

**VILLAGE OF SOUTH BLOOMING  
GROVE  
REGULAR MEETING  
Monday  
April 8, 2019  
7:00 P.M.**

➤ **Special Presentation**

- Mayor LoFranco introduced Michael Weeks, Engineer for McGoey, Hauser and Edsall at 7:00 p.m. on April 8, 2019 at South Blooming Grove Fire Department, located at 819 State Route 208, within the Village of South Blooming Grove, and having a mailing address of Monroe, New York. Mr. Weeks gave a presentation regarding water and proposed infrastructure improvements within the Village of South Blooming Grove.

➤ **Call to order**

- Mayor LoFranco called to order the Village Board Meeting, immediately following the Water Presentation by Village Engineer Michael Weeks, at 8:34 p.m. on April 8, 2019, at the South Blooming Grove Fire Department located at 819 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:

- James LoFranco- Mayor
- John L. Ross – Deputy Mayor
- Sue Anne Vogelsberg – Trustee
- James Mullany – Trustee
- Johnny Belfort – Trustee
- Joseph McKay, Esq. – Counsel

➤ **Correspondence:**

- *Vendor-Peddler License Application – The Ice Mother*
- *April 3, 2019 – Revised DEIS received from applicant*

➤ **Public Comments**

- Joe Favia, 17 Mangin – Requested having the drainage ditch cleaned out on Mangin Road
- Bill Roff, 6 Merriewold Lane South – Reported about rotted pipe and possible sink hole between 6 and 8 Merriewold Lane South. Highway department to be notified.
- Tom McCarthy, Houston Avenue – Reported about a spring at the foot of Houston Avenue. Highway department to be notified.
- Patty Morrice, 29 Pine Hill Road – Mentioned sewer pipes on road, need to be resurfaced.
- Stacy Warren, 16 Pine Hill Road – mentioned potholes on Pine Hill Road.
- Marlene Sick, 18 Pine Hill Road – mentioned potholes on Pine Hill Road.
- Joseph Favia, 11 Mangin – Asked about the zoning code on the website. The Village is in the process of updating the website. Asked for an update on items in litigation. The Mayor offered that the courts have been contacted. Mr. Favia was offered that any questions he has regarding the code that he is unable to find on the website, feel free to contact Village Hall.

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- Dennis Williams, Lake Shore Drive – Inquired about installation of speed bumps. Mike Weeks offered that speed bumps are not recommended by the FHWA (Federal Highway Association) due to the possibility of accidents. The municipality is not self-insured and therefore cannot have speedbumps within the Village. Inquired about the shuttle bus. Mayor LoFranco read a statement regarding the bus proceedings.
- Shirley Mende, 8 San Marcos – Asked about garbage at various locations. Mayor LoFranco offered that the homeowners have been issued notices of violation.
- John Hickey, Merriewold Lane South – Inquired about water level alarms on water tanks. Mayor LoFranco offered that the alarms are installed in certain areas of the Village.
- Larry Rochester, 375 Lake Shore Drive – Further discussed the issue of installing speed bumps.
- Donna McGoldrick, 44 Dallas Drive – Asked if there is a maximum occupancy of people that can live in a home; there is no building code restriction on occupants in a home. There is a formula regarding how much living space will accommodate.
- Debbie Bragado, Houston Avenue – Inquired if the Village can tap into the aqueduct. Inquired if the Village Hall parking lot is a bus parking area. Mayor LoFranco offered to review the code for Ms. Bragado.
- Eleanor Hubner, 8 Hawthorne Drive – Asked about For Sale signs on Hawthorne Drive. Violation notices have been issued and will be reviewed.
- Cathy Oldinger, 77 Duelk Avenue – Suggested raising fines for speeding. Asked about school bus that is parking at various homes on Duelk Avenue in the morning. The Mayor recommended the Blooming Grove Police be called.
- Bill Cullen, 31 Merriewold Lane North – Requested speed cameras be installed. Attorney McKay explained special permission from the state is required to install cameras. Asked about For Sale sign removal.
- Constance Robinson, 9 Mangin – Expressed concern about speeding on Mangin Road.
- William Caleca, 19 Dallas – Mentioned parking issue at 20 Dallas; explained that cars are idling for 30 minutes at a time.
- Wanda Rudzinski, 10 Sears Road – Expressed concerns about speeding on Sears Road.

➤ **Business**

- Resolution No. (31) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove adopting the procurement policy of the Village of South Blooming Grove. Motion to accept by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (32) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove approving the form of undertaking to be executed by certain village officers. Motion to accept by Deputy Mayor Ross, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Continuing Mayor LoFranco as the records access appeals officer, term expires the first Monday of April 2020.

