressed his concerns with OA26 as written, and said he would like to see the Town Board vote against it. He said Dane County 19 towns have already done so. Tim went on to say that this issue wasn't initially fully vetted by the Dane County Towns Association Board, of which he is a member, and he apologized for that. But now that more of the facts have come out, there are many people asking that the County sit down with stakeholders to craft a different ordinance amendment that would address industry and town concerns.

Robin Loger from Yahara Materials also spoke against OA26 as is. He said that the County has stated these sites are "unregulated", which is not true. These sites would still be subject to state and county laws that require a reclamation plan, limits on blasting, etc.

Tom Voit said he supported the comments made by Tim and Robin.

Supervisor Berg pointed out that if OA26 passed, these sites would be subject to the same process as any new operation would be. Supervisor Bristol said that municipalities would still have some authority even if this ordinance amendment passes.

Supervisor Young made a motion to reconsider the Town Board's initial vote on OA26. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-2 (with Supervisors Berg and Bristol voting against).

Supervisor Young made a motion to vote against OA26 as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-2 (with Supervisors Berg and Bristol voting against).

2b. Request for Alcohol Consumption in Thurber Park: Debra Iturbide, who made this request, was not in attendance. Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this agenda item. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2c. 2013-14 Operator's Licenses: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2013-14 Operator's Licenses for Autumn Lorraine Hoover and Gante James Blibo. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2d. Road Improvement on Meadowview Road: Cory Buske explained that we just found out that the Town of Dunn is planning on doing work on this road this year, and because Blooming Grove owns half and Dunn owns half, it might be a good idea to partner with them to do the entire road. The initial estimate for Blooming Grove's share of the project is about \$100,000. Supervisor Berg said that the Town has a responsibility to the greater community to fix our roads. Chair Johnson pointed out that if we did this road by ourselves in a few years, it would cost more. Supervisor Young stated that other roads in the Town are in far worse shape than this one.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to move forward with working with the Town of Dunn to get proposals to redo all of Meadowview Road. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2e. Bid on a Used Ambulance: Chief Linzmeier explained there is an used ambulance that might be advantageous for the Town to purchase. Chair Johnson made a motion to allow Chief Linzmeier to make a bid of up to \$25,000 on a used ambulance. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. Minutes of March 11, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2014 Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 4-0, with Supervisor Bristol abstaining.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said there will be a cleanup along Commercial Avenue between Rethke and Stock Avenue this upcoming Sunday. She will contact Mike Wolf at the office with a specific start time, and he will pass that information along to the Town Board.

Deborah also reported there were some potholes at the corner of Furey Avenue and Gannon Avenue.

Supervisor Berg said that he will be out of town from April 2 – 22, and will miss the first Board meeting that month, and the Annual Meeting. He hopes to be back in time for the April 22 Board meeting.

2f. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(b), 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e), and/or 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of deliberation and/or decisions pertaining to job performance and/or compensation changes for public employees, and/or for the purpose of contract negotiations. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:17pm.

2g. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to come back into open session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0 at 7:58pm.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for April 8, 2014

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

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. Operator's License for Andrew M. Elliott: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2013-14 Operator's License for Andrew M. Elliott. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2b. Quarterly Treasurer's Report: Mike Wolf explained the anomalies in the report, including higher-than-expected EMS revenue, and a mistake made in the 2014 budget process dealing with the costs of intern training and books. He also said Public Works was over budget as a result of a bad winter, combined with the need for a new transmission for one of the plow trucks. Overall the Town is 0.6% over budget through the first quarter of the year.

3a. Minutes of March 25, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2014 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. It was seconded by Supervisor Bristol, and it passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked that the sign poles be replaced in her neighborhood.

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 7:43pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator



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Tuesday, April 15, 2014

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Michael LaForest

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Steve & Kim Kearney

David Hart

**Town of Blooming Grove
Annual Town Meeting Minutes
6:30 PM -- April 15, 2014**

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

Dwight introduced Town Board Supervisor and Plan Commission Chair Ron Bristol, Town Board Supervisor Dave Young, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, Town Parks Commission Chair Dean Larson, and Town Plan Commissioner Michael LaForest. Cory introduced Steve Kearney, the new Public Works employee who just started the day before. Also in attendance were Kayla Schmidt from Johnson Block, and Town residents Kathryn Newhouse, Lois Kvammen, Norm Kvammen, Kim Kearney, David Hart and Deborah Sellers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Auditor's Report

Auditor Kayla Schmidt of Johnson Block presented the 2013 Financial Report. She said that they were able to provide an unmodified opinion. She reported that the Town's reserves were at about 20% of the operational budget, which is right where they should be. She said the fund balance increased about \$48,000 from the previous year.

Public Works Report

Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske said that Public Works now has their own email address, so he can be contacted that way if people would prefer. He said there were about 55 snow/ice events this past winter – far more than normal. He reported that in 2013 the Town did road work on Femrite Drive and Brugger Place, and in 2014 plans are to do work on Rankin Road, Larsen Road, and in Rambling Acres. Work may also end up being done on Meadowview Road.

Plan Commission Report

Plan Commission Chair Ron Bristol said the Commission met 7 times in 2013. There were a few rezones, but nothing out of the ordinary. The biggest event was the opening of the new PDQ store on Milwaukee Street.

Looking to this year, Dane County is spearheading an effort to rezone 79 parcels in the Town, in order to conform with state statutes dealing with tax breaks for farmers. Affected landowners should have already received notification of an upcoming informational hearing – to take place here at the Town Hall on May 13 at 5:00pm.

Parks Commission Report

Parks Commission Chair Dean Larson reported that 2013 was quiet for the Parks Commission, but that new playground equipment is likely to be purchased and installed in the parks this summer.

Action Item: 2013 Annual Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Dwight Johnson to approve the Annual Meeting minutes of April 16, 2013 as presented. Michael LaForest seconded the motion, and it passed 9-0.

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

A motion was made by Dean Larson to hold next year's Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall. Dave Young seconded the motion and it passed 9-0.

Citizen Comments/Concerns/Questions

Deborah Sellers asked if the new cemetery that Blooming Grove inherited has a new sign. Cory Buske said the new sign is up.

Deborah Sellers asked if Fly Dane maps would be available for purchase. Mike Wolf suggested she contact Dane County.

Deborah Sellers asked if minutes from Plan Commission and Parks Commission meetings could be posted to the Town's website. Mike Wolf said that logistically, this would be easy to do, but that there is very little interest in these minutes, and furthermore the minutes are taken by members of these commissions and are sometimes not approved and available to office staff for months after the meetings take place. Deborah made a motion to have minutes from Plan Commission meetings and Parks Commission meetings posted on the Town's website. The motion died for lack of a second.

Deborah Sellers expressed concern that the Drumlin Park sign, whenever it finally goes up, won't reflect the Blooming Grove name as had been agreed upon. Mike Wolf said that this is a Dane County Parks project. Deborah said they won't return her calls.

Deborah Sellers asked if residents along Libby Road were still having issues with Occupy Madison people living in the park across the street. Cory Buske said that the park is being currently occupied by people with RVs; there are no tents there now.

Deborah Sellers asked if a new speed bump was going to be installed along Carncross Drive. Cory Buske said that will happen within the next 4 to 6 weeks.

Deborah Sellers questioned the Parks Commission's decision regarding playground equipment for the parks, in particular wondering if Thurber Park was being short-changed. Dean Larson said the Parks Commission is proposing new equipment for all three parks, including Thurber Park. Deborah made a motion to have the Town purchase and install a park bench to be placed near the backstop in Thurber Park. The motion died for lack of a second.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Dwight Johnson to adjourn. Dave Young seconded the motion, and it passed 9-0 at 7:20pm.

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

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for April 22, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and all board members were in attendance. Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, Debi Iturbide, and Bob Vogelzng were also in attendance. 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. Request from Debra Iturbide for the Consumption of Alcohol in Thurber Park on June 7, 2014: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve allowing alcohol in the park and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed unanimously.

2b. Restaurant License for Mad City Diner, 4008 Milwaukee Street: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the restaurant license for Mad City Diner at 4008 Milwaukee Street and it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed unanimously.

2c. 2014-15 Operator's Licenses for Eric O. Christenson, Brianne Nicole Hield, Fredy Reynosa, Franklin T. Nelson, Amanda L. Trago: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the operator's licenses as presented. It was seconded by Supervisor Bristol and passed unanimously.

2d. Decision on Road Repair on Meadowview Road: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the road repair on Meadowview, and have a future agenda item discussing how to pay for it. It was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed unanimously.

2e. Femrite Drive Maintenance: Chair Johnson made a motion to accept the staff recommendation of a 5 year contract at \$5,000/year for maintaining Femrite Drive. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2f. Purchase of New Mower for Public Works: Public Works Supervisor Buske spoke to the advantages of purchasing a new mower, and how this will save hours on the John Deere mower/blower and Scag mower we already own. Chair Johnson made a motion to accept the staff recommendation and purchase a new mower for Public Works. It was seconded by Supervisory Linzmeier and passed unanimously.

2g. Purchase of New Park Equipment: Chair Johnson made a motion to accept the Parks Commission recommendation for parks equipment purchases for all three Blooming Grove Parks. It was seconded by Supervisor Bristol and passed unanimously.

2h. Revisiting Guidelines for Renting the Town Meeting Room: After some discussion regarding groups that could/should be using the town board meeting room, Supervisor Berg made a motion to allow the Bible Study Group that was requesting the room for 4 days to rent the room, and to have this on the agenda as a future agenda item. It was seconded by Supervisory Young and passed unanimously.

3a. Minutes of April 8, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed unanimously.

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

4. Public Comment: Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Astrella reported that the 2014 Neighborhood Clean-up will be on May 10, 2014 from 8a-Noon at April Hills and that letters will be mailed to all residents in the area regarding it (and the closing of Siggelkow Road). Supervisor Young mentioned that the Blooming Grove Historical Society may be changing its name and asked for it to be a future agenda item.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:57p,

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

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for May 13, 2014

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

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. Request to Consume Alcohol in April Hill: Steve Seufferer has the park rented for June 14 for a graduation party (noon to 6pm). He is asking the Board to allow alcohol to be consumed. Chair Johnson asked if the alcohol would be monitored so that no underage drinking would occur. Mr. Seufferer said yes. Supervisor Young made a motion to allow alcohol to be consumed at this event. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2b. Rezone at 3527 Femrite Drive: Supervisor Bristol reported that there was a public hearing on this rezone at the Plan Commission meeting this same night. Nobody spoke in opposition to the rezone. The Plan Commission subsequently voted unanimously to recommend approval of the rezone.

Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the rezone from C-1 to C-2 at 3527 Femrite Drive. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2c. 2014-15 Class B Beer License and Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place, 601 N. Fair Oaks Avenue: Mike Wolf reported the application and fee have not yet been received. Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this issue until the application and fee have been received. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2d. 2014-15 Class B Beer License for Hope Rod & Gun Club, 3454 Siggelkow Road: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Class B Beer License for the Hope Rod and Gun Club at 3454 Siggelkow Road. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2e. 2014-15 Class B Beer License and Class B Liquor License for Blue Plate Catering at Capital City Harley-Davidson, 6200 Millpond Road: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the Class B Beer License and Class B Liquor License for Blue Plate Catering, doing business at Capital City Harley-Davidson at 6200 Millpond Road. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2f. 2014-15 Class B Beer License and Class C Wine License for Magnuson Hotel, 3510 Millpond Road: Mike Wolf reported the application and fee have not yet been received. Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this issue until the application and fee have been received. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2g. 2014-15 Class A Beer License and Class A Liquor License for PDQ, 4112 Milwaukee Street: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Class A Beer License and Class A Liquor License for PDQ at 4112 Milwaukee Street. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2h. 2014-15 Class A Beer License and Class A Liquor License for Bartender 608 Cocktail Caterers, 3365 Brugger Place: Mike Wolf said the applicant called and told him she is moving out of town and will not be submitting an application. No action taken.

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

2j. 2014-15 Operator's Licenses: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Operator's Licenses for Amanda L. Trago, Thomas K. Downs, Nicole F. Uphoff, Myles D. Bible, Douglas A. Job, Victoria R. Unzicker, Amanda M. Hirschmann, Richard J. Kratochvil, Andrew M. Elliott, Donald L. Peterson, John M. Gulesserian, David J. Porto, Donald L. McDowell, Debra L. Urban-Wheatley, Autumn L. Hoover, Ryan M. Semmerling, and Judy A. Boeker. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2k. 2014-15 Cigarette License for PDQ, 4112 Milwaukee Street: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Cigarette License for PDQ at 4112 Milwaukee Street. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 5-0.

2l. Selection of Contractor for Rambling Acres Road Maintenance: Supervisor Young made a motion to accept the bid from Scott Construction in the amount of \$27,250 for road maintenance to be done in the Rambling Acres neighborhood this year. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2m. Funding for Meadowview Road Project: Supervisor Berg suggested the Town consider borrowing the money (\$96,000) for this project over 10 years, because both current and future residents – all of whom will benefit from the road – would thus pay for it. He also pointed out this would help the Town's liquidity. Mike Wolf stated that if the Town pays for this project up front, without borrowing, it would mean the road capital outlay fund would have about \$15,000 in left it by year's end. Supervisor Bristol asked what the Town's borrowing capacity is, and Mike Wolf said it is at least 10 times above where our current debt stands; so in the event of a situation where the Town needs money for some kind of unforeseen emergency, it is not difficult to get a loan through the State. Supervisor Linzmeier offered the idea of paying for half the project with money we have, and borrowing the other half. Discussion took place about the difference between the interest rate of a loan (3.0 to 3.5%), and what the Town's money makes in investments (0.5%). Supervisor Young said he was inclined to pay for the project with the money we already have, to avoid paying interest.

Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to pay for this project entirely with money in the road capital outlay fund. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2n. Name Change of Blooming Grove Historical Society: Mike Wolf said he had a phone conversation with the President of the Blooming Grove Historical Society. She (Gloria) told him that they are attempting to get people to understand that their organization has historical information and items from the Blooming Grove that existed 100 years ago – and not just from the Blooming Grove that exists today. All of Monona and most of southeast Madison was once Blooming Grove. Gloria went on to say that a name change is cumbersome and expensive, and they are looking for alternative ways to meet the objective of greater awareness – without actually changing the name.

No Board action was taken.

2o. Additional Expenses for Deficiencies to new DaneCom System: Mike Wolf explained that DaneCom isn't yet operational, but should be within a few months. It has come to the attention of Chief Linzmeier that there will be significant holes in coverage throughout the county, including right here at the Blooming Grove Fire Station. In other words, the pagers and/or radios simply won't work because the signals aren't strong enough. For the \$19 million dollars the County is spending, and for the additional money that Blooming Grove has been asked to pay every year for "its fair share", we are getting a system that doesn't work in about 30% of the county.

In addition to the signals not reaching the station, there is also the issue of using radios on calls, off site. The radio signals won't work in the hotels in town, or at the sewer plant (among other places). Dane County has told us the only way to make them work is to purchase equipment for our emergency vehicles, which will boost the signals. In fact, more equipment will need to be purchased to make sure the radios work here at the Fire Station.

Mike Wolf suggested that there has been zero accountability for what any reasonable person would say is a failure. DaneCom was supposed to be operational by January, 2013. It still isn't. And even when it is, hundreds of thousands if not millions of dollars of additional infrastructure will need to be purchased by municipalities and the county itself -- none of which was expected, or at the least communicated to municipalities.

The Town's options are limited. We have no choice but to make sure the radios work. That said, Mike is recommending the Town send a bill to Dane County for the cost of this additional equipment... which for Blooming Grove will likely be around \$50,000.

No Board action was taken.

3a. Minutes of April 22, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2014 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed unanimously.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked the Town to consider the potential fire hazard of stacks of wood in her neighbor's yard. Jeanine Schneider asked the Town to do something about the one RV that parks on Bruns Avenue and/or Alvarez Avenue, which blocks the view of drivers coming out of their driveways causing a dangerous situation.

2p. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(b), 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e) and/or 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of deliberating job performance and/or compensatory changes for public employees, and/or for the purpose of contract negotiations. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:18pm.

2q. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young, and it passed 5-0 at 8:35pm.

2r. Exploration of Consolidation of Emergency Services: Chief Linzmeier reported that he has met with representatives from Maple Bluff, Monona, McFarland, and Deer Grove to explore possibilities with regard to the consolidation of emergency services. While some have expressed interest, thus far nothing substantive has resulted from these discussions.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned, at 8:35pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for May 27, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier, Supervisor Bristol. Supervisor Young was excused. 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.

2a. 2014 Blooming Grove Board of Review: Chair Johnson made a motion to convene the 2014 Blooming Grove Board of Review, and to immediately recess to reconvene on Wednesday, June 18 at 5:30pm. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2b. 2014-15 Operator's Licenses: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Operator's Licenses for Gante J. Blibo, Floyd E. Richmond Jr., and Tammy L. Washington. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2c. Policy for Renting the Meeting Room: Chair Johnson made a motion to change the Town's policy so as to allow any one person or organization to rent the meeting room up to two times per month – and to allow exceptions to this limit to come before the Town Board for consideration. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2d. Updates to Town Personnel Manual: Mike Wolf explained that the updates proposed are a matter of getting the personnel manual's policies to better align with how the Town is currently operating.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the change to the Hiring policy, as proposed. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the change to the Work Schedules as proposed, allowing for a verbiage change to specify that only one member of the office staff is required to be at Town meetings. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the change to the Time Cards & Payroll policy, as proposed. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the change to the Rate of Pay policy, as proposed. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to eliminate any mention of Longevity pay in the personnel manual, as proposed. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the change to the Bereavement policy by adding stepparent to the list of eligible relatives, as proposed. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the change to the Job Injury policy, as proposed. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

There was some discussion about the need for a change in the Computer and Internet use policy, specifically as it pertains to social media. After some discussion, it was agreed upon that the current policy is sufficient. No action was taken.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to dissolve the Personnel Committee. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2e. Crack Filling Town Hall Parking Lot: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the crack filling of the parking lot. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Glenn Linzmeier reported that he and Rick Konkell had had a conversation with Sam of Payne & Dolan (who had originally done the parking lot), and that Sam said they would come back and fill the primary crack in the parking lot. Mike Wolf said that he and Cory Buske would check on this.

2f. Advanced Life Support Agreement with Deer Grove EMS: Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the Advanced Life Support Agreement with Deer Grove EMS as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

3a. Minutes of May 13, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2014 Town 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 said there was standing water at the corner of Thurber Avenue and Gannon Avenue, and asked the Town to check this out.

2g. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(b), 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(e) and/or 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of deliberating job performance and/or compensatory changes for public employees, and/or for the purpose of contract negotiations. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 7:06pm. Supervisor Linzmeier left the meeting, as did Deborah Sellers and Chief Linzmeier.

2h. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to come out of Closed Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bristol, and it passed 3-0 at 7:44pm.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed 3-0 at 7:44pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for June 10, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol 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. Resolution 2014-01 for Approval of 2014 Compliance Maintenance Report for Sewer District #10: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2014-01, and the 2014 Compliance Maintenance Report for Sewer District #10 as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2b. Resolution 2014-01 for Approval of 2014 Compliance Maintenance Report for Regas Road Sewer District: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2014-02, and the 2014 Compliance Maintenance Report for the Regas Road Sewer District as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2c. Temporary Class B Beer License for Safe Harbor Child Advocacy: Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the temporary Class B Beer License for Safe Harbor Child Advocacy's fundraiser to be held at Harley-Davidson at 6200 Millpond Road on July 12, 2014. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2d. Waunona Sanitary District Levy Error: Mike Wolf explained that the Waunona Sanitary District under-levied Town residents in their district by \$12,858 last year. The District is asking the Town to pay them that amount, and then add that amount to the Waunona Sanitary District's levy next year.

Supervisor Young made a motion to approve payment of \$12,858 to the Waunona Sanitary District and to subsequently add this amount on Waunona Sanitary District's levy next year. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

2e. Town Office Closed on Friday, December 26, 2014: Supervisor Berg made a motion to have the Town Office be closed on Friday, December 26, 2014. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young, and passed 4-0.

3a. Minutes of May 27, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2014 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed 3-0, with Supervisor Young abstaining.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers provided detailed information about an encounter she had with people who had rented Thurber Park last Saturday, and who parked their vehicles on the grass there. She is asking the Town to do something to stop people from parking on the grass in the park.

Chair Johnson reported that the Highway 51 project is still in the design phase, with no decision yet on exactly what will be done. He said this issue would be placed on a future agenda to allow for a more thorough discussion.

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

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for June 24, 2014

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

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. Alcohol Consumption in Thurber Park: Mark Brendler stated this was a family reunion, and that alcohol would be controlled such that there would be no underage drinking. Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the consumption of alcohol in Thurber Park at this event on July 19, 2014 between the hours of 11:00am and 8:00pm. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2b. 2014-15 Class B Beer License and Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Class B Beer License and Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place at 601 N. Fair Oaks Avenue. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2c. 2014-15 Class B Beer License and Class C Wine License for Magnuson Hotel: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Class B Beer License and Class C Wine License for the Magnuson Hotel, 3510 Millpond Road. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2d. 2014-15 Restaurant License for Magnuson Hotel: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Restaurant License for the Magnuson Hotel, 3510 Millpond Road. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2e. 2014-15 Restaurant License for Jerry's Place: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Restaurant License for Jerry's Place, 601 N. Fair Oaks Avenue. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2f. 2014-15 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Cigarette License for Jerry's Place, 601 N. Fair Oaks Avenue. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2g. 2014-15 Operator's Licenses: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Operator's Licenses for Heidi Jo Langan, Tatianna Y. Palmer, Randall R. Retzlaff, George J. Koltes, Jeff P. Kuske, Kaitlynn O'Donohue, James S. Johnson, Anthony J. Latzig, Judith A. Hoffer, and Terri A. Corcoran. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2h. Process for allowing alcohol in Town parks: There was general agreement among Board members to begin using an application for those wishing to drink alcohol in Town parks – and to do away with having them come before the Board to get permission. Supervisor Berg expressed concern about the language in the draft form presented, specifically having to do with liability. Mike Wolf will look for stronger language in an effort to further limit the Town's liability. Supervisor Berg made a motion to defer this item to a future agenda. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2i. Alternatives to Town Newsletter: Office staff are recommending the Town set up a Facebook page, which would be a communication tool that would cost the Town nothing (other than staff time), and would be much more temporally relevant than a twice-a-year newsletter. Supervisors expressed concern that the newsletter has become repetitive, and that the content should be changed up to make it more relevant. There were also concerns about the fact that some people are not on Facebook, and/or don't have access to the Internet at home.

Supervisor Young made a motion to have the office staff set up and maintain a Facebook page, and to produce and mail a newsletter this fall which would explain to residents their options for communicating with the Town (which would be email, the Town's website, Facebook, and/or signing up for a hard-copy newsletter which would continue to be mailed in March and October of every year). Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it was approved 4-0.

2j. Zoning power struggles between Dane County and towns: The Board debated on if and/or how to respond to calls to action from the Dane County Towns Association as it pertains to the County attempting to usurp town authority on zoning issues.

Chief Linzmeier is advocating for Blooming Grove to belong to either the DCTA or the Dane County Cities and Villages Association. Mike Wolf will investigate the cost of joining the cities and villages' organization. The cost of joining the DCTA is over \$1800/year. Chair Johnson asked that this be placed on the Board agenda for July 22.

2k. DaneCom: There are major problems with DaneCom, the biggest being how it simply won't work in the Blooming Grove Fire Station. Chief Linzmeier reported the Town will have no choice but to spend between \$45,000 and \$60,000 to make the system work for the Blooming Grove Fire Department. He explained the expenditures will be incurred within the next couple of months, since DaneCom is set to go live at the end of August. The Town Board expressed dismay that a system that is being paid for by Dane County taxpayers, and then again by municipalities including Blooming Grove, won't work for Blooming Grove without even more money being spent.

Chair Johnson made a motion to spend up to \$60,000 as necessary to make DaneCom work for the Blooming Grove Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0. The Board further directed Mike Wolf to write a draft letter to Dane County, which will outline the Town's position on having to spend this additional money to make DaneCom functional. Discussion on this letter will take place at the Board's July 8 meeting.

2l. Advanced Life Support Agreement with Cambridge: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Advanced Life Support Agreement with Cambridge as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. Chief Linzmeier said there will be more of these agreements coming before the Board for other municipalities.

3a. Minutes of June 10, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2014 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson and passed 3-0, with Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.

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 thanked whomever put up the "no parking" sign next to the building in Thurber Park.

Mike Wolf reported that the Public Works staff is hard at work chipping the debris that resulted from last week's storm. He asked all residents to be patient, as it will take a few weeks to get caught up.

2m. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and 19.85(1)(e). A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 8:06pm. Supervisor Linzmeier, Chris Astrella and Deborah Sellers left the meeting.

2n. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 3-0 at 8:58pm.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 3-0 at 8:58pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

**TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE FIRE/EMS
1880 S STOUGHTON RD
MADISON WI 53716
608-222-4155**

Advanced Life Support Agreement with Cambridge EMS

Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department and Cambridge EMS desire to demonstrate their commitment to providing the best possible care to their patients by entering into this Advanced Life Support Intercept Agreement.

Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department agrees to provide Cambridge EMS with Advanced Life Support (ALS) intercept service when Cambridge EMS requests such service. When such response is requested and provided to recipients of Medicare, Medicare HMO, Veteran's Administration (VA), and any other institutions that fall under Medicare reimbursement guidelines, the billing procedures outlined within this Agreement will be followed.

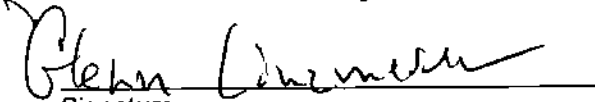
1. When Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department provides ALS care and Cambridge EMS transports the patient in their vehicle:
 - a. Cambridge EMS will be responsible for the billing and collection associated with the ALS service provided by Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department as required by HCFA regulations.
 - b. Cambridge EMS will pay Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department \$475.00 for intercept service. For any patients who have Medicare, Medicare HMO, Veteran's Administration (VA), or any other institutions that fall under Medicare reimbursement and pay less than \$475.00, the Town of Blooming Grove will consider that amount as full payment. Any secondary insurance payments made to Cambridge EMS are to be kept by Cambridge EMS.
 - c. IT is understood that Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department Medicare provider number 00082490 shall only be used when Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department is involved in a Cambridge EMS transport.
 - d. Cambridge EMS accepts responsibility to accurately track reimbursements for ALS intercepts in which they provided transport so as to adhere to the guidelines set forth in this billing agreement.
2. When Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department provides ALS care and transports the patient in Town of Blooming Grove vehicle:
 - a. Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department will be responsible for the billing and collection associated with its service.

