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BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held _____ 20 _____

VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGBURG COUNCIL MEETING

July 8

2025

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Bennett
With the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jerry Fleak, Melissa Hixon, Gordon O'Grady, Christian Bennett excused, Carol Cramer, Gayle Brown, Village Administrator Bob Daugherty, Rachel Martin Solicitor ~~excused absence~~, Fiscal Officer Lorie Johnson.

Minutes of previous meeting

Corrections or additions to Joint Meeting and Regular Council Meeting June 17, 2025.

~Motion to approve minutes from June 17, 2025, meeting, 1st Gayle, 2nd Missi, 5 yeas, motion carried.

Pass Bills, Purchase Orders, Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Financial Reports for Approval

Motion: Carol, 2nd Missi, 5 yeas motion carried.

Visitors: ~Mike Brown observing.~Maryann Smith observing.

Mayors Report:

Committee Reports:

~posting of properties, the mayor talked to Bobby about a couple of properties in the subdivision. Bobby said he talked to the people, and they would get the yards mowed.

~**Fire Board:** no meeting

~**Cemetery:** Missi, last meeting was June 30. They did a new rate for the graves. They have addressed the leaning monuments.

~**Park:** Gordon nothing

~**Community Day:** Lorie said we had a meeting last night. We need to get more vendors. Next meeting is July 28th.

~Gordon asked if the strategic planning would like to set up a booth. Sure.

~Gayle asked if she could set up a voter registration booth. Sure.

~they are bringing the new Life Squad.

Solicitors' Report:

~Rachel gave her letter of resignation effective August 1, 2025. Gayle made a motion except her resignation, 2nd Gordon, roll call 5 yeas, motion carried. Everyone thanked Rachel for her service.

~Rachel said that we need to post in the newspaper the ordinances on mowing and other violations.

~Rachel told Bobby she needs the list of repairs on 17 Miron Street. These violation notices need to be sent certified mail or delivered by the Sheriff. We should try to post the ordinances on the Bloomingburg In the Know Face Book. page. Gordon asked if we could accelerate the process. Rachel said she would talk to Jess. It's in the landbanks hands.

~Rachel asked exactly what they were wanting in the modular home ordinance. Gayle asked about replacing a trailer or manufactured homes. Gordon asked if we could out in the ordinance have to comply with state building codes.

~Gayle asked if Rachel had any recommendations for a solicitor. Caleb Johnson or Carole Pontious.

~Gayle asked Rachel about the bank fraud case. Gayle got a copy of the sheriff's report and gave it to the mayor. Gayle asked Rachel who would handle the case now. Rachel said the county would handle the case. They would serve a warrant.

Village Administrator:

~WWTP: no report

~WTP: no report

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~Bobby dealing with all the rain that we've been having. We haven't had any issues at the plant. Gordon asked about the lift pump, Bobby said we are waiting on parts.

~GradeCo is going to start paving tomorrow in the sub-division.

Legislation:

~Ordinance: O-25-07, User Meter Fees, repeals O-05-08. First reading.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd, Gayle, roll call, CB absent, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC yes, GB yes, 5 yeas, motion carried.

Clerk's Report:

~billed \$39,887.62

~received \$35,959.58

~Lorie informed the council that the state auditor will be here Thursday to pick up our files from 2023 & 2024.

~Lorie asked the council if there were any changes that need to be made to the village insurance coverage. Bobby said we need to sell the old dump truck. We need to take sealed bids. Bobby will get the information so we can post it.

~Lorie informed the council that she received an e-mail from MVL about the rate increase of 3% for the next two years starting January 1, 2026, and January 1, 2027. Lorie told the council that we need to increase the assessment to the properties. We are close to having enough revenue coming on to pay the street lighting bills. Lorie will call the county auditor to see what we need to do.

Old Business:

~water/sewer tap fees. Gordon had e-mailed each council member a proposed rate increase. Jerry asked about the 15% over cost. Gordon said that is what the original ordinance had so he included it on the proposed new ordinance. Missi asked what these changes brought about. Bobby said that we need clarification on what's included in the tap fee. Jerry said he could buy the materials cheaper than the village. Bobby said the village needs to purchase the materials. After a lengthy discussion, the village will do the taps and supply the meter set material, and the property owner will pay for the meter and the tap fee. Gordon will make the changes to the new tap fee ordinance.

~Gordon explained about the cost of operations of the village. Jerry and Bobby said that these increases will put a burden on the people.

