

**WORK SESSION OF
THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

April 14, 2009

Mayor Steenstra called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

<i>In Attendance:</i>	Mayor:	William Streenstra
	Council President:	Jennifer Altfield
	Council Members:	Linda J. Huntley Bernie Vroom Thomas Marinaro Dean Specchio Mark A. Crum
<i>Professionals Present:</i>	Municipal Clerk:	Jane McCarthy, RMC
	Borough Attorney:	Joseph V. MacMahon, Esq.
	Chief Financial Officer:	Donna Mollineaux
Absent:	Borough Administrator:	Ted Ehrenburg (Excused)

SALUTE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

William Gervens led the Salute to the Flag.

PUBLIC NOTICE STATEMENT

Mayor Steenstra stated that on November 11, 2008, public notification of the date, time and place of this Official Meeting was faxed and mailed to all local news media and posted in the Bloomingdale Municipal Building.

Mayor Steenstra stated that since the Borough Administrator is not here this evening Items 12, 13, 14 and 15 will be pulled from this evening's agenda.

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilman Vroom opened the meeting up to Public Comment; seconded by Councilman Specchio and carried on voice vote with all Council Members voting YES.

Sheldon Bross, 87 Wood Place in Glenwild Lakes, spoke in regard to the discussion of leaves which is on the agenda this evening. He noted that Glenwild Lake has never had leaf collection and there is some who say that it is harmful to leave the leaves around the trees.

Mr. Bross noted that leaves are collected in Morse lakes and felt that all the lakes should be treated the same and fairly and if leaves are collected in Morse lakes, then they should be in all the lakes.

Since there was no one else who wished to speak under Public Comment, Councilman Vroom moved that it be closed; seconded by Councilman Marinaro and carried on voice vote with all Council Members voting YES.

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Municipal Clerk

School Board Election

Municipal Clerk noted that the School Board election will be Tuesday, April 21, 2009 from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m.

June Meeting Schedule

Municipal Clerk asked if there are going to be any changes to the June meeting schedule as she has to send out liquor license renewals and note on the letter when the applications will be considered.

Mayor Steenstra asked for personal reasons that the June 9 meeting be rescheduled.

Councilwoman Altfield moved that the June 9, 2009 meeting be rescheduled to June 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.; seconded by Councilman Marinaro and carried on voice vote.

(Note for the Record – this meeting may be changed at the next meeting as June 9, 2009 is Primary Election Day)

Borough Administrator

Chief Financial Officer stated that she will have an additional resolution to add to the agenda later in the meeting.

PRESENTATION

At this time, Eileen Swawn, Director of Highlands Council and Tom Bordon, Deputy Director of Highlands and Joe Burgis, Borough Planner were in attendance to discuss the affect of the Highlands regulations on the Borough and various grant opportunities to the Borough.

Discussion was held also in regard to the Borough's COAH obligations, water/sewer capacity, etc.

Mayor Steenstra thanked the Highlands Council and Mr. Burgis for their presentation and noted that we now have a better understanding of the effects of the Highlands regulations.

RECESS

The mayor and Council recessed at this time, 8:10 p.m.

RECONVENED

Mayor Steenstra reconvened the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

PENDING BUSINESS

Governmental Operations

Mayor Steenstra stated that we have another presentation for Executive Session and would like to do it now as the gentleman is here now and we would like to go into a 20 minute Executive Session.

Adoption of Resolution #2009-4.1: Authorization for Executive Session

Councilwoman Altfield offered the following Resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #2009-4.1
OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

Authorizing the Convening of an Executive Session

WHEREAS, the Governing Body (“Governing Body”) of the Borough of Bloomingdale (“Borough”) finds and declares that Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

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

**WORK SESSION MEETING AGENDA
OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, NEW JERSEY**

*Tuesday, April 14, 2009 7:00 p.m.
Bloomingdale Municipal Building Council Chambers
101 Hamburg Turnpike, Bloomingdale, New Jersey*

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR WILLIAM STEENSTRA
Presiding Officer of the Governing Body

2. SALUTE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

3. OFFICIAL ROLL CALL OF THE GOVERNING BODY

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5. EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT (Reserved for Agenda Items)

6. PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

- A. Municipal Clerk**
- B. Borough Administrator**
- C. Borough Attorney**

7. PRESENTATION:

- A. Presentation by Eileen Swan of the Highlands Preservation Commission**

8. PENDING BUSINESS:

- A. Governmental Operations Committee**
 - 1. Discussion as to Leaf Pickup in the Borough**
 - 2. Introduction of Ordinance #___-2009: Designating Fire Zones**
 - 3. Status in regard to decision on Gypsy Moth Spraying**
- B. Public Health & Safety Committee**
- C. Ordinance Review Committee**
- D. Ratables & Revenues Committee**
- E. Grant Writers Committee**

9. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS

- A. Governmental Operations Committee**
 - 1. Adoption of Resolution #2009-4.____: Temporary Budget**
 - 2. Adoption of Resolution #2009-4.____: Request for Pension Payment Deferral**
 - 3. Resignation of Keith Rounds as Member of Economic Development Commission and appointment of Keith Rounds as Consultant**
 - 4. Appointment of Economic Development Member to replace Keith Rounds; unexpired term expiring 12/31/13**
 - 5. Acceptance of Resignation of Carolyn Bross as Member of Planning Board**
 - 6. Appointment of Kevin Luccio to replace Carolyn Bross on Planning Board as Class IV Member; unexpired term expiring 12/31/12**
 - 7. Appointment of John Hoerman to replace Kevin Luccio as Alternate IV; unexpired term expiring 12/31/09**
 - 8. Adoption of Resolution #2009-4.____: Requesting Summer Help from the Passaic County One Stop Career Center**
 - 9. Any action in regard to Passaic County CBDG Grant Application**
 - 10. Notice from State of NJ in regard to Mortgage Stabilization and Relief Act and responsibility of Municipal Clerk**
 - 11. Resolutions for April 28, 2009 Meeting:**
 - a. Silver Star Banner Day**
 - b. Appreciation to former Mayor Larry Anzovino for his public service to the NJ Municipalities in preparing certificates and Plaques for various events, etc.**

**SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, NEW JERSEY**

*Friday, December 4, 2009 8:15 a.m.
Bloomingdale Municipal Building Council Chambers
101 Hamburg Turnpike, Bloomingdale, New Jersey*

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR WILLIAM STEENSTRA
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_____ Borough Attorney:	Joseph V. MacMahon, Esq.
_____ Chief Financial Officer	Donna Mollineaux

4. PUBLIC NOTICE STATEMENT

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5. EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT (*Reserved for Agenda Items*)

6. SPECIAL BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion and Action in Connection with the Borough Opting into the Highlands Regulatory Program**

7. GOVERNING BODY SCHEDULE

- A. Work Session Meeting: Tuesday, December 8, 2009 (7:00 p.m.)**
- B. Regular Business Meeting: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 (7:00 p.m.)**

8. ADJOURNMENT

DRAFT – NOT ADOPTED YET

**WORK SESSION OF
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November 10, 2009

Mayor Steenstra called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

<i>In Attendance:</i>	Mayor:	William Steenstra
	Council President:	Jennifer Altfield
	Council Members:	Bernie Vroom Linda Huntley Thomas Marinaro Dean Specchio Mark A. Crum
	Councilwoman-elect	Jo-Ann Pituch
<i>Professionals Present:</i>	Municipal Clerk:	Jane McCarthy, RMC
	Borough Attorney:	Joseph V. MacMahon, Esq.
	CFO/Asst. to Adm.	Donna Mollineaux

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PUBLIC NOTICE STATEMENT

Mayor Steenstra stated that adequate notice of this meeting was posted in the Bloomingdale Municipal Building and provided to The Suburban Trends; The North Jersey Herald & News; and all other local news media on November 11, 2008.

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilman Crum moved to open the meeting to Early Public Comment; seconded by Councilman Marinaro and carried on voice vote.

Since there was no one who wished to speak under Early Public Comment, Councilman Vroom moved that it be closed; seconded by Councilman Specchio and carried on voice vote

PROFESIONAL REPORTS

Municipal Clerk

Veterans Day

Municipal Clerk reminded everyone that there will be a ceremony tomorrow at 11 a.m. in Sloan Park to honor our Veterans.

Borough Administrator

DPW Garage

Borough Administrator stated that the issue with the drainage has been resolved with Atlantic Engineering and also the new utility poles.

Borough Attorney

Bloomingtondale v. Farlas

Borough Attorney stated that the Judge has entered a judgment in favor of the Borough in the amount of \$40,000; he has 45 days to appeal.

Borough Attorney commended Construction Code Officer Dan Hagberg on his work on this case. There will be a lien on the property if the money is not paid.

