

**VILLAGE OF SOUTH BLOOMING  
GROVE  
Board of Trustees  
Regular Meeting  
Monday  
July 23, 2018  
7:00 P.M.**

➤ **Call to order**

- Mayor LoFranco called to order the Village Board Meeting at 7:05 pm on July 23, 2018, at the South Blooming Grove Village Hall 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:

- James LoFranco- Mayor
- John L. Ross – Deputy Mayor
- James Mullany – Trustee
- Sue Anne Vogelsberg – Trustee
- Dennis Lynch, Esq.

➤ **Mayor and Trustee Comments**

- Mayor LoFranco advised that the Village of South Blooming Grove has secured grant in the amount of a \$200,000, with the help of Senator Larkin, to be used for improvements, renovations and upgrades to the village water system.
- Mayor LoFranco mentioned the village is in the process of applying for another grant to be used for additional water system upgrades. The proposed grant, offered through the Department of Health, would be used for multiple improvements include upgrading the Merriewold pump house along with the addition of magnesium and iron filters. Such upgrades will improve the water supply and address dirty water complaints with minimal impact on taxes. The grant would cover up to sixty percent of the cost of the improvements.
- Mayor LoFranco mentioned that the village has entered into an IMA with the town and has had the street sweeper out on village streets the past week.
- Tam Enterprises has been brought into the village to jet the mains to prevent future sewer backups.
- The village plans to enter into an IMA with the Town of Blooming Grove sharing use of a private jet truck. It will be used to maintain the sewers for backup prevention without hiring an outside contractor to keep costs down.

➤ **Adoption of Prior Meeting Minutes:**

- Motion to adopt minutes from July 9, 2018 (regular meeting), and July 9, 2018 (public hearing) by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross, *4 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Vogelsberg.*

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➤ **Correspondence:**

- Correspondence from Louis Berger Group Member of WSP dated July 2, 2018 regarding Wills Pond Water Well Application
- Correspondence from McGoey, Hauser & Edsall dated July 11, 2018 regarding Wills Pond Water Well Application
  - Application has been reviewed by village engineer and hydrogeologist.
  - Motion made to grant permit for 72 hour pump test on 3 existing wells only, on the Wills Pond Water Well Application by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *4 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Mullany, and Trustee Vogelsberg.*
- Correspondence from Village of South Blooming Grove Planning Board's Notice of Intention to be Lead Agency for Metro Asset Management LLC

➤ **Public Comments**

- Wanda Rudzinski, 10 Sears Road – Enquired about multiple pools located in the village that are green and contain stagnant water. Expressed concern of West Nile Virus concern due to attraction of mosquitos.
- Cathy Cairns, 2 Tappan Drive – Thanked the board for their efforts to remove the temporary signs, mentioned she has noticed a difference.
- Guy Jones, Blooming Hill Farms – Expressed concern that the new speed limit signs have not been installed. The NYS Department of Transportation will be contacted again.
- Shirley Mende, 8 San Marcos – Resident asked about water staff on weekends. Mayor LoFranco reminded about the information shared at the beginning of the meeting that steps are in place to improve the water system.
- Donna Douglas, 371 Lake Shore Drive – Enquired about loud booming sounds over the weekend. Deputy Mayor Ross advised the noise was coming from West Point freshman drills.
- Lucille Kelly, 13 Merriewold Lane South – Resident expressed concern for children playing at a construction site. Requested a safety fence be installed, was advised that unless a code violation is in place, if the property is private property, the owner is not required to install fencing.

➤ **Attorney Comments**

- Motion to close public comments by Mayor LoFranco, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *4 Ayes, Mayor LoFranco, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Vogelsberg.*

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- Dennis Lynch, Esq. addressed the public regarding the Clovewood application providing the following information:
  - Village Board and Planning Board are co-lead agency for the Clovewood application
  - DEIS (Draft Environmental Impact Study) was received by the village on April 30, 2018
  - Explained the process of review of the DEIS
  - DEIS is a public document for the public to view
  - Village professionals are reviewing and will submit their comments by August 31, 2018
  - Scope of the Issues is available for public viewing and addresses the issues that the applicant is required to address
  - Involved Agencies and Interested Agencies may provide opinions on the application to the co-lead agencies. Involved agencies give approvals, interested agencies give opinions.
  - Applicant is required to put money in escrow and all review by professionals is paid by the applicant, there is no burden on the taxpayer
  - Deputy Mayor Ross advised to do research and not rely on inaccurate information that is circulated on social media

➤ **Business**

- Resolution No. (86) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove setting and time and place for a public hearing to determine violations of the Village Code’s Property Maintenance Provisions (Chapter 102). Motion to accept by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 4 Ayes Mayor LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg. 0 Nays.*
- Resolution No. (87) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove authorizing the mayor to enter into an agreement with Peak Power for generator maintenance services. Motion to accept by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 4 Ayes Mayor LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg.*
- Resolution No. (88) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove authorizing the Village Clerk to circulate notice to involved agencies to determine Lead Agency status for upgrades to the Merriewold Pump House Renovation Project. Motion to accept by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *Resolution passed. 4 Ayes Mayor LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg.*
- Resolution No. (89) – Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove auditing and approving invoice received from Belleville Landscaping for work performed to abate property maintenance violations for the property located at 28 Fort Place. Motion to accept by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Trustee Vogelsberg. *Resolution passed. 4 Ayes Mayor LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg.*

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➤ **Abstract**

- Motion to adopt the Abstract by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross, *4 Ayes Mayor LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg.*

➤ **Trustee Comments**

- Trustee Vogelsberg advised to do research.
- Deputy Mayor Ross advised to do research and not rely on inaccurate information that is circulated on social media

➤ **Adjournment**

- Motion to enter into attorney/client session to discuss potential litigation at 8:06 p.m. by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *4 Ayes Mayor LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg.*
- Motion to exit attorney/client session at 8:40 p.m. by Trustee Vogelsberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *4 Ayes Mayor LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg.*
- Motion to close the meeting at 8:47 p.m. by Trustee Mullany, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ross. *4 Ayes Mayor LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Deputy Mayor Ross, Trustee Vogelsberg.*

Minutes respectfully submitted by  
Christine Bodeker, Deputy Clerk