



BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2015

Mayor George read the following statement into the record:

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of December 2, 2015, was included in a list of meetings notices sent to the HERALD NEWS and the HAWTHORNE PRESS on January 15, 2015, and was advertised in said newspapers on January 22, 2015. This notice was posted on the bulletin board on the same date and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Proper notice having been given, this meeting is called to order at 9:30 p.m. and the Clerk was directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Randy George (leaves prior to Executive Session)

Council Members: Raymond Melone, Donna Puglisi, Robert Dyer (leaves prior to Executive Session), Dennis Marco, and Michael Galluccio

Borough Attorney Michael De Marco

Deputy Borough Clerk, Dena Ploch

Renate Elatab, Municipal Clerk

Absent:

Council Member Rocco Luisi

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Galluccio, to open the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Seeing as no one from the public wished to speak, motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Galluccio, to close the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

Motion by Council Member Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Marco, to approve the minutes of the work session of October 7, 2015 and regular council meeting of October 21, 2015. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

The Clerk submitted the following reports:

Building Official's Report
Clerk's Receipts
Fire Department Report
Police Department Report
Property Maintenance Report
Tax Collector's Report to Treasurer

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DPW / STREETS & ROADS / SEWERS/ BUILDINGS & GROUNDS / SOLID WASTE / RECYCLING - **MELONE**
POLICE / EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT / SAFETY / PBA LOCAL 292 - **PUGLISI**
RECREATION - **PUGLISI**
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - **PUGLISI**
NORTH HALEDON VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE - **DYER**
FINANCE - **DYER**
PLANNING BOARD - **MARCO**
BOARD OF EDUCATION / LOCAL - **LUISI**
BOARD OF EDUCATION / REGIONAL - **GALLUCCIO**
BOARD OF HEALTH - **GALLUCCIO**
FIRE & WATER - **LUISI**
ENGINEERING - **DYER**
LIBRARY - **MAYOR GEORGE**
PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS - **GALLUCCIO**

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Dyer, to waive all reports, that above reports be received, action taken where necessary, and that reports be placed on file. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

§202-36. Word Usage: Definitions.

FEED – To give, place, expose, deposit, distribute or scatter any edible materials with the intention of feeding, attracting or enticing wildlife. Feeding does not include baiting in the legal taking of fish.

WILD ANIMAL– Includes any animal which is not domesticated in this state, including, but not limited to bears, coyotes, deer, feral cats, foxes, groundhogs, squirrels, opossums, raccoons, skunks, wild turkeys, and waterfowl.

§202-37. Prohibited Acts; Exceptions.

- A. No person shall purposely or knowingly, as said terms are defined in Title 2C of the New Jersey Revised Statutes, feed, bait, or in any manner provide access to food to any wild animal in the Borough of North Haledon on lands either publicly or privately owned.
- B. No person shall purposely or knowingly leave or store any refuse, garbage, food product, pet food, forage product or supplement, salt, seed or birdseed, fruit or grain, in a manner that would constitute an attractant to any wild animal.
- C. No person shall fail to take remedial action to avoid contact or conflict with wild animals, which may include the securing or removal of outdoor trash, cooking grills, pet food, bird feeders or any similar food source or attractant, after being advised by the Borough to undertake such remedial action. Further, after an initial contact or conflict with a wild animal, no person shall continue to provide, or otherwise fail to secure or remove, any likely food sources or attractants, including but not limited to outdoor trash, grills, pet food or bird feeders.

§202-38. Permitted Acts.

Feeding of songbirds and other backyard birds shall be permitted outdoors at such times and in such numbers that:

- A. Such feeding does not create an unreasonable disturbance that affects the rights of surrounding property owners and renders other persons insecure in the use of their property.
- B. Does not create an accumulation of droppings on the property and surrounding properties.
- C. Does not become an attractant for rodents or other wild animals.
- D. Bird feeders are placed at least four feet above the ground.

§202-39. Duties of Property Owners; Enforcement.

