

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

October 6, 2026

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 John D’Amato led the **Salute to the Flag**.

Official Roll Call: (taken by the Municipal Clerk)

In Attendance: Mayor John D’Amato
Councilman David Bronkhurst
Councilman Dominic Catalano
Councilman John Graziano
~~Councilwoman Jennifer Hagin~~ (excused)
Councilwoman Evelyn Schubert
Councilman Ray Yazdi

Municipal Clerk, Breeanna Smith
Business Administrator, Michael Sondermeyer
Borough Attorney, Jeff Frankenburger

PUBLIC NOTICE STATEMENT

Mayor John 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 9, 2026; 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.

PRESENTATION

A. Recognition of Mary Mozzola – Mary Mozzola was recognized for her retirement after 30 years of dedicated service to the Borough in several roles, including police dispatcher, police matron, and crossing guard. The Mayor presented her with a Certificate of Recognition, followed by remarks from Chief Greenwoud, who acknowledged her strong work ethic, dedication, and valuable contributions to the Police Department.

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT

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

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

- Explanation of claimant certification process (reso 2026-10.7)
- Confirmed location of security cameras (Delazier)
- Location of Block: 3046 Lot: 38

Pamela Pearce – 17 Vreeland Ave, Bloomingdale
Made the following inquiries:

- Clarification and apology of public comment made at previous meeting

Evelyn Schubert, Councilwoman – Bloomingdale
Made the following inquiries:

- Discussion of Block: 3046 Lot: 38 being offered to contiguous owners

Since there was no one else who wished to speak BRONKHURST 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, ROSE Fund & Tri-Boro First Aid Liaison, Public Events Committee)

- Recapped all the upcoming events available at the Senior Center
- Highlighted the center's FB page "Bloomingdale NJ Seniors"
- Provided a statistical update on Tri Boro 1288 YTD calls
- No rain date for Celebration Day
- Halloween Pet Costume Photo Contest, submit entries by October 31
- Veteran's Day Ceremony – November 11th

Councilman, John Graziano

(EDC Chairman, Triboro Little League Liaison, Budget Committee member, Government Operations Committee member, Ordinance Review Committee member)

- Tri Boro Little League:
- Economic Development:
 - "Movie on Main Street" October 10th in Sloan Park 6PM

Councilman, Dominic Catalano

(BEC liaison, Recreation liaison, Planning Board member)

- Planning Board:
- Recreation:
- Misc: 5K run for BobKochka & Hearts for Harper was well attended, Rock Garden in memory of Harper Luski MBD School Oct 12 at 3:30PM

Councilman, David Bronkhurst

(BOE liaison, Ordinance Review Committee Member, Public Safety Committee member, Shared Service Committee member, Environmental Commission liaison)

- Board of Education Liaison: provided update of WTB construction
- Environmental Commission: ongoing clean up of Oakwood Lake
- Applebee's Fundraiser for Wreaths Across America

Councilwoman, Jenniffer Hagin

(Library Board Liaison, Board of Health Liaison, Public Events Committee):

- Library:
- Public events:
- BOH:

Council President, Ray Yazdi

(Budget Committee, Government Operations Committee, Shared Service Committee, Bloomingdale/Butler Soccer Club)

Mike Sondermeyer, Business Administrator:

Noted the following:

- Foundation for Literacy – Dueling Pianos 10/23
- Current projects in progress: Chestnut drainage, and Ann & Elm

Mayor John D'Amato:

- 5k in honor of Bob Kochka & Hearts for Harper – 228 people attended

- Little library installed at Delazier by Perri Crowl, Girl Scout

CONSENT AGENDA

(Adoption of Resolutions No. 2026-10.1 – 2026-10.9)

Motion for adoption: Dominic Catalano
Second: Ray Yazdi
Roll Call Vote: BRONKHURST (YES), CATALANO (YES), GRAZIANO (YES), HAGIN (ABSENT), SCHUBERT (YES), YAZDI (YES)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10.1
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

*Accepting, Approving and/or Adopting the Consent Agenda of the
October 6, 2026 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:**
 - September 15, 2026 – Executive Session
 - September 15, 2026 – Regular Meeting
- B. Resolution No. 2026-10.2:** Ch 159 AAA Northeast Pedestrian Safety Enforcement Grant (\$1,120)
- C. Resolution No. 2026-10.3:** Renewal of Shared Service Agreement with Pompton Lakes (Emergency Municipal Court Room Use)
- D. Resolution No. 2026-10.4:** Cancellation of Capital Ordinance
- E. Resolution No. 2026-10.5:** Ch 159 Open Space Grant Balance (\$60,561.70)
- F. Resolution No. 2026-10.6:** Participation in NJ Cash Mgmt Fund
- G. Resolution No. 2026-10.7:** Claimant Certification Requirement Policy
- H. Resolution No. 2026-10.8:** Authorizing Borough Attorney to Explore Subdivision & Sale of Borough Owned Property (Block 3046, Lot 38)
- I. Resolution No. 2026-10.9:** Purchase of Security Cameras

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NEW BUSINESS (NONE)

LATE PUBLIC COMMENT:

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

GOVERNING BODY SCHEDULE

- A. October 20, 2026 at 7PM – Regular Meeting**
- B. November 10, 2026 at 7PM – Regular Meeting**
- C. November 24, 2026 at 7PM – Regular Meeting**

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business to be conducted, CATALANO moved to adjourn at 7:41PM; seconded by YAZDI and carried on voice vote with all Council Members voting AYE.

Breeanna Smith, RMC
Municipal Clerk

October 6, 2026 RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10.2
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)
*AAA Northeast – NJ Division of Highway Safety
Pedestrian Safety Enforcement 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 2026 Municipal Budget an item of revenue based upon a grant secured by the Borough from the State of New Jersey [NJ Division of Highway Safety];

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 2026 Municipal Budget in the sum of \$1,120.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey Grant Funding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$1,120.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption:

*Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations
AAA Northeast – NJ Highway Safety
Pedestrian Safety Enforcement 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.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10.3
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF A SHARED SERVICE
AGREEMENT FOR THE USE OF MUNICIPAL COURT FACILITY IN THE EVENT OF
AN EMERGENCY BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF POMPTON LAKES AND THE
BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. (the “Act”), authorizes local units of this State to enter into an agreement with any other local unit or units to provide or receive any service that each local unit participating in the agreement is empowered to provide or receive in its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, in the event that either municipality is in the emergent need of the services of a municipal court facility to hold and adjudicate its municipal court matters that would typically be held in their own municipal building (the "Services"), the municipalities are willing to assist the other by permitting the municipality to hold its weekly municipal court sessions in the other municipal court room one (1) day per week as long as necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Bodies of Pompton Lakes and Bloomingdale have determined that it is in the mutual best interest of each municipality to provide the use of the other’s municipal court room.

WHEREAS, said renewal agreement shall be effective for a period of three (3) years, commencing on January 1, 2027 and terminating December 31, 2029.; and

WHEREAS, execution of said agreement is authorized pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seg.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by 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 the use of municipal court room in the event of an emergency.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10.4
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF GENERAL CAPITAL
ORDINANCES**

WHEREAS, certain General Capital Improvement Authorizations have appropriation balances which remain dedicated to projects that are completed; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the unexpended balances may be credited to capital surplus, grants receivable and unused debt authorizations may be cancelled;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Bloomingdale, the following unexpended and dedicated balances of General Capital Fund appropriations be cancelled:

Ordinance	Project	<u>Amount Cancelled</u>	
<u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Receivable</u>	<u>Reserve</u>
20-2024	Bogue Playground – Passaic County Open Space Grant	\$60,561.70	\$60,561.70
		<u>\$60,561.70</u>	<u>\$60,561.70</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the above listed unused funded and unfunded improvement authorizations totaling \$60,561.70.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10.5
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)
Passaic County Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust
Delazier Park Project

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 2026 Municipal Budget an item of revenue based upon a grant secured by the Borough from the Passaic County Open Space Trust Fund; and

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 2026 Municipal Budget in the sum of \$60,561.70, which item is now available from the Passaic County Open Space Trust Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$60,561.70 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption:

Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations
Passaic County Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust
Open Space Grant - Delazier Park Project

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10.6
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE

Resolution Authorizing Participation In & Designation Of Authorized Officials For The
State Of New Jersey Cash Management Fund

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 and N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1 authorize New Jersey municipalities to deposit public funds in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale desires to open an investment account with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund to maximize interest earnings on available municipal cash balances; and

WHEREAS, monies deposited in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund may only be redeemed and transferred electronically into an authorized, GUDPA-approved municipal depository bank account;

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

1. The Borough is hereby authorized to open an investment account with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.
2. The following municipal officers are hereby designated as Authorized Officials to execute enrollment documents, make deposits, request redemptions (withdrawals), and issue wire or ACH transfer instructions on behalf of the Borough:
 - a. Chief Financial Officer / CMFO (Heather Barkenbush)
 - b. Business Administrator (Michael Sondermeyer)
3. Redemptions and wire transfers from the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund shall be restricted exclusively to the Borough’s primary GUDPA-approved operating account at Provident Bank

4. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded by the Municipal Clerk to the Chief Financial Officer and the Division of Investment in the Department of the Treasury, State of New Jersey (cmf@treas.nj.gov).

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10.7
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL & /IMPLEMENTATION OF
CLAIMANT CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT POLICY**

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6 and 5:31-4.1 allows for greater flexibility for local units when implementing the claimant certification requirement set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:5-16(a); and

WHEREAS, the local units are now given discretion to require a claimant certification as it deems necessary and appropriate; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6 as well as 5:31-4.1 also provides that claimant certification cannot be waived for the advance or reimbursement of employee expenses, or for services provided exclusively and entirely by an individual (e.g. sole proprietors);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6 as well as 5:31-4.1, the Borough of Bloomingdale hereby will only require claimant certification for the following types of payments:

Reimbursement of employee expenses
Professional services including, but not limited to attorney, bond counsel, financial advisor, auditor, engineer and planner

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10.8
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ATTORNEY TO EXPLORE THE
POSSIBLE SUBDIVISION AND SALE OF BOROUGH OWNED PROPERTY KNOWN
AS BLOCK 3046, LOT 38**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has discussed the possibility of conducting a public land sale involving certain parcels of real property owned by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has identified parcels shown on the municipal tax map that may no longer be needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, Block 3046, Lot 38 is among the Borough-owned property being considered, and the Borough Council wishes to determine whether a subdivision of that property may be feasible and appropriate before considering any disposition; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council desires to authorize the Borough Attorney to investigate the legal and procedural requirements for a possible subdivision and public sale of Block 3046, Lot 38, subject to all applicable laws, regulations, approvals, notices, and further action by the Borough Council;

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

1. The Borough Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to explore and advise the Borough Council regarding the procedure, legal requirements, and approvals necessary for the possible subdivision and public sale of Block 3046, Lot 38.
2. In carrying out this authorization, the Borough Attorney may coordinate with the Borough Administrator, Borough Engineer, Tax Assessor, Land Use Administrator, and such other

municipal officials and professionals as may be appropriate.

3. This Resolution authorizes investigation and preliminary review only. Any further action shall require further authorization by the Borough Council in accordance with applicable law.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10.9
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO SHI INTERNATIONAL FOR SECURITY CAMERAS USING (BERGEN COUNTY) NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE (NJCPA) CONTRACT BC-BID-24-38 (CO-OP #CK04)

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.3 et seq. may, by Resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services through the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (NJCPA), which has been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale desires to purchase security cameras through the NJCPA contract BC-BID-24-38 (co-op #ck04); and

WHEREAS, SHI International, of Somerset, NJ has been awarded the contract BC-BID-24-38 [computer equipment & peripherals]; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds of the best means available to obtain the goods and/or services; and

WHEREAS, the contract shall not exceed the amount of \$47,831.27; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer, has certified the ability of funds in the annexed certification; and

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

1. The Borough of Bloomingdale hereby authorizes the award of a contract to SHI International, of Somerset, NJ through the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance BC-Bid-24-38.
2. The total fee authorized for this contract shall not exceed \$47,831.27 without the prior written approval of the Borough Council.
3. The Mayor, Borough Clerk and/or such other officials as is necessary and proper are hereby authorized to execute documents necessary to implement this Resolution.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.