

TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 01-25
Ordinance Amendment to Ordinance 9.02
An Ordinance of the Town of Blooming Grove Restricting Use of Town Parks

BACKGROUND: The purpose of the ordinance is to specify rules and regulations for the use and enjoyment of the Town of Blooming Grove Park System and to further the safety, health, and welfare of all persons in the use thereof as well as to provide for the protection and preservation of property, facilities, and natural resources. Chapter 9.02 must be amended to address the uses and potential issues located throughout the system, including the impact upon neighboring properties.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE BOARD DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Any existing ordinances, codes, resolutions, or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance shall be and hereby are repealed as far as any conflict exists.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

Section 3. If any claims, provisions, or portions of this ordinance are adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected.

Section 4. Ordinance 9.02 is amended as follows [additions noted by red underline].

Section 1. Town Parks.

The Town owns and maintains Town parks. It is in the best interest of public welfare and safety, protection of the public property, and general public good to restrict the use of Town parks.

Section 2. Restriction of Hours.

No person may enter, use, or remain in any Town Park in the Town of Blooming Grove between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., for any purpose, without the written consent of the Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove with the exception of emergency services, including emergency utility work, and law enforcement.

Section 3. Alcohol Restriction.

No person shall consume any alcoholic beverage within Town parks without completing and submitting a Town form, conditionally allowing for such consumption.

Section 4. Restriction of Capacity.

No group comprised of 30 or more people may use any Town Park without a permit issued by the Town.

Section 5. Erection of Structures.

No structures shall be erected and/or constructed within Town parks without the written consent of the Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove.

Section 6. Fires

No fire may be made, started or continued in any Town Park with the exception of propane grills.

Section 7. Domestic Animals.

No domestic animals are permitted in Town parks unless attached to a leash and under the care and control of a person. Domestic animal waste shall immediately be picked up and properly disposed of and not left in the park.

Section 8. Use of Town Parks by Sporting Groups.

No sporting group of ten (10) persons or more may make use of any Town Park without:

- (a) obtaining a permit from the Town Clerk after Town Board approval; and
- (b) paying a fee of \$25.00 to the Town Clerk. Each permit issued to a group shall be valid for a period of twenty-four hours. For the purposes of this subsection, sporting groups include, but are not limited to, any group partaking in an organized sporting activity, such as soccer, football or softball.

Section 9. Vehicles/Parking

No person shall operate any type of motor vehicle, motorcycle, snowmobile, or all-terrain vehicle in any town park except on roads or parking areas designated for that purpose, except for maintenance equipment. No parking is allowed beyond existing road rights-of-way, in Town parks.

Section 10. Refuse.

No person shall leave refuse strewn within any Town Park. Waste containers shall not be used to dump any entrails or internal organs that are the byproduct of hunting, fishing, or trapping. No animal carcasses shall be left in any Town Park or dumped within waste containers provided in Town Parks.

Section 11. Noise.

Noise generated by those visiting Town Parks or renting shelters must be of low volume so as to not disturb the peace of neighboring property owners/renters or others in the park; sources include excessive sound generated by persons, equipment, music, etc. Maintenance equipment is exempt from this provision.

Section 12. Penalty.

Any person violating this Ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$100.00 for each violation and in default of payment shall be committed to the county jail until payment is made, not to exceed twenty (20) days. Those who rent Town Park shelters who violate any provision within this Ordinance shall forfeit some or all of their damage deposit in addition to paying a fine described above, particularly if law enforcement has responded to a complaint for which the renter has been found to be responsible.

Section 13. Effective Date.

This amended Ordinance shall take effect the day after the publication of a summary of changes.

The amended Ordinance was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Blooming Grove at a regular meeting held on the 8th day of October, 2025 by a roll call vote:

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Ronald Bristol	✓		
Jeffrey Teuscher	✓		
Dave Young	✓		
Amy Schroeder	✓		
Frank Woznick, Jr.			

I, John Wright,
Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator of the Town
of Blooming Grove hereby certify that the foregoing amended Ordinance regarding restricting
the use of Town Parks for large groups was adopted on the 8th day of October 2025 by the
Town Board of Supervisors.



John Wright, Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator