

**WORKSHOP MEETING
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

May 7, 2024

The Workshop Meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building (101 Hamburg Tpke) on the above date. Mayor John D'Amato called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Mayor led the **Salute to the Flag**.

Official Roll Call: (taken by the Municipal Clerk)

In Attendance: Mayor John D'Amato
Councilman Dominic Catalano
Councilman Richard Dellaripa
Councilman John Graziano
Councilwoman Dawn Hudson
Councilwoman Evelyn Schubert
Councilman Ray Yazdi

Municipal Clerk, Breeanna Smith
Business Administrator, Michael Sondermeyer
Borough Attorney, Dawn Sullivan

PUBLIC NOTICE STATEMENT

Mayor D'Amato stated: *This Meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. Adequate notice of this meeting was advertised in the Herald News on January 12, 2024; copies were provided to the local news media and posted continuously in the Municipal Building. A copy of this notice is available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.*

Per State Fire Code, I am required to acknowledge that there are two emergency exits in this Council Chambers. The main entrance which you entered through and a secondary exit to the left of where I am seated. If there is an emergency, walk orderly to the exits, exit through the door, down the stairs and out the building. If there are any questions, please raise your hand now.

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion was made by HUDSON to open the meeting for public comment; seconded by DELLARIPA and carried on voice vote all voting AYE.

Linda Huntley – 86 Van Dam Ave, Bloomingdale
Made the following inquiries:

- Questions on the introduced 2024 budget – premium on bond sale, library appropriations, assessment of taxes for salary & wages, Police Salaries, contractual salary increases, DPW salary & wages, health benefit/premium increase, webmaster increase, contingency increase, principal bond, debt etc.

For the record it was noted the public hearing will be on June 11, 2024 & that is the appropriate time for comments on the budget. Business Administrator responded to questions; others will be addressed at a later time. The finance department will prepare a presentation for the budget hearing

Since there was no one else who wished to speak, DELLARIPA made a motion to close the meeting for public comment, seconded by YAZDI carried on voice vote, all in favor voting AYE.

REPORTS (PROFESSIONALS, DEPT HEADS, COMMITTEES, LIAISONS, MAYOR):

Councilwoman Evelyn Schubert

(Senior Committee, Library Board, BBYC & Tri-Boro First Aid Liaison):

- Motorcycle awareness campaign is supported by the Borough & Police Departments, posts will continue to appear throughout the month
- Library Board of Trustees
 - Queen's Tea – May 18th
 - Paint & Sip – November 3rd
 - 'Read to a Dog' 4th Tuesday of every month
 - ABC Murder Book Club May 8th
 - Adult Craft night
 - *****Details for all programs are available on the Library website
- Tri-Boro First Aid Squad
 - 141 total calls for April, 34 of which were Bloomingdale; YTD 541
 - 'An Evening of Mediumship' (Spiritual Mediums) June 28 Tickets are \$35.00
 - Medical equipment available to the community
- BBYC:
 - Football & Cheer registration is open for 2024 season; closes August 31
 - Clothing & Shoe Fund Drive – May 11th 10AM to 2PM at Richard Butler Lot
 - Summer workouts begin in June
- Public Events
 - Town Clean-up – May 18th
 - Obtained 9 food vendors for the firework event [June 29th]
- Senior Advisory Committee/Center:
 - Older Americans Month – May
 - Senior Resource Group May 16th – bagel breakfast to be served; complimentary hearing evaluations
 - Upcoming trips on website [OCMD Trip May 28-31st]
 - Turtle Back Zoo trip is being planned
 - Walking club has started, is held every Wednesday at 9AM
 - E-Z Pass discount available for Seniors
 - Monthly calendar and nutrition menu available on website

Councilman Ray Yazdi (Budget Committee) No report

Councilwoman, Dawn Hudson (BOH Liaison, Public Event Committee)

- BOH:
 - No report
- Public Events:
 - Town/River Clean-up May 18th
 - Memorial Day Parade – May 27th 9AM from Bloomingdale to Butler (all Borough departments will be closed)
 - Town wide garage sale – June 1st
 - Fireworks June 29th @ 6PM
- Senior Book Club starting May 14th @ 10AM
- Rave & Recycle Coach sign up available on Borough Website
- Thanked Karin of the Environmental Committee who is working on the Borough's sustainable NJ certification

Council President, John Graziano (EDC Chairman)

- EDC
 - Sloan Park Festival 6/8 from 3PM-9PM; small portion of Main Street to be closed, 2 bands performing, many food vendors
 - Recognize new EDC member Alex Dellannoy who is a resident & business owner in the Borough

Councilman, Dominic Catalano (Planning Board Member, Recreation Liaison)

- Planning Board
 - Special Meeting on May 14th at 7:30PM

Councilman, Richard Dellaripa (ROSE Fund Member, Budget Committee) No report

Business Administrator, Michael Sondermeyer

- Orchard /Wallace improvements (milling & paving to be done next week)
- Hilltop Terrace (working through punch list items)
- DPW Salt Shed (waiting for contractor to build shed)
- Senior Pavilion (foundation is set, waiting for delivery of pavilion)
- Veterans Resource & Wellness Fair – May 8th at the VFW, Butler

Municipal Clerk, Breeanna Smith:

- Looking for a Bloomingdale veteran to act as Grand Marshall for the Bloomingdale/Butler Memorial Day Parade, send email with recommendations

Borough Attorney, Dawn Sullivan:

- Borough land sale for Block 3038: Lot: 1 ‘Glade Road’ one successful bidder Michael Fitzpatrick of Tidland Realty LLC, resolution accepting bid will be forth coming on the next agenda

Mayor, John D’Amato:

- Working with the County on clearing out culverts on Van Dam Ave / Walnut / Tice / Chestnut – this will be approved on the county’s next meeting agenda. The culverts are completely clogged, hopeful once cleared this will alleviate flooding on Van Dam Ave.

CONSENT AGENDA

(Adoption of Resolutions No. 2024-5.1 – 2024-5.6)

Motion: Ray Yazdi

Second: Rich Dellaripa

Roll Call Vote: CATALANO (YES), DELLARIPA (YES), GRAZIANO (YES), HUDSON (YES), SCHUBERT (YES), YAZDI (YES)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.1 OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

*Accepting, Approving and/or Adopting the Consent Agenda of the
May 1, 2024 Council Meeting*

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale has determined that to increase efficiency, the Consent Agenda shall be adopted with one resolution, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following resolutions, placed on this agenda by consent, require no discussion and the same having been previously reviewed by each Governing Body member, be and are hereby adopted in their entirety by the Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale.

A. Motion to approve minutes:

- April 16, 2024 – Regular Meeting

B. Proclamation: *Older Americans Month, May 2024*

C. Motion to approve Fire Department Member: *Dennis Ackerman*

D. Resolution No. 2024-5.2: Approval of Property Tax Exemption

E. Resolution No. 2024-5.3: Refund Tax Overpayment

F. Resolution No. 2024-5.4: Appoint CERT member (L. Heck)

G. Resolution No. 2024-5.5: Appoint EDC member (A. Delannoy)

H. Resolution No. 2024-5.6: Authorize Final Payment & Accept Maintenance Bond (WTB Tennis Courts)

PENDING ITEMS

2024 Municipal Budget

A. Introduction of Ordinance No. 10-2024: Index Rate CAP Bank

A motion was made by YAZDI to read and introduce the Ordinance by title; second and final reading/ public hearing will be on June 11, 2024 at 7PM; the motion was seconded by DELLARIPA and carried on the following voice vote: all members present voting AYE, in favor; none were opposed.