- b. Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department will receive all payments from Medicare, Medicare HMO, Veteran's Administration (VA), any other institutions that fall under Medicare reimbursement guidelines and any secondary billings with regard to these transports.
 - c. Town of Blooming Grove Fire Department accepts responsibility to accurately track reimbursements for ALS intercepts in which they provide transport so as to adhere to the guidelines set forth in this billing agreement.
3. Transports not involving patients with Medicare, Medicare HMO, Veteran's Administration (VA), and any other institutions that fall under Medicare reimbursement guidelines will be billed independently by each ambulance service for the services that were provided to the patient.


This agreement will become effective when signatures from both parties have been placed on this Agreement and will include any intercept calls between Town of Blooming Grove EMS and Cambridge EMS as of July 1, 2014. This agreement will remain in effect until either party provides the other party with a thirty (30) day written notice of cancellation or modification.

Dated this 30 day of JUNE 2014

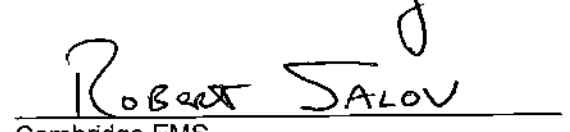

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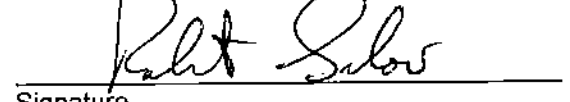

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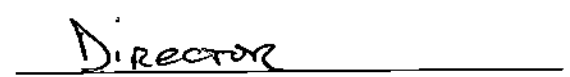

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Dated this 2 day of July 2014


Cambridge EMS


Signature

Print Name


Title

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for July 8, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Berg was excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor 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 Resolution 2014-03 for Borderless Responses: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2014-03 as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2b. Blanket Rezones: Supervisor Bristol reported that these rezones were the subject of a Public Hearing at the Plan Commission earlier this evening. There was no opposition voiced at the hearing. There were some concerns that some parcels that should have been rezoned weren't properly identified as such, and that is being investigated. Regardless, the list of rezones put forth were approved by the Plan Commission. Supervisor Young made a motion to approve Dane County petition #DCPREZ-2014-10732 as presented, with the understanding that additional parcels may need to be rezoned at a later date. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2c. Bid Selection for Road Work on Rankin Road: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the Wolf Paving bid of \$36,390 for the road work on Rankin Road. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2d. Culverts under Rankin Road: Cory Buske explained that the two culverts under Rankin Road are damaged, and it would make sense to replace them prior to the road being redone. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the replacement of these two culverts. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2e. 2014-15 Operators Licenses: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Operators Licenses for Tonya Sue Reed and Gina Lee Heiman. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2f. Second Quarter Treasurer's Report: Mike Wolf reported that the Town is very close to where it would expect to be through the first half of the year.

2g. Changing the Date of the first Town Board meeting in August: Mike Wolf said there is an election on the second Tuesday of August, so it would be in the Town's best interest to move the Town Board meeting date. Supervisor Young made a motion to move the Town Board's first meeting in August to Monday, August 11 at 6:30pm. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2h. Fire Department Staffing: Chief Linzmeier informed the Board that one of the full-time fire fighters may be resigning within a month. Postings for part-time help, and possibly for a full-time position, may be done within the next few weeks, as needed.

2i. Update on Exploration of Consolidation of Emergency Services: Chief Linzmeier said that discussions continue with surrounding municipalities in an effort to find greater efficiencies with regard to the delivery of emergency services.

3a. Minutes of June 24, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2014 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 3-0, with Supervisor Bristol abstaining.

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 suggested that the Town look at how Powers Avenue was done (not well), and to make sure it wasn't Wolf Paving that did that work. She went on to report that the rain didn't drain well in portions of the neighborhood, so the Town should consider putting in more stormwater drains.

Mike Wolf reported that the new parks equipment is now fully installed. He thanked the Parks Commission, Chris Astrella, Cory Buske and Steve Kearney... and the Town Board. All played a part in upgrading the playground equipment in the Town's parks.

2j. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and 19.85(1)(e). A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:46pm. Supervisor Linzmeier and Chief Linzmeier stayed for the first part of the Closed Session, and then both left at 6:56m.

2k. Open Session: Supervisor Young made a motion to return to Open Session. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 3-0 at 7:45pm.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Chair Johnson. The motion passed 3-0 at 7:45pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator



DANE COUNTY
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

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Phone: (608) 266-4266
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Zoning Change Application

Items that must be submitted with your application:

- **Written Legal Description of the proposed Zoning Boundaries**
Legal description of the land that is proposed to be changed. The description may be a lot in a plat, Certified Survey Map, or an exact metes and bounds description. A separate legal description is required for each zoning district proposed. The description shall include the area in acres or square feet.
- **Scaled Drawing of the location of the proposed Zoning Boundaries**
The drawing shall include the existing and proposed zoning boundaries of the property. All existing buildings shall be shown on the drawing. The drawing shall include the area in acres or square feet.

Owner's Name <u>Various (see attached)</u>	Agent's Name <u>Brian Standing, Senior Planner</u>
Address _____	Address <u>345 West Washington Ave., 3rd Floor</u>
Phone _____	Phone <u>Madison, WI 53703</u>
Email _____	Phone <u>(608) 267-4115</u>
	Email <u>standing@countyofdane.com</u>

own: Blooming Grove Parcel numbers affected: 75 parcels (see attached list)

Section: Various Property address or location: Various

Zoning District change: (To / From / # of acres) From A-1(ex) to various districts (see attached) total 965
acres.

Soil classifications of area (percentages) Class I soils: _____% Class II soils: _____% Other: _____%

Narrative: (reason for change, intended land use, size of farm, time schedule)

- ☐ Separation of buildings from farmland
- ☐ Creation of a residential lot
- ☐ Compliance for existing structures and/or land uses
- ☒ Other:

County-initiated rezone to bring zoning in the Town of Blooming Grove into
compliance with the adopted Dane County Farmland Preservation Plan, as required
by S. 91.38, Wisconsin Statutes.

I authorize that I am the owner or have permission to act on behalf of the owner of the property.

Submitted By: _____

Date: _____

Owner	Zoning	PropertyAddress	Impr. Value	Prop.	Alt.	GIS_Acres	Notes
UL W MEISTER	A-1(EX)	3147 GASTON RD	89200	CO-1		22.7	In Environmental Corridor
HNURBUSCH FAMILY TR	A-1(EX)	3381 COUNTY HIGHWAY T	153900	A-2(8)	RH-3	14	
YFFINDOR LLC	A-1(EX)	4605 SPRECHER RD	180000	A-2(4)	RH-2	4.3	
NCY D TURCOTTE	A-1(EX)	4560 RUSTIC DR	199000	A-2(2)	RH-1	2.3	
HN G NICKA & BETTY L NICKA	A-1(EX)	4540 RUSTIC DR	8400	A-2(4)	RH-2	5.1	
INALD E GILBERTSON	A-1(EX)	4585 SPRECHER RD	187700	A-2(2)	RH-1	3.6	
IMBURG EQUIPMENT INC	A-1(EX)	6211 MILWAUKEE ST	140200	R-1		0.8	
CILE FAMILY TR, SHARON D	A-1(EX)	4500 RUSTIC DR	196400	A-2(4)	RH-2	5.1	
CHAE W MULLARKEY	A-1(EX)	4491 SPRECHER RD	138500	R-1a		1.1	
CHAE J SCHUSTER	A-1(EX)	4481 RUSTIC DR	175200	RH-2	A-2(4)	5.1	
NT BRUCE BRYAN & JUDY E BR	A-1(EX)	4484 RUSTIC DR	175000	A-2(4)	RH-2	5.3	
VOIT & SONS	A-1(EX)		0	A-3		8	Stockpiling of fill materials
RRY D WILSON & DENISE C WI	A-1(EX)	517 N FAIR OAKS AVE	111900	R-3		0.1	
BERT J STALDER	A-1(EX)	3508 FUREY AVE	155500	R-3		0.1	
NIEL T RIGNEY	A-1(EX)	609 MEMPHIS AVE	127700	R-3		0.1	
SON T KLIPSTEIN	A-1(EX)	517 RETHKE AVE	114100	R-3		0.1	
AGGIE S CALLAHAN & STACEY	A-1(EX)	317 MEMPHIS AVE	36000	R-3		0.1	
INNA JEAN SHIELDS & BARBAR	A-1(EX)	317 RETHKE AVE	110300	R-3		0.1	
HN GRUENEBERG	A-1(EX)	416 GANNON AVE	105700	R-3		0.1	
CH LIVING REV TR, DOLORES	A-1(EX)	609 GANNON AVE	84300	R-3		0.1	
HN KELLY	A-1(EX)	513 GANNON AVE	108500	R-3		0.2	

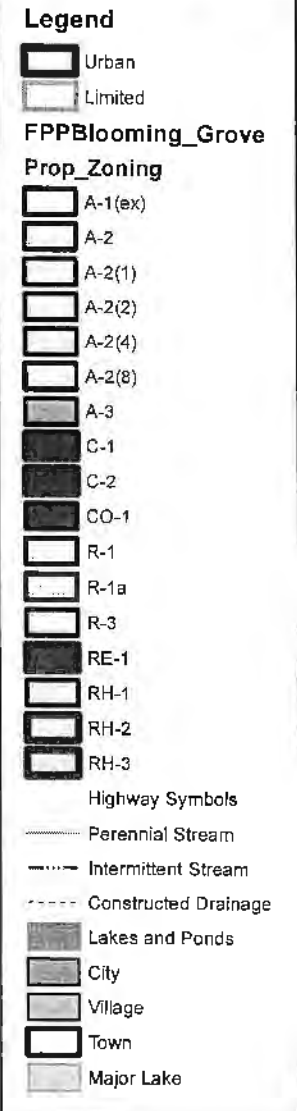
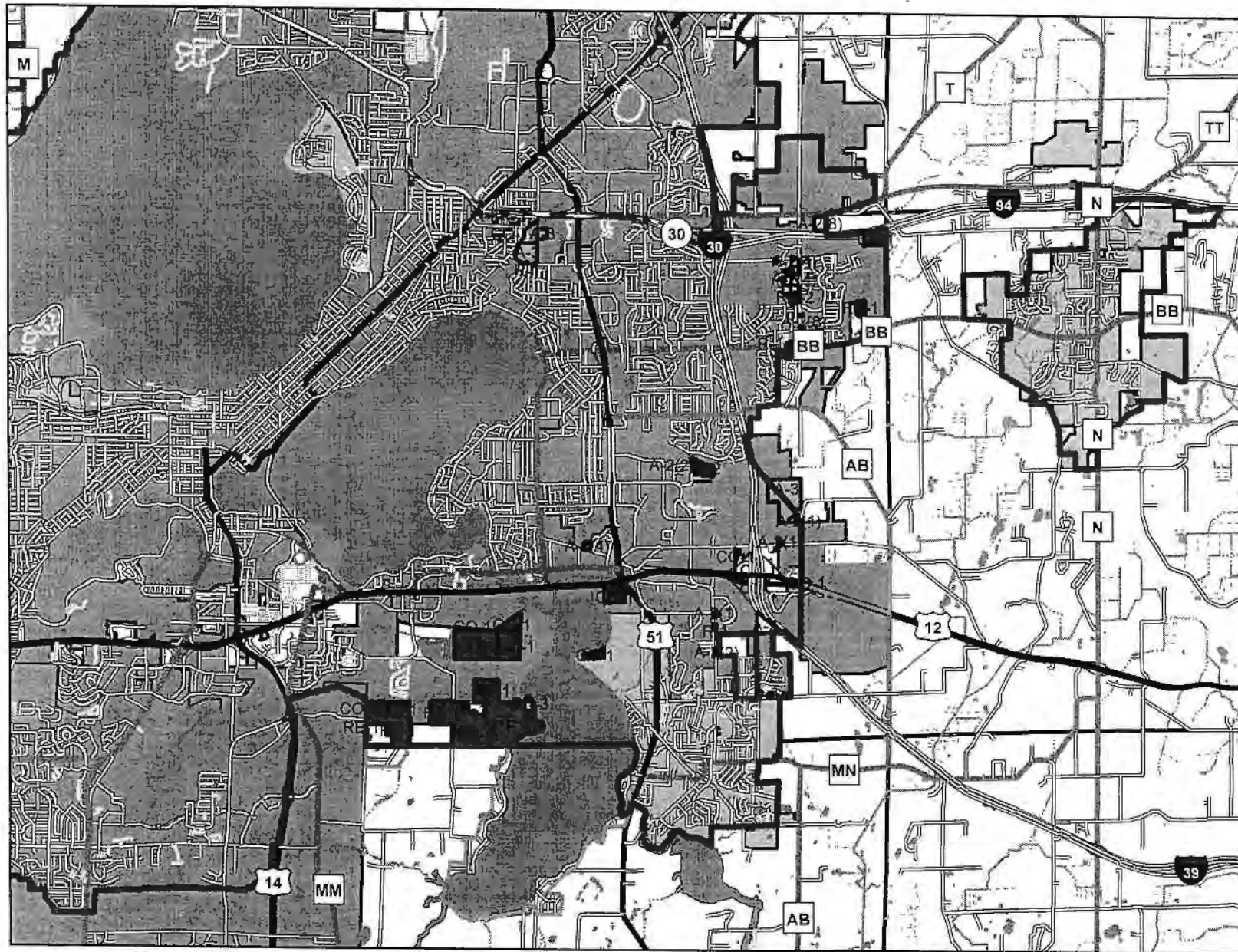
TractOwner	Zoning	PropertyAddress	Imp: lue	Prop.	Alt	GIS_Acres	Notes
DAVID B HART & MAYA MARTIN	A-1(EX)	219 MEMPHIS AVE	77600	R-3		0.1	
BAR INVESTMENT PROPERTIES L	A-1(EX)	251 N FAIR OAKS AVE	474000	CO-1		0.2	In Environmental Corridor
WAYNK LLC	A-1(EX)	219 N FAIR OAKS AVE	47500	CO-1		0.4	In Environmental Corridor
MIT LAND LLC	A-1(EX)	3450 MILWAUKEE ST	2200	A-3		35.4	
MIT LAND LLC	A-1(EX)	3490 MILWAUKEE ST	149800	R-1		0.4	
MIT LAND LLC	A-1(EX)	3510 MILWAUKEE ST	178000	R-1		0.3	
DANIEL J LYNCH	A-1(EX)	3458 COUNTY HIGHWAY BB	229800	R-1a		1.6	
ADISON, CITY OF	A-1(EX)	3274 COUNTY HIGHWAY BB	0	RE-1		8.9	Whole parcel
ANK STREICHER & LINOSAY ST	A-1(EX)	4454 SPRECHER RD	182200	R-3		0.3	
DROTHY M RODEFELD	A-1(EX)	3420 COUNTY HIGHWAY BB	119800	A-2(8)	RH-3	8.8	
LON UNDERBAKKE & GAIL UN	A-1(EX)	3382 COUNTY HIGHWAY BB	169200	A-2(8)	RH-3	8.9	
ERRA ENGINEERING & CONSTR	A-1(EX)	2201 VONDRON RD	689900	C-2		11.5	DR?
ITTELL 2003 REV TR, WADE	A-1(EX)	2317 VONDRON RD	325700	A-2(2)	C-2	2.9	
WISCONSIN CORPORATION OF SE	A-1(EX)	900 FEMRITE DR	0	A-2(4)		4.1	CUP 990
BLATTERMAN 1 LLC	A-1(EX)		0	A-3		93.5	
LLIAM BLATTERMAN	A-1(EX)	3472 OLD MEIER RD	174500	A-2(1)		1.3	
LLIAM C BLATTERMAN	A-1(EX)		0	A-2(1)		0	w PIN 071023198519
DOMING GROVE, TOWN OF	A-1(EX)		0	CO-1		1.2	in Environmental Corridor
CALLEN PROPERTIES 120 LLC	A-1(EX)	3492 FEMRITE DR	115500	A-2(1)		0.9	Still n/c due to size
DOT	A-1(EX)		0	CO-1		1.9	WI DOT ROW
ROL HARTSHORNE	A-1(EX)	4001 MARSH RD	88600	A-2(1)	R-1(a)	1.2	Existing oversize accessory bldg.
IRDON H KING	A-1ex	4005 MARSH RD		A-2(1)		1.06	
IRDON R MCKAY & GENNIE L	A-1(EX)	4141 MARSH RD	119200	R-1		0.6	

