

## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for January 13, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, Plan Commissioner Dean Larson, Laura Perina, Dustin Boyd, Eric Bauman, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. 2015-16 Operator's License:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the 2015-16 Operator's License for Diana Winslow. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0.

**2b. Town Road Projects in 2016:** Mike Wolf and Cory Buske presented a recommendation to resurface Schutte Drive, resurface N. Fair Oaks Avenue, and to crack fill and seal coat the Town Hall parking lot. Based on estimates, the total cost to the Town of these projects will be \$172,000. Supervisor Young made a motion to approve these projects as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2c. Adaptive Management and Stormwater Remodeling:** Mike Wolf reported that the final version of the adaptive management agreement isn't completed as yet. Chair Johnson made a motion to proceed with getting a contract proposal from Mead & Hunt for stormwater remodeling in 2016, which will very likely reduce the long-term cost of adaptive management to the Town. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2d. Contribution to the Wisconsin State Fire Chief's Association Foundation:** Glenn Linzmeier reminded the Town Board of the many hours of volunteering the members of the Blooming Grove Fire Association put in over the years. A great deal of time was put into fundraising efforts that ended up being used to purchase vehicles and equipment for the Town itself... thus saving taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars.

Glenn and the other Association members present said they plan on disbanding as an organization this year, and will donate the remaining funds they have (@\$22,000) to the Wisconsin State Fire Chief's Association Foundation. This Foundation manages funds such that scholarships can be awarded to aspiring medics and fire fighters annually – and in perpetuity. The Association is asking the Town to contribute so that the total donation to the Foundation would be \$50,000. This would be an ongoing legacy for the Town of Blooming Grove, even after the Town itself goes away.

Chair Johnson made a motion to donate up to \$28,000 of Town money, in order that the total donation to the Wisconsin State Fire Chief's Association Foundation ends up being \$50,000. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

It was agreed upon that Supervisor Bristol and Supervisor Young will work with the Blooming Grove Fire Association to coordinate the logistics of this effort.



**3a. Approval of Minutes from the December 9, 2015 Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the December 9, 2015 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**3b. Approval of Minutes from the December 31, 2015 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the December 31, 2015 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0, with Supervisor Young abstaining.

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

**3d. Approval of Property Tax Refunds:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers asked that the fire hydrants be cleared of snow in her neighborhood.

Supervisor Young said he attended a meeting of the Secret Places Neighborhood Association regarding the proposed apartment complex to be built in that Madison subdivision. He said the scope of the project has been scaled back to 113 apartment units. He said the association is working with the developer, and is asking to have two on-site managers be resident at the complex, and that the developer put money into a traffic abatement fund. Both driveways coming from the complex would meet Catalina Parkway, presumably taking the majority of the traffic to Siggelkow Road on that street... and not through the April Hill neighborhood.

**5. Adjournment:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:10pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for January 27, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, 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 said it had been.

**2a. 2015-16 Operator's License:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the 2015-16 Operator's License for Ian Foster. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0.

**2b. Adaptive Management:** Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the Adaptive Management Agreement, which becomes effective January 1, 2017, as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2c. Room Taxes:** Mike Wolf reported that the new law is complex, but potentially favorable to Blooming Grove. The amount of room taxes that can be used by the municipality for operations varies based on collection amounts in previous years. Money collected over those thresholds must be disseminated to particular organizations in a specific manner. Options are being considered by the Town's legal counsel, and several entities are lobbying the state legislature to amend the law such that it does not negatively impact small towns such as ourselves. It was noted that this law becomes effective in 2017.

**2d. Allis Avenue Road Project:** Cory Buske said he met with the City Engineer in charge of this project last week. The city's project runs from the east end of Allis Avenue, to Turner Drive, and all the way to Buckeye Road. The project is slated to begin in May, and be done by November. The City will accommodate the specifications that work best for the Town. The project will include curb, gutter and sidewalk on both sides of the street – but will allow the Town to keep wide driveways to both of the town's buildings on Allis Avenue.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the January 13, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the January 13, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

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

**3c. Approval of Property Tax Refunds:** Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the property tax refunds as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers asked that the fire hydrants at the corner of Thurber and Fair Oaks and the corner of Furey and Powers be cleared of snow.



**2e. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, per state statutes 19.85(1)(c) and 19.85(1)(e) in order to discuss and deliberate negotiations pertaining to shared costs for road and right-of-way projects and pertaining to the sale and/or lease of town property. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bristol, 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.

**2f. Open Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to return to open session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 7:15pm.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:15pm.

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





## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for February 10, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, Madison Sewer District Engineer Michael Dailey, Cory Asbjornson, Karen Asbjornson, Catherine Puisto, Dale Puisto, Vonna Johnson Porter, Cindy Krakau, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. Parcel Split and Rezone at 3274 Lee South Court:** Supervisor Bristol reported that the Public Hearing for this took place at the Town Plan Commission meeting earlier this evening. Several people asked questions about the intent of the rezone, and possible long-term ramifications of it. In the end the Plan Commission unanimously recommended to the Town Board that the parcel split be approved, along with changing the zoning to RH-1 for the smaller parcel that currently has a house on it, and changing the zoning to RH-3 for the larger remaining parcel that has no development on it.

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the parcel split, and the zoning change to RH-1 for the smaller parcel that currently has a house on it, and the zoning change to RH-3 for the larger remaining parcel that has no development on it. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0.

**2b. Update on the Regas Road Sewer District Consolidation:** Michael Dailey said that the pipe had been televised, and a few anomalies showed up. Two fixes will need to be made. In addition, an easement will be sought from the owners for the pipe that goes directly under their property. It was agreed upon that Mike Wolf and Michael Dailey will set up a meeting with the owners to accomplish this. The cost of the easement, along with the repairs, will come out of the reserve fund the Town has for this district, though the total cost may exceed what's in the reserve.

**2c. Possible Consolidation of Sewer District #10:** Supervisor Berg said he understood why the consolidation of the Town's district into the City's Sewer system would make sense in the larger picture for the Town has a whole, but also saw how in the short term the residents would be financially disadvantaged due to rate increases. He wondered if there was some way the Town could offset some of the cost increases for the residents.

Supervisor Bristol expressed his concerns about the Town's costs and liabilities if it keeps the district, specifically with regard to the current and future reporting requirements, and the risk of the infrastructure needing repair.

Mike Wolf stated the cost to residents could double, but noted that the Town's charges are less than the market rate – and the City's charges are what most folks pay who have urban sewer service.

Michael Dailey said there could be a plan put in place to have individual residents install meters, so for those who don't use much water, they would pay less. The cost of the meter would be paid for by the resident. He also said if the decision to consolidate the district is made by May



1, there should be sufficient time to get the logistics completed to have the effective date of the consolidation be July 1 (thus the Town would not be subject to the new reporting requirements and the costs thereof).

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to have the City Sewer District televise the infrastructure in this district, so we know what condition it's in. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

**2d. Board of Review Training:** After some discussion, Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Linzmeier and Chair Johnson agreed to attend the Board of Review training in DeForest the morning of Friday, April 15.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the January 27, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the January 27, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

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

**3c. Approval of Property Tax Refunds:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the property tax refunds as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers asked that the Town consider purchasing bat houses in order to keep the mosquito population in check, especially given the plan for a retention pond in the City that is adjacent to the Gallagher Plat neighborhood.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:58pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for February 24, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. Potential Consolidation of Sewer District #10:** Supervisor Berg suggested that the proposed letter be revised to emphasize that the current sewer charges do not include the long-term costs of maintenance and/or replacement of the infrastructure. Furthermore, he and other Board members recommended delaying the mailing of the letter until we hear back from the City of Madison after they've televised the piping.

**2b. Blooming Grove Fire Station:** Mike Wolf reported the Town has entered into a short-term agreement with the Dane County Sheriff's Department, and they have one vehicle stored in the Fire Station.

There was a brief discussion about when to move forward with the decision to lease and/or sell the fire station and/or surrounding Town property. In the end the Board agreed this should first be discussed at the Town's Annual Meeting (April 19, 6:30pm).

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the February 10, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the February 10, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers asked the Town to put down grass seed along the right-of-way on Gannon Avenue between Commercial and Furey Avenues.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:42pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for March 9, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, Plan Commissioner Dean Larson, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. Appointment of Plan Commission Members:** Supervisor Bristol reported that the Plan Commission, at their meeting earlier this evening, unanimously recommended that Jim Frater and Elizabeth Johnson be appointed to the Plan Commission. Supervisor Bristol then made a motion to appoint Jim Frater and Elizabeth Johnson to three-year terms on the Plan Commission effective May 1, 2016. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Chair Johnson abstained.

**2b. Appointment of Election Officials:** Mike Wolf explained that a few election officials have retired in the past several months, and that more were needed. Supervisor Young made a motion to appoint Susan Anderson, Elizabeth Johnson, Dale Larkin and Gail Phippen as election officials for the current election cycle of 2016-2017. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Chair Johnson abstained.

**2c. New State Law allowing Towns to opt out of County Zoning:** Supervisor Bristol said the Plan Commission discussed this issue at their meeting earlier this evening. The Plan Commission is currently recommending no action be taken on this issue. No further discussion or action was taken by the Board.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the February 24, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the February 24, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Bristol abstained.

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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers asked that some of the money the Town is saving due to a mild winter be used to purchase bat houses.

Supervisor Bristol acknowledged the contributions that Scott Helmer has made during his time on both the Parks Commission and Plan Commission.

**2d. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(e) in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of Town property. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:38pm.





**2e. Open Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 6:50pm.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:50pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for March 23, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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 said it had been.

**2a. Fixing Meier Road:** Cory Buske said this road is in poor condition, and should have something done to it even though in five years it will be in the City of Madison. Supervisor Young made a motion to move forward with a Request for Proposal for having a minimum 1 ½" overlay done for Meier Road. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**2d. Choosing an Appraisal Company:** Mike Wolf said the Town received two proposals, and recommended the less expensive one. Chair Johnson made a motion to contract with Scott Appraisal in the amount of \$3000 for getting appraisals done for Town property located at 1880 S. Stoughton Road. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the March 9, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the March 9, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**3b. Approval of Vouchers:** Chair Johnson 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 another park bench in Thurber Park would be nice.

**2b. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(e) in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of Town property. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:35pm.

**2c. Open Session:** Supervisor Young made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 6:54pm.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:50pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for April 13, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Dane County Deputy Sheriff Mike Butler, Town Plan Commissioner Dean Larson, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**1f. Oath of Office:** It was first noted that Supervisor Bristol had taken his oath of office two days earlier in the Town office. Mike Wolf then administered the oath of office to Arnie Berg. The Board congratulated Supervisor Berg on becoming the second-longest serving Board member (20+ years) in the Town's 166-year history.

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers recommended that MG&E or the Town replace the two trees that were recently cut down in Thurber Park.

Deputy Sheriff Mike Butler distributed the list of calls into the Town over the past year. He noted that the PDQ on Milwaukee Street, mainly because it is open 24 hours a day, has its fair share of calls. That said, some additional lighting and cameras have resulted in a decrease in those calls.

Chair Johnson said he would be out of town for the April 27 Board meeting. Supervisor Young and Supervisor Berg both said they would be out of town for the May 11 Board meeting.

Mike Wolf reminded those in attendance of the Annual Meeting next Tuesday night at 6:30pm, and also of the Town's Annual Clean Sweep which takes place in Severson Park in Rambling Acres from 7:00-11:00am on Saturday, May 7.

**2a. Dane County Zoning Petition 10942 for 3274 Lee South Court:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve Dane County Zoning Petition 10942 for 3274 Lee South Court as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2b. First Quarter Treasurer's Report:** Mike Wolf distributed the quarterly report, which showed the Town had collected about 1% less in revenue than expected, and spent about 5% less than expected, through the first three months of this year.

**2c. Condition of Sewer District #10:** Mike Wolf reported the City's televising of this district showed a breach in the pipe that will require some repair. It is anticipated that the City will provide the Town with a draft agreement for them to take over this district, and that in the agreement a dollar amount will be needed to compensate for this repair. Mike reminded those present that there is a sense of urgency to this issue, as the new state reporting requirements begin in August of this year.

**2d. Status of Transfer of Regas Road Sewer District:** Mike Wolf said the second draft of the agreement to have the City take this district over has not yet been received from the City. That is expected to happen within the next 2-3 weeks. Like Sewer District #10, there is a sense of urgency to this issue. The Board agreed that when we receive the draft agreement from the City, it should be reviewed by Town's legal counsel.



**3a. Approval of Minutes from the March 23, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the March 23, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Berg abstained.

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

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:52pm.

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





**Town of Blooming Grove  
Annual Town Meeting Minutes  
6:30 PM -- April 19, 2016**

Chair Dwight Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Dwight introduced Town Board Supervisors Ron Bristol, Dave Young, Kathie Linzmeier and Arnie Berg. He also introduced Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, Town Plan Commissioner Dean Larson, and Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier. Also in attendance were Kayla Schmidt from Johnson Block, and Town residents Vivian Bristol, Joe Buchicchio, and Deborah Sellers.

**Auditor's Report**

Auditor Kayla Schmidt of Johnson Block presented the 2015 Financial Report to the Board. She said that they were able to provide an unmodified opinion. She reported the Town's reserves were at about 39% of the operational budget, which is more than adequate. Due primarily to the sale of Fire Department assets, the town's reserves increased by about \$270,000 last year.

**Plan Commission Report**

Plan Commission Chair Ron Bristol thanked the Commissioners who have served this past year, including Dean Larson, Michael LaForest, Jim Frater, Ken Norton, Dave Young and Scott Helmer. He acknowledged that Liz Johnson will be joining the Commission effective May 1 of this year.

Ron went on to say that the Plan Commission took on the responsibilities of the now-defunct Parks Commission in 2015, and the transition has been a smooth one.

Ron said the first phased annexation (per the Boundary Agreement with the City of Madison) took place on December 28, 2015. The next (and last) phased annexation will take place on December 28, 2020.

**Public Works Department Report**

Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske said a major stormwater replacement project under Thurber Avenue was successfully accomplished last year. Also, new swingsets were purchased and installed in all three neighborhood parks in the Town. Lastly Cory reported that, due to the mild winter, the Town is under budget in salt usage and fuel costs so far this year.

**Fire Department Report**

Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier said that the Town's Fire/EMS operations ceased on July 1, 2015. There is still one intern (Kyle Fredrickson) working under the auspices of Blooming Grove – although operationally he is working with the Town of Madison Fire Department. Kyle's contract ends about a year from now.

The Town has received no complaints about City of Madison emergency responses. There have been some folks who have complained about their inability to burn brush.



Chief Linzmeier said the Town's fire and EMS apparatus/equipment was sold last year for a little over \$500,000. The next step is to lease or sell the fire station, which will be discussed next.

### **Sale or Lease of Town Property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road**

Mike Wolf explained the process to date, and moving forward: The Fire Station was vacated by the first of this year. The station has been cleaned and painted and is ready for viewing by potential lessees or buyers. The Town Board has hired an appraiser, and that report is due back to the Town the first week of May. Sometime in the next 2 to 6 weeks, the Board will likely decide how best to sell some or all of the buildings and/or property on this site. It is very likely that whatever is leased or sold will be done by the end of this year.

Chief Linzmeier reported that both the City of Madison and Dane County have expressed interest in the property, along with other organizations.

Discussion took place about different options with regard to leasing, selling just the fire station, or selling the entire corner property and then leasing the Town Hall back for a nominal charge for the next 11 years.