Governmental Operations Committee

Upper Morse Lakes Watermain Extension and Engineering Payment

The Contractor has submitted his completed punch list and is payment is recommended. There were two residents have sidebar issues that will need to be addressed but not involving the payment due.

Borough Administrator has asked Finance Department to prepare the payment and we will proceed with the sign off by the DEP.

In regard to the condition of the roads, they are as good as they are going to get in 2009; they need to wait for settlement; no payment has been made for the paving.

Ordinance Review Committee

Review of Ordinances

Mayor Steenstra noted the Committee is in the process of reviewing all of our ordinances; it is the intention that the Mayor and Dan Hagberg will be sitting down with Alan Gunderson once or twice by the end of the year to go over the proposed changes.

Grant Writers Committee

Councilwoman Huntley discussed the two firms which were interviewed; Millennium Strategies and Bruno Associates. It was noted that the Board of Education Member John Pituch while at our last meeting noted that he had not gotten a firm answer from Dr. Rosenberg as to doing a joint venture. Mayor asked that she be contacted to get a firm yes or no as to utilizing the same Grant Writer for a discounted price.

PRESENTATION BY BOROUGH PLANNER JOSEPH BURGIS

Kevin Kain, Planner from Burgis Associates was in attendance and updated the mayor and Council as to where we are at this Highlands Plan; if we want to opt in, a resolution needs to be submitted by December 8. If we want to file a housing plan, that deadline is June 8, 2010.

Noted that if you opt in, that will be your number; did not see COAH going to a "0" number.

At this time, discussion was held as to benefits of opting into the Highlands; Highlands provides builders with legal representation.

Consensus that resolution will be prepared for the December 8 meeting; Borough Attorney will reach out to the Judge as to the time frame in regard to our court judgment; we may have to have a special meeting.

In regard to question raised by Councilman Crum as to expenses charged for seminars, Mr. Kain noted that he represents Bloomingdale; we will not be paying for any of this. No payment should be sent to them until the Borough is reimbursed from the Highlands.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS

Governmental Operations Committee

Resignation from Recreation commission of Glynn Gross and Annette Sanders

Noted receipt of resignations of Glynn Gross and Annette Sanders with regret.

Discussion as to lease with Bloomingdale Cornet Band

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- A. **Municipal Clerk**
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7. PRESENTATION BY BOROUGH PLANNER JOSEPH BURGIS

8. PENDING BUSINESS:

- A. Governmental Operations Committee**
 - 1. Discussion as to Upper Morse Lakes Watermain Extension and Engineering Payment**
- B. Public Health & Safety Committee**
- C. Ordinance Review Committee**
- D. Ratables & Revenues Committee**
- E. Grant Writers Committee**
 - 1. Discussion as to Hiring of a Grantwriter**

9. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS

- A. Governmental Operations Committee**
 - 1. Resignations from Recreation Commission of Glynn Gross and Annette Sanders**
 - 2. Discussion as to lease with Bloomingdale Cornet Band with Senior Citizen Center**
 - 3. Adoption of Resolution #2009-11.____: Budget Transfer**
- B. Public Health & Safety Committee**
 - 1. Request from Police Chief for appointment of Toni Hasson as a substitute Crossing Guard**
- C. Ordinance Review Committee Park**
- D. Ratables & Revenues Committee**
- E. Grant Writers Committee**

10. SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE #15-2009

- A. Ordinance #15-2009 – Amending Ordinance #14-2008 and Regulating Recycling Bins**
 - **Public Notice Statement**
 - **Motion to Read Ordinance by Title**
 - **Explanatory Statement**
 - **Motion to Open Public Hearing**
 - **Public Hearing**
 - **Motion to Close Public Hearing**
 - **Motion for Adoption**

11. LATE PUBLIC COMMENT

(Pertaining to Official Business of the Governing Body)

BLOOMINGDALE PLANNING BOARD
101 Hamburg Turnpike
Bloomingtondale, NJ 07403

Minutes
Regular Meeting 7:30pm
August 13, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm

SALUTE TO FLAG

LEGAL

This is the Regular Meeting of the Bloomingdale Planning Board of August 13, 2009 adequate advance notice of this meeting has been provided by publication in the Herald and News and also posted on the bulletin board at the Council Chamber entrance in the Municipal Hall of the Borough of Bloomingdale, Passaic County, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 seq.