~RC racetrack at the park. Bobby said he has talked to the surrounding neighbors, and they don't want a racetrack in the park. Bobby said the village's insurance won't cover their event. Bobby called Wes and talked to him about he couldn't make a profit and that he would have to carry his own insurance. Gayle and Carol said no to the racetrack at the park. Gayle made motion no racetrack, 2nd Carol, 4 yeas, 1 no, motion carried. No racetrack.

New Business:

~Ray Lynch property at 99 Main Street. The mayor said he would talk to Mr. Lynch; Bobby will go with the mayor.

~Gordon asked if there was anything the village could do about the trailers he has parked there. The place is a mess.

~Fast Lap; has an oil tank, misc. junk and the fence is leaning into the neighbor's yard. These issues need to be addressed.

~Bobby said that Maryann Smith will be moving here building to the other side Thursday weather permitting.

~dumpster and grass at the trailer park. This needs addressed.

~the mayor said that Julie Thacker talked to him about water flooding into her garage. Bobby stated that they built the garage in the row of water flow, so they caused their own issue.

~Tim told Rachel that you for her service. Gayle asked Rachel if we can't find a replacement would she be willing to help us.

Executive Session:

Conclusion: The next regular council meeting will be August 5, 2025 @ 6:00.

Motion to adjourn council meeting; Gayle, 2nd Gordon, 5 yeas, 0 nay, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:00 pm.

Aug. 5, 2025
Date Approved by Council

Lorie A. Johnson
Fiscal Officer: Lorie A. Johnson

Tim Bennett
Mayor: Tim Bennett

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VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGBURG COUNCIL MEETING**August 5****2025**

**Meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Bennett
With the Pledge of Allegiance**

Roll Call: Jerry Fleak, Melissa Hixon, Gordon O'Grady, Christian Bennett, Carol Cramer, Gayle Brown, Village Administrator Bob Daugherty, , Fiscal Officer Lorie Johnson.

Minutes of previous meeting

Corrections or additions to Joint Meeting and Regular Council Meeting July 8, 2025.

~Motion to approve minutes from June 17, 2025, meeting, 1st Missi, 2nd Gayle, 6 yeas, motion carried.

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Motion: Gayle, 2nd Carol, 6 yeas motion carried.

Visitors:

~Maryann Smith observing.

~Angela Joyce; brought up the issue that the lights on the Town Hall shine directly into her back yard and are bright. They can't enjoy sitting in the back yard because they are so bright. She feels that they invade their privacy. Bobby said that they are the new led bulbs and seem to be brighter than the old-style bulbs. She had given use a letter referencing ORC laws. Bobb said we would have to buy a new light that is less wattage. Bobby stated that these are security lights for the Town Hall. Gordon said that we will look into different lights.

~Glen Keaton, owner of 38 Main Street. They were going to rehab the old house but after getting into the project the house was too far gone to rehab. They are going to have it torn down by the end of August. They are proposing to build a 3-bedroom house.

Mayors Report:**Committee Reports:**

~**Fire Board:** Gordon, still having issues with the radios. They decided to wait until the building is paid off to purchase air packs. The building will be paid off later this year. The new BPM sign should be installed this week.

~**Cemetery:** Missi no meeting until September.

~**Park:** Gordon nothing.

~**Community Day:** Christian said that things are good. We can always use volunteers.

Solicitors' Report: No solicitor.**Village Administrator:**

~**WWTP:** no report from Kenny. Bobby said that they had 5 pumps down and out for repair at the sewer plant. Bobby had Allied pump come in and pull the pumps and change the oil #1 lift station pump. The #2 pump in the lift station is laying on its side. The lift station at the plant was replaced with the pump we had on the shelf. The scum pump is down. A new pump is \$16,200 or rebuild is \$15,600. Bobby is getting estimates.

~**WTP:** report given to council. Allen noted that there were some EPA violations. Most of the issues have been addressed. Allen and Bobby will address the rest of the issues.

~Bobby and Mike cleaned up 99 Mina Street. Mowed and weed-eated. Took them 4 hours each. Bobby tagged the trailers and vehicles; they are to be removed Wednesday August 6.

~11 Wayne Street needs posted.

~17 Miron Street, the health dept. said she is working on cleaning up the outside of property.

Legislation:

~**Ordinance:** O-25-07, User Meter Fees, repeals O-05-08. Second reading.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd, Gayle, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC yes, GB yes, 6 yeas, motion carried.

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~Ordinance: O-25-08, Fence ordinance repeals O-21-04. First reading.

Motion: Missi, 2nd Gordon, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC yes, GB yes, 6 yeas, motion carried.

~Ordinance: O- 25- _____, Water and sewer tap fees. First reading. Tabled

~Resolution: R-25-11, Merchants Bank Depository Agreement.

