

Township of Bloomington
Monday, March 2nd, 2026
Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

The regular Monthly Board Meeting of the Town of Bloomington was called to order on Monday, March 2nd, 2026, at 7:00 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 (Mike Patterson) was made to approve the posting of the March 2nd meeting and Agenda, motion carried. Motion (Mike Patterson) second (David Mergen) was made to approve the February 2nd monthly board meeting minutes, motion carried. No public appearances and the representatives from River of Lakes were not present.

Roads and Machinery Reports: The board and Buck talked about the type of rock to use when seal coating. The board wants bids for both Limestone Pea Rock and Mississippi Pea Rock. Roads to be seal coated in 2026 are Ash Lane, Aspen Road West, Cedar Lane, Hickory Road West (possibly seal coat down to the bottom of the hill), Holly Road West, Walnut East and Hoffman Lane. A separate seal coat bid is needed for the damage on Spruce Road, Aspen Road/State Hwy 133 and Maple Road/ State Hwy 133 intersections caused by the installation of utility poles. The Utility company has agreed to pay 75% of the repair costs. Hickory Road East has spots that need crack filling, Buck will get a bid for that also. Mike Patterson talked with Jewell Engineering, and they will send an application [at no additional cost] to the Wis DOT for the LSSIP Program (Local Small Structure Improvement Program) for the Texas Road Bridge Project. Buck received approval from the board to exchange (with the Village of Bloomington) cold patch for an edge for the grader blade. The power steering line on the white truck was replaced. All other roads and machinery are in good winter condition.

Treasurer and Clerk Reports: Treasurer Brenda Kluesner presented the February Financial Report and Clerk Jane Patterson reported that there was one outstanding bill. Motion (Bill Erdenberger), second (Mike Patterson) was made to approve the financial report and payment of the outstanding bill. Clerk Jane Patterson reported that the Town's accounting software has been upgraded. The current version's subscription will be discontinued early next year. David Mergen will take the virtual Board of Review training at the end of March.

Old or New Business: The Board and Buck discussed fire signs. Some of the signs are faded to the point where the West Grant Rescue Squad and Fire Department cannot read them. At Buck's discretion, he will report back to the board which signs are in need of replacement. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (David Mergen) was made to purchase up to 20 fire signs to replace the ones that are illegible, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. The board discussed a suggestion that was presented to them about putting steps next to the big dumpster to make it easier to throw garbage in. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (David Mergen) was made that no steps will be placed next to the dumpster due to liability, motion carried. A lengthy discussion was held on the topic of Zoning the Township by adopting the County's Zoning Ordinance. This topic was initiated by the rumors of a Data Center possibly being built in the Town of Cassville. Clerk Jane Patterson informed the board that they have Village Powers, and a Comprehensive Plan, but would need authority granted to them by the Town's residents to adopt a zoning ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance Process would have to be approved by the County's Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Department. The Board will look into this matter further before taking any action by attending meetings that will be held March 8th in Potosi at the Holiday Gardens and a Town of Cassville special town meeting on March 12th at their Town Hall. The Village of Bloomington will not be replacing the Town's Driveway culvert at 4th Street in the foreseeable future. Buck will talk with Priceless Cement to see if they can pour cement at the bottom end of the culvert to help with water overflow when experiencing heavy rains.

The next board meeting will be on Monday, April 6th, 2026 and the Town's Annual Meeting will be held on the third Tuesday of April, the 21st, 2026 – both meetings will start at 7:00 pm at the Bloomington Town Hall.

Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (David Mergen) was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 pm, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
Jane Patterson-Clerk