

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO 10148

Held _____ 20____

VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGBURG COUNCIL MEETING

February 10 2026

Meeting was called to order by
Tim Bennett, Mayor
With the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jerry Fleak, Melissa Hixon, Gordon O'Grady absent excused, Christian Bennett, Keith Hall, Tonya Fleak, Village Administrator Bob Daugherty, Solicitor Emerson McGinnis, Fiscal Officer Lorie Johnson.

Minutes of previous meeting

Corrections or additions to Joint Meeting and Regular Council Meeting January 20, 2026.
~Motion to approve minutes from January 20, 2026, meeting, 1st Christian, 2nd Keith, 5 years, motion carried.

Pass Bills, Purchase Orders, Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Financial Reports for Approval

Pass Bills, Purchase Orders and Financial Reports for Approval:
Motion: Keith, 2nd Missi, motion carried 5 years.

Visitors:

~Gayle Brown, Mike Brown, MaryAnn Smith, observing.
~Gayle asked if the school lot was ever in the village name. She stated that the paperwork stated it was to be given to the village. Bobby stated the paperwork was never filed.

Mayors Report:

~WTP update: Lorie gave a copy to each council member of the information on the following. Lorie said that the funds we are getting are not free, they are 80/20 and possible 75/25. Nothing is free. County Land Use Planning, Funding Training the funding on the new WTP, Corps of Engineers Funding for the new WTP. There needs to be at least one person, preferred 2 people to do the training. Keth said he would do it, Missi said she would look at it.

Committee Reports:

~Cemetery: Tonya no meeting until March 2.
~Community Day: Christian stated we had our first meeting on Monday and are getting things started.
~Fire Board: meeting next Monday.
~Park: trees are planted and look good.

Solicitors' Report:

~Missi asked if 3 council members and the mayor are on the Community Day committee if that violates the sunshine law. Emerson said that she didn't see anything in her research that it would be a problem.

Village Administrator:

~WWTP
~WTP
~Bobby: Keith asked why we get monthly reports from the operators, he stated that they are always the same information. Jerry stated that it's a paper trail and shows accountability.
~Bobby stated that he flipped the agitator arm up during the sub-zero weather so it wouldn't freeze and break.
~Bobby stated that the snow removal went well. The county engineers charge \$35 dollars to load the salt plus the cost of the salt. Bobby stated we only used 1 load of salt. Bobby would like to be able to store salt at the plant.
Christian asked if it could be stored at the plant. Missi said we would have to contact the OEPA for site approval.
~Keith stopped at the plant and Bobby gave him a tour.

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Legislation:

~Resolution: R-26-04, Continue the .5 mil Tax Levy with the Paint Township Trustees for the operation of the Bloomingburg Paint Joint Cemetery.

Motion Kenny, 2nd Duane, roll call, CB yes, GO absent, JF yes, MH yes, TF yes, KH yes, KK yes, JB yes, DM yes, 8 yeas, motion carried.

~Ordinance: O-26-01, Permanent Appropriations for year ending December 31, 2026, waive the 3-reading rule and pass as an emergency.

~Motion Keith, 2nd Missi, roll call, CB yes, GO absent, JF yes, MH yes, TF yes, KH yes, motion carried.

~Motion to adopt Ordinance 26-01, Permanent Appropriations for year ending December 31, 2026. Motion Missi, 2nd Christian, roll call, CB yes, GO absent, JF yes, MH yes, TF yes, KH yes, motion carried.

Clerk's Report:

~billed \$37,623.62 ~received \$35,443.87
~Valero would like to do the Easter Egg Hunt on March 28. Council said this would be fine.
~Ohio Basic Code Book (1Book & 1 USB) for \$560. Council voted to purchase the OBC book and USB.
Roll call CB y, GO a, JF y, TF y, KH n, MH y. 4y, 1 n.

Old Business:

~sidewalk on Midland at the new house. Bobby said They won't fix until spring.
~Fast Lap, oil is gone.
~Income Tax (RITA): Keith said he investigated it and he's going to do more research. Keith said that 1 out of 3 towns use the RITA program. The village could put a 1% on and doesn't need to be voted on by the residents. Lorie said that the village needs to generate some funds for the rising cost of O&M of the plants. This could also help with street paving.

New Business:

~Tonya said that the 2 jobs need to be separated. Council had already decided to separate the jobs. Bobby asked what the deadline was for applications. Bobby told the council that they are running out of time. Keith said he would check into putting the jobs on Mt. Sterling's, New Holland's, Jeffersonville's web page.
~Keith needs to get a domain name for the village website. Bobby suggested waiting until the new clerk has been hired before starting a web page.
~The mayor said Brandi's dogs are running loose and getting into people's trash. This is at 17 Miron Street. The residents need to call the sheriff's office when the dogs are out running loose.
~The mayor informed the council he is having eye surgery on Thursday.

Executive Session:

~Missi made a motion to go into executive session to discuss pay, 2nd Keith, into executive 7:22.
~Missi made a motion go out of executive session, 2nd Keith, out of executive _____

Return to regular meeting _____

~_____ made a motion to change the Fiscal Officer to a salary position, pay of \$1000 per month, 2nd _____, Roll call, CB _____, GO absent, JF _____, TF _____, KH _____, MH _____, motion _____.

~_____ made a motion for the Water Clerk position pay of \$16 to \$18.00 per hour, 2nd _____, Roll call, CB _____, GO absent, JF _____, TF _____, KH _____, MH _____, motion _____.

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Conclusion: The next regular council meeting will be March 3, 2026 @ 6:00.

Motion to adjourn council meeting; _____, 2nd _____, ____ yeas, ____ nays, motion carried.
Meeting Adjourned 7:55

March 3, 2026
Date Approved by Council

Lorie A. Johnson
Fiscal Officer: Lorie A. Johnson

Tim Bennett
Mayor: Tim Bennett