Motion: Missi, 2nd Gayle, roll call 6 yeas, motion carried.

~Resolution: R-25-12, Contract with Wright's Well Drilling.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Gayle, roll call 6 yeas, motion carried.Clerk's Report:

~billed \$38,019.97

~received \$39,991.76

~State highway would like to know if the village has any funds they could put towards the road project for 2027. After a discussion the village council said they could put \$10,000 towards the project. Christian made the motion, 2nd Missi, roll call 6 yeas. The mayor said he would call Ron Ward with the local state highway garage.

~Merchants Bank contract renewal due by end of August. There haven't been any more issues. We signed the contract agreement.

~Community Day compensation for the village employees. Christian, Gordon and Gayle said they should get paid since it is a village event and they are employees. Gordon made motion to pay the employees straight and overtime pay to work on the community day event, 2nd Christian, roll call CC yes, GB abstain, MH no, JF yes, GO yes, CB yes, 4 yeas, 1 abstain, 1 nay, motion carried. Pay this out of general fund.Old Business:

~The mayor talked to Ray Lynch a& met with him. Ray is moving everything to the back of the property and wants to install a privacy fence. Gordon stated it is a commercial lot and there are restrictions. Gordon is opposed to the semi-trailers being used as storage. Gordon and Gayle are a strong no. Bobby asked about removing the trailers and school bus. Bobby said his 7 days are up. The council needs to decide what they want to do. Gordon said tow the bus Wednesday.

New Business:

~Fast Lap; Tom Jones. Oil being stored, privacy fence is falling down into the neighbor's yard. Bobby is to talk to Tom Jones.

~Bobby talked to Barb, our engineer, about specifications on the new water plant. Barb suggested a new well drilling company "Wrights Well Drilling", they gave her a price of \$7440.50 to do the test well. Gordon made a motion to have Wright's Well drilling to do the test well, 2nd Gayle, roll call 6 yeas, motion carried. R-25-12.~Gordon read an e-mail from Allen Dawson, our water operator, and our current plant is rated at 216,000 GPD. The new plant and the old plant have the same water production rate of 215,000 gallons per day. The only difference is the new plant could ~~put~~ ^{use} an additional 30,000 gallon er day for the reverse osmosis system. Gordon explained the new water plant process of the filter system and the reverse osmosis.

~what is the timeline on the plant.

~Asset management Plan. Verdantas will do it for \$6400. Lorie called Allen Dawson so that we could ask him questions on the asset management plan. Allen said that we need to put in the information on the temporary water filter system, remove the old filter system information. New plant timeline, this plan needs to be updated annually. Gordon asked if we could ask for an extension. Bobby is to ask Barb for the paperwork on the temporary filter system. Bobby is to ask Barb the timeline on the new plant.

Executive Session:

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Conclusion: The next regular council meeting will be September 2, 2025 @ 6:00.

Motion to adjourn council meeting; Gayle, 2nd Gordon, 6 yeas, 0 nay, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:19 pm.

Sept 16 2025
Date Approved by Council

Lorie A. Johnson
Fiscal Officer: Lorie A. Johnson

Tim Bennett
Mayor: Tim Bennett

Held _____ 20____

VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGBURG COUNCIL MEETING

September 16 2025

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Bennett
With the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jerry Fleak, Melissa Hixon, Gordon O'Grady, Christian Bennett, Carol Cramer excused absence, Gayle Brown, Village Administrator Bob Daugherty, , Fiscal Officer Lorie Johnson.

Minutes of previous meeting

Corrections or additions to Joint Meeting and Regular Council Meeting August 5, 2025.
~Motion to approve minutes from August 5, 2025, meeting, 1st Christian, 2nd Missi, 5 yeas, motion carried.

Pass Bills, Purchase Orders, Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Financial Reports for Approval

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Missi, 5 yeas motion carried.

Visitors: ~Mike Brown, Tonya Fleak, just observing.

Mayors Report:

~Tim addressed his heath concerns with the council. Tim had been in the hospital for 9 days. Tim said he is going to do dialysis and if that doesn't work he will be put on the list for kidney transplant.

Committee Reports:

~Fire Board: Gordon, Air packs have been checked. Marcs radios need updated. Turnout gears are \$3700 each. Purchasing jackets for members for their volunteer services. Spring & Wire has offered to sell the lot next to the fire Department to them for what she paid for it \$37,000. The fish Fry went very well. They are going to be trained on Airplane crashes. Three trucks passed the pump test. Gordon said there is a strategic planning meeting on October 15 from 5 to- 7.