TractOwner	Zoning	PropertyAddress	Impr Value	Prop.	Alt.	GIS_Acres	Notes
ANDREY M KAMPMEIER & RAY P	A-1(EX)	4201 MARSH RD	136900	R-1		0.5	
E M BEXSON JR & AMY J BEXS	A-1(EX)	4205 MARSH RD	185300	R-1		0.6	
WINGRA STONE CO	A-1(EX)		500	A-2(2)		2.9	
ORCK ROAD FARM LLC	A-1(EX)		0	A-2		22.6	In Floodway
DOT	A-1(EX)		0	CO-1		8.7	WI DOT ROW in Environmental Corridor
DNR	A-1(EX)		0	CO-1		17.9	
ADISON, CITY OF	A-1(EX)		0	CO-1		11	
DOT	A-1(EX)		0	CO-1		6.1	
DOT	A-1(EX)		0	CO-1		3	
ADISON METROPOLITAN SEWE	A-1(EX)		0	CO-1		70	
ADISON METROPOLITAN SEWE	A-1(EX)	7300 SOUTH TOWNE RD	0	CO-1		105.6	
INE COUNTY	A-1(EX)		0	CO-1		29.6	
INE COUNTY	A-1(EX)		0	CO-1		24.4	
ADISON METROPOLITAN SEWE	A-1(EX)		0	A-2(2)		2.4	
INE COUNTY	A-1(EX)		0	RE-1		12.2	
INE COUNTY	A-1(EX)		0	RE-1	CO-1	45	
DNR	A-1(EX)	3398 LAKE FARM RD	0	RE-1	CO-1	39.3	
INE COUNTY	A-1(EX)		0	RE-1	CO-1	19.5	
INE COUNTY	A-1(EX)		0	RE-1	CO-1	19.4	
DNR	A-1(EX)	4401 LIBBY RD	0	RE-1	CO-1	131.4	
SEPH E RANE & LEONA L RANE	A-1(EX)	4439 LIBBY RD	174400	R-1		0.5	
RNON R FAIRCLOTH & TRISHA	A-1(EX)	4443 LIBBY RD	109000	R-1		0.4	
NY A BARLOW	A-1(EX)	4449 LIBBY RD	135500	R-1		0.4	

Tract Owner	Zoning	Property Address	Improvement Value	Prop.	Alt.	GIS_Acres	Notes
FREY C BROWN & JULIE E SETZ	A-1(EX)	4459 LIBBY RD	249500	R-1		0.4	
ENN R SMEATON & DIANE M S	A-1(EX)	4467 LIBBY RD	109800	R-1		0.5	
INE COUNTY	A-1(EX)	4473 LIBBY RD	169900	R-1		0.5	
INE COUNTY	A-1(EX)	4479 LIBBY RD	0	R-1		0.5	
I DNR	A-1(EX)		0	RE-1	A-3	114.4	
MOTHY J DOCTER & SANDRA N	A-1(EX)	4269 LIBBY RD	468400	RH-3	A-2(8)	9.9	
ATSON LIVING TR	A-1(EX)	3530 SIGGELKOW RD	164100	R-1a	A-2(1)	1.2	
ON M GOBEN & NOELLE B GOB	A-1(EX)	3536 SIGGELKOW RD	373200	R-1		0.5	

Farmland Preservation Zoning Compliance Town of Blooming Grove

DANE COUNTY
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT



Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-03

To Authorize MABAS Division 115 Fire Departments in Dane County to Provide Closest Response for Delta and Echo Level Fire Calls into the Town of Blooming Grove

WHEREAS, the Blooming Grove Fire Department currently participates in the Dane County Fire Departments Mutual Aid Pact Agreement, and Automatic Aid Agreements with area Fire Departments; and

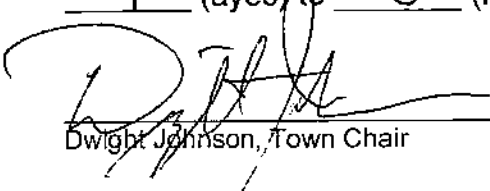
WHEREAS, all provisions currently contained in the existing Dane County Fire Departments Mutual Aid Pact remain in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, the Blooming Grove Fire Department has the opportunity to enhance response effectiveness and efficiencies for fire responses to those they serve by allowing for the closest most appropriate resource to be dispatched by the Dane County 911 Public Safety Communication Center based on standard response protocol for delta and echo level calls;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that

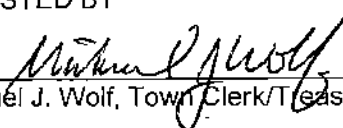
- 1) Blooming Grove does hereby authorize the Dane County 911 Center to dispatch, for delta or echo level calls, the closest recognized engine, quint or truck company which is available at the time of the call, regardless of jurisdiction, while simultaneously dispatching the Blooming Grove Fire Department.
- 2) All terms, provisions, rights, liabilities and obligations of MABAS (Mutual Automatic Box Alarm System) Wisconsin, Division 115, shall be binding on all Departments and incorporated into this resolution; and
- 3) The Blooming Grove Fire Chief is hereby authorized and directed by the Town Board of Supervisors to perform the necessary acts to fulfill the obligations of this Resolution; and
- 4) This resolution shall become effective as soon as the Dane County 911 Center is able to make the logistical changes to its CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) sequence.

Adopted this 8th day of July, 2014 by the Blooming Grove Town Board by a vote of 4 (ayes) to 0 (nays), with 0 abstaining.


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair

7/8/14
Date

ATTESTED BY


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk/Treasurer

7/8/14
Date

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for July 22, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Michael Vickerman from Renew Wisconsin, 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. MG&E Base Rate Increase: Michael Vickerman of Renew Wisconsin spoke against MG&E's proposal. He stated that this was going to shift more of the costs to low-income households and away from those people and organizations that use more electricity. In addition, it would make the payback on alternative energies less financially viable. The Board directed Mike Wolf to analyze what MG&E's proposal might do to the Town's bills, to draw up a draft resolution opposing MG&E's plan, and to place this item on the agenda for the September 9 Town Board meeting.

2b. Operators License: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Operators License for Kristin B. Soper. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2c. Highway 51 Construction Project: Mike Wolf said he attended a DOT meeting about this project. He reported that the decision as to what will be done in the Highway 51 corridor will be made this winter. He also said DOT stated the project would begin in 2022 at the earliest.

2d. Joining Dane County Towns Association (DCTA) or Dane County Cities and Villages Association (DCCVA): The Board considered whether or not to join either organization. At this point in time the DCCVA has not agreed to allow towns to join their organization. Mike Wolf will follow up with them on that issue. The Board suggested this be considered as a part of the 2015 budget process. No formal action was taken.

2e. New Process for Allowing Alcohol Consumption in Town Parks: Supervisor Berg made a motion to require a form (as presented) to be read and signed by those who rent the park and wish to have alcohol consumed at their event, in lieu of requiring those individuals to come before the Board. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2f. Dane County's Rezone of 3527 Femrite Drive: Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the Dane County rezone for MRK LLC at 3527 Femrite Drive from C-1 to C-2 as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2g. Succession Planning for Fire Chief: Mike Wolf said the Town should work on a succession plan for when Glenn Linzmeier is no longer Fire Chief. Chief Linzmeier agreed that he and the Town Administrator will work on some potential scenarios and present them to the Board at a later date.

3a. Minutes of July 8, 2014 Board Meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2014 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 4-0, with Supervisor Berg abstaining.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked the Board to consider replacing the rusty sign posts in Gallagher Garden.

2h. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and 19.85(1)(e). A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:04pm. The entire Town Board, Chief Linzmeier and Mike Wolf were present for the first part of the Closed Session; Supervisor Linzmeier subsequently left at 7:16pm.

2i. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 8:08pm.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0 at 8:08pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator



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Application for Consumption of Alcohol in a Blooming Grove Town Park

Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Park _____ Event Date _____

The applicant hereby agrees to abide by the following stipulations as it pertains to alcohol consumption at the aforementioned location and date:

- a) There is to be no selling of alcohol in any way, as this would be in violation of state law.
- b) An adult must supervise the distribution and consumption of alcohol at all times, in such a way as to make certain that nobody under the age of 21 years old consumes alcohol.
- c) Alcohol consumption must stay within the boundary of the park, and must not take place in adjoining streets or other properties.
- d) The Town of Blooming Grove has no authority, control or participation in the distribution or consumption of alcohol at this event, and therefore any and all liability that may arise is the sole responsibility of the applicant.

I, the undersigned, do hereby understand and agree to the stipulations listed above.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Town Authorization

Per Town Ordinance 9.02, Section 3, this signed document hereby represents the written consent of the Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove.

Clerk Signature _____ Date _____

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for August 11, 2014

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

2a. Rezone at 3383 Siggelkow Road: Supervisor Bristol reported that there was a Public Hearing on this rezone at the Plan Commission earlier this evening. Some townspeople had initially expressed concern about the request, but when they found out that the rezone only allowed for the one existing residence to be converted to a duplex – and didn't allow for any additional buildings – they were okay with it. The Plan Commission unanimously recommended approval of the rezone.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the rezone from A-1ex to R-3A at 3383 Siggelkow Road. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2b. Purchase of Used Ambulance: Chief Linzmeier explained the need for an ambulance, and that DeForest EMS is willing to sell their 2010 rig for \$47,000. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the purchase of this used ambulance for \$47,000. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

3a. Minutes of July 22, 2014 Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2014 Town 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 Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0.

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked the Town to mow the high weeds along Commercial Avenue so as to improve the drainage there.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:37pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for August 26, 2014

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

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

2a. Christmas Tree Sales on Town Hall Lot: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the sale of Christmas Trees by Northwood Christmas Trees this upcoming winter, pending the payment of the \$1200.00 fee. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

2b. Exploration of Consolidation of Emergency Services: Chief Linzmeier explained that this has been ongoing for the past several months, per the directive from the Town Board. After contacting other neighboring districts (Deer Grove, Monona, McFarland, etc.), he recently had discussions with the City of Madison. The discussions have been preliminary in nature.

3a. Minutes of August 11, 2014 Town Board Meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2014 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bristol and passed 2-0. Supervisor Young abstained.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked the Town to check out where a pipe empties into the grassy area between Highway 30 and Commercial Avenue near Rethke Avenue. She said that cereal boxes were there along with other debris.

2c. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and/or 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberations pertaining to contract negotiations. Supervisor Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 3-0 at 6:35pm.

2d. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 3-0 at 7:07pm.

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

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for September 9, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier 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 it had been.