### **Action Item: 2015 Annual Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Dave Young to approve the Annual Meeting minutes of April 21, 2015 as presented. Glenn Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 8-0, with one abstention (Deborah Sellers).

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

A motion was made by Dave Young to hold next year's Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall. Ron Bristol seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **Citizen Comments/Concerns/Questions**

Deborah Sellers would like to see new trees planted in Thurber Park to make up for the ones recently cut down. She also would like to see more done to keep cars from driving on the grass in Thurber Park.

Joe Buchicchio asked if something could be done about the dead trees at the corner of Cottontail Trail and Sprecher Road. Cory Buske said he was fairly certain these trees were not in the Town's right-of-way.

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Chair Johnson to adjourn. Dave Young seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously at 7:13pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for April 27, 2016**

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

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

**2a. Selection of Contractor for Meier Road:** Mike Wolf reported the Town received three bids for this project, and that he and Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske are recommending the low bid from Wolf Paving. Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the bid from Wolf Paving in the amount of \$62,280.00 as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**2b. Selection of Town Insurance Carrier:** Mike Wolf said the Town had received one bid, from its current carrier The Horton Group. Supervisor Bristol pointed out that the Position Bond should be corrected to reflect that Chris Astrella is no longer with the Town, and also wanted to make sure the intern's coverage premium were included in the total premium. There was some discussion about why Rural Insurance chose not to submit a proposal this time around. It was also noted that the annual premium is about half of what it was when the Town's Fire/EMS operations were active.

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve The Horton Group's proposal as submitted. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**2c. 2015-16 Operator's Licenses:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the 2015-16 Operator's Licenses for Jeremiah Dollar and Clinton Eskridge-Jackson. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**2d. Purchase of Park Benches for Thurber Park:** Supervisor Bristol said the Town's Plan Commission unanimously recommended to the Board that the Town purchase two new park benches for Thurber Park. Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the purchase of two new park benches and to have Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske and Plan Commissioner Dean Larson determine where each should be placed. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**2e. Potential "State of the Town" Summary:** Discussion ensued about how and when to best communicate the many and profound changes that have taken place in the Town, to residents and/or property owners. The Board recommended Mike Wolf write a draft, and that this be placed on a future agenda for further consideration.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the April 13, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the April 13, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.



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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers pointed out that, should the "State of the Town" summary be mailed only with tax bills, renters would not receive it. She also suggested that the money the Town saved this past winter could be spent on replacing rusty sign poles in Gallagher Plat.

**2f. Closed Session:** Supervisor Young made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of town property. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 7:05pm.

**2g. Open Session:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to come back into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young, and passed 4-0 at 7:38pm.

**5. Adjournment:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0 at 7:38pm.

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





## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for May 11, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:45pm. It was noted the meeting was starting 15 minutes late as a result of the lengthy Plan Commission meeting that had just ended. Other Town Board members in attendance were Supervisor Bristol and Supervisor Linzmeier. Supervisors Berg and Young were excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Plan Commissioner Dean Larson, Robert Procter, Bob Poch, Joe Saelens, Carl Kampmeier, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. Board action on rezone at 4008 Milwaukee Street:** Supervisor Bristol reported that the Public Hearing for this rezone took place at the Plan Commission meeting earlier this evening. He said that residents expressed their concerns about a variety of issues, including the potential for increased traffic. Meineke representatives were present to answer those questions and speak to those concerns. After the hearing, the Plan Commission unanimously recommended to the Board to approve the rezone.

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the rezone from C-1 to C-2 at 4008 Milwaukee Street to allow for the construction of a Meineke Care Car center. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**2b. Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for the transfer of the Regas Road Sewer District:** Mike Wolf said the revised draft of the IGA has not yet been received from the Town's attorney. It is hoped the revised agreement will be available for action to be taken at the next Town Board meeting.

**2c. Update on possible transfer of Sewer District #10:** No news to report at this time.

**2d. 2016-17 Class B Beer License and Class B Liquor License for Jerry's Place at 601 N. Fair Oaks Avenue:** Supervisor Bristol noted that question number 7 on the application was not answered. He then made a motion to conditionally approve the 2016-17 Class B Beer license and Class B Liquor license for Jerry's Place at 601 N. Fair Oaks Avenue, once question #7 is answered. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**2e. 2016-17 Class B Beer License for the Hope Rod and Gun Club at 3454 Siggelkow Road:** Mike Wolf reported the application has not yet been received. Chair Johnson made a motion to defer this item until the application and fee have been received. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**2f. 2016-17 Class B Beer License and Class B Liquor License for Blue Plate Catering doing business at Harley-Davidson at 6200 Millpond Road:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the 2016-17 Class B Beer license and Class B Liquor license for Blue Plate Catering, doing business at Harley-Davidson at 6200 Millpond Road. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**2g. 2016-17 Class B Beer License and Class C Wine License for Magnuson Hotel at 3510 Millpond Road:** Mike Wolf reported the application has not yet been received. Supervisor Bristol made a motion to defer this item until the application and fee have been received. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.



**2h. 2016-17 Class A Beer License and Class A Liquor License for PDQ at 4112 Milwaukee Street:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2016-17 Class A Beer license and Class A Liquor license for PDQ at 4112 Milwaukee Street. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**2i. 2015-16 Operator's License:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the 2015-16 Operator's license for Mellissa Hammond. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 3-0.

**2j. 2016-17 Operator's Licenses:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the 2016-17 Operator's licenses Victoria Marshall, Jacob Aslakson, Suzanne Lorenz, Fredy Reynosa, Tammy Washington, Garry Badgley, Eric Christenson, Judy Boeker, Diana Winslow, and Antonio Mendoza. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 3-0.

**2k. Appointment to Plan Commission:** Supervisor Bristol said the Plan Commission unanimously recommended the appointment of Kellene Leicht to the Plan Commission effective immediately. Chair Johnson made a motion to appoint Kellene Leicht to the Town Plan Commission effective immediately, for a term ending April 30, 2019.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the April 27, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the April 27, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 2-0, with Chair Johnson abstaining.

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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers said the installation of the retention pond in her neighborhood has been delayed until this fall, and the bike path has been delayed until next spring. She also asked the Board to consider planting more trees in Thurber Park.

**2l. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of town property. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye. The motion passed 3-0 at 7:00pm.

**2m. Open Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to come back into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier, and passed 3-0 at 7:12pm.

**2n. Sale of Town Property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road:** Chair Johnson made a motion to authorize the sale of the Town's property located at 1880 S. Stoughton Road. It was noted that the process of the sale would not begin until Monday, May 23. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 3-0 at 7:13pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for May 25, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, Town Attorney Chris Hughes, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. 2016 Board of Review:** Chair Johnson made a motion to convene the 2016 Board of Review, and then to immediately postpone it until 5:30pm on June 23, 2016. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2b. Contractor for N. Fair Oaks Avenue Curb & Gutter Project:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the bid from Parisi Construction in the amount of \$37,700 as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

**2c. Contractor for N. Fair Oaks Avenue Road Repair:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the bid from Wolf Paving in the amount of \$79,787 as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion. Supervisor Linzmeier noted that the Wolf Paving proposal did not explicitly state they were accepting responsibility for traffic control. Mike Wolf said that was in the RFP, and that the proposal would be accepted only if that was included. The motion then passed 5-0.

**2d. Intergovernmental Agreement to transfer Regas Road Sewer District to the City of Madison:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement that will transfer the responsibility and infrastructure of the Regas Road Sewer District to the City of Madison effective July 1, 2016. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2e. Update on possible transfer of Sewer District #10:** Mike Wolf reported that it would be extremely difficult to get this done with an effective date of July 1, 2016. The Board identified several issues, such as the need for repair of the infrastructure, and how almost 100 residents would be impacted. The Board directed Mike Wolf to do more research about the state's new CMOM requirement which is due later this year. No action was taken.