~Cemetery: Missi, short meeting. They have stopped using the summer help. Looking for internet service that is compatible with their software they use.

~Park: Gordon, talked to a lady with the soil conservation. Gordon would like to talk to the Iden's about the partial of land they have behind our park that butts up to the creek. The property is overgrown and needs taken care of. We would like to add it to the village park.

~Community Day: Christian asked Lorie to give the report. Lorie gave each council member a copy of the results of the Community Day Event. Christian stated that the event was a success. Christian said the committee will have a meeting to discuss the Halloween party.

Solicitors' Report: No solicitor.

Village Administrator:

~WWTP report given to council. There are 4 pumps out for repair. Cost for 2 new pumps and 2 rebuilds \$38,862. We could buy 4 new pumps for \$55,000. Gordon asked if there was anywhere else to get prices, no answer. Missi made a motion to buy 2 new pumps, and rebuild 2 old pumps, for \$35,862, 2nd Gayle roll call GB, GO, MH, CB, JF all yeas, motion carried.

~WTP: report given to council., well #3 was cleaned. The pump io the well was the original and it was basically worn out. Bobby ordered a new pump for \$7800. The well has been bleached, and I will take samples tomorrow. We have a televised copy if anyone would like to see it. The guys said that we need to be on a 5-year cleaning schedule. They will be here on September 29 to do the 2" test well drilling. If it passes it will be upsized to a 12" well. Gayle asked where we were at with the new water plant. Bard told us it should be after the first of the year. Gayle asked about asset management for the EPA. Bobby said that the plan is being done. Bobby said that this plan will need to be updated as changes are made to the water plant.

~Bobby talked to the state highway people, and they are going to patch several places on Main Street in October.

~Gordon, there were 3 deliveries of chlorine in August. They charge \$35 for each time they deliver. Bobby said he ordered a bigger tnak so that we only need 1 delivery per month.

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Legislation:

~Ordinance: O-25-07, User Meter Fees, repeals O-05-08. Third reading, passed.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd, Christian, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC absent, GB yes, 5 years, motion carried.

~Ordinance: O-25-08, Fence ordinance repeals O-21-04. Second reading. Gordon made a motion to wave the 3 reading rule., 2nd Missi, roll call 5 years.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd, Christian, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC absent, GB yes, 5 years, motion carried.

~Ordinance: O- 25- 09, Water and sewer tap fees. First reading.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Gayle, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC absent, GB yes, 5 years, motion carried.

~Resolution: R-25-13, Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levy and certifying them to the county auditor.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Missi, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC absent, GB yes, 5 years, motion carried.

~Ordinance: O-25-10, Ordinance to make additional appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the village of Bloomingburg, year ending December 31, 2025.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Christian, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC absent, GB yes, 5 years, motion carried.

Clerk's Report:

~billed \$40,159.49 ~received \$38,736.38

~still working with the state auditors. They send me questions about once a week.

Old Business:

~Lynch property updates; Bobby said the vehicles are tagged. Bobby said he talked to Billy Parrish about the cost to tow the trailers. Parrish said between \$8000 and \$9000.

~Ray Lynch needs to move the trailer off the edge of the street.

~Tom Jones (Fast Lap) oil container, Bobby said Mayers Farm Equipment was going to get it.

~light on the Town Hall has been turned down to the lowest setting.

New Business:

~Gordon asked Bobby to get prices for new signs on Midland Ave. The signs are faded and to be reflective.

~sidewalk on Midland, gas connection. Bobby/Jerry said they would get in touch with Vectren. Gordon gave Bobby the local contact phone number.

~income tax. Lorie explained to the council about how the tax would work. Lorie told the council the cost of operating the village has increased and will continue to increase. Jerry asked about the cost of the softening system in the new water plant. Bobby said that Boone Well wouldn't do a reverse osmosis system. The EPA said this is the only system that they would approve because of the quality of our water. Missi asked if we removed the softener could we still only need a part-time operator. Gordon said that we should have a full-time licensed w/s operator. Bobby said the village would have to offer benefits.

~Gordon said we need to talk to RITA about how the income tax works. Jerry and Tim are business owners.

~siding color for the Library Box. Pick a color that matches the Town Hall.

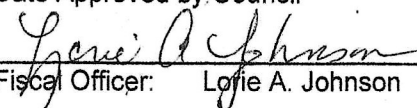
~Bobby said we need to think about a park levy and a street levy. This was tabled.

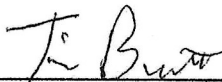
Executive Session:

Conclusion: The next regular council meeting will be October 7, 2025 @ 6:00.

