

**VILLAGE OF SOUTH BLOOMING
GROVE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PUBLIC HEARING AND
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY
AUGUST 19, 2025
8:00PM**

➤ **Call to order**

Deputy Mayor Weiss called to order the Village Board Meeting at 8:10pm on August 19, 2025, for the Village of South Blooming Grove located at 811 State Route 208, within the Village of South Blooming Grove, and having a mailing address of Monroe, New York.

➤ **Roll call**

The following persons were present:

- Abraham Weiss – Deputy Mayor
- Yitzchok Feldman – Trustee
- Zalmon Rosner – Trustee
- Isaac Ekstein – Legislative Aide to Mayor/Deputy Clerk
- Al Fusco Village Engineer
- Norah Murphy, Esq. – Special Council
- Laura Gulfo, Esq. – Special Council
- **Absent** –
- George Kalaj – Mayor
- Asher Guttman – Trustee
- Joel Stern – Confidential Assistant to the Mayor
- Scott Ugell Esq. – Village Attorney
- Kerry Dougherty – Village Clerk

**PUBLIC HEARING
IMPROVEMENT OF WATER DISTRICT NO 1**

➤ **Business**

- Engineer Fusco presented that this is a project for water meters the village is proposing to restore, by bond resolution for that purpose and in order to get those meters installed. They are very sensitive meters, they measure flows, tell us if there is a leak in the house and/or a problem in the house. They are very good and won't require reading, we have started utilizing some of those and they are working well. We are going village wide with them and hopefully they can be included in the next grant we are proposing to write on September 12, 2025.
- Motion to open the public hearing at 8:12 pm by Trustee Rosner, seconded by Deputy Mayor Weiss`. 3 Ayes – *Deputy Mayor Weiss, Trustee Feldman, Trustee Rosner.* 2 Absent – *Mayor Kalaj, Trustee Guttman.*

➤ **Public Comment**

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- **Bonnie Rum** – stated that her question would be, is every building, structure in the village going to get a water meter Meaning every, the homes, schools, synagogues, mikvah, everything. *Response -of course. So whose gonna be reading these meters, who would be reading them. Response – it is automatic. So it comes into the village through the internet.*
- **Susan Shapiro, Esq.** – following up on her questions, will the people whose homes are being metered have access to the information? How will they get that access? - *Reply – through the website/online. Everybody will be able to get everyone’s else’s information about water reads, isn’t that a private issue? Reply - Homeowners will have access to an app to their own meter. A belated question, not directly related to this issue but it’s important because right now the village is allowing pollutants to go into the Satterly Creek, she didn’t know if you were aware of it, it’s a bright, it’s very, very murky and muddy and it’s a bright green color, she didn’t know if you knew about this. Engineer Fusco advised this is for the water meters. Attorney Shapiro advised that she knows but this is water discharge and its happening. She heard that you were trying to take eminent domain of private wells, is this what this is about? Reply, no, this is about water meters.*
- Motion to close the public hearing at 8:14 pm by Trustee Feldman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Weiss. 3 Ayes, Deputy Mayor Weiss, Trustee Feldman, and Trustee Rosner. 2 Absent – Mayor Kalaj, Trustee Guttman.

**PUBLIC HEARING
AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 222 OF VILLAGE CODE – VEHICLES**

- Engineer Fusco discussed parking restrictions which is a local law developed for enforcement of that code, once this is passed, once it is filed with the state we will be able to issue tickets for the appropriate time periods, for Thursday evenings for street sweeping purposes and that is what this public hearing is for. The board inquired if there will be signs? Engineer Fusco advised yes there will be signs and the public would be notified. This will be year round.
- Trustee Rosner made a motion at 8:16 pm to open the public hearing, seconded by Trustee Feldman, 3 Ayes – Deputy Mayor Weiss, Trustee Feldman, Trustee Rosner. 2 Absent – Mayor Kalaj, Trustee Guttman.

➤ **Public Comment**

- None
- Motion to close the public hearing at 8:17 pm by Deputy Mayor Weiss, seconded by Trustee Feldman. 3 Ayes – Deputy Mayor Weiss, Trustee Feldman, Trustee Rosner. 2 Absent – Mayor Kalaj, Trustee Guttman.

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**PUBLIC HEARING
PPURSUANT TO SECTION 201-204 OF NYS EDPL
TO CONSIDER PROPOSED ACQUISITION BY EMINENT DOMAIN OF CERTAIN
REAL PROPERTY 222-1-1**

- Deputy Mayor Weiss made a motion to open the public hearing at 8:17 pm, seconded by Trustee Roner, 3 Ayes – *Deputy Mayor Weiss, Trustee Feldman, and Trustee Rosner*. 2 Absent – *Mayor Kalaj, Trustee Guttman*.
- **See Transcript**
- **Public Comment** – See Transcript
- Trustee Feldman made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Trustee Rosner. 3 Ayes – *Deputy Mayor Weiss, Trustee Feldman, and Trustee Rosner*. 2 Absent – *Mayor Kalaj, Trustee Guttman*

REGULAR MEETING

- **Call to Order**
- Deputy Mayor Weiss called to order the Village Board Meeting at 9:13 pm on August 19, 2025, for the Village of South Blooming Grove located at 811 State Route 208, within the Village of South Blooming Grove, and having a mailing address of Monroe, New York.
- **Business**
 - **Resolution No. (059)** Resolution of the Village Board of the Village of South Blooming Grove adopting Local Law of 2025 amending Chapter 222 of the Village Code.
- **Adjournment**
 - Motion to close the meeting 3 Ayes – *Deputy Mayor Weiss, Trustee Feldman and Trustee Rosner*. 1 Absent *Mayor Kalaj, Trustee Guttman*.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Isaac Ekstein, Deputy Clerk