

Blooming Grove Town Board Meeting Minutes for July 8, 2026

Chair Bristol called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Other Town Board members in attendance were Supervisors Woznick, Teuscher, Young, and Schroeder. Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator John Wright, Deborah Sellers, David Braga, and Erin Pierce.

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

2a. 2026-27 Operator's License for Jigi Patel, Jonan Ray Masangkay Sayo, Jaime Griesbach, and Samir Anderson: C/T/A Wright reported that he did not receive the application or fee for Jigi Patel. There is one renewal application for Jaime Griesbach and two new applicants: Jonan Ray Sayo and Samir Anderson. There are no criminal findings for the new applicants and the fees have been paid for the three. C/T/A Wright recommends approval.

Supervisor Young moved to approve operator licenses for Jaime Griesbach, Jonan Ray Sayo, and Samir Anderson; 2nd by Supervisor Teuscher. Motion carried 5-0-0.

2b. Plan Commission recommendations: Supervisor Young reported that the Plan Commission met earlier today and was seeking approval of improvements to the three parks that the Town of Blooming Grove maintains. Improvements to Thurber Park include: replacement of a wooden bench with a two-sided bench; crack filling, sealcoating, and restriping the basketball court; and installing a new single-sided bench facing the interior of the park near Thurber Avenue. Improvements recommended for April Hill Park include: installation of two, two-sided benches like that recommended for Thurber; and to crack fill, seal coat, and restripe the basketball half court. Recommended improvements for Severson Park include: a single two-sided bench (similar to the others above); removal of a compromised tree; plant two to three trees along the southern edge of the park to help mask a utility pole; and to crack fill, seal coat, and restripe the basketball half court. The estimated cost is \$18,000. There is currently around \$10,200 available in the Parks Outlay Account that could be applied through a future budget resolution by the Town Board approval by budget resolution. The \$24,000 + Town Road Improvement grant should ensure a budget surplus this year unless other projects arise.

Supervisor Young moved to spend up to \$20,000 for improvements to the three parks maintained by the Town of Blooming Grove as outlined above; 2nd by Supervisor Schroeder. Motion carried 5-0-0.

2c. Update on April Hill subdivision proposed annexation to the Village of McFarland: C/T/A Wright provided a brief update on the exchanges between the Wisconsin Department of Administration (WI DOA) and Matt Schuenke, Village of McFarland Administrator. Although the WI DOA rendered an opinion in opposition to the annexation, they did point out that the opinion is non-binding. Schuenke rebutted many claims made by the WI DOA that they used to support their opinion. Milling and paving of three roads in the subdivision are scheduled the week of July 20, 2026. The Town has received the State/Municipal Agreement, so the work on Carncross will now be eligible for reimbursement through the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Once the annexation petition is presented to the Village of McFarland, they have up to 120 days to respond.

3a. Minutes of June 24, 2026: Supervisor Young made a motion to approve the June 24, 2026 minutes, as presented; 2nd by Supervisor Woznick. Motion carried 5-0-0.

3c. 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: Deb Sellers inquired whether the Town Hall can be used as a cooling center. Wright noted that the director at the Dane Arts Mural Arts had asked to use the conference room last week, but they made other arrangements. Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske stated that the City of Madison plans to reconstruct Pflaum Road this year between the Stoughton Road access road to the east to the first drive of the Town Cemetery to the west. Wright distributed a

year-to-date budget-to-actual to the members of the Board and noted expenses highlighted in yellow will be addressed at the next meeting via a proposed amendment to the 2026 budget.

5. Adjournment: Chair Bristol moved to adjourn the meeting; 2nd by Supervisor Young. Motion carried 5-0 at 5:51 PM.

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