- A. Each property owner shall have the duty to remove any above-named materials or device placed on the owner's property in violation of this article.
- B. Failure to remove such materials or device or to make such modifications within 24 hours after notice of violation from the Borough shall constitute a separate violation of this article.
- C. North Haledon Health Department personnel, the Property Maintenance Officer, and North Haledon Police Department personnel are hereby given full power and authority to enforce this article.

§202-40. Penalties.

Any person who is found to be in violations of the provisions of this article shall be punishable as provided in Chapter 1, General Provisions, Article II, General Penalty, as follows: a fine not less than \$100.00 and not exceeding \$2,000.00, imprisonment for a period not exceeding 90 days, a period of community service not exceeding 90 days or a combination thereof.

Section 2. All other parts or provisions of the Code of the Borough of North Haledon or any other ordinance or regulation not specifically amended by this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after final adoption and publication as provided by law.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Dyer, to open the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Seeing as no one from the public wished to speak, motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Marco, to close the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Galluccio, that Ordinance #16-2015 pass its second and final reading and that the Clerk be authorized to cause the appropriate notice to be published that Ordinance #16-2015 was adopted on second reading and is hereby declared a passed ordinance in accordance with law. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS / RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION CA#13-2015

Re: Consent Agenda #13-2015

Motion by Council Member Dyer, second by Council Member Galluccio, that the Clerk reads the resolution by title and waive the reading of the resolution in full. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Council of the Borough of North Haledon have reviewed the Consent Agenda consisting of various proposed resolutions; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Council of the Borough of North Haledon are not desirous of removing any resolution for individual action from the agenda; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the following resolutions on the consent agenda are hereby approved and adopted.

1. Tax Overpayment / Block 13 Lot 4 and Block 67.09 Lot 2
2. Tax Title Lien Redemption / Outside Lien Holder
3. Voiding of Check / Check #2260 / Rescind Resolution #233-2015
4. Authorization / Receipt of Bids / ADA Improvements American Legion Bldg.
5. Acceptance of Resignation / Cynthia Lynch / Board of Adjustment
6. December Transfers
7. Replenishment of Postage Meter
8. Approval / 2015 Clothing Allowance / North Haledon Fire Department
9. Appointment / Junior Firefighter
10. Acceptance of Proposal / Boswell Engineering / Crosswalks / High Mountain Road
11. Authorization / Mayor's Execution of Safety Policy Statement
12. Authorization / Cancellation / Grant Reserves & Grant Receivables
13. Authorization / Cancellation / Grant Receivable and Appropriation Reserve / NHMA

Motion by Council Member Melone, second by Council Member Marco, to approve the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Resolution #241-2015

Re: Tax Overpayment

WHEREAS, the homeowner paid the 4th quarter for Block 13 Lot 4 and Block 67.09 Lot 2 and,

WHEREAS, the taxes for the 4th quarter were also paid by the bank and,

WHEREAS, those payments leave an overpayment on the taxes for the year 2015,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check for the following amount and the same to be charged to current Taxes 2015.

Corelogic Real Estate Tax Service	Block 13 Lot 4	\$2,195.00
1 Corelogic Way	Block 67.09 Lot 2	\$3,010.00
Westlake, NJ 76262	Total	\$5,205.00

Resolution #242-2016

Re: Tax Title Lien Redemption

WHEREAS, the bank of the owner of the property located at 132 Hillside Drive, also known as Block 71 lot 50, mailed to the Tax Collector’s Office on November 9, 2015 a check to redeem Tax Title Certificate 14-00008 dated June 3, 2015, and

WHEREAS, the payment was issued to the Borough of North Haledon, and same was deposited in the current account;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check to the following:

Redemption	\$8,331.09
Premium	\$1,300.00

Clemente Enterprises, LLC
PO Box 141
Wyckoff, NJ 07481

Resolution #243-2015

Re: Voiding Check / Rescinding Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Resolution #223-2015 as adopted by the Governing Body on October 21, 2015 authorizing a refund to the Holland Christian Home for their escrow is hereby rescinded.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Check #2260, payable to Holland Christian Home, in the amount of \$3,106.00, be voided.