Motion to adjourn council meeting; Gayle, 2nd Gordon, 5 years, 0 nay, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned @ 7:33 pm.

Oct. 7, 2025
Date Approved by Council


Fiscal Officer: Lorie A. Johnson


Mayor: Tim Bennett

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October 7

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Meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Bennett
With the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jerry Fleak, Melissa Hixon, Gordon O'Grady, Christian Bennett, Carol Cramer excused absence, Gayle Brown, Village Administrator Bob Daugherty, Fiscal Officer Lorie Johnson.

Minutes of previous meeting

Corrections or additions to Joint Meeting and Regular Council Meeting September 16, 2025.

~Motion to approve minutes from September 16, 2025, meeting, 1st Gayle, 2nd Christian, 5 years, motion carried.

Pass Bills, Purchase Orders, Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Financial Reports for Approval

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Gayle, 5 years motion carried.

Visitors: Miike Brown, Tonya Fleak, Keith Hall, Maryann Smith, just observing.

Mayors Report:

~see under new business

Committee Reports:

~**Fire Board:** Gordon meeting.

~**Cemetery:** Missi no meeting.

~**Park:** Gordon would like to get 3 quotes from landscapers on trees for the park. The Park committee is asking for up to \$8,000 to purchase trees. This is the time of year to plant. Christian made a motion to purchase trees up to \$8,000. 2nd Gordon, roll call 5 years.

~**Community Day:** Reminder of the Halloween Party for the community will be Saturday October 24 from 5- 7:00.

Solicitors' Report:

~No solicitor.

Village Administrator:

~WWTP report given to council.

~WTP: report given to council. Bobby purchased a larger holding tank for the chlorine so that they only deliver once a month, saves us on the truck charge of \$35 dollars per trip.

~Bobby, Bobby called barb said the first test well was dry. Bard said move down closer to well #3 and drill. Bobby said they hit water at 65 feet. Bobby said we might have to change the design location.

Legislation:

~Jerry disputed waiving the 3 readings of Ordinance -25-08. Jerry voted yes at the last meeting.

~**Ordinance: O- 25- 09, Water and sewer tap fees. Second reading.**

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Christian, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC absent, GB yes, 5 years, motion carried.

~**Resolution: R-25-14, Community Day Committee would like to purchase trees for the park. Council agreed to spend up to \$8000.**

Motion: Christian, 2nd Gordon, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC absent, GB yes, 5 years, motion carried.

~**Ordinance: O-25-11, Temporary Appropriations for 2026. First reading.**

Motion: Missi, 2nd Gayle, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC absent, GB yes, 5 years, motion carried.

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~Ordinance: O-25-12, Ordinance defining Temporary Housing during a Disaster. First reading.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Christian, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF no, MH yes, CC absent, GB yes, 4 yeas, 1 nay, motion carried.

Clerk's Report:

~billed \$39,449.96

~received \$39,647.18

~still working with the state auditors.

~Trick or Treat will be October 30 from 6- 7:30.

~we need to change the November meeting date due to the November election on November 4. Council changed the November meeting to November 18.

~Floodplain Board member meeting Friday October 10 @ 8:00 am.

~State Auditor Office sent an e-mail stating that every entity needs Cyber Security, deadline is July 1, 2026.

Old Business:

~Lynch properties and Miron Street property and Cross Street. Gordon went to the Landbank meeting. Gordon also talked to the county treasurer Penny Patton. Penny will help us with process of foreclosing on the Miron and Cross Street properties. Penny said we will process the same way as the Landbank does.

~Fast Lapp oil storage tank. Bobby is to take of this.

Income tax. Gordon will get more information on how this works.

~stop signs, RR crossing signs, speed limit signs have been ordered.

~sidewalk on Midland. Bobby will talk to the gas company. Gordon said the holes on Old SR 38 need fixed. The gas company needs to be contacted.

~library box, Sarah asked if they could put up a temporary sign letting people know about the library. Council said that it would be fine.

~Missi asked if we were looking for a solicitor. Lorie stated that she called Kiger's office to see if Aubrey would be interested. No return call. Tim had contacted a lawyer in Greenfield, and she wasn't taking on any new clients. Gordon said maybe we should contact the Ohio Bar Association. Gayle said she would call them.

~Gayle said she talked to the Iden's about their property behind the village park to see if they would sell it to the village. They said not at this time.

New Business:

~drain on Biddle in Barrett's front yard. Bobby said he would call oops and get it fixed.

~trailer park. Gayle and Mike drove through the park and it's a mess. Car parts, junk, trash. Can the village do anything to get the mess cleaned up. Bobby said that we have called the health department before and said trailer parks are regulated by the state.

