

Grow Bloomfield Meeting January 21, 2026

Attending Members

- Paul Hudson
- Joel Steele
- Brandon Steele
- Gary Manual
- Garry Hooper
- Kathy Conradt
- Fred Willey
- Kim Brewer
- Sharee Hooper

Visitors

January 21, 2026	September 2025
<p>Recent drop in attendance:</p> <p>How can we improve attendance to the meetings?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Members invite members.</li> <li>-Change the meeting time of the group. Later in the day. (5:30ish for working families)</li> <li>-Have the group create a Zoom link to allow for remote access to the meetings. —&gt;Paul and Kathy to setup.</li> <li>-Post minutes to the website and shareable link to the Facebook group.</li> </ul> <p>Grow Bloomfield has had an impact list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Impact on Town/village 10 year plan development</li> <li>-Community dialogue about needing growth</li> <li>-Strengthen relationships with locally and county municipal leadership</li> <li>-Business and community events to support engagement and relationship development.</li> <li>-Sponsored “Home is Where is the Home is event etc).</li> <li>-Created 8 min video to support business and</li> </ul>	<p>New introductions..</p> <p>School Population Census is declining</p> <p>Q-Why can't we focus on absorbing Victor or Canandaigua school districts instead of combining with Honeoye?</p> <p>Honeoye and Bloomfield have a possible merger due to declining school populations.</p> <p>A-When you combine with Honeoye we would have to build an entirely new school district</p> <p>-Tax implications for pulling students from Victor/Canandaigua districts</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Community Solar</p> <p>Eddie Strap has had a lot of push back about the solar on his land. The soil is poor. The vegetation is not even ideal for the sheep grazing it.</p> <p>-----</p>

development in Bloomfield  
-impacted BCS decision for Bus Garage placement with passing vote in 2025  
-Behind the scenes role in resale of The Elms,  
-Concrete discussion with developers

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Joel

Create a vision (Estimated to be ~ \$1200 for drafting) for roads, trails, and development to support a call to action.

-Joel to reach out to Dale Trodokus and Fred Haeflin for additional development opportunities.

—We have a motivated land owner we've identified land owners....what is the next step?

**BIG M**

Joel talked with Sam from the Big M. Wants ideas for how to be more successful. When you do a convenience store like that. The fuel system is installed with the understanding that so many thousands of gallons will be sold through equipment from a specific supplier.

-What could go in at the Big M (Grocery part) of the store.  
-Amish style goods store.

Sam is willing to rent out/carve up the store.

Different entrance for a different store possible. Other ideas

Day-Care Center.

SHUR Fine (Honeoye)  
Daycare center.  
Berne Dairy  
Pizza Parlour  
Brady J's expansion.  
Specialty Meats  
Dance Center  
Karate class  
Escape Room

School Transit Project Update - Brandon

Capital Project is moving forward. Plan will have no local increases in taxes. Building will have 2 bus bays, and 1 car bay/SUV +wash bay. Will be built on East side of industrial park next to the new Landscape facility going in.

School board votes in September. Community outreach events to follow and Community Vote planned for end of November.

\*\*\*\*\*Community outreach Event\*\*\*\*\*

Why do people want to move to Bloomfield?

Bloomfield "Starring You"

-Have information sheet that says what Grow Bloomfield is about. (Joel and Garry)  
-Community members continue to view Grow Bloomfield as 'Anti-Farm' need to change the messaging.

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Where:

At Historical Society

When:

October 9th 6pm

Paul to talk with Sarah to get Marce access into Grow Bloomfield Instagram.

Plan to get community email list. Drop a link in the community page to post emails.

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Q-What is the purpose of Grow Bloomfield?

We reach out to the different legislative groups and business

<p>Virtual/Mini golf/Virtual Game experience.</p> <p>Bakery (Ashley the road side baker).</p> <p><b>PLAZA Store update</b> Sam wants to cut back from being a grocery store to more of a convenience store.</p> <p>The Plaza has a new specialty store coming. This will be a Deli specialty style store.</p> <p>Joel</p> <p>A <b>bakery</b> is interested in opening in the basement of his office. They want a deep fryer which the building may not be rated for.</p> <p><b>Coffee Shop (Brewed Awakening).</b></p> <p>Some members have gotten coffee there and feel the price is very reasonable for good coffee.</p> <p><b>High Point Park/Trail system</b></p> <p>Get a used fire watch station as a destination tower for an outlook .</p> <p><b>Proposed Bloomfield Trail System</b></p> <p>First 2 miles needs about 1 million to build. There is DOT funding available to support the trail building potentially.</p> <p>Dave Damaskey has done a lot of behind the scenes work.</p> <p>The engineering firm recommended that we bring the potentially affected owners together to get a more concrete idea for who may support the development of the trail system.</p> <p>It's all about relationships.</p> <p><b>Idea</b>-name a portion of the trail in honor of someone from those who have provided the easement access to their property.</p> <p><b>Next month</b> - Feb 18th, Wed.</p>	<p>stakeholders/landowners in the community to push for business and housing friendly legislation to support modest development in Bloomfield.</p> <p>---</p> <p>Statement: Recommend Grow Bloomfield Town Hall meeting attendance to better represent our interests.</p> <p>----</p> <p>The overarching message that should come out of Grow Bloomfield. Is "Responsible and Controlled Growth".</p> <p>-----</p> <p>"Mindful Growth"</p> <p>Colin-"We want to build our own assets instead of holding out for state grants".</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Electric Supply for development in Bloomfield.</p> <p>Do we have the power to support expanded housing growth in Bloomfield. EG-Canadaigua canceled housing project d/t lack of power infrastructure</p> <p>---</p> <p>Electric Supply options-</p> <p>-Biodigesters (waste gas generation for electric)</p> <p>Elevated lake pump/turbine generation. (Turn the lake into a water storage battery by pumping water to a higher storage pond and allowing downward flow to generate power).</p> <p>----</p>
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<b>Annual Meeting</b> <b>Dues are 30\$ for members.</b>  _____	
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