Resolution #244-2015

Re: Authorization / Receipt of Bids / ADAing / American Legion Building

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for the receipt of bids for ADA Improvements and Renovations at the American Legion Building, 512 High Mountain Road. Bids are to be received in the Council Chambers, 103 Overlook Avenue, North Haledon, NJ, by the Municipal Clerk on behalf of the Mayor and Council at a date and time to be determined.

Resolution #245-2015

Re: Resignation / Cynthia Lynch

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the resignation of Cynthia Lynch, member of the Board of Adjustment, be accepted effective December 31, 2015.

Resolution #246-2015

Re: December Transfers

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the Treasurer be and she is hereby authorized to make the following transfers.

		FROM	
GASOLINE	OE		\$15,000.00
LEGAL	OE		\$6,123.00
AMBULANCE	OE		\$3,000.00
STREETS & ROADS	SW		\$10,000.00
DIESEL	OE		\$5,000.00
ENGINEERING	OE		\$5,000.00
ADMIN & EXECUTIVE	OE		<u>\$6,000.00</u>
			\$50,123.00
		TO	
MUNICIPAL COURT	OE		\$600.00
POLICE	SW		\$25,000.00
WATER	OE		\$1,800.00
TAX ASSESSOR	OE		\$70.00
PLANNING BOARD	OE		\$153.00
STREETS & ROADS	OE		\$10,000.00
SPECIAL EVENTS	OE		\$1,500.00
ELECTRICITY	OE		\$6,000.00
BLDGS. & GROUNDS	OE		<u>\$5,000.00</u>
			\$50,123.00

Resolution #247-2015

Re: Replenishment of Postage Meter

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the Treasurer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check payable to the United States Postal Service for the replenishment of postage meter in the sum of \$1,000.00.

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura Leibowitz, Treasurer of the Borough of North Haledon do hereby certify that funds are available for the aforementioned in 5-01-20-110-2015.

Resolution #248-2015

Re: Appointment / Junior Firefighter

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Ihab I. Abufaraj, residing at 946 High Mountain Road, North Haledon, be appointed Junior Firefighter in the North Haledon Fire Department.

Resolution #249-2015

Re: Acceptance of Proposal / Boswell Crosswalks Study on High Mtn. Road

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Haledon is in need of engineering services, in particular for an engineering study of the three mid-block crosswalks on High Mountain Road; and

WHEREAS, Boswell Engineering, by letter dated November 24, 2015, submitted a proposal regarding same as evidenced by **attachment here** to and made a part of the within resolution;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon as follows:

The Proposal of Boswell McClave Engineering, dated November 24, 2015, for engineering services in connection with the above is hereby accepted and approved.

Compensation for said services shall not exceed \$4,500.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds are available for the aforementioned as evidenced by Certification of Treasurer following:

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura Leibowitz CFO/Treasurer of the Borough of North Haledon do hereby certify that funds are available for the aforementioned in Engineering OE – 2015.

Resolution #250-2015

Re: Safety Policy Statement

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the Mayor Randy George be, and that he is hereby authorized to execute the Safety Policy Statement as prepared by the PMA Group.

Resolution #251-2015

Re: Cancellation / Prior Years Grant Reserves and Receivables

<u>Grant Title</u>	<u>Reserves to Cancel</u>	<u>Receivables to Cancel</u>
Homeland – Fire Grant	\$5,676.90	
Pandemic Flu	\$2,810.21	
Domestic Preparedness	\$6,534.39	
Obey the Signs	\$ 175.00	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the total payrolls in the amount of \$ 343,206.33 paid in the month of November be approved.

Motion by Council Member Galluccio, second by Council Member Marco, to approve the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Marco, to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Mayor Randy George and Council Member Robert Dyer recuse themselves from the Executive Session, step off the dais, and leave the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (in 10:25 p.m.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION (out 10:35 p.m.)

ROLL CALL

Present

Council Members: Melone, Puglisi, Marco, and Galluccio

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member Galluccio, second by Council Member Marco, to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Council Member Puglisi declared the meeting duly adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renate Elatab, Municipal Clerk

Approved at Council Meeting of April 20, 2016