

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

October 15, 2024

The Regular 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 7:00 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, Ed Pasternak

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 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-10.13: Motion for Executive Session

One matter: Contract Negotiations (BOE)
One matter: Atty/Client [Special Counsel (Gallagher V. Bloomingdale)]

Motion to enter executive session: Dawn Hudson

Second: Dominic Catalano

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

[entered at 7:02PM]

[resumed in open session at 8:25PM]

Motion to resume in open session: Dominic Catalano

Second: John Graziano

NON-AGENDA:

1. **Resolution No. 2024-10.24:** EcolSciences, Inc. to Provide a Preliminary Assessment Report for Bogue Pond

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT

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

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

- Objected to the hiring of Cody Neuberger (Resolution No. 2024-10.20)

Since there was no one who else wished to speak HUDON made a motion to close the meeting for public comment, seconded by CATALANO 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):

- Library Board of Trustees
 - Paint & Sip – November 3rd in Firemen's Hall
 - Adult Programs:
 - ABC Murder Book Club
 - Stephen Kind Book Club
 - Cook book Club
 - Reinforced library rules that minors under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult
 - *****Details for all programs are available on the Library website
- Tri-Boro First Aid Squad
 - 138 call outs for Bloomingdale, 1314 YTD total
 - Medical equipment available to the community
- BBYC:
 - Paint & sip 10/17 at St. Anthony's for \$55
 - Clothing Drive 10/26
 - Pink Out 10/26
 - Salute to Service Game 11/9
- Senior Advisory Committee/Center:
 - Walking club held every Wednesday at 9AM
 - E-Z Pass discount available for Seniors
 - Passaic County Nutrition available for \$1.25
 - Center open daily from 9AM-1PM
 - Monthly calendar and nutrition menu available on website

Councilman, Ray Yazdi (Budget Committee) *no report*

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

- Public/Borough Events:
 - October 19th – Expedition Bloomingdale (scavenger hunt)
 - October 19th Paper shredding event
 - Veteran's Day 11/11 ceremony at Sloan Park
- FD Ladies Auxiliary is selling shirts, donations support the fire department
- Rave & Recycle Coach sign up available on Borough Website

Council President, John Graziano (EDC Chairman)

- EDC
 - Scavenger Hunt – thank you to the sponsors, registration begins at 9:30AM

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

Councilman, Dominic Catalano (BEC liaison, Recreation liaison, Planning Board member) *no report*

Business Administrator, Michael Sondermeyer *no report*

Municipal Clerk, Breeanna Smith: no report

Borough Attorney: no report

CONSENT AGENDA

(Adoption of Resolutions No. 2024-10.14 – 2024-10.21)

Motion: Ray Yazdi

Second: Rich Dellaripa

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.14 **OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF** **THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

*Accepting, Approving and/or Adopting the Consent Agenda of the
October 15, 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:

- August 20, 2024 – Regular Meeting
- October 1, 2024 – Workshop Meeting

B. Resolution No. 2024-10.15: Return of Planning Board Escrow

C. Resolution No. 2024-10.16: Authorize Forfeiture of Planning Board Escrow Balances

D. Resolution No. 2024-10.17: Renewal of Shared Service Agreement with Pompton Lakes (Vegetative Waste)

E. Resolution No. 2024-10.18: Ch. 159 (BWC Grant for Police) \$48,000

F. Resolution No. 2024-10.19: Tax Title Lien Redemption

G. Resolution No. 2024-10.20: Hire DPW Seasonal Laborer (C. Neuberger)

H. Resolution No. 2024-10.21: Amend Professional Service Contract with Methfessel & Werbel (Special Counsel)

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

NEW BUSINESS

A. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-10.22: Municipal Obligations

Motion: Ray Yazdi

Second: Rich Dellaripa

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

B. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-10.23: Best Practice Inventory

Motion: Dawn Hudson

Second: Ray Yazdi

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

C. Introduction of Ordinance No. 18-2024: Amend Ch. 17 Water Section 6.1 Charges & Fees

A motion was made by HUDSON to read and introduce the Ordinance by title; second and final reading/ public hearing will be on November 19, 2024 at 7PM; the motion was seconded by YAZDI and carried on the following voice vote: all members present voting AYE, in favor; none were opposed.

The Municipal Clerk read by Title:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE TO AMEND CHAPTER 17, ENTITLED “WATER” SECTIONS 5.3 ‘CHARGE FOR REINSTALLATION’ AND SECTION 6.1 ‘CHARGES AND FEES’ OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

D. Introduction of Ordinance No. 19-2024: Vacate Portion of Holster Court

A motion was made by HUDSON to read and introduce the Ordinance by title; second and final reading/ public hearing will be on November 19, 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:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF A ROAD KNOWN AS HOLSTER COURT BY THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

NON-AGENDA:

1. **Resolution No. 2024-10.24:** EcolSciences, Inc. to Provide a Preliminary Assessment Report for Bogue Pond
Motion: Dawn Hudson
Second: Ray Yazdi
Roll Call Vote: HUDSON (YES), SCHUBERT (YES), YAZDI (YES), CATALANO (YES), DELLARIPA (YES), GRAZIANO (YES)

LATE PUBLIC COMMENT:

DELLARIPA opened the meeting to late public comment; seconded by YAZDI and carried on voice vote, all in favor voting AYE. Since there was no one else 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.

GOVERNING BODY SCHEDULE

- A. November 1, 2024 - Workshop Meeting at 8 a.m.**
- B. November 19, 2024 - Regular Meeting
- C. December 17, 2024 - Regular Meeting

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business to be conducted, YAZDI moved to adjourn at 7:31PM; seconded by GRAZIANO and carried on voice vote with all Council Members voting AYE.

Breeanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk

October 15, 2024 RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.13 OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

MOTION FOR EARLY 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 an early closed session from which the public shall be excluded on October 15, 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) Contract Negotiations with Board of Education & Attorney/Client Privilege regarding Special Counsel

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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Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.15 OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RETURN OF UNUSED PLANNING BOARD ESCROW FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Municipal Land Use Law allows for the collection of escrow deposits, Cash Bonds, and accumulated interest, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale has received escrow deposits for Review, Inspection fees and Cash Bonds for planning board applications, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board Professionals have certified that the applications and/or projects listed below have been completed and closed; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board Professionals further recommend that the remaining unused escrow balances of the following applications be returned to the applicant:

APPLICATION #:	APPLICANT NAME:
Application # 642	Jerilyn Stokem
Application #689	Tanis Concrete, Inc
Application #630	Edna Malinski
Application #658	Emiliano Pares
Application #710	Margaret Covert
Application #685	Vernon Kuiken
Application #662	Ali Osman
Application #660	Abdel Odeh
Application #643	Raymond Lombard
Application #666	Willco Services, LLC
Application #686	David Fierro
Application #687	Bernadette Miglin
Application #645	Michael Mahoney
Application #692	Daniel Mahler
Application #695	Leanne Scaturro
Application #681	Michele Ferry
Application #622	Outdoor Systems, Inc

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey does hereby authorize the Planning Board Secretary to release the unused balances in the above-mentioned Escrow Funds.

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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**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.16
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FORFEITURE OF ESCROW BALANCES

WHEREAS, the Municipal Land Use Law allows for the collection of escrow deposits, Cash Bonds, and accumulated interest, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale has received deposits for Review, Inspection fees and Cash Bonds, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board Professionals have certified that the applications and/or projects listed below have been completed and closed, and

Applicants	Application
Summit Bank	#571
Patriot Ridge	#620
Flarlas, LLC	#625

WHEREAS, the Borough has made good effort attempts to contact the applicants and has been unsuccessful, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey have been advised by the Borough Treasurer & Chief Financial Officer that certain outstanding balances need to be returned or forfeited from the Escrow Fund, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey does hereby authorize the Finance Department to have the unused balances in the Escrow Fund forfeited. The Borough Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order to the Borough to receive the funds as miscellaneous revenue.