~Gordon read a proposed ordinance for temporary housing during a disaster. Missi said she would hope the council would have compassion. Gayle said there should be exceptions. The local EMS asked us to have a plan for temporary housing if there is a disaster. Rachel Martin looked over the proposed ordinance and said that it looked fine. Gordon made the motion for temporary housing ordinance, 2nd Christian, roll call, CB y, GO y, JF n, GB y, MH y. Motion passed 4 yes, 1 no. Jerry doesn't agree to this ordinance the wording is different than what was sent to the council in an e-mail. The only change was wording corrections that Rachel suggested.

~Christian upset with the council.

~Missi wants legal counsel. We're passing ordinances without a solicitor.

~Task Force open house October 15.

~the mayor was contacted about 38 Main Street, can there be a duplex put on the lot. The tax card is for the old house residential 2-family. The house no longer exists.

~the village insurance is due for renewal by November 7, 2025, \$45,779.00. Council would like to review the renewal. Tabled, ask for an extension.

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Executive Session:

- ~Gordon made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel, 2nd Missi, entered executive session @ 7:42.
- ~Gordon made a motion to return to regular session, 2nd Christian, returned to regular session @ 8:07.
- ~Lorie informed the council she would be retiring on April 1, 2026. Lorie said she would be willing to help train the new person. Lorie suggested separating the jobs for the water clerk and the fiscal officer jobs. With all the projects and more daily stuff it is too much for one person.
- ~personnel will meet and advertise for the fiscal officer position.

Conclusion: The next regular council meeting will be November 18, 2025 @ 6:00.

Motion to adjourn council meeting; Gayle, 2nd Missi, 5 yeas, 0 nay, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:10 pm.

Nov. 18, 2025
Date Approved by Council

Lorie A. Johnson
Fiscal Officer: Lorie A. Johnson

Tim Bennett
Mayor: Tim Bennett

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VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGBURG COUNCIL MEETING

November 18 2025

Meeting was called to order by President of Council
Melissa Hixon
With the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jerry Fleak, Melissa Hixon, Gordon O'Grady, Christian Bennett, Carol Cramer, Gayle Brown, Village Administrator Bob Daugherty, Fiscal Officer Lorie Johnson.

Minutes of previous meeting

Corrections or additions to Joint Meeting and Regular Council Meeting October 7, 2025.
~Motion to approve minutes from October 7, 2025, meeting, 1st Gayle, 2nd Christian, 5 yeas, motion carried.

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Motion: Carol, 2nd Gayle, 5 yeas motion carried.

Visitors: Miike Brown, Tonya Fleak, Maryann Smith, Kayla Kincaid, just observing.

Mayors Report:

~see under new business

Committee Reports:

- ~Fire Board: Gordon, October meeting. They had a new application for a firefighter. The lot beside the firehouse owned by the Spring & Wire Co. is for sale. The fire department would like to purchase it. They are wanting \$40,000 for the lot. Megan is working on the paperwork. They would like to split the payment into 2 payments of \$20,000 each. The fire association is having a pancake and sausage breakfast on December 6. They are applying for a grant of \$43,000 for new boots and turnout gear. At the November meeting they had 2 applications for firefighters. They also had a former firefighter get gas at Hartley Gas station and he was not authorized to do this. They are filing theft charges
- ~Cemetery: Missi, November 10 meeting. Mike Brown suggested getting a new flagpole at the cemetery. The board agreed to this. Mike said the VFW would pay for the new pole with their funds. The new internet and cameras are working.
- ~Park: Gordon, said that the trees are to be planted in December
- ~Community Day: Christmas Santa December 18 from 6 – 7:30.

Solicitors' Report:

~No solicitor.

Village Administrator:

- ~WWTP report given to council.
- ~WTP: report given to council.
- ~Bobby said they hauled 40,000 gallons of sludge.
- ~sewer plant pumps have been installed. Gordon asked Bobby how much the pumps were. Bobby said around \$60,000.
- ~Gordon asked if the heat tape was plugged in. Bobby said yes.
- ~plow truck won't start. Bobby said he thinks it's wiring. New plow truck is too big.

Legislation:

- ~Ordinance: O-25-09, Water and sewer tap fees. Third reading.
Motion: Christian, 2nd Gordon, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH abstain, CC, GB yes, 5 yeas, motion carried.
- ~Resolution: R-25-15, PEP Property Insurance \$45,779 from November 9, 2025, to November 8, 2026.
Motion: Gordon, 2nd Carol, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH abstain, CC absent, GB yes, 5 yeas, motion carried.