2a. Additional Blanket Rezones: Supervisor Bristol reported that at the Plan Commission meeting earlier this evening, the Commission recommended the following rezones: parcel 0710-234-8220-1 from A-1ex to R-1a, parcel 0710-021-8090-6 from A-1ex to A-2, and parcel 0710-263-9000-0 from A-1ex to A-2(2). He went on to explain that parcel 0710-021-8090-6, which is owned by Bob Gersbach, was proposed by the County to be rezoned to residential... but Mr. Gersbach contested that, and wished to stay in ag zoning. The Plan Commission backed Mr. Gersbach request's to stay in ag, as evidenced by their recommendation

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the rezones as recommended by the Plan Commission. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2b/c. MG&E's Proposed Base Fee Increase and Rate Decrease: Supervisor Berg said he opposes MG&E's rate proposal philosophically, since it requires those who use less energy to pay more. He then made a motion to approve Town Board Resolution 2014-04 as presented, and to recommend a copy of this resolution be sent to MG&E, the Dane County Towns Association, Dane County, and the Public Service Commission. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2d. Shoulder / Ditch Remediation on Larsen Road and Meadowview Road: Supervisor Bristol made a motion to support staff's recommendation which is to perform additional grading of the shoulder on Larsen road, adding gravel as needed; to continue to work with the City of Fitchburg to have contractors address restoration concerns; and to have the Town of Dunn address any concerns on Meadowview Road since the portion of this road is all the Town of Dunn's responsibility. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. Minutes of August 26, 2014 Town Board Meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2014 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 3-0. Supervisor Berg and Supervisor Linzmeier abstained.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers said that there will be a stand-down for veterans at the Truax Field armory on Saturday, November 1 from 8:00am to 3:00pm, and asked the Board to consider a donation to this cause or consider attending the event. She said if anyone has questions they are free to call her at 605-244-3320.

2e. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and/or 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberations pertaining to contract negotiations. Supervisor Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:45pm.

2f. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 at 7:45pm.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:45pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-04

To Request that MG&E withdraw its proposal to the Public Service Commission to Increase Base Utility Fees

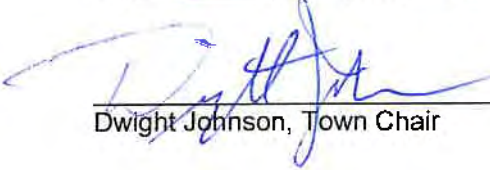
WHEREAS, the Blooming Grove Town Board believes that people who use more electricity should pay more; and

WHEREAS, MG&E's proposal to increase base fees, when partnered with MG&E's proposed reduction in utility rates, will shift more of the financial burden to customers who use less electricity; and

WHEREAS, MG&E's proposed fee and rate structure would likely be disadvantageous for those using alternative forms of energy such as solar, because the payback on the up-front cost of the infrastructure would take longer to recoup;

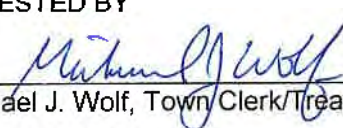
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Blooming Grove does hereby request that MG&E withdraw its proposal to the Public Service Commission to increase base utility fees, and instead put forth a new proposal which maintains those base fees while increasing utility rates as MG&E has done in the past.

Adopted this 9th day of September, 2014 by the Blooming Grove Town Board by a vote of 5 (ayes) to 0 (nays), with 0 abstaining.


Dwight Johnson, Town Chair

9/9/14
Date

ATTESTED BY


Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk/Treasurer

9/9/14
Date

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for September 23, 2014

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

2a. 2014-15 Operators License: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Operators License for Carolyn T. Benson. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2b. County Zoning Ordinance 10728: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve County Zoning Ordinance 10728 for the rezone of 3383 Siggelkow Road from A-13x to R-3A. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2c. County Zoning Ordinance 10732: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve County Zoning Ordinance 10732 for various parcels to be rezoned from A-1ex to various other zonings. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2d. Stormwater Infrastructure in Gallagher Plat: Cory Buske made a presentation to the Board, showing pictures of the storm drains along Thurber Avenue – which are in various states of disrepair. Cory is recommending to the Board that we hire a contractor to clean the storm water infrastructure in this area, then televise the pipes, and finally offer an evaluation and recommendation for needed repairs (if any). Chair Johnson made a motion to allow staff to proceed with this project, contingent upon getting multiple bids and contingent on the cost not exceeding \$12,000. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2e. Update on Exploration of Regionalization of Emergency Services: Chief Linzmeier reported that discussions are ongoing with the City of Madison.

3a. Minutes of September 9, 2014 Town Board Meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2014 Town Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 4-0.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked that if the Town were to do any road repair, that it do so before winter.

2f. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and/or 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberations pertaining to contract negotiations. Supervisor Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:57pm.

2g. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 9:57pm.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0 at 9:57pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for October 4, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:30am. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf and Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier.

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

2a. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and/or 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberations pertaining to contract negotiations. Supervisor Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:31am.

2b. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 at 8:50am.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 5-0 at 8:50am.

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Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for October 14, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol and Supervisor Linzmeier. Supervisor Young was excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, City of Madison Fire Chief Steve Davis, and the following people who signed in as present: Alan Porter, Steve Manthe, Art Voit, Mark Wendricks, Steve Gausmandsen, Brad Bowen, Clay Christenson, Judy Patten, Roger Voit, Louise Lorenzi, Tim Reichert, Dustin Boyd, Chris Astrella, Alex Kiefer, Don Lythjohan, Tmara Dinkel, Rocky Redepenning, Kyle Fredrickson, Brandon Reiter, Jay Salvo, Nate Franke, Corey Johnson, Adam Clark, David Danks, Kevin Kaminski, Frank Washa, Ken Norton, Mike Meyers, Joe Rane, James Rane, Judy Riddle, Dick Riddle, Connie Eaton, Debra Supor, Steve Kearney, Kim Kearney, Doug Yelk, Joe Seltzner, Robert Nelson, Judy (Voit) Underwood, Cory Buske, Jon Kwiatkowski, Jan Kwiatkowski, Pete Patten, Erin Ryan, Ron Blumer, Joe Ellingson, Dennis Voit, Ron Zellmer, Arlene Moody, Barbara Boyd, Kenneth Boyd, Deborah Sellers, Che Stedman, Renee Boyd, Barb Boyd, Ken Boyd, Liz Johnson, Bonnie Gudmandsen, Tim Mrowite, Michael Dibble, Kathryn Newhouse, Scot Schuetter, Julie Kelley, Kathy Buchicchio, Marcia Holtz, Dan Eklof, Scott Sullivan, Julie Kelley, Sharon Knoop, Tom Knoop, Greg Schultz, Chris Hudzinski, Lori Karst, John Fleming.

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

2a. 2014-15 Operators License: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Operators License for Katrena M. Roberts. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

3a. Approval of Board Minutes from September 23, 2014 meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the September 23, 2014 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 3-0, with Supervisor Bristol abstaining.

3b. Approval of Board Minutes from October 4, 2014 meeting: Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the October 4, 2014 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

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

2b. Regionalization of Fire & EMS: A presentation was put forth by Town Administrator Mike Wolf and Blooming Grove Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier. Madison Fire Chief Steve Davis provided some information as well. After the presentation, there was a question and answer period followed by comments from many of those present.

Concerns expressed included:

- Cost savings, and how that would translate to a reduction in property taxes
- The timeliness and quality of City fire suppression responses to non-hydranted areas of the Town
- The timeliness of City fire and EMS responses, especially to the southeast part of the Town, or if the closest units are busy
- What would happen to Blooming Grove Fire personnel, including volunteers, interns, part-time and full-time workers
- What would happen to Blooming Grove Fire equipment, and the fire station

- A loss of Town identity, if its fire department was gone
- Little things the Town's fire department does for its residents, that City Fire might not
- If the Town's fire department is gone, what might be next
- If the Town goes with the City, what would happen if the Town is dissatisfied with its services
- Differences in ordinances, especially for businesses

At the end there was a show of hands for those that supported the idea of using the City versus those that would prefer to keep the Town's Fire Department. Approximately 60% of those who raised their hands indicated they would prefer to keep the Town's Fire Department indefinitely.

2c. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and/or 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberations pertaining to contract negotiations. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 8:45pm. Supervisor Linzmeier recused herself from the closed session.

2d. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 9:50pm.

2e. Town Board Resolution 2014-05 on Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Service Agreement between the City of Madison and Town of Blooming Grove: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2014-05, which conditionally approves a Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Service Agreement between the City of Madison and Town of Blooming Grove, as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Linzmeier recused herself from the vote.

4. Public Comment: None.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed 4-0 at 9:55pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for October 20, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, and Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske.

2a. Timetable for Adoption of Town Levy: Chair Johnson made a motion to hold the Town's Annual Budget meeting on Monday, November 24, 2014 at 6:30pm. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Linzmeier abstained.

2c. Closed Session: Supervisor Berg made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(b) for the purpose of deliberating compensation for public employees. Supervisor Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:52pm.

2d. Open Session: Supervisor Young made a motion to return to Open Session. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 at 7:06pm.

2b. Review of Draft of 2015 Town Budget: The Town Board reviewed the proposed 2015 budget.

2e. Discussion on Exceeding State Levy Limits: Mike Wolf explained that the way the state levy limit law is administered, the Town would have to lower its levy by more than \$10,000.

2f. Town Resolution 2014-06: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2014-06, which asks the Town Electors to consider an increase in the Town levy of 3.2%. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

5. Adjournment: Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed 5-0 at 8:30pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
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RESOLUTION NO. 2014-06
Town Board Proposal to Exceed State Levy Limits

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has adopted levy limits on town, village, city and county levies under Sec. 66.0602 of Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Sec. 66.0602 of Wisconsin Statutes limits the local levy to a percentage increase to no more than the greater of (a) 0% of last year's local levy, subject to reductions based upon state statutes, or (b) a percentage equal to the percentage change in equalized value due to new construction less improvements removed -- which for the Town of Blooming Grove in 2014 is 0.0621%; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove in Dane County believes it is in the Town's best interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above; and

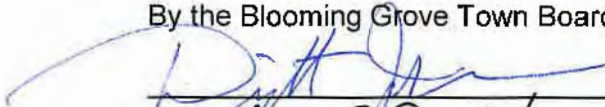
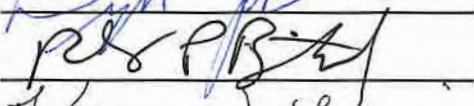
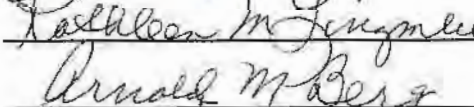
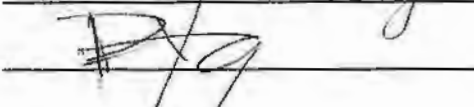
WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove levy was \$765,232 for 2013 (collected in 2014); and further whereas the state levy limit law would require a decrease of \$10,403 for a total allowable Town tax levy of \$754,829:

NOW THEREFORE the Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove in Dane County does hereby resolve and orders as follows:

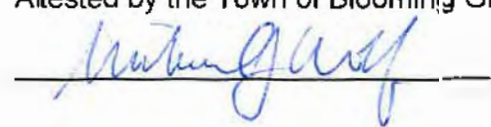
1. The Town Board hereby supports an increase in the Town tax levy for 2014 (to be collected in 2015) to exceed the state levy limit.
2. The Town Board directs that the question of increasing the Town tax levy for 2014 (to be collected in 2015) by 3.2%, which would increase the Town levy by \$24,371 over last year's levy, for a total Town tax levy of \$789,603, shall be placed on the agenda for the Town Budget Meeting to be held on Monday, November 24, 2014, immediately following the Public Hearing on the proposed 2015 Town budget which begins at 6:30pm at the Blooming Grove Town Hall.

Adopted this 20th day of October, 2014 by a vote of 5-0.

By the Blooming Grove Town Board



Kathleen M. Langmuir
Arnold M. Berg



Attested by the Town of Blooming Grove Clerk/Treasurer


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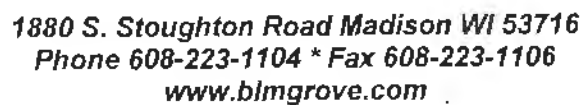
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Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for October 28, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Dep. Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Chris Astrella, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, and the following people who signed in as present: Joe Stencil, Dawn Stencil, Betsy Brown, Lee Hutson, Rocky Redepenning, Art Voit, Steve Kearney, Kim Kearney, Cindy Krakau, Ken Norton, Pat Frydenlind, Mary Frydenlind, Ron Zellmer, Betsy Brown, Lee Hatch, Arlene Moody, Steve Manthe, Barbara Boyd, Betty Mertens, Ken Mertens, Barb Hockett, Kenneth Body, Kathy Paulson, Joseph Rane, Tom Steber, Michelle Eldridge, Tom Dumphy, Robert Brabender, Catherine Puisto, Toni Peterson, Mark Wendricks, Rachel Baltz, Nick Baltz, Jill Dumphy, Kyle Fredickson, Alex Kiefer, Brandon Harms, Anthony Celani, and Kathy Buchicchio.

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

4. Public Comment: Joe Rane stated that residents are concerned about the Blooming Grove Fire Department going away, and he would be willing to pay \$100 or \$200 more a year to keep them.

Ken Norton suggested the Town consider a referendum for such an important issue. He questioned the effectiveness of City responses, especially to areas of the Town without hydrants. Lastly, he wondered about the locations of ambulances that would respond to Town calls.

Rocky Redepenning said when he worked in Blooming Grove's Public Works Department that they established an agreement with the City for plowing shared roads. He said that agreement unraveled in just a couple of months because the City didn't abide by it. He said the Town should keep its own Fire Department.

Renee Boyd wondered why this was being done so quickly, and if there was some hidden agenda of some kind.

Jeff Dostalek said that, if the City has to accept all Town liabilities as of November 1, 2027, why couldn't the Town borrow in order to maintain its own Fire Department. He also said that, because there was no guarantee that taxes would go down if the Town used City Fire, they probably wouldn't go down.

