

## MINUTES

### Regular Village Board Meeting April 8, 2026

The Village of Blue Mounds Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Paul Baum, Village President, at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8, 2026. The agenda was posted on 4/6/2026.

**2. Roll call:** Paul Baum, Steve Burbank, Jeff Lange, Jim Frame and Rick Kelly.

3. The Pledge of Allegiance was cited.

4. Village President Baum thanked the board members that are leaving and congratulated the newly elected trustees, he further thanked the individuals that ran for office but weren't elected.

**5. Public Forum:**

Matt Heindl, Susan Kiry, Jancie Buckingham and Audra Anderson all spoke during the public forum.

**6. Correction and approval of minutes:**

**6a. Village Board Meeting of 3/11/2026:** Motion by Frame, seconded by Burbank to approve the Village Board Meeting minutes of 3/11/2026. Motion carried all in favor.

Motion by Burbank, seconded by Frame to approve the Special Village Board meeting minutes of 3/23/2026. Motion carried all in favor.

Motion by Burbank, seconded by Kelly to approve the Special Village Board meeting minutes of 3/30/2026. Motion carried all in favor.

**7. Reports:** Chief Hoops stated he has monitored the stop sign on Mounds View Road. He is doing backgrounds for agencies by looking through his files, stating they take five minutes to complete. He's dealt with speeding in the mobile home park, had a recent fraud report, and the stop sign campaign is ongoing. Baum read the public works report and stated that Andy passed both water certifications and congratulated him in doing so. It was also noted that the treatment plant generator is broken.

Baum then stated that he received 34 questions from a resident, many of which were redundant. He went on to say that the grease ordinance is modeled after other municipalities, which is common practice. He further stated that the ordinance is directed at commercial users since they create higher amounts of FOG and therefore, are a primary risk the village's multi-million-dollar treatment plant. However, if a residence seeks a conditional use permit for a cooking business it could potentially trigger a need for a grease trap. Staff has learned over the years that an ordinance should be in place, and it was never done so it is time to clean this up. The ordinance follows building and plumbing code. He explained how the process would work for inspections and what might trigger further inspections. If there is non-compliance you would have ninety days to fix the problem.

**8. Approval of bills presented for payment:** Motion made by Frame, seconded by Lange to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried all in favor.

**9. Unfinished Business:**

**9a. Discussion and action on Dream Makers Market's use of Mounds View Park Shelter:** Discussion was held regarding the Dream Makers Market using the shelter and they stated they worked with Chief Hoops to discuss

parking. They asked if they could park in the road to the well and Dan stated yes. They stated they have 40 vendors and will have food trucks and music. They will pay the regular deposit and rental for the shelter.

**9b. Ordinance A-256 Grease, Fat and Oils:** Discussion was held on the ordinance, Motion by Burbank, seconded by Frame to approve Ordinance A-256. Roll Call Paul – yes, Steve – yes, Jim – yes, Rick – yes, Jeff Lange abstained.

**New Business:**

**10a. Discussion and Action on Engineering and Design for Salt Shed.** Nick Bubolz was present from Town and Country Engineering he stated that there was a meeting regarding the intersection of Division and Church and he is waiting on contractors. He stated that Village salt is being held in an adjacent municipality as the storage shed in the village is not structurally able to hold all of the salt. The engineering, bidding documents, DNR approvals and construction administration will cost between \$40,000-43,000. Motion by Lange, seconded by Kelly to approve Town and County’s engineering for the salt shed.

**10b. Security System for Village Hall:** Clerk reported that the security system is not working correctly, and the repair person came and suggested a new system, keeping all the same cameras, the new system can be viewed on phones or computers and he can monitor and fix issues remotely. Motion by Frame, seconded by Lange to approve the quote from First Security. Voice vote all in favor.

**10c. Annual Consumer Confidence Report:** Baum explained the report and stated there were no violations.

**10d. Announcement of Clean Up Day:** Baum stated the Village wide clean up day is scheduled for May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8 am. to noon.

**11. Future Agenda Items:** Police records management system and radio.

**12. Adjournment.** Motion by Burbank, seconded by Frame to adjourn. Motion carried.

Minutes taken by Mary Jo Michek  
Approved: May 13, 2026.

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Paul Baum, Village President