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~Ordinance: O-25-11, Temporary Appropriations for 2026. Second reading.

Motion: Missi, 2nd Gayle, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH abstain, CC absent, GB yes, 5 yeas, motion carried.

~Ordinance: O-25-12, Ordinance defining Temporary Housing during a Disaster. Second reading.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Gayle, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF no, MH abstain, CC absent, GB yes, 3 yeas, 1 nay, motion carried.

~Resolution: R-25-16, Authorizing and Directing the fiscal Officer to Transfer funds from the General Fund to The Park Fund for Expenses.

Motion: Carol, 2nd Gayle, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH abstain, CC yes, GB yes, 5yeas, motion carried.

~Resolution: R-25-17, Reducing council pay from \$100.00 per month to \$40.00 per month effective January 1, 2026.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Gayle, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH abstain, CC yes, GB yes, 5yeas, motion carried.

~Resolution: R-25-18, Reducing Mayors' pay from \$500 per month to \$250.00 per month effective January 1, 2026.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Christian, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH abstain, CC yes, GB yes, 5yeas, motion carried.Clerk's Report:

~billed \$36,697.35 ~received \$36,715.43

~still working with the state auditors. Should be close to being done.

~Lorie stated that we need to do make additional appropriations for her to be able to pay a new water loan. Lorie will have the paperwork at the December meeting.

Old Business:

~Gordon went to the Landbank meeting. There have been several complaints about 11 Wayne, 21 Cross and 99 Main. 17 Miron Street. Gordon stated that 17 Miron is close to be put on the Sheriff Sale.

~Gordon called the Fayette County Treasurer about back taxes on 86 Main Street.

~Fast Lap oil storage container. Bobby said that no one will take the oil. Christian said talk to Mark Hains.

~income tax, Gordon no new information. Gordon asked Bobby how old the sewer plant is. Bobby said 14 years old.

The sewer plant has used half its life span. Bobby said the new water plant will cost too much. Bobby said that we should put the new plant on the current site to save money. Bobby said the Barb (Verdantas) works for the village.

Gordon stated that the cost of operations will increase. Barb had stated that we can't build on the same site as the old plant.

~very lengthy discussion about the new WTP.

~council wants Barb to come to the next meeting.

~Gordon and Jerry suggest we start looking for a new engineering company.

~Bobby said he talked to Allen Dawson about solar panels.

~Gordon said he would like a cost to date on the WTP project from Barb.

~sidewalk on Midland. Bobby said he called the gas company about the repair. What about the street cuts on Biddle, West, Market, Midland.

~drain on Biddle at Barretts. Bobby said it will be spring before it is fixed.

New Business:

~Fiscal Officer applications: there have been several views, there have been 3 applications but no response. We advertised on Indeed.com and Ohio means jobs. Gayle said there is no interest because the village doesn't offer any benefits.

~the Tax Levy Renewal failed. We have one more chance to put it on the ballot. If the levy fails again, it will hurt the General Fund. We will lose around \$20,000 to \$22,000 in 2027. The council needs to talk to the residents about how this is a renewal not an increase.

Held _____ 20 _____

VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGBURG COUNCIL MEETING
November 18 2025

Executive Session:

Conclusion: The next regular council meeting will be December 9, 2025 @ 6:00.

Motion to adjourn council meeting; Carol, 2nd Gayle, 5 yeas, 0 nay, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned @ 7:36 pm.

December 9, 2025

Date Approved by Council

Lorie A. Johnson
Fiscal Officer: Lorie A. Johnson

Tim Bennett
Mayor: Tim Bennett

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Held _____ 20_____

VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGBURG COUNCIL MEETING

December 9 2025

Meeting was called to order by
Tim Bennett, Mayor
With the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jerry Fleak, Melissa Hixon, Gordon O'Grady, Christian Bennett, Carol Cramer, Gayle Brown, Village Administrator Bob Daugherty, Fiscal Officer Lorie Johnson.

Minutes of previous meeting

Corrections or additions to Joint Meeting and Regular Council Meeting November 18, 2025.
~Motion to approve minutes from November 18, 2025, meeting, 1st Gayle, 2nd Missi, 6 yeas, motion carried.

Pass Bills, Purchase Orders, Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Financial Reports for Approval

Motion: Missi, 2nd Gayle, 6 yeas motion carried.

Visitors: Miike Brown, Tonya Fleak, Maryann Smith, Keith Hall, just observing.

