

## **Village of South Bloomfield Council Meeting**

The Village of South Bloomfield Council met in regular session at 6:00 pm on Monday, July 7, 2025.

Council members present: Mayor Aaron Thomas, Ken Everts, Woody Blanton, Tom Ramsay, Dena Cobb, and Amber Murphy. Excused: Lisa McDorman

Guests: Village Administrator Joe Allen, Police Chief Michael Maynard, Lt. Johnny Wells, Lt. Sara Hempstead, Sgt. Andrew Francis, Officer Ryan McCoy, Officer Willie Marcum, Terri Everts, Daniel Huggett, Sue Carter Moore, Sean Shaw, Andrew Roffe, William Brown, Billy Brown, Martin Markham, Teylor Rittgers, Silvana Ooten, Timothy Ooten, Ryan Gahn, Bob Cyrus

Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 pm by Mayor Aaron Thomas.

### **REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA TOPICS**

- N/A

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

- Woody moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Dena. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.

### **COUNCIL/COMMITTEE MINUTES**

- **Read Previous Council Minutes:**
  - Tom moved to waive the reading of the June 16, 2025 council meeting minutes, seconded by Ken. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.
- **Approve Previous Council Minutes:**
  - Tom moved to approve the June 16, 2025 council meeting minutes, seconded by Ken. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.
- **Read and Approve Committee Minutes:**
  - N/A

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- **Ordinance 2025-13 Ordinance Amending the Village Public Records Policy (Second Reading)**
  - Amber moved to approve the second reading of Ord 2025-13, seconded by Dena. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.
- **Ordinance 2025-14 Ordinance Amending Zoning Code (Second Reading)**
  - Dena moved to approve the second reading of Ord 2025-14, seconded by Tom. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: abstained. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Resolution 2025-09 Resolution Confirming Andrew Francis' Appointment to Sergeant (Emergency)**
  - Tom moved to approve the first reading of Resolution 2025-09, seconded by Woody. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried. Tom, Woody, all yes
  - Tom moved to waive the second and third readings of Res 2025-09, seconded by Woody. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.
- **Resolution 2025-10 Resolution Appointing Willie Marcum III as FT Police Officer (Emergency)**
  - Tom moved to approve the first reading of Res 2025-10, seconded by Woody. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.
  - Tom moved to waive the second and third readings of Res 2025-09, seconded by Woody. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Lisa: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.
- **Ordinance 2025-15 Ordinance Amending Ch. 72 of the Codified Ordinances (First Reading)**
  - Tom moved to approve the first reading of Ord 2025-15, seconded by Ken. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.
- **Ordinance 2025-16 Ordinance Amending Ch. 76 of the Codified Ordinances (First Reading)**
  - Tom moved to approve the first reading of Ord 2025-16, seconded by Ken. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.
- **Ordinance 2025-17 Ordinance Creating Regulations Governing Pawn Brokers (First Reading)**
  - Ken moved to approve the first reading of Ord 2025-17, seconded by Amber. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried. Ken, Amber, all yes
- **Ordinance 2025-18 Ordinance Amending Section 51.04(K) of the Codified Ordinances (First Reading)**
  - Ken moved to approve the first reading of Ord 2025-18, seconded by Amber. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES:**

- **Chief of Police**
  - Chief Maynard updated on staffing: the department is now fully staffed. He seen an increase in morale and productivity as a result.
  - Chief Maynard went over the department's statistics for June.
  - All full-time staff have finished qualifications and were proficient.
  - The department assisted Ashville's Police Department with coordination of the parades for the Ashville 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival.
  - Chief Maynard has submitted a JAG grant to get new MDTs. The current MDTs can be updated to windows 11 but will be obsolete at the end of the year so the department is looking at around \$27,000 in replacement costs. Chief Maynard expects that the grant should cover around \$19,000 of that cost.
  - Daniel Huggett asked Chief Maynard to explain the door-kicking trend that the police department posted about on their FB page. Chief Maynard gave a brief explanation and noted the safety concerns for the teenagers that participate in that activity.

- **Village Administrator**
  - Joe is working to keep the US23 project on track. They have had some challenges recently.
  - The Day Farm had an issue with their detention basin. They are working on getting it corrected.
  - Go-HR has been continuing to work on finding and hiring a utility operator for the plant. There have not been many leads.
- **Fiscal Officer**
  - N/A

**MAYOR UPDATES:**

- Meeting with Teays Valley on PPA
  - Mayor Thomas was unable to attend. Joe met with them and stated that the meeting was productive.

**PUBLIC FEEDBACK/GUEST/COUNCIL:**

- Timothy Ooten asked what the rules are for soliciting in the village. Mayor Thomas explained that solicitors are supposed to register for a permit. Residents can also post a sign not allowing solicitation at their property.

**UPCOMING EVENT DATES:**

7/25/25	Movies in the Park	Dusk
7/29/25	Mayor's Court	4:30 pm
8/4/25	Council Meeting	6:00 pm

**MOTION TO PAY BILLS**

- Tom made a motion to pay bills, seconded by Ken. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. Motion carried.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

- Ken moved to adjourn, seconded by Woody. Vote: Ken: yes, Woody: yes, Tom: yes, Dena: yes, Amber: yes. The meeting adjourned at 6:31 pm.

Submitted by: Alisha Burke

Alisha Burke, CFO

Approved by: Aaron Thomas

Aaron Thomas, Mayor