

**VILLAGE OF SOUTH BLOOMING  
GROVE  
SPECIAL MEETING  
Friday  
June 25, 2021  
11:00 A.M.**

➤ **Call to order**

- Mayor Kalaj called to order the Special Village Board Meeting at 11:25 a.m.. on June 25, 2021 via Zoom Webinar 96263377246 for the South Blooming Grove located at 811 State Route 208, within the Village of South Blooming Grove, and having a mailing address of Monroe, New York.

➤ **Roll call**

The following persons were present:

- George Kalaj- Mayor
- Abraham Weiss – Deputy Mayor
- Asher Guttman – Trustee
- Yitzchok Feldman – Trustee
- Zalmon Rosner – Trustee
- Scott B. Ugell, Esq. – Village Attorney
- Al Fusco – village Engineer
- Kerry Dougherty – Village Clerk

➤ **Mayor's Comments:**

- The Mayor advised that he declared a State of Emergency due to Covid-19, he understands that Governor Cuomo did remove restrictions but he is going to continue that due to Covid-19 being present very strongly in our village and until further notice he is going to hold onto that. He advised that the village will still conduct business as usual through the window at village hall as there is not walk in at this time. He asked that all understand he is doing this for our safety and the people in the village. Attorney Ugell added that the State of Emergency includes that all meetings will be held via Zoom. This is in effect until further notice.

➤ **Correspondence:**

- none

➤ **Public Comments**

- **Sonia Ayala** would like to make the Mayor and Board Members aware that New York State mandates that every employee and representative of the Town participate in sexual harassment and workplace violence trainings every year. As a Town of Blooming Grove Board Member she has taken the training for the past two (2) years and all employees have signed a document acknowledging that they took the training. It is important that all municipalities follow this directive from the State in order to avoid penalties. You should check with your insurance broker about the training.
- **Sue Anne Vogelsberg** thanked the Mayor for road maintenance on Prospect Road.
- **Sheila McGroddy** asked what the executive session would be on the agenda, she was advised that it would only be done if necessary. She asked there would be one today and was advised no executive session today.

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- **Sonia Ayala** wanted to say that the water has been clear and she is so happy and hasn't heard any complaints from her neighbors.

➤ **Business**

- **Resolution No. (063)** - Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove authorizing the Mayor to submit a Community Development Block Grant Program Application for the fiscal year 2022. Motion to accept by Trustee Rosner, seconded by Deputy Mayor Weiss. *5 Ayes, Mayor Kalaj, Deputy Mayor Weiss, Trustee Feldman, Trustee Guttman, and Trustee Rosner.*
- **Resolution No. (064)** - Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove authorizing the Mayor or his designee to request quotations for providing natural gas and electric utility services to the Village. Motion to accept by Trustee Feldman, seconded by Mayor Kalaj. *5 Ayes, Mayor Kalaj, Deputy Mayor Weiss, Trustee Feldman, Trustee Guttman, and Trustee Rosner.*

➤ **Trustee Comments**

- **Trustee Feldman** asked Engineer Al Fusco about property maintenance and if there were any updates on improving the law. The engineer advised that the board can change the ordinance so that you would not have to go through a public hearing. A notice could simply be given and if not corrected Village Landscape Contractor can correct and the village can bill and recover money through the taxes. It can be simplified and shorten the process by a month. It would be a local law, he can prepare a draft and we would go through the process including a public hearing, appropriate documentation and mailings allowing you to do what you do now but eliminating steps.
- **Trustee Rosner** asked that residents park on only one side of the street when they need to park in the street to make it easier to pass by.

➤ **Adjournment**

- Motion to close the meeting at 11:33 a.m. by Mayor Kalaj, seconded by Trustee Rosner. *5 Ayes, Mayor Kalaj, Deputy Mayor Weiss, Trustee Feldman, Trustee Guttman, and Trustee Rosner.*

Minutes respectfully submitted by  
Kerry Dougherty, Village Clerk