**2f. 2016-17 Class B Beer License for Hope Rod & Gun Club at 3454 Siggelkow Rd:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the 2016-17 Class B Beer License for the Hope Rod & Gun Club at 3454 Siggelkow Road. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2g. 2016-17 Class B Beer License and Class C Wine License for Magnuson Hotel at 3510 Millpond Rd:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Class B Beer License and Class C Wine License for the Magnuson Hotel at 3510 Millpond Road. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2h. 2016-17 Operator's License:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2016-17 Operator's licenses for Bruce Bailey, Heather Marie Hunt and Ian Foster. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bristol and passed 5-0.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the May 11, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the May 11, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 3-0, with Supervisor Berg and Supervisor Young abstaining.



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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers thanked Cory Buske for installing the two new park benches in Thurber Park. She suggested the Town plant trees in the park, and that the Town consider erecting barriers so people don't park cars on the Park's grass.

**2i. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of town property. Supervisor Bristol 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 6:47pm.

**2j. Open Session:** Supervisor Young made a motion to come back into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Chair Johnson, and passed 5-0 at 7:26pm.

**2k. Sale of Town Property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road:** No action taken.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:27pm.

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





## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for June 8, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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 said it had been.

**2a. 2015 CMAR for Regas Road Sewer District:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2015 Compliance Maintenance Report (CMAR) for the Regas Road Sewer District as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2b. 2015 CMAR for Sewer District #10:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2015 Compliance Maintenance Report (CMAR) for Sewer District #10 as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2c. 2016-17 Operator's Licenses:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2016-17 operator's licenses for John M. Gulesserian, Floyd Richmond Jr., Richard J. Kratochvil, and Thomas K. Downs. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

**2d. Large Assembly Permit:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve a Large Assembly Permit for Harley-Davidson of Madison at 6200 Millpond Road for the Vietnam War Travelling Wall Memorial event from August 11-14, 2016. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2e. Temporary Class B Beer License:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve a temporary Class B license to Operation Badger Base, to allow fermented malt beverages to be sold and served at the Vietnam War Travelling Wall Memorial event from August 11-14, 2016 at 6200 Millpond Road. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the May 25, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the May 25, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**3b. 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 suggested the Town purchase a roof rake to help Public Works staff get rocks off of the shelter roof in Thurber Park.

Supervisor Young and Chair Johnson reported they would be out of town for the July 27 Board meeting.

**2f. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of town property. 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 6:36pm.

**2g. Open Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to come back into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 7:00pm.



**2h. Sale of Town Property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road:** Chair Johnson made a motion to establish a Special Town Meeting to take place at 6:30pm on Wednesday, June 29 at the Town Hall located at 1880 S. Stoughton Road, for the purpose of having the Townspeople authorize the Town Board to sell the Town's property located at 1880 S. Stoughton Road. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

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

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for June 22, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, Karen McKim and Deborah Sellers.

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

**4. Public Comment:** Karen McKim told those in attendance that she is running as an independent for Dane County Clerk in November. She said elections need to be administered in an impartial, non-partisan and professional manner, and asked for those in attendance to support her.

Deborah Sellers said there was a pedestrian fatality on Highway 30 today, and suggested that people not cross this busy road.

**2a. 2016-17 Operator's License:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2016-17 operator's licenses for Myles Bible. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the June 8, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the June 8, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

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

**2b. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of town property. 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 6:38pm.

**2c. Open Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to come back into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 5-0 at 6:50pm.

**2d. Sale of Town Property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road:** No discussion or action taken.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:51pm.

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



**TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE  
DANE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING RESOLUTION NO. 2016-04**

RECITALS


- A. The Town is considering selling all or part of the Town property located at 1880 South Stoughton Road (the "Property") and possibly leasing back the Town Hall located on the Property.
- B. The Town Board called a Special Town Meeting for June 29, 2016 as authorized by § 60.12(1)(a), Wis. Stats. Such Special Town Meeting was preceded by the notice required by § 60.12(3), Wis. Stats.

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, based on the above Recitals, and as authorized by Wisconsin Statutes, including but not limited to, §§ 60.10(2)(f) and (g), this Special Town Meeting resolves as follows:

- 1. *Sale of Property.* The Town Board is authorized to sell or dispose of all or part of the Property on terms and conditions acceptable to the Town Board.
- 2. *Lease.* In the event the portion of the Property containing the Town Hall is sold or disposed of, the Town Board is authorized to lease back the Town Hall on terms and conditions acceptable to the Town Board.
- 3. *General and Continuing Authority.* The authority granted to the Town Board by this Resolution is general and continuing.

*This Resolution was adopted at a Special Town Meeting held on June 29, 2016 by a vote of 9 electors in favor, 1 electors opposed, and 0 electors not voting.*

By:   
Dwight Johnson, Town Board Chair

Attest:   
Michael Wolf, Town Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer





## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for July 13, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, Town Attorney Chris Hughes, Joe Bexson, Riley Bexson, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. Parcel Split and Rezone at 3330 Siggelkow Road:** Supervisor Linzmeier stated she was recusing herself from the discussion and vote on this issue.

Supervisor Bristol reported that the public hearing took place at the Town's Plan Commission meeting earlier this evening. There were no comments or opposition to the parcel split or rezone, and the Plan Commission unanimously recommended the Town Board approve it.

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the parcel split and subsequent rezone of the properties from RH-3 to RH-2 at 3330 Siggelkow Road. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0, with Supervisor Linzmeier abstaining.

**2b. Rezone at 3345 Femrite Drive:** Supervisor Bristol said the public hearing for this rezone took place at the Town's Plan Commission meeting earlier this evening. There were no comments or opposition to the rezone request, and the Plan Commission unanimously recommended the Town Board approve it.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the rezone of .69 acres from C-2 to A-2, and the rezone of a different .69 acres from A-2 to C-2, at 3345 Femrite Drive as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2c. 2016-17 Operator's Licenses:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2016-17 Operator's Licenses for Joshua Baszynski, Jeffrey Paul Kuske, Terri Colberg, Anthony J. Latzig, George J. Koltes, Judith A. Hoffer, Gina Heiman, Tonya S. Reed, Carolyn Benson, and Nancy Olson. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2d. Room Tax Collections and Disbursements:** Chris Hughes explained that the law is convoluted at best, and the best course of action for the Town is probably to change its existing ordinance such that the percentage of room tax collected is lowered so the Town stays under the state-imposed cap. He also suggested some verbiage changes to the ordinance that may be of assistance should the Town's room tax revenue inadvertently exceed the cap.

Chris Hughes also suggested that his firm and Mike Wolf continue to work towards a legislative solution, which could both increase the amount of room tax revenue the Town could retain, and lower the risk of penalties being imposed by the State.

Supervisor Bristol recommended the Town find out what the specific consequences would be should the Town retain more than the state-imposed limit.



This issue will be brought back to the Board sometime within the next one to two months for further consideration.

**2e. Consideration of Ceding Sewer District #10:** Mike Wolf suggested that at this particular meeting, the Board could decide to a) keep the District indefinitely, or b) explore the possibility of ceding the District to the Madison Metropolitan Sewer District (MMSD).

It was noted that the cost of the sewer service in this area will very likely increase whether it is ceded to MMSD or kept by the Town.

Supervisor Bristol pointed out that it would appear the Town is collecting enough revenue from the District to offset current liabilities, even though future liabilities are uncertain.

Supervisor Berg suggested that ceding the District makes sense strategically, given the Town itself will be gone in 11 years. Both he and Cory Buske reminded those present of the lack of engineering expertise in the Town, versus that of MMSD.

Chair Johnson made a motion to have the Town further explore the possibility of ceding Sewer District #10 to MMSD. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 4-1, with Supervisor Bristol voting against.

A letter to be sent to District #10 customers will be fine-tuned at the next Town Board meeting.

**2f. Quarterly Treasurer's Report:** Mike Wolf reported that overall the Town is in good financial condition through the first half of the year, primarily due to lower expenses in the Fire Department and Public Works Department.