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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**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.17
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, COUNTY OF
PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A
SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF
BLOOMINGDALE AND BOROUGH OF POMPTON LAKES FOR THE
COLLECTION OF VEGETATIVE WASTE**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pompton Lakes has a need for the collection of vegetative waste services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale Department of Public Works is capable of and able to perform such services for Pompton Lakes; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale will receive annual compensation for performance of such services as set forth in the Shared Services Agreement for Collection of Vegetative Waste; and

WHEREAS, in enacting the “Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act,” N.J.S.A. §40A:65-1 *et seq.*, the New Jersey Legislature has permitted municipalities to enter into agreements to provide or receive services to/from one another as a means to reduce municipal expenses; and

WHEREAS, accordingly, the Borough of Bloomingdale and the Borough of Pompton Lakes desire to enter into this Interlocal Shared Services Agreement (“Agreement”) through which

the Borough of Bloomingdale Department of Public Works shall perform vegetative waste collection services for the Borough of Pompton Lakes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale, in the County of Passaic, and State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an Interlocal Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Pompton Lakes for vegetative waste collection services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Interlocal Shared Services Agreement shall take effect upon the adoption of appropriate resolutions by all the parties thereto, and execution of agreements authorized thereunder as set forth in the Agreement.

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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Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.18
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriations
Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159, P.L. 1948)
*US Department of Justice
Body Worn Camera Grant***

WHEREAS, the Governing Body (“Governing Body”) of the Borough of Bloomingdale (“Borough”) finds and declares that N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (“Director”), within the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body further finds and declares that N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body further finds and declares that it is in the best interests of the citizens of the Borough to request approval of the insertion into the Borough’s 2024 Municipal Budget an item of revenue based upon a grant secured by the Borough from US Department of Justice;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale in the County of Passaic, New Jersey, hereby requests that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, approve the insertion of an item of revenue into the Borough’s 2024 Municipal Budget in the sum of **\$48,000.00**, which item is now available from the US Department of Justice – Small, Rural, and Tribal Body-Worn Camera Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of **\$48,000.00** be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption:

Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations
US Department of Justice
Body Worn Camera Grant

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer will electronically file with the State of NJ in accordance with LFN 2014-11.

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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Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.19
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REDEMPTION AND CANCELLATION OF TAX TITLE LIEN CERTIFICATES

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has reported receiving the amounts shown below for the redemption of the respective lien(s); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized and directed to pay the indicated amount to the holder of the lien certificate as hereinafter shown below:

Certificate No.	Certificate Date	Block / Lot	Reimbursement Amount	Pay to Lien Holder	FORM-1099
21-00005	12/28/2022	3042/5	\$ 492.95 Certificate \$1,900.00 Premium \$2,392.95 Total	Bala Partners LLC PO Box 303 Pottersville, NJ 07979	\$8.35

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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Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.20
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE SEASONAL LABORERS FOR
THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, there exists a need for laborers within the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the Assistant Superintendent of the Department of Public Works, William Morris, recommends that authorization be given to hire the following individual(s), to work seasonally, not to exceed 10 weeks for 40 hours per week, at the rate of \$20.00 per hour:

Employee Name	Start Date
Cody Neuberger	10/21/2024

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale that the aforementioned person(s) be hired as seasonal laborer(s) for the Department of Public Works.

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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**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.21
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO METHFESSEL & WERBEL, P.C. TO PROVIDE SPECIAL COUNSEL SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH

WHEREAS, the Borough Council authorized a professional service contract to provide special counsel services for the Borough via Resolution No. 2023-7.13 to Methfessel & Werbel, P.C in amount not to exceed \$15,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has a continued need of the special counsel services provided by Methfessel & Werbel, P.C.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to authorize additional funding for this service in an amount not exceed an additional \$16,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the CFO or their designee has certified the available funds for this purpose; and

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

Section 1. The contract with Methfessel & Werbel, P.C. 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. Methfessel & Werbel, P.C. shall provide Special Counsel services to the Borough as set forth in its proposal of June 23, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$31,000.00

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

Section 4. A copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Borough's Chief Financial Officer, and to Eric Harrison, Esq. of Methfessel & Werbel, P.C. 2025 Lincoln Highway, Suite 200, P.O. Box 3012, Edison NJ 08818, for their information and guidance.

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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Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.22
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

Authorizing Payment of Municipal Obligations

WHEREAS, the Governing Body ("Governing Body") of the Borough of Bloomingdale ("Borough") finds and declares that certain municipal obligations have come due and are now payable; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body further finds and declares that said obligations have been itemized on the annexed schedules, which are hereby deemed part of this Resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale does hereby authorize payment of said municipal obligations, in accordance with the recommendations of the Chief Financial Officer and the Borough Treasurer, from the following accounts and in the following amounts:

<u>LIST</u>	<u>BILLS LIST</u>	<u>PREPAID</u>	
CURRENT	\$3,454,104.39	CURRENT	\$703,682.81
UTILITY	\$194,396.87	UTILITY	\$22,871.73
CAPITAL	\$176,512.59	OPEN SPACE	
CAPITAL UTILITY	\$0.00	TRUST ACCOUNT	
TRUST	\$14,718.71	RECYCLING	\$3,600.00
DOG TRUST	\$316.20	DOG TRUST	
RECREATION	\$853.81	UNEMPLOYMENT	\$4,940.00
ROSE FUND	\$3,114.21	CAPITAL	
RECYCLING	\$0.00	WATER CAPITAL	\$437.96
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$10.19	RECREATION	\$130.60
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	\$0.00	CAPITAL ASSESSMENT	
TOTAL	\$3,844,026.97	TOTAL	\$735,663.10

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Catalano	X				Dellaripa	X			
Graziano	X				Schubert	X			

Hudson	X				Yazdi	X			
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recusals are listed in the official minutes

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Breeanna Smith, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.23
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

2024 Municipal Best Practices Inventory

WHEREAS, The Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services requires municipality to complete the Best Practice Inventory; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale has complied with the request to complete the Best Practice Inventory Worksheet; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Administrative Officer (Michael Sondermeyer) and the Chief Financial Officer (Heather Barkenbush) of every municipality must both certify the inventory using the Online FAST platform; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Clerk must certify that the Inventory and the results will be discussed at a public meeting; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Bloomingdale's Best Practice Inventory Worksheet has been reviewed by the Governing Body at public meeting held on October 15, 2024; submitted to the Division by the required October 25, 2024 due date, and that the Business Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to prepare the necessary certifications.

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 October 15, 2024.

Breeanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10.24
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO ECOLSCIENCES, INC. TO PROVIDE A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR BOGUE POND

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale has been awarded \$750,000 from the NJDEP Green Acres funding for an inclusive playground at Bogue Pond Park; and

WHEREAS, Green Acres Program has established interim timelines to ensure projects make continuous progress. Prior to going to bid a preliminary assessment report (PAR) must be completed by November 18, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer recommends the Borough retain EcolSciences, Inc. to complete the preliminary assessment and checklist pursuant to the NJDEP regulations; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount for services under this contract shall not exceed \$2,500.00 as per the October 11, 2024 proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer [*or their designee*] has certified the available of funds as evidenced in the annex certification; 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 be available for public inspection.

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

Section 1. The contract with EcolSciences, 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. EcolSciences, Inc. shall provide services to the Borough as set forth in its proposal dated October 11, 2024.

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

Section 4. A copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Finance Department, and to EcolSciences, Inc., of 75 Fleetwood Drive Suite 250, Rockaway, NJ 07866, for their information and guidance.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent	COUNCIL PERSON	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
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