

Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for April 8, 2026

Chair Bristol called the meeting to order at 5:45 PM. Other Town Board members in attendance were Supervisors Woznick, Teuscher, Schroeder, and Young. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator John Wright, Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske, Deborah Sellers, and David Braga.

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator Wright confirmed proper proof of posting. There were no changes to the agenda.

2a. Review and possibly award 2026 paving work for April Hill Subdivision based upon bids received by the deadline on March 26, 2026: The Town received three bids from the following contractors: Wolf Paving, Payne & Dolan, and Tri-County. Payne & Dolan was the lowest responsible bid at \$97,776. Cory Buske confirmed that the Town has had no past negative issues with this contractor.

Supervisor Teuscher moved to approve the Payne & Dolan bid for \$97,776 for road work in the April Hill subdivision; 2nd by Supervisor Woznick. Motion carried 5-0-0. Per the agreement for the Town Road Improvement (TRI) grant, work cannot begin until after July 15, 2026 to receive up to \$24,150.53 in funding.

2b. First quarter Treasurer's Report: Wright presented the budget-to-actual report. Two-thirds of property tax payments have been received to date. The Lottery Credit distribution will be received this month and most of the balance during the month of August. The report reflects first quarter of General Transportation Aid; the second quarter portion was deposited earlier this week. Dog license income is exaggerated until settlement; the Town's share is minimal. WI DNR Conservation Aid was lower than projected for this year. Garbage and recycling special charge payments are better than at this same point in time compared with last year. Cemetery revenue is on target to meet the annual budgeted amount. The Town has received annexation payment from the City of Madison for the year. Investment income will be highest this quarter and will diminish over the balance of the year now that property taxes for other taxing jurisdictions have been distributed. Wright stated that there is nothing of significance to review for expenses unless someone had questions. In the absence of questions, Wright stated that the preliminary audit, to be presented at the Annual Town Meeting on April 22, 2026, should be received this week or next.

2c. Recommendation from Town of Blooming Grove Plan Commission for reappointment or appointment for terms expiring on April 30, 2026: The only term set to expire this year is for Jeff Teuscher.

Supervisor Young moved to recommend the reappointment of Jeff Teuscher for an additional term to end on October 31, 2027; 2nd by Supervisor Schroeder. Motion carried 5-0-0.

2d. Local results of 2026 Spring Election: Wright reported that 540 votes were cast; of those, 90 were by absentee ballot. Thanks was expressed for the volunteers who made the process run smoothly and to finalize all reporting shortly before 9:00 PM. Thanks also to incumbent Supervisors Teuscher and Woznick who were re-elected to the Town Board.

2e. Possible update regarding April Hill petition for annexation to the Village of McFarland, if any: The Supervisors had no updates. Wright received an inquiry from City of Madison Assistant Attorney Doran Viste as to whether Wright had been notified by the Wisconsin Department of Administration. Wright has not received an update from the DOA or from Justin Verhulst, who delivered the first notice of the intent to file a petition for annexation. Wright was informed by a resident of the subdivision that a survey needed to be conducted. Verhulst did email Wright requesting information about the TRI grant for a road within the subdivision.

3a. Minutes of March 11, 2026:

Supervisor Young moved to approve the March 25, 2026 minutes, as presented; 2nd by Chair Bristol. Motion carried 5-0-0.

3b. Approval of vouchers:

Supervisor Schroeder made a motion to approve the vouchers, as presented; 2nd by Supervisor Teuscher. Motion carried 5-0-0.

4. Public Comments: Wright requested an item on the next agenda to consider a resolution to move money from the Park Improvements Sinking Fund to the general fund to cover the cost to replace the Thurber Park shelter roofing.

5. Adjournment:

Chair Bristol moved to adjourn the meeting; 2nd by Supervisor Woznick. Motion carried 5-0 at 5:55 PM.

Minutes written and submitted by John Wright
Town Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator
Approved: April 22, 2026