Mayors Report:

~see under new business. The Water/sewer committee met with engineer Barb and Janet from Verdantas. They received a letter form the EPA; Army Corp of Engineers they have to move well#4 on the site plan. Barb said the 6.5 mil from the Federal government should be released in Marh 2026. This is possibly a 80/20 grant. She will find out more about this. The money from Mike Carey is 1 mil to be able to receive this so we need the PTI from the EPA first. The OWDA short term loan will roll over into the long-term loan. Questions that the plant o designed to large for the size of the village. Barb stated that if we make changes now regarding downsizing the new plant it will cost more money for the changes. EPA requests that we install a gas generator at the new WTP. The primary concern is the high arsenic level in our water. The council needs to decide if we are moving forward with the reverse osmosis water softener or remove it. This will need to be decided before the bid packet is ready. Gordon said maybe we could ask the county commissioners for some funds for well #4. Barb said she needs price from Bobby In the well. Gayle and Bobby or the mayor will go to the commissioners on Monday to see if they will help us with some funds for the new well.

Committee Reports:

~Fire Board: Gordon, the pancake breakfast went well. Still having issues on the radios. They are applying for a grant of \$48,000 for turn out gear.
~Cemetery: Missi they haven't had a meeting yet.
~Park: Gordon talked to the landscaper. The tree installation has been delayed because of the snow. They will get the trees planted, weather permitting. Gayle went to the veterans about getting a flagpole installed at the park. Gayle also asked about funds for a new basketball court and handicap swing set. They have \$50, 000 to spend before the end of the year. They will let us know about the funds.
~Community Day: Christmas Santa December 18 from 6 – 7:30.

Solicitors' Report:

~No solicitor.

Village Administrator:

~WWTP report given to council. Copy of report in the file.
~WTP: NO report from Allen.
~Bobby, everything is running ok. No more to report.

Held _____ 20____

VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGBURG COUNCIL MEETING

December 9

2025

Legislation:

~Ordinance: O-25-11, Temporary Appropriations for 2026, third and final reading.

Motion: Carol, 2nd Gayle, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC, GB yes, 6 yeas, motion carried.

~Resolution: R-25-19, Supplemental appropriations \$30,000 to the Water Fund, for expenses, year ending December 31, 2025. This is to be able to pay the water loan.

Motion: Christian, 2nd Gordon, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC yes, GB yes, 6 yeas, motion carried.

~Ordinance: O-25-12, Ordinance defining Temporary Housing during a Disaster. Third and final reading.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Christian, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF no, MH yes, CC yes, GB yes, 5 yeas, 1 nay, motion carried.

~Resolution: R-25-20, Resolution to enter into a contract with Fayette County Sheriff's Office to Provide Police Protection for the village of Bloomington from January 1 through December 31, 2026.

Motion: Carol, 2nd Missi, roll call, CB yes, GO no, JF yes, MH yes, CC yes, GB no, 4 yeas, 2 nays, motion carried.

~Resolution: R-25-21, Resolution Requesting the County Auditor to Certify the Current Tax Valuation of the village of Bloomington and Dollar Amount of Revenue that would be Produced by 1.4 mills to Levy a Tax Outside the Ten-Mil Limitation for Current Expenses for a Levy Renewal.

Motion: Gordon, 2nd Missi, roll call, CB yes, GO yes, JF yes, MH yes, CC yes, GB yes, 6 yeas, motion carried.

Clerk's Report:

~billed \$37,322.34 ~received \$37,633.85

~still working with the state auditors. Should be close to being done.

Old Business:

~update on properties. Gordon talked to Penny Patton about the status on 17 Miron, 21 Cross. There is no new information. The next Land Bank meeting is December 22.

~Income Tax; Missi suggested we talk about this after the first of the year. Gayle said that we need to get some funds from somewhere to help with village expenses. Lorie said the cost for electric, street lighting, supplies and maintenance has been increasing. Lorie stated that we are spending more than we are receiving.

~sidewalk on Midland at the new house. Bobby said that nothing had been done.

~signs are here.

~Fiscal Officer applications. Gordon said no applicants, he extended the deadline until January 2, 2026.

~Gayle said that there is a new lawyer in the prosecutor's office. Gayle will call her.

New Business:

~Jerry said there is a loud alarm noise coming from the ethanol plant. Jerry stated that it is all the time.

Executive Session:

Conclusion: The next regular council meeting will be January 6, 2026 @ 6:00.

Motion to adjourn council meeting; Missi, 2nd Gordon, 6 yeas, 0 nay, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned @ 6:56 pm.

Jan. 8, 2026
Date Approved by Council

Lorie A. Johnson
Fiscal Officer: Lorie A. Johnson

Tim Bennett
Mayor: Tim Bennett