He went on to report that two sources of income are down this year and will remain lower than in years past. One is the Payment in Lieu of Taxes payment from the State of Wisconsin. That has decreased because part of that calculation is for Fire and EMS service, which we no longer provide. Thus that payment will be about 30% less than in years past.

Also decreasing is the American Transmission Company's annual payment to the Town, due to an adjustment on their calculation, which is based on the actual cost of the entire project (now known) as opposed to what was originally estimated.

**2g. Town Resolution 2016-05 to request the State of Wisconsin adequately fund roads:** Supervisor Berg suggested another "whereas" in the resolution be added which indicates the pride that most citizens of Wisconsin feel about their state, and how that pride is being eroded because the state's infrastructure is not properly being maintained.

Mike Wolf said the Wisconsin Town's Association is spearheading the effort to get as many municipalities as possible to pass this kind of resolution, so as to provide impetus in the next state legislative session to get additional road funding passed.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Town Resolution 2016-05 as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the June 22, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the June 22, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.



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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers asked the Town to move the tree that was donated by the Gallagher Grove Civic Club that now sits next to the Fire Station, into one of the Town's parks.

**2h. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of town property. 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 7:45pm.

**2i. Open Session:** Supervisor Young made a motion to come back into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bristol and passed 5-0 at 7:55pm.

**2j. Sale of Town Property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road:** No discussion or action taken.

**5. Adjournment:** Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:55pm.

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



**TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE, DANE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2016-05  
REQUESTING THAT THE STATE OF WISCONSIN RESPONSIBLY AND  
SUSTAINABLY FUND ROAD MAINTENANCE**

**WHEREAS**, local government in Wisconsin is responsible for about 90% of the road miles in the state; and,

**WHEREAS**, towns are responsible for over 50% of the road miles in the state; and,

**WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's diverse economy is dependent upon county and town roads, as well as urban streets and transit systems across the state; and,

**WHEREAS**, according to "Filling Potholes: A New Look at Funding Local Transportation in Wisconsin," commissioned by the Local Government Institute of Wisconsin the condition of Wisconsin's highways is now in the bottom third of the country; and,

**WHEREAS**, according the same research municipal transportation spending has declined from \$275 per capita in 2000 to \$227 in 2012, which is less than it was in 1986; and,

**WHEREAS**, state funding for local roads in Wisconsin has failed to keep up with costs over the past several decades, which has adversely affected local transportation finances; and,

**WHEREAS**, levy limits do not allow local government to make up for the deterioration of state funding; and,

**WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's over-reliance on borrowing eats away at the state's segregated funding sources – the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees – which increasingly pay debt service rather than fund transportation needs; and,

**WHEREAS**, safety is a primary concern and responsibility of local governments across Wisconsin, and unfortunately, according to TRIP, a national non-profit transportation research group, Wisconsin had 347 non-interstate, rural road fatalities in 2013; and,

**WHEREAS**, we recognize that all of the interstate, state, and local road systems play a vital role in the economy of Wisconsin and must be properly maintained in order for our economy to grow; and,

**WHEREAS**, from a competitive standpoint Wisconsin motorists pay significantly less than any of our neighbors when you combine the annual cost of the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees; and,





**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Finance and Policy Commission, appointed by the Governor and Legislature clearly found that if Wisconsin does not adjust its user fees, the condition of both our state and local roads will deteriorate significantly over the next decade.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Blooming Grove Town Board to urge the Governor and Legislature to Just Fix It and agree upon a solution that includes a responsible level of bonding and adjusts our user fees and taxes to adequately and sustainably fund Wisconsin's transportation system.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Board directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the Wisconsin Towns Association, our State Legislators, and to Governor Scott Walker.

*This Resolution was adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Blooming Grove Town Board on July 13, 2016 by a vote of 5 electors in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 not voting.*

By:   
Dwight Johnson, Town Board Chair

Attest:   
Michael Wolf, Town Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for July 27, 2016**

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

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

**2a. Sewer District #10 Letter:** Supervisor Berg made a few suggestions for verbiage changes to the letter presented. He also agreed the letter be sent out August 11 as recommended by staff. No action was taken.

**2b. 2016-17 Operator's License:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the 2016-17 Operator's License for Nathan Fisher. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the July 13, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the July 13, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers reported on the meeting the City of Madison held last week regarding the possible purchase of some or all of the Voit property by the City, specifically to begin using the pond there to help reduce phosphorus from Starkweather Creek. Deborah expressed her concern about how this may impact nearby wells, and asked the Town keep informed about this issue.

**2c. Closed Session:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of town property. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye. The motion passed 3-0 at 6:38pm.

**2d. Open Session:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to come back into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 3-0 at 6:45pm.

**2e. Sale of Town Property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road:** Tom Streber asked if the Town had advertised the sale of the property and Mike Wolf said it had. Tom expressed his concern about whether the property had been advertised to the extent it should have been. Supervisor Bristol suggested Tom talk with Mike after the meeting. Tom said he would submit his questions in writing.

**5. Adjournment:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 3-0 at 6:54pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for August 10, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier, Town Attorney Chris Hughes, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. Rezone for Purple Cow:** Supervisor Bristol reported that the Plan Commission hosted the Public Hearing for a rezone from A-1 to A-2 at this location. Other than the CEO and operations manager of Purple Cow, nobody was in attendance to comment on the rezone. This rezone was needed for the current operations to come into compliance with Dane County zoning ordinances – and not because there were going to be any changes to the use of the property. Supervisor Bristol said the Plan Commission unanimously recommended the Town Board pass this rezone.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the rezone from A-1 to A-2 at parcel 0710-242-9000-5. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**2b. Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Purple Cow:** Supervisor Bristol said the Plan Commission unanimously recommended the Town Board approve this CUP. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Purple Cow at parcel 0710-242-9000-5 as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**2c. Dane County Amendment Petition 10995 for Rezone from C-1 to C-2 at 4008 Milwaukee Street:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Dane County Amendment Petition 10995 for the Rezone from C-1 to C-2 at 4008 Milwaukee Street as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**2d. Schutte Drive Road Project:** The Town Board was provided copies of the two bids received for this project, which is being partially funded through the State's TRI program. Wolf Paving submitted a bid for \$30,971.00, and Payne & Dolan submitted a bid for \$29,899.00.

Cory Buske put forth an addendum to the proposed resurfacing of Schutte Drive, which would be to have the contractor haul away material such that the height of the road surface would remain the same.

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve Payne & Dolan's bid for the repaving of Schutte Drive, with the understanding there will be an additional \$5000 cost of hauling away material on the road such that the road height will remain the same. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**2e. Trees in the Right-of-Way in April Hill:** Chair Johnson said there were several large cottonwood trees on Jenness Avenue, and wondered at what point in time the Town would consider pruning them. Cory Buske said that pruning or taking down trees is very expensive; Supervisor Bristol reiterated that same concern. Mike Wolf said there were hundreds of trees in



Town right-of-ways, and suggested it would be best to continue the practice of identifying trees that are dead, distressed or diseased – and dealing with them on an as-needed basis. The Board asked Mike to ask other communities for their policies or procedures on this topic.

**2f. 2016-17 Operator's License for Kristin Soper:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2016-17 Operator's License for Kristin Soper. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the July 27, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the July 27, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Chair Johnson abstained.

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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers said there are seams opening up on Furey Avenue, and that the Town may want to resurface Gannon Avenue as well.

**2g. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of town property. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:52pm.

**2h. Open Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to come back into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier and passed 4-0 at 7:21pm.

**2e. Sale of Town Property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road:** No discussion or action taken.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0 at 7:22pm.

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





## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for August 24, 2016**

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

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

**2a. New Chipper:** Cory Buske said the Town's current chipper was purchased in 2002 at a cost of about \$22,000. He is recommending the Town buy a new chipper now, which would last through the end of the Town's existence in 2027. This new chipper is an upgrade in terms of performance and safety, and the net cost – after getting trade-in value for the current chipper – will be \$31,000.

Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the purchase of the new chipper at a net cost of \$31,000 as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the August 10, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the August 10, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Supervisor Young abstained.

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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers suggested that the Town consider putting money in the 2017 budget for barriers in Thurber Park so that cars don't drive and/or park on the grass.

**2b. Closed Session:** Supervisor Young made a motion to go into Closed Session, pursuant to section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes in order to discuss negotiations pertaining to the sale or lease of town property. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:41pm.

**2c. Open Session:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to come back into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young and passed 4-0 at 6:55pm.

**5. Adjournment:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:56pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for September 12, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. Other Town Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg, Supervisor Bristol, Supervisor Linzmeier, and Supervisor Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Waunona Sanitary District Commissioners Hal Bohne, John Johnson and Paul Finney, Waunona Sanitary District Clerk Terri Winans, and Waunona Sanitary District Attorney Larry Bechler.

**2. Waunona Sanitary District:** Larry Bechler spoke on behalf of the Waunona Sanitary District ("District") Board, and reported that two of the three commissioners will be submitting their non-candidacy papers in December... and the clerk will be resigning effective next spring. Larry explained that because the Town of Blooming Grove originally created the District, it has several options to consider.

One option would be to encourage others to run for Commissioner of the District. He noted that at least two of the Commissioners need certifications, which requires training, and that the likelihood of people meeting these requirements who live in the District is low. That said, it would be possible to make the Commissioner positions appointed instead of elected... which would make it easier to get qualified individuals on the District Board.

Another option would be for the Town of Blooming Grove to take over the District, and the Town Board could become the District Board. Again, the need for certifications and engineering expertise would still be an issue.

Another option would be to dissolve the District, and allow the City of Madison to absorb it.

Discussion ensued about what would be best for customers in the District, both in the short-term and the long-term. The Town has neither the resources nor expertise to adequately manage the District, and is itself being absorbed into the City in 11 years. All present expressed their support of moving forward with exploring the possibility of having the City of Madison absorb the infrastructure into its own organizational structure, effective when the current terms of the District Commissioners expire.

Mike Wolf will contact the City tomorrow to begin the process. He will contact Terri Winans, who will contact the District Commissioners, as the process moves forward.

**3. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:08pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for September 14, 2016**

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

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

**2a. Operator's Licenses:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2016-17 operator's licenses for James Johnson, Geralyn M. Kubly, Abbey Lynn Bailey, and Sherri Lynn Hofer. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young, and passed 5-0.

**2b. Transient Merchant's License for Christmas Tree Sales:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the transient merchant's license for the sale of Christmas trees on Town property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road from mid-November until Christmas -- contingent upon the repair of the electrical box, and upon payment of the \$1200.00 fee. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Berg, and passed 5-0.

**2c. Dane County Zoning Amendment 11010 at 3330 Siggelkow Road:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve Dane County Zoning Amendment 11010 at 3330 Siggelkow Road as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Linzmeier abstained.

**2d. Ceding Sewer District #10:** Mike Wolf reported that a letter was mailed to every customer in this district, explaining what was being considered and why. He said he received one phone call as a result of the letter.

It was noted that the Madison Metropolitan Sewer District (MMSD) would be able to provide the engineering expertise required of this infrastructure over the next decade and beyond. That said, current district customers should be assured that this decision does not mean this area of the Town, or the Town as a whole, is going to be annexed by the City any earlier than October 31, 2027.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to have Mike Wolf proceed with the process of ceding Sewer District #10 to the Madison Metropolitan Sewer District. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. The anticipated effective date of the district being ceded to MMSD is January 1, 2017.

**2e. Turnout for Transportation Event on September 29:** This event is being coordinated by the various statewide organizations that represent towns, villages, cities and counties. The intent is to publicize the fact that roads in Wisconsin are currently underfunded, and to send a message to lawmakers that additional revenue is needed. There will be a meeting held in every county in Wisconsin this same night, and representatives from all municipalities are encouraged to attend. It was agreed upon that Mike Wolf and Supervisor Young will attend this meeting on behalf of Blooming Grove. Supervisor Bristol will also attend if he is available.



**2f. Changing the Date of the Second Board meeting in November:** Chair Johnson made a motion to change the date of the second Town Board meeting in November from November 23 to November 30, so as to avoid Thanksgiving. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**3a. Approval of Minutes from the August 24, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the August 24, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. Chair Johnson abstained.

**3b. Approval of Minutes from the September 12, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the September 12, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers said at the 10-year anniversary of 9/11 the Blooming Grove Fire Department, herself, and others dedicated a tree which was planted next to the Blooming Grove Fire Station in honor of the victims of 9/11. She recognizes that the Town may soon be selling the Fire Station, and is asking the Town Board to help pay to have the tree moved to one of the Town parks.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:57pm.

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





## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for September 28, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, Town attorneys Chris Hughes and Liz Stephens, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. Sale of Town Property:** Mike Wolf said Kris Koval of the City of Madison sent him an email yesterday inquiring about the status of the property sale, and he told her where we were in the process. Mike reported that Glenn Linzmeier and Supervisor Berg both supported Dane County's offer to purchase as presented.

Supervisor Young made a motion to authorize the Town Chair and Town Clerk to execute the offer to purchase from Dane County, including the sale of the Town property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road and at 5004 Allis Avenue, inclusive of all terms and conditions as specified in the offer, as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

**2b. Amending Blooming Grove Room Tax Ordinance 7.01:** Chris Hughes and Liz Stephens explained how the amended ordinance would allow the Town to adjust its room tax percentage effective January 1, 2017 and the first of the year in every subsequent year, as desired. A report from the Town Treasurer will be given to the Town Board no later than November of every year, and using the information in that report the Town Board will establish a room tax percentage for the following year.

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the amended version of Town Ordinance 7.01 as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**2c. Stormwater Remodeling:** Mike Wolf reported that Mead & Hunt completed the new remodeling, and the DNR analyzed it. The end result is the Town's portion of the adaptive management cost is estimated to be about \$2000/year (down from about \$22,000/year).

**2d. Update on Sewer District #10:** Chris Hughes said the plan for this district is similar to what the Town did earlier this year with the Regas Road Sewer District. He is working with Mike Wolf and Michael Dailey of the City of Madison to put together the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for District #10. There are a few differences between the two districts that need to be addressed.

It is anticipated the IGA will come before the Board for consideration at their next Board meeting on October 12... with an effective date of transition to the City of January 1, 2017.

**2e. Dane County Zoning Amendment 11026:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve Dane County Zoning Amendment 11026, for conditional rezoning at 3345 Femrite Drive, as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Young, and passed 4-0.



**3a. Approval of Minutes of the September 14, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the September 14, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers said additional money the Town has would be well spent in Thurber Park. She also suggested the Town place sand barrels in her neighborhood this winter.

**2f. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(e), for the purpose of discussing negotiations pertaining to Town assets. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye; Supervisor Young – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 7:10pm.

**2g. Open Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bristol and passed 4-0 at 7:28pm.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0 at 7:28pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for October 12, 2016**

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

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

**2a. Fence Variance at 400 Memphis Avenue:** Supervisor Bristol stated this issue was discussed at the Plan Commission meeting earlier this evening. A portion of the owner's fence was destroyed three months ago as a result of an automobile accident. The owners wishes to put the fence back where it was, but the Town's ordinance won't allow that without a variance. The Plan Commission unanimously recommended to the Town Board to grant the variance.

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the variance for the fence at 400 Memphis Avenue as presented. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

**2b. Additional Trees in Town Parks:** Supervisor Bristol reported this issue was also discussed at the Plan Commission earlier this evening. The Plan Commission unanimously recommended to the Town Board to spend up to \$250 to move the commemorative pine tree on this property to Thurber Park as soon as it is practical to do so.

Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the moving of the commemorative tree from this property to Thurber Park as soon as practicable. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Supervisor Bristol said the Plan Commission will be taking a look at planting additional trees in Town parks over the next few months, with the expectation of this being done sometime in 2017.

**2c. Change of Room Tax Percentage:** Chair Johnson made a motion to lower the Town's Room Tax from 6.0% to 5.5% effective January 1, 2017. Supervisor Young seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

**2d. Intergovernmental Agreement to Cede Sewer District #10:** Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement as presented, which will cede the assets, liabilities and responsibilities of Sewer District #10 to the City of Madison effective January 1, 2017. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

**2e. Long-term Financial Planning, including Allocation of Funds Received from the Sale of 1880 S. Stoughton Road:** Mike Wolf presented an option for how the Town could use the funds, and how that dovetails into the larger picture of the Town's finances over the next 11 years. This recommendation included paying off the three remaining loans the Town has (one for the Fire Station, one for Siggelkow Road construction, and one for a plow truck). Paying off these loans would eliminate the annual payments, including interest, from the upcoming budget as well as future budgets.



Chair Johnson made a motion to pay off the three remaining Town loans, after the Town receives the money for the sale of Town property. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Supervisor Berg presented a case whereby the Town would use some of the remaining funds to further lower the Town's levy next year. Mike Wolf's current draft of the 2017 budget includes a reduction of 10% in Town taxes. Supervisor Berg said lowering the taxes even more now would be advantageous for current taxpayers, and he would prefer that – as opposed to postponing the financial benefit into the future.

Chair Johnson suggested spending this money on Town roads would be a wise investment.

Supervisor Berg asked the Board to consider providing some funds for the Blooming Grove Historical Society at the Dean House. He said the Dean House is an historical treasure, and this organization will sustain the Town's legacy long after the Town itself is gone. Other Board members expressed their support of this idea.

Supervisors Bristol expressed his desire to have the Town be a bit more conservative with how much the levy is lowered this upcoming year, noting that once some of the uncertainties play out, the levy might be able to be lowered again in future years.

After some additional debate the Town Board directed Mike Wolf to use a target of a 10% reduction in Town taxes to put together the first draft of the 2017 budget for the Board's consideration.

**3a. Approval of Minutes of the September 28, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the September 28, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Berg abstained.

**3b. 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 said additional money the Town has could be spent to place a bus shelter on Commercial Avenue in front of Gray-Bahl Auto Body, at a cost of approximately \$10,000.

**2f. Closed Session:** No action taken

**2g. Open Session:** No action taken.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:30pm.

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





## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for October 19, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, and Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier.

**2a. Review/Revision of the 2017 Town Budget:** The Town Board reviewed and made revisions to the draft of the 2017 Town budget provided by office staff.

**2b. Closed Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(b) for the purpose of deliberating job performance and/or compensation for public employees. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bristol and a roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Berg – aye; Supervisor Linzmeier – aye; Chair Johnson – aye; Supervisor Bristol – aye. The motion passed 4-0 at 7:20pm.

**2c. Open Session:** Chair Johnson made a motion to return to Open Session. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 7:37pm. The Town Board continued their review of the 2017 Town budget.

**3. Adjournment:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 4-0 at 7:50pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for October 26, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. Stop Sign at corner of Commercial and Christianson:** Mike Wolf explained the concern of the Town resident who lives at the corner of Commercial and N. Fair Oaks – specifically the speed of traffic eastbound on Commercial as the cars enter the ramp towards Highway 30. Several ideas have been put forth to curtail the speed of the vehicles, including putting up a stop sign at the corner of Commercial and Christianson, putting speed bumps on Commercial, and looking into making Commercial a one-way street east of N. Fair Oaks. All ideas seem to have significant drawbacks and/or risks.

Board members expressed their concern about putting up a stop sign, as that could back up traffic during rush hour all the way to Fair Oaks, thus creating more of a traffic hazard.

The Board asked Mike Wolf to do the following: contact the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to see if we could get traffic counts for the Highway 30 ramp, look into putting up signs in the right-of-way encouraging drivers to slow down, and contact the Dane County Sheriff's Department and ask them to step up enforcement of that particular street.

**2b. Leveling of the Infield in Thurber Park:** Supervisor Bristol reported this issue was also discussed at the Plan Commission two weeks ago. The Plan Commission unanimously recommended spending up to \$2000 to level the playing field as soon as is practicable.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve spending up to \$2000 to level the infield in Thurber Park. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**3a. Approval of Minutes of the October 12, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the October 12, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

**3b. Approval of Minutes of the October 19, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Bristol made a motion to approve the October 19, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Berg 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.

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers said the Town should consider painting sign poles at the corners of Gannon Avenue & Furey Avenue, and Gannon Avenue & Powers Avenue.



Supervisor Berg said he may not be able to attend the November 14 Town budget meetings due to a medical procedure he will undergo that day.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Bristol. The motion passed 4-0 at 6:40pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for November 9, 2016**

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

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

**2a. 2016-17 Operator's License for Alexander Will:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the 2016-17 Operator's License for Alexander Will. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

**2b. Agendas Posted at Town Hall and On-line:** Mike Wolf explained that state law now allows municipalities to post agendas at the municipal building, and on the website. Eliminating the need to post these in other locations around Town will save the Town time and money. Mike recommended making this change effective next year, which will allow time to communicate this change to Town residents.

Chair Johnson made a motion to approve posting meeting agendas at the Town Hall and on the Town's website as recommended, beginning January 1, 2017. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2e. Repair of N. Fair Oaks Avenue:** Mike Wolf explained that a water main break took place under N. Fair Oaks Avenue, and damaged the road the Town just had done this past summer. The Waunona Sanitary District was initially planning to repair the road so it was in the same condition it was in before the water main break, but just recently said they will only pay for a patch at this time.

Cory Buske reported the patch will get done tomorrow. He said there is a long-term concern with the quality of the road's base, given how much water discharged from the broken pipe. He said a tremendous amount of sediment ended up in the catch basins of the Town's stormwater system (which the Town had cleaned out), and that the Town will want to evaluate this road come spring to determine what should be done.

Chair Johnson agreed, saying that amount of water could take the fine particulates away from the road's base and thus compromise the integrity of the road surface.

Chris Hughes recommended the Town discuss this issue while in negotiations with the City of Madison and the Waunona Sanitary District regarding the District's dissolution.

No action was taken.

**3a. Approval of Minutes of the October 26, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Linzmeier made a motion to approve the October 26, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Young abstained.





**3b. 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 said the Town Board should get input from town residents as to what should be done prior to the Town going away in 2027.

Mike Wolf said the Town's annual budget meeting is next Monday, November 14 at 6:30pm, and the next regular Town Board meeting is Wednesday, November 30.

Supervisor Berg said he will not be able to attend the November 14 Town budget meeting.

**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.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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 Town residents Deborah Sellers, Tom Dumphy, Don Tjugum, Dennis McDonald, Judy Riddle, Dick Riddle, Bridgit Johnston, Gregg Schultz, Tom Streber, Don Klinger, Randy Clauer, Kathy Buchicchio, Joe Buchicchio, and Ed Brost.

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

**2a. Open Public Hearing on 2017 Town Budget:** Chair Johnson opened the Public Hearing on the 2017 Town Budget.

Tom Streber took issue with the contract the Town signed with Fire Chief Glenn Linzmeier. His concerns included paying someone who has a full-time job elsewhere, the amount of the money Glenn is to be receiving in 2017 (\$50,000), and the annual amount of the insurance benefits from 2018 through 2027. Several others in attendance expressed similar concerns about the contract, and when Tom asked how many in attendance would prefer this contract be nullified, 15 people stood up. Residents asked about the breakdown of the line item in the budget for Fire Department Wages & Benefits, and Mike Wolf said that the amount of \$80,601.90 includes Glenn's pay, stipends for the one remaining intern, education costs for the intern, and benefits for Glenn that include health insurance at a cost of \$13,460.04.