The Municipal Clerk read by Title:

CALENDAR YEAR 2024 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

B. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-5.7 Introduction of the 2024 Municipal Budget

Motion: Ray Yazdi

Second: John Graziano

Roll Call Vote: DELLARIPA (YES), GRAZIANO (YES), HUDSON (YES), SCHUBERT (YES), YAZDI (YES), CATALANO (YES)

C. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-5.8 Self-Examination of Municipal Budget

Motion: Dawn Hudson

Second: Ray Yazdi

Roll Call Vote: GRAZIANO (YES), HUDSON (YES), SCHUBERT (YES), YAZDI (YES), CATALANO (YES), DELLARIPA (YES)

D. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-5.9 Computing Reserve for Uncollected Taxes

Motion: Ray Yazdi

Second: John Graziano

Roll Call Vote: HUDSON (YES), SCHUBERT (YES), YAZDI (YES), CATALANO (YES), DELLARIPA (YES), GRAZIANO (YES)

NEW BUSINESS

A. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-5.10: Temporary Appropriations

Motion: Ray Yazdi

Second: Rich Dellaripa

Roll Call Vote: SCHUBERT (YES), YAZDI (YES), CATALANO (YES), DELLARIPA (YES), GRAZIANO (YES), HUDSON (YES)

B. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-5.11: Authorizing Agreement with Recovery

Solutions & Title, LLC

Motion: Dawn Hudson

Second: Ray Yazdi

Roll Call Vote: YAZDI (YES), CATALANO (YES), DELLARIPA (YES), GRAZIANO (YES), HUDSON (YES), SCHUBERT (YES)

C. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-5.12: Approve Fireworks Vendor

Motion: Dawn Hudson

Second: Ray Yazdi

Roll Call Vote: CATALANO (YES), DELLARIPA (YES), GRAZIANO (YES), HUDSON (YES), SCHUBERT (YES), YAZDI (YES)

D. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-5.13: DMC Land Surveying Services (Catherine & Bailey)

Motion: Rich Dellaripa

Second: Dawn Hudson

Roll Call Vote: DELLARIPA (YES), GRAZIANO (RECUSE), HUDSON (YES), SCHUBERT (YES), YAZDI (RECUSE), CATALANO (YES)

E. Introduction of Ordinance No. 11-2024: Ch. 7 Traffic

A motion was made by YAZDI to read and introduce the Ordinance by title; second and final reading/ public hearing will be on May 21, 2024 at 7PM; the motion was seconded by DELLARIPA and carried on the following voice vote: all members present voting AYE, in favor; none were opposed.

Discussion: *Mike Sondermeyer explained the ordinance.*

The Municipal Clerk read by Title:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 7 “TRAFFIC”, SECTION 7-11 “PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS” & SECTION 7-17 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

LATE PUBLIC COMMENT:

HUDSON opened the meeting to late public comment; seconded by YAZDI and carried on voice vote, all in favor voting AYE.

Gregory Etmekjian – 46 Sunset Road, Bloomingdale

Made the following inquiries:

- Spoke regarding first amendment rights seeking support of a Bloomingdale community group for open discussion

Since there was no one who wished to speak, HUDSON moved that it be closed; second by YAZDI and carried on voice vote all members voting (AYE), none were opposed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-5.14: Motion for Executive Session

One matter: Atty/Client [Municipal Notice-Highlands Council]

Motion: Dawn Hudson

Second: Ray Yazdi

Voice Vote: all members present voting AYE; none were opposed.

[entered at 7:49PM]

[resumed in open session at 8:31PM]

GOVERNING BODY SCHEDULE

- May 21, 2024 – Regular Meeting**
- June 11, 2024 – Workshop Meeting**
- June 25, 2024 – Regular Meeting**
- July 16, 2024 – Regular Meeting**

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business to be conducted, GRAZIANO moved to adjourn at 8:31PM; seconded by YAZDI and carried on voice vote with all Council Members voting AYE.

Breeanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk

May 7, 2024 RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.2
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF**

THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

APPROVAL OF CLAIM FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR 76 VAN DAM AVENUE FOR A DISABLED VETERAN PER N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 18:28-1.1 et seq. grants property tax exemptions on dwellings wholly or partial owned by disabled veterans, or their surviving spouse; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has received and approved a claim (form D.V.S.S.E.), effective April 22, 2024, for this property tax exemption from:

Claimant Name: Robert Barry Klein
Property: Block 5105 / Lot 34
Address: 76 Van Dam Avenue
Bloomingtondale, NJ 07403

WHEREAS, it has been determined Robert Barry Klein owns & holds legal title to 100% of 76 Van Dam Avenue; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingtondale that they hereby accept the Tax Assessor’s approval of the claim for a 100% property tax exempt for Robert Barry Klein for 76 Van Dam Avenue; and authorize the Tax Collector to cancel taxes as appropriate.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingtondale at an Official Meeting held on May 7, 2024.

Brecanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingtondale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.3
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT(S)**

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records overpayments as shown below and the Tax Collector recommends the refund of such overpayment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to issue checks refunding such overpayment as shown below:

REASON:

- 1. Incorrect Payment
- 2. Duplicate Payment
- 3. Senior Citizen
- 4. Veteran Deduction
- 5. Homestead Rebate
- 6. Tax Appeal County Board
- 7. Tax Appeal State Tax Court
- 8. 100% Disabled Veteran
- 9. Replacement Check
- 10. Tax Exempt

Block/Lot	Name	Amount	Year	Reason
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5105 / 34	Robert Barry Klein 76 Van Dam Avenue Bloomingdale, NJ 07403	\$238.95	2024	8
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Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

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Breeanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.4
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)

WHEREAS, Residents’ safety is enhanced by the Community Emergency Response Team (‘CERT’); and

WHEREAS, the CERT Team assist in supervising and coordinating the civilian defense and disaster control activities of the Borough;

WHEREAS, the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program helps train people to be better prepared to respond to emergency situations in their communities. When emergencies happen, CERT members can give critical support to first responders, provide immediate assistance to victims, and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site. CERT members can also help with non-emergency projects that help improve the safety of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale hereby appoints the following members to the CERT Team for a one-year term; expiring December 31, 2024:

CERT Team Member 1 year (unexpired) Lawrence Heck

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

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Breeanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.5
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

APPOINTMENTS TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale that they do provide, advice and consent to the Mayor’s appointment of the following to the Economic Development Commission members, effective May 7, 2024:

- 1. EDC Member 5 years (unexpired 12/31/24) Alex Delannoy

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

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Brecanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.6
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND, ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE BOND AND AUTHORIZE FINAL PAYMENT FOR THE WORK PERFORMED IN CONNECTION WITH THE WALTER T. BERGEN TENNIS COURT REHABILITATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the contractor, Mike Fitzpatrick Contractors, Inc., has requested a release of the performance bond and final payment for the work performed in connection with the WTB Tennis Court Rehabilitation project, in the Borough of Bloomingdale; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer, Thomas Boorady, has reviewed the request, confirmed the project has been completed to satisfaction and therefore recommends that the final payment, in the total amount of \$6,209.78 be made, and the maintenance bond be accepted once approved by the Borough Attorney; and

WHEREAS the Borough Attorney, Dawn Sullivan, has been deemed the Maintenance Bond to be satisfactory; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The Borough Council does hereby authorize that the performance bond and final payment, in the amount of \$6,209.78, be released to the contractor.
- 2. The funds for the final payment is certified in Resolution No. 2022-10.17.
- 3. The Borough Council does hereby accept the Maintenance Bond in the amount of \$31,049.00 which will remain on file in the Municipal Clerk’s office.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

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Brecanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.7
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

*Introduction of the 2024 Municipal Budget by Title
Borough of Bloomingdale, County of Passaic*

WHEREAS, the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2024; and

WHEREAS said Budget will be published in the Herald News in the issue of May 14, 2024; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2024; and

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the introduced Budget and Tax Resolution is hereby approved by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale, County of Passaic, on May 7, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing on the municipal budget will be held in the Council Chambers at the Borough Hall on June 11, 2024 at 7:00p.m. at which time and place discussions to said Budget for the year 2024 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the budget and tax resolution is available for inspection in the office of the Municipal Clerk, posted on the municipal website and published in accordance with the law.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

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Brecanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.8
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**SELF-EXAMINATION OF BUDGET RESOLUTION
*[as required by DCA]***

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-7 was adopted by the Local Finance Board on February 11, 1997; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 through 7.5, the Borough of Bloomingdale has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local Government Services,

and the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the local government meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2024 budget year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Bloomingdale that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6a & 7.6b and based upon the Chief Financial Officer's certification, the governing body has found the budget has met the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:

- a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
- b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures
- c. Cash deficit of preceding year
- d. Reserve for uncollected taxes
- e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
- f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school purposes.

