

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH
OF BLOOMFIELD, PERRY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING
BOROUGH COUNCIL RULES FOR ENGAGEMENT**

WHEREAS, Borough Council is committed to the democratic process, individual rights of expression, robust debate, and respect of those with opposing viewpoints; and

WHEREAS, Borough Council recognizes that our society is burdened by a trend of increasing incivility and a growing intolerance towards those with different views; and

WHEREAS, Borough Council desires to be a positive model of local government, to seek excellence in public administration, and to hold its members to the highest personal standards; and

WHEREAS, Borough Council seeks to promote leadership authority, respect and working relationships among elected officials of the Borough of Bloomfield internally and with members of the public; and


WHEREAS, Borough Council desires to establish a code of ethical behavior for elected officials of the Borough of Bloomfield to ensure an orderly and respectful framework within the which the Borough's business can be conducted and encouraging Council members to act toward each other and the public with charity and respect, and by prohibiting inappropriate behavior; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomfield is authorized to establish and adopt these rules pursuant to the Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S.A. § 101, *et seq.*, and all amendments thereto, and the Sunshine Act, 65 Pa.C.S.A. § 701, *et seq.*, and all amendments thereto.

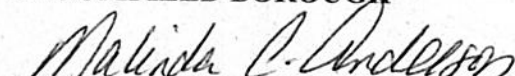
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of Bloomfield Borough, Perry County, Pennsylvania hereby reaffirms and adopts the Rules of Engagement that shall be applicable to the behavior of elected officials of the Borough of Bloomfield as set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof, entitled "Ten Council Rules for Engagement."

RESOLUTION APPROVED this 10th day of January, 2023.

ATTEST:


Danielle L. Shope, Secretary

BLOOMFIELD BOROUGH

By: 
Malinda C. Anderson, President



Edward T. Albright, Jr., Mayor

EXHIBIT A

TEN COUNCIL RULES FOR ENGAGEMENT

1. Make every effort to attend meetings, be on time and actively participate with committees.
2. Actively engage and treat each other, the Borough officials, employees, contractors and the public with respect.
3. Be believable, do what we say we will do.
4. Be likeable, a respected leader in the community.
5. Be trustworthy, demonstrate integrity.
6. Communicate proactively whenever possible to ensure all council members, officials and borough employees are informed.
7. Personal agendas and bias do not belong and should not influence council in doing what is right for the Borough.
8. We will make every effort to be proactive and demonstrate initiative, imagination and ingenuity while complying with the Borough Code, local ordinances and sunshine laws.
9. Maintain a strict code of ethics, confidentiality and do not use elected office for personal gain.
10. Make advocacy a habit.