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- Resolution No. (33) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove retaining McGoey, Hauser & Edsall, P.E. as Village Engineers/ Planning Board Engineers/ZBA Engineers. Motion to accept by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor, Ross Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (34) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove designating The Reis Group as the official insurance broker/advisor for the Village. Motion to accept by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (35) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove designating Munistat Services, Inc. as the official financial advisor for the Village. Motion to accept by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (36) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove Designating Sterling National Bank as the official depository for the Village Funds. Motion to accept by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (37) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove designating mileage allowance of \$.58 cents per mile. Motion to accept by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (38) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove designating The Times Herald-Record and the Orange County Post as the official newspapers for the Village. Motion to accept by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (39) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove retaining Catania, Mahon, Milligram, and Rider PLLC as the attorneys for the Village. Motion to accept by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (40) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove retaining Dennis E. A. Lynch and Bleakley Platt & Schmidt, LLP as Special Counsel to the Village. Motion to accept by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*

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- Resolution No. (41) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove retaining the Law Firm of Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, LLP as Special Bond Counsel to the Village. Motion to accept by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (42) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove retaining Nelson, Pope & Voorhis, LLC, as Planner for the Village Board and the Planning Board. Motion to accept by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (43) – Mayoral Appointment of John Ross as Deputy Mayor.
- Continuing Kerry Dougherty as Village Clerk, term expires the first Monday of April 2020.
- Continuing Kerry Dougherty as Village Registrar, term expires the first Monday of April 2020.
- Continuing Kerry Dougherty as Records Management Officer and Records Access Officer, term expires the first Monday of April 2020.
- Resolution No. (44) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove appointing Village Clerk Kerry Dougherty to collect all taxes and assessments with such interest and penalties as may be due thereon, for the Village of South Blooming Grove. Motion to accept by Deputy Mayor Ross, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Continuing Holly Brown as Village Treasurer, term expires the first Monday of April 2020.
- Resolution No. (45) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove appointing Christine Bodeker as Village Deputy Clerk. Motion to accept by Deputy Mayor Ross, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (46) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove appointing Christine Bodeker as Clerks to Boards. Motion to accept by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (47) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove appointing James Mullany and Johnny Belfort as Village Emergency Management Officer. Motion to accept by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Trustee Belfort. *Resolution passed. 3 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, 0 Nays, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort.*

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- Resolution No. (48) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove appointing James Mullany as Village Historian. Motion to accept by Deputy Mayor Ross, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 4 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays, 1 Abstain, Trustee Mullany.*
- Resolution No. (49) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove appointing Raleem Broadhead Moses as an alternate member of the Village Planning Board. Motion to accept by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (50) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove appointing Peter Piampiano as a member of the Village of South Blooming Grove Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion to accept by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (51) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove appointing Board Members as Liaison to Various Committees:

Orange County E-911 Liaison / County Sheriff	Mullany & Belfort
Census 2011 Coordinator	James Mullany
NIMS Officer	James Mullany
Liaison to the Moodna Creek Watershed Intermunicipal Council	James Mullany
Orange County Office of Emergency Management	Mullany & Belfort
Liaison to the Planning Board & ZBA	John L. Ross
Liaison to the Washingtonville School District	Sue Anne Vogelsberg
Liaison to the Highway Department	James LoFranco
Liaison to the Blooming Grove Police Department	James LoFranco
Liaison to the Water & Sewer District Operators	James LoFranco
Liaison to the South Blooming Grove Fire Dept.	James LoFranco
Liaison to the Senior Citizen of the Village	Sue Anne Vogelsberg
Liaison for Village Parks	John L. Ross
Liaison to Orange & Rockland	Johnny Belfort
Liaison for Blooming Grove Ambulance Corp	John L. Ross
Liaison for the Town of Blooming Grove	James LoFranco

Motion to accept by Deputy Mayor Ross, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*

➤ **Abstract**

- Motion to adopt the Abstract by Deputy Mayor Ross, seconded by Trustee Mullany, *5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort, 0 Nays.*

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➤ **Trustee Comments**

- Trustee Vogelsberg offered information about the community Clean Up on Saturday, April 20, 2019 from 9-11 a.m.
- Deputy Mayor Ross expressed thanks to Chief Schupp and Sergeant McCann on their retirements. Offered information regarding vehicular stops and ticket distribution within the Village of South Blooming Grove.
- Mr. Ross informed about the Washingtonville Little League Parade to be held on Saturday, April 13, 2019.
- Trustee Mullany advised for all residents to be mindful of traffic laws.

➤ **Adjournment**

- Motion to enter into attorney client session at 9:17 p.m. by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort.*
- Motion to exit attorney client session at 9:50 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Ross, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort.*
- Resolution No. (52) – 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 2019. Motion to accept by Deputy Mayor Ross, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (53) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove Authorizing Water Usage Restriction within the Village Water District. Motion to accept by Deputy Mayor Ross, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*
- Motion to close the meeting at 9:52p.m. by Trustee Belfort, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *5 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Belfort. 0 Nays.*

Minutes respectfully submitted by  
Christine Bodeker, Deputy Clerk