2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2 and appropriations for exceptions to limits on appropriations found at N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3 et seq., are fully met (complies with CAP law).

3. That the budget is in such form, arrangement, and content as required by the Local Budget Law and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4 and 5:30-5.

4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:

- a. All estimates of revenue are reasonable, accurate and correctly stated,
- b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth
- c. In itemization, form, arrangement and content, the budget will permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.

5. The budget and associated amendments have been introduced and publicly advertised in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 shall not prevent such certification.

6. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be uploaded on the FAST System for the Director of the Division of Local Government Services upon adoption.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

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Breeanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE
COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY**

CERTIFICATION OF APPROVED BUDGET

It is hereby certified that the Approved Budget complies with the requirements of law and approval is given pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78(b) and N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.

It is further certified that the municipality has met the eligibility requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.4 and 7.5, and that I, as Chief Financial Officer, have completed the local examination in compliance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6.

Dated: _____ By: _____
Chief Financial Officer

This certification form and resolution of the governing body executing such certification should be annexed to the adopted budget (N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6(e))

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.9
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**RESOLUTION COMPUTING 2024 RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41c(2)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41c(2), enacted into law (P.L. 2010, c. 56), provides alternate methods of calculating the Reserve for Uncollected Taxes, and

WHEREAS, one method under N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41c(2) permits the Governing Body of any municipality in which the amount of tax reductions resulting from tax appeal judgments of the County Tax Board pursuant to R.S. 54:3-21 et seq., or the State Tax Court pursuant to R.S. 54:48-1 et seq., result in tax reductions in the preceding fiscal year, may elect to calculate the current year reserve for uncollected taxes by reducing the certified tax levy of the prior year by the amount of the tax levy adjustment resulting from those judgments. Election of this choice shall be made by resolution, approved by a majority vote of the full membership of the governing body prior to the adoption of the annual budget pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale’s Adjusted Tax Levy in 2023 was \$32,835,384.95; and

WHEREAS, during 2023 the Borough of Bloomingdale’s Tax Levy was reduced by \$1,647.73 due to tax appeals; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale has determined that it is advantageous for the Borough of Bloomingdale to utilize the method under N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41(c)(2),

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale, New Jersey, that by a majority vote of the full membership of the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale, approves that the maximum percentage to be used for the reserve for uncollected taxes in the 2024 budget is 99.37% based on N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41c(2); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs, be and is hereby requested to give her written consent to allow the Borough of Bloomingdale to compute the Reserve for Uncollected Taxes pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41c(2).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk upload a certified copy of this resolution on the FAST System for the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

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Brecanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.10
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**EMERGENCY RESOLUTION
N.J.S.A.40A:4-20 (TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS)**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40a:4-19 the Borough council of the Borough of Bloomingdale adopted Resolutions to provide temporary funds for the period from January 1, 2024 until the adoption of the Operating Budget for the Borough of Bloomingdale, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, additional appropriations will be required from May 7, 2024, until the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 provides that the governing body by two-thirds vote may make temporary emergency appropriations for any purpose for which appropriations may lawfully be made for the period between the beginning of the current fiscal year and the date of the adoption of the budget for said year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, NEW JERSEY, that:

- 1. The governing body by a two-thirds vote of its full membership hereby amends its temporary budget by making the following emergency temporary appropriations:

CURRENT FUND	\$8,000,000.00
WATER AND SEWER UTILITY FUND	\$3,000,000.00

- 2. This action shall take effect May 7, 2024.
- 3. A copy of this resolution shall be immediately filed with the Director of Local Government Services by the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Bloomingdale.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale at an Official Meeting held on May 7, 2024.

Brecanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.11
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH RECOVERY SOLUTIONS AND TITLE, LLC

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale Police Department is required to commit resources to manage and administer impounded, unclaimed and abandoned vehicles resulting from a police-initiated tow; and

WHEREAS, Recovery Solutions and Title, LLC provides vehicle impound related administration services without cost to the Borough of Bloomingdale; and

WHEREAS, the police towing operators pay Recovery Solutions and Title, LLC for vehicle impound services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has determined that it is the best interests of the residents of the Borough of Bloomingdale to enter into an Agreement with Recovery Solutions and Title, LLC to perform these services for the Police Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor or Mayor’s designees are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement with Recovery Solutions and Title, LLC.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

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Breeanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.12
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT TO SERPICO PYROTECHNICS,
LLC/STARFIRE CORPORATION FOR FIREWORKS DISPLAY ON JUNE 29, 2024**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale Council and Public Events committee is desirous of holding the annual ‘Fourth of July’ firework display for the Bloomingdale residents at the Walter T. Bergen School on June 29, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a proposal from Serpico Pyrotechnics, LLC/Starfire Corporation of 133 Orchid Court, Toms River, NJ 08753; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer or their designee has certified the availability of funds as evidenced in the annexed certification;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale as follows:

1. The Borough does hereby award a contract for Fireworks Display to Serpico Pyrotechnics, LLC/Starfire Corporation, to be held on Saturday, June 29th, 2024 with a rain date of June 30th, 2024.
2. The contract is hereby awarded in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00, and the Chief Financial Officer or their designee has certified the availability of funds.

- 3. The contract is below the bid threshold and accordingly is not awarded through the bidding process.
- 4. The Mayor and/or Business Administrator are hereby authorized to execute the display contract agreement.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

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Brecanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.13
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO DMC ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR LAND SURVEYING SERVICES (CATHERINE STREET/BAILEY AVENUE)

WHEREAS, the Borough has appointed DMC Associates, Inc. as the Borough’s Land Surveyor; and

WHEREAS, the Borough was awarded \$416,130.00 from the NJDOT Municipal Aid Program for the roadway preservation of Catherine Street and Bailey Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer recommends land surveying services for the preparation of an existing condition roadway survey of Catherine Street and Bailey Avenue; and

WHEREAS the Borough wishes to retain DMC Associates, Inc. to prepare the survey in accordance with their proposal dated February 20, 2024; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose as evidenced in the annexed certification of funds in an amount not to exceed \$18,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. §40A:11-1 *et seq.*, requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale, in the County of Passaic, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. This contract with DMC Associates, Inc. is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. §40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for a service performed by a person(s) authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law.

Section 2. DMC Associates, Inc. shall provide land surveying services as set forth in the proposal dated February 20, 2024 at a cost not to exceed \$18,000.00.

Section 3. A notice of this action shall be printed once in the legal newspaper of the Borough of Bloomingdale as required by law.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano			X		Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi			X	

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 Brecanna Smith, RMC
 Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5.14
 OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, prior to the conclusion of this Council Meeting, the Governing Body shall meet in Executive Session, from which the public shall be excluded, to discuss matters as permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, sub-section (s) (b):

1. Confidential or excluded matters, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court.
2. A matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.
3. Material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
4. A collective bargaining agreement including negotiations.
5. Purchase, lease or acquisition of real property, setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if disclosed.
6. Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, if disclosure could impair such protection. Investigation of violations of the law.
7. Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations other than in subsection b. (4) herein or matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.
8. Personnel matters.
9. Deliberations occurring after a public hearing that may result in penalties.

❖ *The time when the matter(s) discussed pursuant to Paragraph 1 hereof can be disclosed to the public is as soon as practicable after final resolution of the aforesaid matter(s).*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings of the State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1) The Borough Council shall hold a closed session from which the public shall be excluded on May 7, 2024.
- 2) The general nature of the subjects to be discussed at said closed session shall be related to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7). The matters: (1) Attorney/Client Privilege (Municipal Notice-Highlands Council)

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			
Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			

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 Brecanna Smith, RMC

Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale