

# TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE NEWSLETTER

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## Upcoming Election: Tuesday, April 7

Polls will be open at the Town Hall, 1880 S. Stoughton Road, from 7:00 AM until 8:00 PM on Tuesday, April 7, 2026. This election is for non-partisan contests for State Supreme Court, District Court of Appeals, Circuit Court Branch, County Supervisor, Town Board Supervisors, and local school boards.

Please refer to the Town's website for up-to-date information about voter registration and absentee voting: [www.blmgrove.com](http://www.blmgrove.com) (click the down arrow by the Government tab and choose the Election Information option). You can vote absentee by mail, absentee in person in the Town Office from March 24th until April 3rd, or in person on Election Day.

### Contact Information

Town Office (John) 608-223-1104  
Public Works (Cory) 608-575-2369  
GFL (trash/recycling) 608-580-0580  
Sheriff (non-emerg) 608-255-2345  
Building Inspection is managed by the

### Town Annual Meeting

The Town's Annual Meeting is on Wednesday, April 22, 2027 at 6:15 PM at the Town Hall. A review of 2025, including reports from various departments, will be discussed.

### Town Officials / Staff

#### Town Board

Ron Bristol (Chair)  
Frank Woznick  
Amy Schroeder  
Jeff Teuscher  
Dave Young

#### Plan Commission

Dave Young (Chair)  
Dwight Johnson  
Erin Pierce  
David Braga  
Jeff Teuscher

#### Clerk/Treas/Admin

John Wright

#### Deputy Clerk/Treas

Kellene Leicht

#### Public Works Dept.

Cory Buske (Supervisor)

### Spring Yard Waste Collection

Yard waste collection runs from April 1 to May 15. Please make sure that yard waste, and only yard waste, is placed in bags that weigh no more than 40 pounds. Plastic bags need to be tied at the top; paper bags don't need to be tied. Place bags by the road, and they will be picked up within a week. For more information, call Cory at 608-575-2369.

The Town thanks those residents who have made the switch to paper bags! Paper is much better for the environment compared to plastic... and allows your Public Works staff to more efficiently dispose of yard waste. You can buy paper bags for this purpose at nearby home improvement stores or online.

### Town's Annual Clean Sweep

Every spring the Town conducts a Clean Sweep in one of its three parks. This year, the Clean Sweep is scheduled for Saturday, May 2 from 7:00-11:00 AM in the Rambling Acres subdivision at Severson Park, across from 3484 Cottontail Trail. Town residents are welcome to dispose of almost any kind of item. (Items we do not accept: yard waste, hazardous waste, paint, tires on rims, or more than four tires per household). Questions about the event can be directed to Public Works Supervisor Cory Buske at 608-575-2369.

### Chipping Brush

The Town's Public Works staff chips brush weekly during April and May. You can do your part to help make the Town's operations more efficient by piling your brush all in the same direction, with the butt ends facing the road. Only branches 6" or less in diameter will go through the chipper.

Check out the detailed parameters of what will and will not be chipped, by going to [www.blmgrove.com](http://www.blmgrove.com). From there, click on "**Chipping Policy**".

### Cemetery Spaces for Sale

There are spaces available for sale in the Blooming Grove Cemetery, located just to the east of LaFollette High School on Pflaum Road. A space costs \$1000 for non-residents, and only \$400 for Town residents.

Other burial expenses were increased by Town Board action, effective March 11, 2026.

Contact the Town Office at 608-223-1104 for details.

### The Future of Blooming Grove, and School Districts

The Town of Blooming Grove will cease to exist on October 31, 2027. Between now and then the Town will be viable thanks to the fact the vast majority of its residents are protected from annexation.

It's important to know that school districts are not the same as municipal boundaries. To illustrate, children in the April Hill neighborhood in Blooming Grove currently attend McFarland schools. That will not change as a result of the Town's dissolution in 2027.

### Open Book and Board of Review

This year's Open Book will be held virtually by phone on May 14, 2026 between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Appointments can be scheduled by navigating to [accurateassessor.com](http://accurateassessor.com) and clicking on Open Book Assistant or by calling 920-749-8098. If you decide to challenge the value of your property, you will need to complete a PA-115A Objection to Real Property Assessment form and return to the Clerk in order to be scheduled for the Board of Review to be held on June 1, 2026 from 5:30 PM until 7:30 PM. Notices of intent to file an objection need to be sent to the Town Clerk 48 hours prior to the Board of Review. Your intent to file an objection can be in writing or orally, including leaving a voicemail message at 608-223-1104. Please include your name and the address or parcel number of the property. Information and forms can be found on the Town website>Community>Town Assessor.

### Petition for Annexation

A petition has been circulated among property owners in the April Hill subdivision with the intent to petition the Village of McFarland Board to annex their subdivision to that municipality. The Town has a prior agreement from 2006 with the City of Madison that all Town properties will be annexed to the City of Madison at the end of the day on October 31, 2027.

### State Law Requires Licenses for Dogs

Upon submission of an application, the Town issues dog licenses -- which are mandated by state statute. The license is just \$20 for spayed and neutered dogs, and \$31 for intact. The license application can be printed off the Town's website: [www.blmgrove.com](http://www.blmgrove.com). Click on Forms & Permits, and you'll find it there. Licenses are good for one calendar year. State law calls for a \$5 increase in the cost of a license if issued

### Is there a problem with your trash and recycling pickup?

If your garbage and/or recycling bin were missed on one of the pickup days, or if you have concerns about the useability of your carts, please notify GFL at 608-580-0580 or [bltownservice@gflenv.com](mailto:bltownservice@gflenv.com).