Dustin Boyd offered up emails the Blooming Grove Fire Association had received about this issue. He asked they be made an attachment to the meeting minutes, and Chair Johnson concurred.

Ed Stube stated he would like to see the numbers involved, as he wasn't able to attend the meeting two weeks ago. He said he would also like to see another opportunity for interactive discussion between concerned residents and the Town Board.

Barb Hockett also asked that Board provide another opportunity for input.

Mark Wendricks identified himself as a Town resident and member of the Blooming Grove Fire Department. He said the Town has invested in the infrastructure to continue operations through

2027, and the Blooming Grove Fire Department offers better service than City Fire. He said the Blooming Grove Fire Department is an excellent organization with superior service.

Chief Linzmeier explained that this issue first came up a couple of years ago with informal discussions between himself and Madison Fire Chief Davis. The Town Board asked Chief Linzmeier about six months ago to explore all options for regionalization. Just in the past few months the discussions and negotiations between Blooming Grove and the City of Madison have become focused and more concrete.

Supervisor Berg explained that he feels he has enough information and feedback to make an informed decision, and given his philosophy about effective local government combined with the cost savings to the Town, he will be advocating for using City Fire.

Supervisor Bristol said he, and his colleagues on the Town Board, are doing what they believe is in the best interest of Blooming Grove in the long term, regardless of how each one will end up voting on this issue. He said there is no hidden agenda.

Tom Streber accused the Town Board of misconduct in office, and of acting like a dictatorship. He encouraged residents to run for the Board and/or vote others into office.

Eric Bauman, Blooming Grove Fire Department EMS Division Chief, said that the Town is getting superior service that cannot be matched by the City of Madison.

Several other residents expressed their support of the Blooming Grove Fire Department, and the willingness to pay more taxes to keep it that way.

2a. 2014-15 Operators Licenses: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Operators Licenses for Shinara S. Stewart and Nathan M. Foster. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2b. Condition of stormwater and road along Thurber Avenue: Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske reported that the stormwater infrastructure cleaning took longer than expected, but is not completed. The televising of it is also done, and that will now be given to Mead & Hunt for their analysis. When that analysis is received, this will be back on a Board meeting agenda for consideration. Meanwhile the road itself has been compromised, and will need repair prior to winter. No action was taken.

2c. Regionalization of Fire & EMS Services with the City of Madison: Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this item. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

2f. Possible Town Board Action on Fire & EMS Services with the City of Madison: Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this item. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3a. Approval of Board Minutes from October 14, 2014 meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the October 14, 2014 Town Board meeting minutes as amended. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0, with Supervisor Young abstaining.

3b. Approval of Board Minutes from October 20, 2014 meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the October 20, 2014 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

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

2d. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and/or 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberations pertaining to contract negotiations. Supervisor Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye.; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:46pm. Supervisor Linzmeier recused herself from the closed session.

2e. Open Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 9:44pm.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0 at 9:44pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

FROM THE DESK OF CATHERINE PUISTO

October 28, 2014

To: Town of Blooming Grove Board Members
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Arnie Berg, Town Supervisor
Ron Bristol, Town Supervisor
Kathie Linzmeier, Town Supervisor
Dave Young, Town Supervisor

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Sincerely,



Catherine and Dale Puisto, Town of Blooming Grove residents since 1983, property owners since 1980
3274 Lee South Court, McFarland WI 53558



Blooming Grove FF Assoc <savebgfd@gmail.com>

Save BGFD letter

2 messages

Frank Rizzo Washa <fwasha@outlook.com>

Sun, Oct 26, 2014 at 11:06 PM

To: "savebgfd@gmail.com" <savebgfd@gmail.com>

Thanks for stopping by today with your letter guys and in return here is mine for the meeting on Tuesday that I hope you get to read to the board if possible letting them hear my vote to keep BGFD. I wish us all luck it does not get passed.

To: Town of Blooming Grove Attn;

Dwight Johnson, Town Chairman

Arnie Berg, Town Supervisor

Ron Bristol, Town Supervisor

Kathie Linzmeier, Town Supervisor

Dave Young, Town Supervisor

As a resident and taxpayer of the Town of Blooming Grove I implore the Town Board not to approve the resolution disbanding the Blooming Grove Fire Department and letting the Madison Fire Department take over Fire and EMS services. It is painfully obvious that Madison fire cannot provide the service and coverage needed for the Freeway Manor and April Hills neighborhoods without hydrants and not having a fire tender as part of their apparatus. Another concern would be the lengthy response times that a Madison ambulance or fire truck would take especially during peak times of traffic or Madison already tied up servicing their already busy area of responsibility.

From the beginning and being notified by a small postcard in the mail that the town board has been in discussions and looking into having Madison take over with talks since June of 2014 with residents completely unaware has me thinking of Madison trying to take over and the smell of rotten politics. With the meeting on October 14th and presenting this to the town with a nicely presented power point and a question and answer session that didn't answer any of the legitimate questions of people that live and conduct business in Blooming Grove. Along with that a rude and unprofessional Chief Davis that quickly disregarded us and saying he didn't need this deal or want it. Well that being the case we simply don't want him being our fire chief either. With no referendum or official vote and only a showing of hands for a small percentage of actual residents that live in the Town showed you how much we are against this action. However you voted to proceed against the voices of the people. Including a speech from Supervisor Berg giving us a history lesson, telling us the stars are aligned and being analytical because the numbers support this change and to not be emotional. Well sir I have to completely disagree with you! Maybe you should be thinking with your heart in this decision. Taking pride in the identity of the Town you think you know so well only to save a few hundred dollars a resident. Your nice chart showing a graph that has costs going up in the next thirteen years is nothing startling as the cost of living and inflation we all live with and frankly sir your justifications don't make sense. How could you stand there and say you have already decided what your vote was without hearing the voices of the people you serve. How could you stand there and look into the eyes of the volunteer men and women that have provided superior service over the years and tell them they are being replaced and out of work for a few hundred dollars. Well sir you have

proven that you don't have a heart in this matter and if it were possible to recall or vote you out today or on Election Day I know I would not write your name down and would vote you out of job.

Voting to disband the Blooming Grove Fire department would in my opinion be the first stage and only start chain reaction of events to follow with the other services to quickly be replaced and taken over. As a resident and taxpayer of Blooming Grove I have chosen to live here for a reason and if I wanted to live in Madison I would already be living there. If you do decide to pass this resolution I simply will find myself and as I am sure others will follow and move out of the once great Town of Blooming Grove.

I vote that the Town Board keeps the Blooming Grove Fire/EMS department as it stands serving us proudly over the years because they want to be here and we want them here.

Frank Washa

3253 Mansion Cir

BGFD Association <savebgfd@gmail.com>
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Cc: Glenn Linzmeier <glinzmeier@bloominggrovefire.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 4:33 PM

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Blooming Grove FF Assoc <savebgfd@gmail.com>

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2 messages

Shauna O'Malley <somalley1011@gmail.com>
To: savebgfd@gmail.com

Mon, Oct 27, 2014 at 6:47 AM

Save blooming grove fire dept!!

—
Shauna O'Malley
somalley1011@gmail.com
(608)669-2626

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Cc: Glenn Linzmeier <glinzmeier@bloominggrovefire.com>

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Save Blooming Grove Fire Department

2 messages

daddybrat@juno.com <daddybrat@juno.com>
To: savebgfd@gmail.com

Mon, Oct 27, 2014 at 9:34 PM

TO THE TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE FIRE DEPARTMENT ASSOCIATION
1990 S. STOUGHTON ROAD
TOWN BOARD OF SUPERVISORES

OCTOBER 27, 2014

TO THE BLOOMING GROVE FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION,

I WANT TO GIVE A BIG "THANK YOU" TO WHOMEVER TAPED THIS SHOCKING LETTER ON MY FRONT DOOR TODAY, TO MAKE ME & MY NEIGHBORS, AWARE OF WHAT THE CITY OF MADISON IS TRYING TO DO TO US, RESIDENTS OF OUR TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE, BY CONTRACTING THEM, TO SHARE OUR FIRE AND EMS SERVICES WITH THEM!! I AM SO SORRY THAT I WAS UNAWARE OF THIS MEETING & THE GRAVE IMPORTANCE OF ATTENDING SAID MEETING!! IN SPITE OF THE 7 CONDITIONS THAT THE MADISON FIRE DEPARTMENT MUST MEET, IN ORDER TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS RESOLUTION, AS IT IS WRITTEN!!! I STRONGLY URGE YOU, NOT TO ACCEPT ANY ASSISTENSE FROM MADISON, BECAUSE OF THEIR LARGE & UNPERSONAL SERVICE AND BECAUSE WE HAVE A VERY COMPETENT FIRE & EMS SERVICE, THAT IS FAR SUPERIOR TO ANY HELP THAT THEY THINK THEY CAN GIVE US!! IN FACT, OUR NOW SERVICES ARE FAR SUPERIOR

TO THE SLOWER & IMPERSONAL SERVICE THAT WE WOULD PROBABLY, GET FROM AN ALREADY OVERWORKED MADISON FIRE DEPARTMENT!!! OUR BLOOMING GROVE SERVICES ARE SMALL, PERSONAL & VERY EFFICIENT, & VERY "QUICK TO RESPOND" TO ANY EMERGENCY!! WE ALL WANT THAT PRIVILEGE, TO CONTINUE!! I AM HAVING CATARACT SURGERY TOMORROW, OR I WOULD BE AT YOUR MEETING, PERSONALLY, TO EXPRESS MY STRONG SATISFACTION WITH OUR BLOOMING GROVE FIREFIGHTING & EMS SERVICES!! I IMPLORE YOU, TO KEEP IT THAT WAY!!! MADISON'S FIRE CHIEF, STEVE DAVIS'S ATTITUDE, AT THE MEETING, IS INDICATIVE OF THE "INADEQUATE SERVICE" THAT WE WOULD SUFFER, IF WE WERE TO GIVE UP OUR "SUPERIOR SERVICE, THAT WE NOW, ENJOY & APPRECIATE!!!

THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO WHAT MY FELLOW RESIDENTS & I, THINK OF OUR EXCEPTIONAL FIREFIGHTING & EMS SERVICE, THAT WE NOW APPRECIATE, & WANT TO KEEP!!!

ONE OF BLOOMING GROVE'S CONCERNED RESIDENTS,
DOTTIE DEIAURIER

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KEEP OUR GREAT FIRE DEPARTMENT2 messages

Patten, Judy A <JPATTEN@amfam.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 1:18 PM

To: "savebgfd@gmail.com" <savebgfd@gmail.com>

I am writing this email to show my support of the Blooming Grove Fire Department. I am proud to live in Blooming Grove and think the world of the services that are provided to me as a homeowner in the April Hills subdivision. I do not want my Fire Department to disappear.

I know there are several areas like April Hills within Blooming Grove - each having their own concerns just like mine. As I write this, I am speaking for myself while being fully aware that other Blooming Grove have the same concerns in their neighborhoods. All Blooming Grove residents matter to me.

I attended the meeting on October 14 and walked out of there disgusted with the Blooming Grove board once again. (The last meeting was when they decided to have us be part of Madison in the future - same thing, have a meeting but do not listen to the attendees). It was apparent that their minds were made up before the meeting was held. Was the meeting a way for the board to clear their own minds so they can sleep at night by fooling themselves in believing that they care about the concerns of the voters - have a meeting - listen to the voters and ignore the voters.

I called into the Town Hall to find out the result of the meeting (I did not stay and wait while the board met to make their decision) the next day and again got the run around and flat out lied to when I made a comment on another situation where the board asked but did not listen to us.

I do not believe that MFD can give us the same level of service that we currently have. I do not believe that MFD will be able to meet the requirements to make this go through but I do believe that they will say they have a plan in place and our board will believe them and by the time they figure it out it will be too late. I have no firefighting training but I do not believe that if my house was on fire, that the Madison Fire department could get there in time to make a difference. I thought that the comment about MFD having enough hoses to hook together to reach every house in the April Hills subdivision was a scary to say the least. I would love a demonstration to see how this would work, how long it would take and how much water pressure would be in the hoses by the time it got to my house.

One major concern that I have is what will happen to our current Firefighters - paid and unpaid. No one seemed to say much about them. And their future. If I recall correctly, our board made sure that all of its employees had a job with Madison once we become part of them. Did the same offer get made to any of our fire staff?

Please let me end by saying a huge THANK YOU to all of the Blooming Grove Fire department. Let's hope this doesn't pass.

Judy Patten

American Family Insurance Company | American Family Life Insurance Company | American Family Mutual Insurance Company | American Standard Insurance Company of Ohio
| American Standard Insurance Company of Wisconsin | Midvale Indemnity Company | Home Office - 6000 American Parkway | Madison, WI 53783

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BGFD Association <savebgfd@gmail.com>
To: Chris Astrella <board1@blmgrove.com>
Cc: Glenn Linzmeier <glinzmeier@bloominggrovefire.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 4:36 PM

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Blooming Grove FF Assoc <savebgfd@gmail.com>

Elimination of Blooming Grove Fire Department2 messages

The Metcalfs <rmetcalf28@frontier.com>
Reply-To: The Metcalfs <rmetcalf28@frontier.com>
To: "savebgfd@gmail.com" <savebgfd@gmail.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 1:20 PM

Blooming Grove Town Board,

The elimination of the Blooming Grove Fire & EMS Department by contracting with the Madison Fire Department brings questions and concerns. The conditions presented to the Madison Fire Department are unknown by a majority of Blooming Grove residents. These conditions and other key factors seem to be in question. It appears that the City of Madison has the deciding and upper hand in making the operation decisions for the Blooming Grove Township before 2027. They were able to open up streets between April Hills & Secret Places while it was still being developed. This caused a high volume of heavy construction vehicles using the street constantly with no concern for the safety of those using adjacent park. What's next - the dismantling of the Public Works Department? This matter should be decided by the residents of Blooming Grove. We will be under Madison's jurisdiction soon enough. Let's allow Blooming Grove to make their own decisions while they still can.

Thank You,

Dick & Renee Metcalf
3583 Carncross Dr.

BGFD Association <savebgfd@gmail.com>
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please save fire dept2 messages

Andrea kapitan <andrea.kapitan@gmail.com>
To: savebgfd@gmail.com
Cc: Andrea kapitan <andrea.kapitan@gmail.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 11:16 AM

Hello, I live in the April Hills subdivision in Mc Farland. You had left a flyer saying that Madison City will be taking over fire dept services and to send an email if we would like to stand behind the Blooming Grove fire dept. So for what it's worth I would like to keep the Town of Blooming Grove and its fire department. Service and attention will decrease if we are part of Madison as they are busy enough. I can come and vote for this if needed, please state a time where I can stop in and vote. I do not wish to participate in hours of debate, I would just like to cast my vote for Blooming Grove and its Fire, Police, etc. whatever comes with it.

Thank you,

-Andrea Kapitan

608-286-4773 if you wish to call me.

BGFD Association <savebgfd@gmail.com>
To: Chris Astrella <board1@blmgrove.com>
Cc: Glenn Linzmeier <glinzmeier@bloominggrovefire.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 4:35 PM

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Cc: Andrea kapitan <andrea.kapitan@gmail.com>
Subject: please save fire dept

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Blooming Grove FF Assoc <savebgfd@gmail.com>

Fire/EMS

2 messages

Peter <redpatten75@hotmail.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 10:56 AM

To: "savebgfd@gmail.com" <savebgfd@gmail.com>

I attended the Oct. 14th meeting for the Fire/EMS services. I just don't understand how someone like Supervisor Arnie Berg could make a comment about how his mind already being made up "prior to arrival". Really have to question that comment.

Also, no matter which way you want this decision to be made, the right thing to do is at least let the residents have some sort of voice in the outcome, usually by referendum or at very least a showing of the hands, so the Chairman or Supervisors could see what the people who they are representing would like to see happen.

When these kind of decisions are made in this manner, it can really make people wonder how much these meetings are really worth.

Thank You!!

BGFD Association <savebgfd@gmail.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 4:35 PM

To: Chris Astrella <board1@blmgrove.com>

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wayne hemberger <whemb5@sbcglobal.net>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 9:04 AM

Reply-To: wayne hemberger <whemb5@sbcglobal.net>

To: "savebgfd@gmail.com" <savebgfd@gmail.com>

I support maintaining the Fire and EMS services of the Blooming Grove Fire Department. Joan Hemberger, 3441 Freedom Ln. Madison

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Blooming Grove FF Assoc <savebgfd@gmail.com>

Letter to the Town of Blooming Grove Board2 messages

Catherine Puisto <finnish4@frontier.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 4:10 PM

To: savebgfd@gmail.com

I will bring a signed copy of the attached letter to this evenings meeting, but also wanted to send you a copy of it for your records. I'm not certain how long I will be able to stay at the meeting, but we do want to give you our support. We send our thanks appreciation to all those serving on our wonderful Town of Blooming Grove Fire and EMS Service.

Sincerely,

Catherine Puisto

"There are two ways to live--one is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as if everything is." Albert Einstein



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BGFD Association <savebgfd@gmail.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 4:37 PM

To: Chris Astrella <board1@blmgrove.com>

Cc: Glenn Linzmeier <glinzmeier@bloominggrovefire.com>

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FROM THE DESK OF CATHERINE PUISTO

October 28, 2014

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Sincerely,

Catherine and Dale Puisto, Town of Blooming Grove residents since 1983, property owners since 1980
3274 Lee South Court, McFarland WI 53558



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Save BGFD2 messages

Nicole Peterson <n.peterson5@yahoo.com>

Sun, Oct 26, 2014 at 10:59 PM

To: "savebgfd@gmail.com" <savebgfd@gmail.com>

Please don't allow Madison take over Blooming Grove fire department.

-Nicole, Blooming Grove resident

BGFD Association <savebgfd@gmail.com>

Tue, Oct 28, 2014 at 4:32 PM

To: Chris Astrella <board1@blmgrove.com>

Cc: Glenn Linzmeier <glinzmeier@bloominggrovefire.com>

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Subject: Save BGFD

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-Nicole, Blooming Grove resident



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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET
Thursday, November 6, 2014

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME:

ERIC BAUMANN DIV CHIEF EMS

Zach McLaughlin

Rudi Betancourt

Daniel Danks

Jeffrey W. Winkler

Adam Clark

Tom Mueh

Michael D. Hartman

Andrew Brauner

Anthony Celani

Lance E Reinack-

Dustin Boyd

Brandon Reiter

Brandon Harnes

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for November 6, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Dep. Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Town Attorney Chris Hughes, and Blooming Grove Fire Department members Eric Bauman, Zach McLaughlin, David Danks, Adam Clark, Michael Hartman, Andrew Brauner, Anthony Celani, Lance Reinacher, Dustin Boyd, Brandon Reiter, Brandon Harms, Rudi Betancourt, Jeff Dostalek, and Trent Meicher.

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

2a. Closed Session: Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberations pertaining to contract negotiations. Supervisor Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye.; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:31pm. Supervisor Linzmeier recused herself from the closed session, and everyone else excused themselves from the proceedings except the Town Board, Administrator Wolf, Chief Linzmeier and Attorney Chris Hughes.

2b. Open Session: Fire Department members were called at the fire station, and informed the Board was going to come back into open session. Supervisor Linzmeier was similarly informed. The Board waited a few minutes for their arrival. Supervisor Young then made a motion to return to Open Session. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 at 9:15pm.

3. Adjournment: Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed 5-0 at 9:15pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator



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TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET
Tuesday, November 11, 2014

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME:

Renee Metcalf

DICK METCALF

Bonnie Gudmundson

Cory Burk.

Frank WASHA

DAWN STENCIL

KATHRYN NEWHOUSE

Brandon Harms

Dustin Boyd

Zach McLaughlin

Robert Breckler

Rickie Bohn

Don Lythjoh

Chris Brown

Rick Hammond

David Danks

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for November 11, 2014

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The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chair Johnson asked if the meeting notice had been properly posted, and Mike Wolf stated it had been. Chair Johnson asked those present to recognize and thank those veterans, past and present, for serving our country. A sincere round of applause ensued.

2a. Town Resolution 2014-10 to Repeal Agreement with City of Madison: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2014-10 which rescinds and repeals the tentative Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Service Agreement with the City of Madison. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 3-1, with Supervisor Berg voting against and Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.

2b. 2014-15 Operators License: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Operators Licenses for Heather Lynn Brennan. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2c. Condition of stormwater and road along Thurber Avenue: Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske stated that Mead & Hunt has yet to complete their formal evaluation of the condition of this infrastructure. However, preliminarily it looks as though lining the current pipe probably won't be an option – and that the fix may cost somewhere between \$60,000 and \$100,000. After Mead & Hunt provides the final documentation, this will be back on the agendas of a future Board meeting for discussion and a decision. It is not likely that any work on this will be done prior to this winter. Cory added that it's possible this project could be done in conjunction with the new bike path that is supposed to be constructed in this area – but that is not certain because there is no definite timetable for the bike path yet.

3a. Approval of Board Minutes from October 28, 2014 meeting: Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the October 28, 2014 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

3b. Approval of Board Minutes from November 6, 2014 meeting: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the November 6, 2014 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 with Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked if the Town could follow up on the status of the Drumlin Park.

Kathryn Newhouse asked what the resolution meant that was passed at the beginning of this meeting. Attorney Chris Hughes said that it means the Board rescinded the agreement for the City to provide Fire and EMS services into the Town.

5. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:39pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Michael J. Wolf
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator

TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE
Resolution No. 2014 – 10
Resolution Rescinding and Repealing Approval of the Fire Protection
and Emergency Medical Service Agreement with the City of Madison.

RECITALS

- A. On October 14, 2014, the Town Board adopted Resolution 2014-05 authorizing the execution of a Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Service Agreement upon the fulfillment of a number of conditions (the "Conditions").
- B. The City of Madison has provided the Town Board with additional information relating to the Conditions.
- C. The Town wishes to take further action relating to the Agreement.

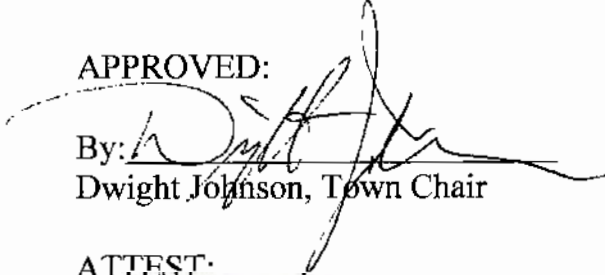
RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin, resolves as follows:

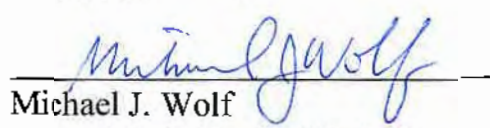
- 1. *Rescission and Repeal.* Resolution No. 2014-05 adopted on October 14, 2014 is hereby rescinded and repealed.
- 2. *Effective Date.* This Resolution is effective the day after posting or publication or as otherwise required by law.

This Resolution was duly adopted at a meeting by the Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin, held on November 11, 2014 by a vote of 3 in favor, 1 opposed, and 1, not voting.

APPROVED:

By: 
Dwight Johnson, Town Chair

ATTEST:


Michael J. Wolf
Town Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer

Town of Blooming Grove
Town Annual Budget Meeting Minutes – November 24, 2014

Chair Johnson called the Town Board Annual Budget Meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Town Board members in attendance: Chair Johnson, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Linzmeier was excused. Also present were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, and Town residents Deborah Sellers and Liz Johnson.

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

Chair Johnson made a motion to open the Public Hearing on the Town's 2015 budget. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 at 6:32pm. Deborah Sellers asked various questions about the budget, and the Board and staff answered them.

Chair Johnson made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 6:54pm.

Chair Johnson made a motion to recess the Town Board meeting, so the Town Elector meeting could be held. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 6:54pm.

Chair Johnson called the Town Elector Annual Budget Meeting to order at 6:54pm.

Town residents present were Chair Johnson, Arnie Berg, Ron Bristol, Dave Young, Deborah Sellers and Liz Johnson. Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf was also in attendance.

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

2a. Town Resolution 2014-07 to Exceed State-Imposed Levy Limits: Ron Bristol made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2014-07 as presented, which allows the Town to exceed State-imposed levy limits. Dave Young seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

2b. Town Resolution 2014-08 adopting the 2014 Town Levy: Arnie Berg made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2014-08 as presented, which sets the 2014 Town levy at \$789,603. Dave Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0, with Deborah Sellers abstaining.

2c. Town Resolution 2014-09 allowing for the Town to exceed State-imposed spending on Roads in 2015: Dave Young made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2014-09 as presented, which allows the Town Board to spend up to \$500,000 on Town roads in 2015. Ron Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

3. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the Town Elector Meeting, and it was seconded by Liz Johnson. The motion passed 6-0, and the meeting adjourned at 6:58pm.

Chair Johnson reconvened the Town Board meeting at 6:58pm. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2015 Town Budget as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the Town Board meeting. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 6:59pm.

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



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RESOLUTION NO. 2014-07
Electors Approval to Exceed State Levy Limits

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has imposed levy limits under Sec. 66.0602 of the Wisconsin Statutes;

Whereas, sec. 66.0602(5) of Wisconsin Statutes allows the Town electors in towns under 3,000 in population to exceed the maximum allowable levy limit by adoption of a resolution at a town meeting of the electors;

Whereas, the Town Board has adopted Town Resolution 2014-06 supporting an increase in the Town tax levy which would exceed the maximum allowable state levy limit for the Town of Blooming Grove;

Whereas, this Special Town Meeting of the electors has been called and noticed to consider the adoption of a resolution to endorse the Town Board's resolution to exceed the state levy limits; specifically by increasing the Town tax levy for 2014 (collected in 2015) by 3.2% over last year's levy;

Now, therefore, the Special Town Meeting of the Town of Blooming Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin, by a majority vote of the eligible electors voting on this 24th day of November, 2014 duly assembled and voting, resolves and orders as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town electors of the Town of Blooming Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin endorse the Town Board resolution to increase the Town tax levy for 2014 (collected in 2015) by 3.2% over the past year's levy, which is an increase of \$24,371 over the 2013 Town tax levy for a total Town tax levy of \$789,603 for 2014.

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

Adopted this 24th day of November, 2014 at a Special Town Meeting.

Number of Town electors voting aye 6

Number of Town electors voting nay 0

Number of Town electors abstaining or not voting (if determined) 0

Attested by the Town of Blooming Grove Clerk/Treasurer

Michael J. Wolf
Michael J. Wolf

11/24/14
Date



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RESOLUTION NO. 2014-08
Electors Adoption of the Town Tax Levy

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

Whereas, a special town meeting of the electors has been called for this 24th day of November, 2014;

Whereas, the electors, after proper notice have, via a special town meeting vote, authorized the Town of Blooming Grove to exceed the maximum allowable state levy limit;

Now, Therefore, the town electors at this Special Town Meeting of the Town of Blooming Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin, by a majority vote of the eligible electors voting on this 24th day of November, 2014 duly assembled and voting, resolves and orders as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, the town electors of the Town of Blooming Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin adopt the town tax levy for 2014 to be collected in 2015 at \$789,603.