Supervisor Bristol pointed out that this contract was negotiated over a six-month period, and several factors were taken into consideration. These included the Chief's length of service and quality of service to the Town since 1999, his unique relationships and connections to City of Madison personnel that greatly assisted with the Intergovernmental Agreement the Town and City signed for fire and EMS service (saving the Town over \$3 million), and the fact that the Chief had been underpaid compared to similar positions in Dane County.

Dick Riddle asked the Fire Chief if he would consider renegotiating the agreement, and Glenn said he'd have to think about it – as this topic was not one he had been prepared to discuss at this meeting.

Tom Streber suggested that the money for the Fire Chief be removed from this budget, or at the least a meeting could be held in a week or two from now to have that discussion. Mike Wolf said the timing of the budget and tax collection process necessitates a decision this evening – but also stated the budget can legally be amended any time during the course of the year.

Deborah Sellers asked several specific questions about the Town budget, and those questions were answered.

**2b. Public Hearing Closed:** Chair Johnson closed the Public Hearing on the 2017 Town Budget.

**3. Recess:** Chair Johnson made a motion to go into recess in order to hold the Town Elector Meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bristol and passed 4-0 at 7:40pm.



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**4. Reconvene:** Chair Johnson made a motion to reconvene the Town Board meeting. Supervisor Young seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 at 7:45pm.

**5. Adoption of the 2017 Town Budget:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adopt the 2017 Town Budget as presented. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

**6. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 4-0 at 7:46pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Elector Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2016**

The same individuals were in attendance as were in attendance at the Town Board meeting on this same night.

Chair Johnson called the Town Elector meeting to order at 7:41pm.

**2a. Approve Town Meeting Minutes of June 29, 2016:** Dave Young made a motion to approve the Town Meeting Minutes of June 29, 2016 as presented. Kathie Linzmeier seconded the motion and it passed 7-0 with 3 abstaining.

**2b. Approval of the 2016 Town Levy:** Dave Young made a motion to adopt a levy of \$464,209. Ron Bristol seconded the motion and it passed 8-6 with 2 abstaining.

**3. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Dave Young seconded the motion and it passed 12-0 at 7:45pm.





## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for November 30, 2016**

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

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

**2a. Stop Signs on Beegs Road:** Mike Wolf said there were a couple of incidents along this road that were reported to the Town Office within the last few months, and the question of stop signs was raised.

Discussion ensued about how effective signs would or would not be in making the road safer, especially considering the minimal traffic along this road. No action was taken.

**2b. Road patch on N. Fair Oaks Avenue:** Cory Buske handed out pictures to Board members, which show how the patch done as a result of the Waunona Sanitary District's water main break last month, was not done to standards. The contractor cut out the area of the road where the patch was to be done, but then proceeded to lay blacktop over the top of a significant portion of the existing pavement. Already portions of what they did are failing.

Cory said he wasn't sure if the Waunona Sanitary District asked for it to be done this way, or if the contractor made that decision.

All agreed this does not require immediate attention, but will be revisited in the spring of next year.

**2c. Update on Sewer District #10:** Mike Wolf said the City's final approval should come on December 7. Once that has been communicated to him, letters will be sent to all existing District customers letting them know of the changeover from the Town's Sewer District #10 to the Madison Metro Sewer District effective January 1.

**2d. Waunona Sanitary District Dissolution:** Attorney Chris Hughes reported that the process of dissolving the District is quite lengthy and cumbersome, thanks to the fact that the District provides water service and that means the Public Service Commission (PSC) is involved. A meeting is taking place here at the Town Hall at 2:30pm next Wednesday, December 7. That meeting will include representatives from the Town, the City, the PSC and the District. The goal of the meeting will be to determine a process by which the dissolution of the District can occur and the City can assume the responsibility of providing services to the customers affected.

No action was taken. This issue will be on the next Town Board agenda, at which time more will be known about what needs to be done, and a timetable for making it happen. Chris Hughes did say that it is possible the entire process won't be done by April of next year, and if that is the case some kind of bridge agreement with the City might be needed.

**2e. Closed Session.** The Town Board did not go into Closed Session.



**3a. Approval of Minutes of the November 9, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the November 9, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Chair Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

**3b. Approval of Minutes of the November 14, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young pointed out a typo in the minutes. He then made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Supervisor Bristol seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0. Supervisor Berg abstained.

**3c. Approval of Vouchers:** Mike Wolf pointed out that the bill from Roto-Rooter was for the cleaning out of the stormwater catch basins in and around N Fair Oaks Avenue – which was needed as a result of the water main break there last month. So much debris was carried into them, that we needed to have them cleaned out. Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

**4. Public Comment:** Chief Linzmeier said the City of Madison just recently received a fire protection rating of 1 (the best possible rating). He suggested all Town residents, especially those living near fire hydrants, reach out to their insurance companies to see if this will lower their premiums.

Mike Wolf said he will be at the City-County building tomorrow for the U.S. Presidential recount. He said the Town Office will be closed as a result of his absence.

**5. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Young. The motion passed 5-0 at 7:05pm.

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



## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for December 14, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Other Town 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, Town Attorney Chris Hughes, Plan Commissioner Dean Larson, Mary Berg and Deborah Sellers.

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

**2a. Intergovernmental Agreement for Regas Road:** Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Madison for road work to be done on Regas Road in 2017. Chair Johnson seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

**2b. Ceding Sewer District #10:** Mike Wolf reported that the paperwork has been completed, and Sewer District #10 will be under the care and control of the City effective January 1, 2017. He said that bills will be sent out in January, for service the Town provided from July 1 through December 31, 2016.

Supervisor Berg asked if there has been any more feedback from residents in the District about this transition, and Mike Wolf said there has not been any.

**2c. Waunona Sanitary District Dissolution:** Chris Hughes said the meeting that took place last Wednesday was very productive, and a process was agreed upon. It looks as though the earliest effective date for the transition to the City will be July 1, 2017. There are still several issues to consider, such as whether or not a referendum will be needed. Chris Hughes pointed out that regardless of whether or not there is a referendum, there will be opportunities for District customers to provide feedback during the next several months.

Mike Wolf emphasized that the City, the District and the Town all want the same end result: the orderly and timely transition of water and sewer service from the Waunona Sanitary District to the City of Madison. Customers in that area can expect to continue to receive quality services, and it is anticipated their costs will be virtually the same as they are now.

**2d. Update on Sale of Town Property:** Chris Hughes said the closing of the Town's property at 1880 S. Stoughton Road is scheduled for Thursday, January 12 at 10:00am.

**2e. Public Works Wages on the Weekends:** Mike Wolf explained that Cory and Steve sometimes have to work on weekends (usually plowing), and when asked to take time off later in the week they end up getting paid straight time for their work on the weekend. The proposal is to pay time and a half for work they perform between Friday at noon and 7:00am Monday.

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



**3a. Approval of Minutes of the November 30, 2016 Town Board Meeting:** Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the November 30, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Supervisor Linzmeier seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

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

**4. Public Comment:** Deborah Sellers asked the Town to clear the snow from the fire hydrants at the corner of Furey and Powers, and at the corner of Thurber and N. Fair Oaks. She also asked the Town to consider putting carpet in the Waunona Sanitary District building, if and when the Town takes ownership of that building.

**5. Adjournment:** Supervisor Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Chair Johnson. The motion passed 5-0 at 6:59pm.

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





## **Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for December 30, 2016**

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Other Town Board members in attendance were Supervisor Berg and Supervisor Linzmeier. Supervisor Bristol and Supervisor Young were excused. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Mike Wolf, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jay Punwar, and Liz Johnson.

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

**3. Approval of Property Tax Refunds:** Chair Johnson made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**4. Adjournment:** Chair Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Supervisor Linzmeier. The motion passed 3-0 at 1:02pm.

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