FIRE CODE

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ROLL CALL

MEMBERS/ALTERNATE MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer Altfield	Alan Gundersen	Linda Shortman
Bruce Conklin	Catherine Hecht	Edward Simoni
James W. Croop	Mike Mascitello	

MEMBERS/ALTERNATE MEMBERS EXCUSED/ABSENT

Robert Bloodgood-abs	Kevin Luccio-ex
Peter Dorram-ex	Steve Ramiza-ex
John Hoerman-abs	

APPOINTING OF ALTERNATES

Catherine Hecht for Peter Dorram
Mike Mascitello for Steve Ramiza

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Comm. Altfield, 2nd by Comm. Simoni to approve minutes of the June 18, 2009 Regular Meeting. Voice vote shows all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of Draft Highlands Element for Master Plan

Presentation given by Kevin Kain, Burgis Associates, Inc.

Discussion on Module 3

Mr. Kain states that this is not a formal hearing and no vote will take place. He gives brief description of Highlands Act and his reason for presentation.

A Regional Master Plan was adopted in 2008, the municipality is given opportunity to review and decide whether or not they would like to participate in the planning area.

Some reasons why to participate:

- Will be participating with regional planning
- Grants will be given
- Allows municipality technical assistance
- Assistance for approval and state funding
- Financial incentives and tech support
- provide with council for possible litigation
- cooperation with COAH

The third round COAH number in Bloomingdale is 76 units from 2004-2018, the prior round was over 100. If borough participates thru Highlands, the number should drop significantly.

- main detriment would be that development restrictions could change which may be a concern.

Mr. Kain provides color-coded map to show different areas. He provides description of areas to board members.

Mr. Kain states that he is aware that Bloomingdale does not have a lot of undeveloped land; therefore re-development of already developed areas is encouraged.

Whether or not the Borough decides to participate is ultimately the decision of the Mayor and Council. The deadline of the Highlands Act for Preservation Area is Dec 9th. The Borough would need to make a decision by this time.

Motion made by Comm. Altfield, 2nd by Comm. Mascitello to open meeting to public for questions pertaining to Mr. Kain. Voice vote shows all in favor.

Albert Hopkinson, 109 Demarest Road asks question about who owns property located in the Highlands preservation area.

Mr. Kain responds that he can't really answer that, his purpose tonight is for review of the module.

Michael Pappa, 8 Maple Lake Road, asks if this information is available on the internet. Mr. Kain responds that there are regional maps available and you can zoom in on the desired area.

Bob Schiffman, 48 Ridge Road, asks if an area is environmentally sensitive, who holds trump card, Highlands or COAH.

Mr. Kain responds that he is a private consultant for the town and is not an employee of the Highlands.

Motion made by Comm. Mascitello, 2nd by Comm. Altfield to close the meeting to the public for questioning of Mr. Kain. Voice vote shows all in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING APPLICATION #614

#614 Hopkinson, Albert 109 Demarest Road Block 44, Lot 74

(Seated on application are: Mascitello, Hecht, Simoni, Shortman, Conklin & Gundersen)

Anthony Sartori, Planning Board Attorney, reviews service and states that it appears to be in order. Swears in Mr. Albert Hopkinson, 109 Demarest Road.

William Gregor, Planning Board Engineer states that the proposed construction is on ground level and will infringe on the rear yard set back of 25'.

Mr. Hopkinson explains that the footprint of the house is not changing. The deck already exists and the proposed construction is below the deck.

Mr. Gregor reads his 3-page report dated July 30, 2009 into the record. Report marked as exhibit B-1 on 8-13-09.

In reference to #11 on Mr. Gregor's report, the applicant has requested a waiver from the Board for items on checklist that are not submitted.

Motion made by Comm. Shortman, 2nd by Comm. Simoni, to grant waiver request. Voice vote shows all in favor.

Comm. Shortman asks Mr. Hopkinson if he presented plans to Glenwild Lake and did he get approval.

Mr. Hopkinson responds that he did get approval from Glenwild Lake and that the letter was submitted to the Board.

Survey submitted by Mr. Hopkinson is marked as exhibit A-1.

Final plans submitted will be signed and sealed.

Comm. Mascitello asks where property line ends.

Mr. Hopkinson states that from water to edge of wall is 25 feet, sundeck is add'l 3 feet.

Comm. Gundersen asks how many sliding doors are proposed.

Mr. Hopkinson replies that he is not sure yet.