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

Adopted this 24th day of November, 2014 at a Special Town Meeting.

Number of Town electors voting aye 5

Number of Town electors voting nay 0

Number of Town electors abstaining or not voting (if determined) 1

Attested by the Town of Blooming Grove Clerk/Treasurer

Michael J. Wolf
Michael J. Wolf

11/24/14
Date

Town of Blooming Grove

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-09

For Town Electors To Authorize the Town Board to
Exceed State Spending Limits on Town Roads in 2015

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 \$90,000 per year; and

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Blooming Grove spends between \$200,000 and \$500,000 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 2015, if the Town Board believes it is in the best interest of the Town to do so.

Adopted this 24th day of November, 2014 by Town of Blooming Grove electors at the Town Elector Budget Meeting by a vote of 6 (ayes) to 0 (nays), with 0 abstaining.

Attested by:

Michael J. Wolf
Michael J. Wolf, Town Clerk

11/24/14
Date

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for November 25, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol and Supervisor Young. Supervisor Linzmeier was excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, and town residents 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 it had been.

2a. 2014-15 Operators License: Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Operators License for Duarn Vue. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2b. Changes to Staffing in the Town Office: Mike Wolf recommended the Town hire a part-time person to replace Chris Astrella, who left last week to take a Clerk/Treasurer position in the City of Waterloo in Jefferson County. Supervisor Berg stated that if the Town had decided to accept the City of Madison's proposal for fire and EMS service – which he had advocated for -- this position would not be needed. He said he is therefore inclined to allow the other three Board members to make this decision.

Chair Johnson made a motion to hire a part-time Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, with the understanding that this will be reviewed every three months. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 3-0, with Supervisor Berg abstaining.

2d. Alcohol Consumption for Event in the Town Hall Meeting Room: Supervisor Berg made a motion to allow the group who is renting the meeting room on December 6 to consume beer and/or wine for that event. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

2c. Stormwater Infrastructure along Thurber Avenue: Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske recommended the Board approve the \$7400 proposal as set forth by Mead & Hunt, which would include borings and analysis of them – looking both for the integrity of the road bed and for potential soil contamination. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the proposal as presented, and Supervisor Bristol seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

3a. Approval of Board Minutes from November 11, 2014 meeting: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the November 11, 2014 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers suggested the Town use its camera to view cars that are illegally parked on the grass in Thurber Park next spring. Tom Streber asked what item 2b was about. Chair Johnson allowed this discussion to take place under item 2b. Mike Wolf explained that Chris Astrella had taken a new job, and the decision before the Board was whether to hire a full-time person or a part-time person.

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

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for December 9, 2014

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

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

2a. Variance for Fence at 501 Gannon Avenue: Supervisor Bristol reported that resident Lance Brownrigg (owner of 501 Gannon Avenue) came before the Town's Plan Commission earlier this evening with this request. The Commission took into consideration what Mr. Brownrigg had to say, along with the feedback from the Town's building inspector and Public Works Supervisor. The Plan Commission unanimously recommended to the Town Board that this variance be granted as presented.

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the fence variance as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2b. Dane County Zoning Amendment 10767: Supervisor Bristol reported that this issue had also come before the Plan Commission earlier this evening, and had been unanimously approved by the Plan Commission.

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the rezone on parcel #0710-021-8090-6 from A-1 to A-2(4). Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2c. Implements of Husbandry: Recommendation from staff was to proceed with the consideration of an ordinance that would have the Town opt out of a need for permits for those who would traverse town roads with these kinds of vehicles. Supervisor Berg made a motion to have staff move forward with this ordinance such that it would be considered at the January 13, 2015 Board meeting. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

2d. Allocation of FEMA Money: A list of expenses relating to DaneCom were presented. Staff recommended that FEMA money be used for these 2014 expenses as presented. Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the allocation of FEMA money to the expenses as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young, and passed 5-0.

2e. 2014 Budget Amendment: Mike Wolf stated he had been through the 2014 budget, and found that three departments would need additional funding by year-end, as such: General Government - \$10,000; Contracted Professional Service - \$5,000; Fire Department - \$35,000. He went on to say that overall the Town should come pretty close to breaking even by year end, but that these specific departments required additional allocations - and state law mandates the budget be amended accordingly.

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

2f. Hiring Temporary Office Help: Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to allow Mike Wolf to hire temporary office help for up to 40 hours at \$15.00/hour for the days the office is open during the last two weeks of December so that property tax payments can be efficiently receipted, and furthermore will allow the hiring of Mike Wolf's sister Kathy Punwar and/or her husband Jay Punwar for this purpose. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

3a. Approval of Minutes from the November 24, 2014 Town Annual Budget meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the November 24, 2014 Town Annual Budget meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 with Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.

3b. Approval of Town Board Minutes from November 25, 2014 meeting: Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the November 25, 2014 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0 with Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.

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

4. Public Comment: Deborah Sellers asked about the status of the Drumlin Park. She also asked that the Town Office contact the owner at 611 Powers Avenue to have a couch removed from the right-of-way at that property.

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

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MEMO

To: Town Board
From: Mike Wolf
re: 2014 Budget Amendment
Date: December 5, 2014

I have done the math (see attached), and the following departments need additional funding for 2014 as follows:

General Government	\$10,000
Contracted Professional Services	\$ 5,000
Fire Department	\$35,000

The motion can be to amend the 2014 budget to increase each department as set forth above, with the understanding the funds would first come from accounts that run a surplus in 2014, and then from the Town's general fund as needed.

The reasons for the overage in General Government are a \$6500 increase in my salary that the Board approved, combined with the one-time payout to Chris for his earned but unused sick time.

The reason for the overage in Professional Services is a result of more building inspector costs than anticipated. (This is more than offset by additional building permit revenue -- but state law doesn't account for "net" costs).

The reason for the overage in the Fire Department is primarily due to my \$25,000 error in putting together the 2014 budget, with the rest a result of wage and benefit costs.

The good news is that, while I project the Town's overall expenses to be about \$40,000 more than expected by year-end, I also project the Town's revenues will be around \$45,000 more than expected.

Overall we should end up pretty close to even at the end of the year.

TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE

To identify need for a 2014 Budget Amendment

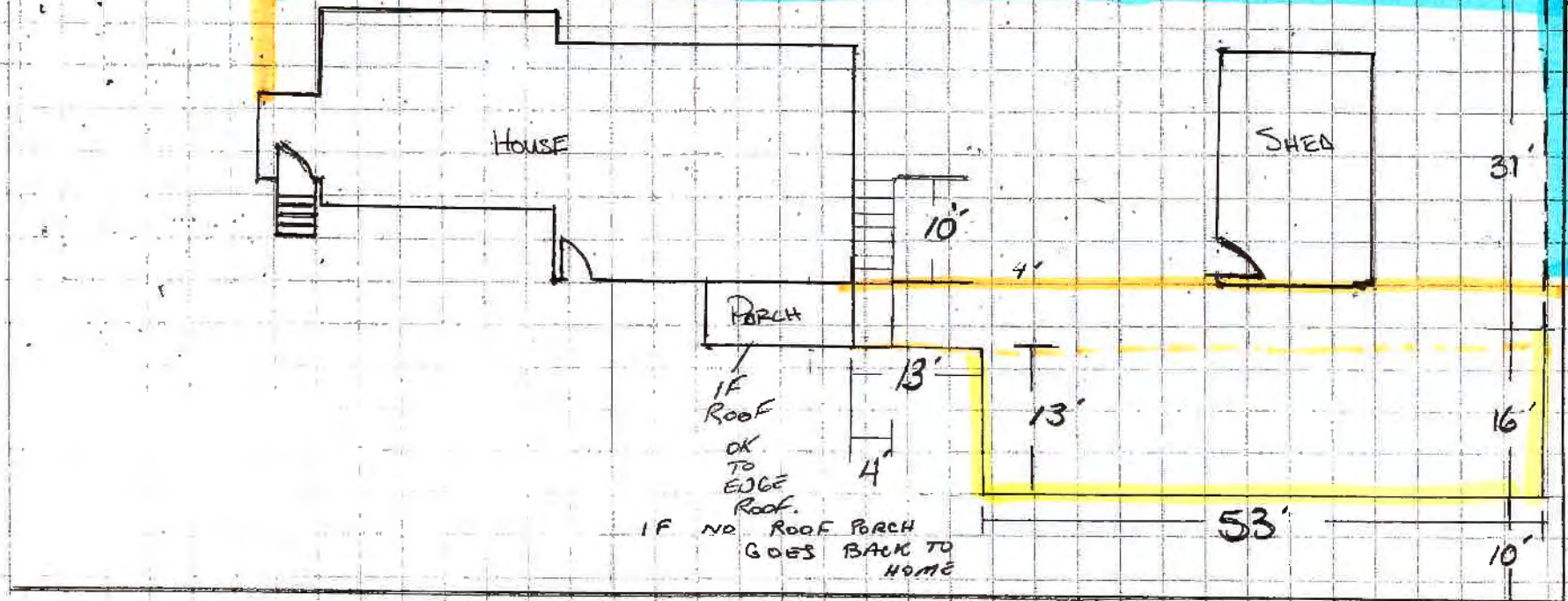
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	2013 Actual	2014 Budget	Year-to-Date 2014 Actual	Year-End 2014 Estimated	Approved 2015 Budget	Percent Increase or Decrease
REVENUES						
Property Tax Levy	\$757,656	\$765,232	\$765,232	\$765,232	\$789,603	3.2%
Other Local Taxes	\$80,843	\$76,283	\$69,402	\$80,652	\$81,530	6.9%
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$144,501	\$148,376	\$169,693	\$169,004	\$155,383	4.7%
Licenses, Permits, Citations	\$80,152	\$76,752	\$86,069	\$86,068	\$83,182	8.4%
Public Charge for Services	\$112,077	\$109,800	\$110,593	\$110,633	\$111,783	1.8%
Fire & EMS Revenue	\$225,576	\$206,900	\$190,534	\$230,300	\$229,900	11.1%
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$17,999	\$20,516	\$19,012	\$19,087	\$37,044	80.6%
TOTAL	\$1,418,804	\$1,403,858	\$1,410,534	\$1,460,975	\$1,488,424	6.0%

2014 EXPENSES						
Town Board	\$23,581	\$23,595	\$21,252	\$23,591	\$23,145	-1.9%
Plan & Parks Commissions	\$1,163	\$1,557	\$797	\$1,000	\$1,557	0.0%
General Government	\$135,058	\$145,790	\$138,875	\$154,086	\$145,920	0.1%
Town Hall / PW Building	\$10,828	\$12,300	\$11,181	\$12,600	\$12,900	4.9%
Contracted Professional Services	\$70,636	\$76,700	\$78,829	\$80,143	\$75,500	-1.6%
Long-Term Debt	\$112,404	\$112,404	\$112,404	\$112,404	\$105,356	-6.3%
Police & Municipal Court	\$370	\$2,500	\$487	\$500	\$2,849	14.0%
Fire & EMS	\$636,749	\$607,495	\$601,085	\$639,389	\$681,421	12.2%
Public Works	\$414,858	\$421,517	\$386,910	\$418,592	\$439,776	4.3%
TOTAL	\$1,405,648	\$1,403,858	\$1,351,820	\$1,442,305	\$1,488,424	6.0%

TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,418,804	\$1,403,858	\$1,410,534	\$1,460,975	\$1,488,424	6.0%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,405,648	\$1,403,858	\$1,351,820	\$1,442,305	\$1,488,424	6.0%
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$13,156	\$0	\$58,714	\$18,669	\$0	0.0%

GANNON AVE



WEBB AVE

* IF ROOF ON PORCH THEN FENCE CAN GO OUT TO EDGE OF PORCH ROOF

501 GANNON

LANCE
BROWN RIGG

--- 6' FENCE
--- 4' FENCE
--- EXISTING

FENCE AND PORCH STAIRCASE

NOT SCALE

FEMA gave the Town the \$94,939 that had been left over from the million-dollar radio grant in 2009. That amount was electronically deposited in the Town's checking account in December, 2013. The Town verified that this money could be used by Blooming Grove; an email from FEMA in March of 2014 confirmed this.

12.5.14

These are expenses directly related to the grant, that will be paid for by this grant money:

\$94,939.00	Vender / Purchase	Account	Date
-\$2,256.70	General Communications (DaneCom radios for PW)	54211	1/28/2014
-\$3,133.34	General Communications (DaneCom radios for PW)	54211	1/28/2014
-\$729.00	Dane County Treasurer (DaneCom for FD)	52126	1/28/2014
-\$3,316.40	General Communications (DaneCom radios for FD)	52124	1/28/2014
-\$6,376.63	General Communications (DaneCom radios for FD)	52124	1/28/2014
-\$150.00	General Communications (DaneCom radios for PW)	54211	3/21/2014
-\$1,308.50	General Communications (DaneCom radios for FD)	52124	3/25/2014
-\$2,452.00	Pointon Communications (DaneCom radios for FD)	52124	8/11/2014
-\$3,368.00	General Communications (DaneCom for FD)	52124	11/19/2014
\$71,848.43	Current Balance		

Blooming Grove Board Meeting Minutes for December 31, 2014

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 12:30pm. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg and Supervisor Linzmeier. Supervisor Bristol and Supervisor Young were excused. Also in attendance was Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf.

2b. Approval of Vouchers: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

2b. Approval of Property Tax Refunds: Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the property tax refunds as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

3. Adjournment: Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Berg. The motion passed 3-0 at 12:32pm.

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

