

Bloomfield Village ~ Independent Road Committee ~ Q&A

1. Q. Who is this committee?
A. This committee is a group of Bloomfield Village residents who voluntarily have been meeting since the summer of 2015 in order to find options and solutions to our village roads. Any village resident is welcome to be on this voluntary committee. We meet periodically at Hackett Hall. Please submit your email address to: scuppy@comcast.net with your request to be placed on our current committee email list for future meeting dates & times.
2. Q. Who is responsible for repair and maintenance of our Bloomfield Village roads?
A. Oakland County has jurisdiction over Township roads, not Village or City roads, maintaining the main county roads. Bloomfield Township is responsible for Township and Subdivision road maintenance only. Bloomfield Village roads are now outside their useful life by 25 years and require reconstruction. Oakland County requires Subdivision roads to be reconstructed through a Special Assessment District (SAD) process.
3. Q. What has been considered as options?
A. *Dirt & gravel* and *oil & stone* were considered, yet pose potentially serious negative consequences to our sewer systems, thus we are not inclined to explore these options at this time. An *extensive maintenance program*, *asphalt repair*, and pursuing *private engineering contractors* continue to be explored as options. As our goal is to have our village roads improved for the long-term, it is in our best interest to have an engineering study to determine our road improvement options and projected costs. At that point, we will be able to compare and consider all options.
The Bloomfield Township Road Division works with the RCOC to determine the most effective road improvement options through an engineering study. RCOC will do such a study for FREE once they have received an *Expression of Interest* from 51% of our village residents. Each individual street with 51% "Interest" will be considered for their study and recommendations.
4. Q. What about the preceding Road Study/Proposal?
A. This is a NEW project and has NO relationship to previous projects which are now outdated. The RCOC requires an *Expression of Interest* in order to determine what road improvement interest there is in our village, and agrees to do a FREE engineering study once they have received 51% "Interest" from our village residents.
5. Q. Where can I find the minutes to this committee's meetings?
A. The minutes to our Independent Road Committee will soon be available on the Bloomfield Village Association website... www.bloomfieldvillage.net.
6. Q. What does it mean if I sign & return this form?
A. It means that you are "Interested" in improving our Bloomfield Village roads. There is NO financial responsibility associated with this "Interest", and your signature is NOT binding.
7. Q. How many signatures from my household are required?
A. Only one signature from a household is required in order to reflect "Interest" for road improvements in our village.
8. Q. What if I change my mind?
A. Your signature is NOT binding. Once the engineering study is completed and presented by the road commissions, you may then decide whether or not and how you would like to participate in the recommended project.
9. Q. How many signatures are required to improve our roads?
A. 51% of the Bloomfield Village residents are required to have the RCOC proceed with a FREE engineering study to determine road improvement options. Each individual street with 51% residential interest will be considered in such study.
10. Q. When will road improvements begin?
A. The Bloomfield Township Road Division and the RCOC indicate that the engineering study may take up to 2 years. The next step is a presentation to the Bloomfield Village residents of their findings, road improvement recommendations, and the financial costs and payment options. Any road improvement project will begin after the village residents commit to a proposed road improvement project, including the costs and payment options. It all begins with an *Expression of Interest* to the RCOC.
11. Q. Who can I talk to about our road improvements?
A. The Bloomfield Village Trustee in your District will be available to you. The Bloomfield Village website will soon have information, and The Village Bulletin will provide updated information.