

BUDGET MINUTES
Bloomfield Borough Council
September 29, 2025

Bloomfield Borough Council met this evening in the Bloomfield Borough Council Chambers in special session for the purpose of budget and any other business that may come before Council with the following Council members present: President Malinda C. Anderson, Vice President J. Kevin Fitzpatrick, Karl L. Cless, Jessica L. Grindle and R. Kevin McCarty.

Also present: Borough Secretary Danielle Shope, Assistant Secretary Susanne Woolever, Borough Employees Damon Hartman, and Becky Smiley.

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Recording of the Meeting – President Anderson reported that the budget session will not be recorded, except in matters where a vote is necessary and conducted.

2026 Budget - Council spent the evening comparing figures, determining projects that will be completed in 2026 and adding/deleting classifications as needed.

General Fund

President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Vice President Fitzpatrick to accept the Minimum Municipal Obligation Worksheet (MMO) for plan year 2026. The proposed cost will be \$10,541.00.

Vice President Fitzpatrick made a motion, seconded by Councilman McCarty to approve the new attorney fees for 2026. A resolution to be passed before the end of the year to establish fees for 2026.

Borough Council also discussed having the engineer and the solicitor attend council meetings only on an as-needed basis.

Sewer Fund

President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Grindle to eliminate the brush pick up fee, to increase the sewer billing by \$5 per unit per quarter, and to increase the garbage billing by \$2 per unit per quarter.

President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fitzpatrick to adjust the salary distribution for the sewer plant employees to be a 65/35 split. 65% of salaries will be charged to the Sewer Fund and 35% of sewer salaries will be charged to the General Fund.

There being no further business, upon motion by Vice President Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councilman McCarty, the budget meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. to meet on Tuesday, October 7, 2025 for the regularly scheduled meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle L. Shope, Secretary