

Township of Bloomington
Monday, December 1st, 2025
Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

The regular Monthly Board Meeting of the Town of Bloomington was called to order on Monday, December 1st, 2025, at 7:01 pm by Chairman Bill Erdenberger. Roll call was taken, other members present were Supervisor I Mike Patterson, Supervisor II David Mergen, Patrolman Andrew "Buck" Crubel, Clerk Jane Patterson and Treasurer Brenda Kluesner. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) second (David Mergen) was made to approve the posting of the December 1st meeting and Agenda, motion carried. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) second (David Mergen) was made to approve the November Public Budget Hearing, Special Town Meeting and the Monthly Board meeting minutes, motion carried.

Roads and Machinery Reports: Patrolman Buck reported on the roads following the first winter storm. Roads are in good winter driving condition. Jewel Engineering will look at the bridge on Texas Road tomorrow and advise board members regarding what needs to be done to replace the structure. After viewing Texas Road, Buck and board members will look at the water drainage problem on Sandy Hollow Road. The Village of Bloomington has the estimate of what the cost will be for replacing the culvert on Fourth Street that enters the Town garage's parking lot. The new tires and snowplow blade have been delivered; Buck and Kyle will mount them. Buck will demo a Polar Flex blade which is a flexible system for snowplows that improves road cleaning efficiency and lowers salt usage. The board looked over the brochure and will decide if this type of blade is more efficient once Buck has tested the blade on our roads. A 12' Polar Flex blade costs around \$4,281.50. New chains for the truck/grader tires have been ordered. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (David Mergen) was made to pay Ashton Crubel \$400.00 for mowing grass around the Town buildings, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried.

Treasurer and Clerk Reports: Treasurer Brenda Kluesner presented the November Financial Report and Clerk Jane Patterson reported that there were two outstanding bills. The board unanimously approved the financial report and payment of bills. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) second (Mike Patterson) was made to appoint the list of Election Officials Clerk Jane Patterson presented, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) second (David Mergen) was made to adopt Ordinance #12012025 (Exempt Treasurer from Tax Bond), on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. The board members, clerk, treasurer and patrolman looked over the 2026 Town budget, motion (Bill Erdenberger) second (David Mergen) was made to adopt the 2026 Town of Bloomington budget, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. After a brief discussion regarding surplus funds, motion (Bill Erdenberger) second (Mike Patterson) was made to distribute 25% into the Equipment Fund, 37.5% into the Contingency Fund and 37.5% into the Infrastructure Fund, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried.

Old or New Business: Motion (Mike Patterson) second (David Mergen) was made to approve the 3% compensation increase for the patrolman that will take effect January 1st, 2026, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. The board signed the new patrolman contract. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) second (David Mergen) was made to approve the 3% compensation increase for the part-time patrolman and sanitation officer, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) second (Mike Patterson) was made to give year end bonuses to the patrolman, clerk, treasurer, part-time patrolman and sanitation officer. The cement pad for the Town Hall will be tabled until next spring. Clerk Jane Patterson stated that she will explain the "No Tax on Overtime" at the January meeting and Buck will talk about a possible change concerning the fire number signs.

The next board meeting will be on Monday, January 5th, 2026 at 7:00 pm at the Bloomington Town Hall

Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Mike Patterson) was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 pm, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
Jane Patterson-Clerk