



## BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON

SEPTEMBER 15, 2010

This meeting was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of September 15, 2010, was included in a list of meetings notices sent to the HERALD NEWS and the HAWTHORNE PRESS on January 6, 2010, and was advertised in said newspapers on January 14, 2010. This notice was posted on the bulletin board on January 6, 2010 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 was called to order at 8:00 p.m. and the Clerk is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

Mayor George led the Prayer and asked that everyone remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** Mayor Randy George  
Council Members: Rocco Luisi, Raymond Melone, Bruce O. Iacobelli, Elaine Vuoncino, Donna Puglisi, and Robert Dyer, Borough Attorney Michael De Marco  
Deputy Borough Clerk Angela Russo, Municipal Clerk Renate Elatab, and Police Lt. Todd Darby

**Absent:** No one

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, seconded by Councilwoman to open the floor to the public.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Mayor George asked if anyone from the public wished to be heard.  
There was no one

Motion by Councilwoman Puglisi, seconded by Councilwoman Vuoncino, to close the public portion.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES**

Motion by Councilwoman Puglisi, second by Councilman Dyer, to approve the minutes of the work session of August 4, 2010, the regular council meeting of August 18, 2010, the special meeting of August 25, the special meeting of September 1, 2010, and the work session of September 1, 2010.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

### **OFFICIAL REPORTS**

Clerk stated that she was in receipt of the following reports:

Building Official's Report	Treasurer's Report
Clerk's Receipts	Tax Collector's Report to the Treasurer
Fire Department Report	Recycling Enforcement Officer
Haledon Ambulance Report	Property Maintenance Report
Municipal Court Report	Police Department Report

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilwoman Puglisi, that these reports be received, action taken where necessary, and reports be placed on file.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, seconded by Councilwoman Puglisi to dispense with the reports for this evening.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

DPW / STREETS & ROADS / SEWERS/ BUILDINGS & GROUNDS /  
SOLID WASTE / RECYCLING  
**COUNCILMAN DYER**

POLICE / EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT / SAFETY / PBA LOCAL 292  
**COUNCILWOMAN PUGLISI**

RECREATION  
**COUNCILWOMAN PUGLISI**

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT  
**COUNCILWOMAN PUGLISI**

HALEDON AMBULANCE  
**COUNCILMAN DYER**

FINANCE  
**COUNCILMAN IACOBELLI**

PLANNING BOARD  
**COUNCILMAN DYER**

BOARD OF EDUCATION / LOCAL  
**COUNCILMAN LUISI**

BOARD OF EDUCATION / REGIONAL  
**COUNCILWOMAN VUONCINO**

BOARD OF HEALTH  
**COUNCILMAN IACOBELLI**

FIRE & WATER  
**COUNCILMAN VUONCINO**

ENGINEERING  
**COUNCILMAN DYER**

CODIFICATION ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORT  
**COUNCILWOMAN PUGLISI**

LIBRARY  
**MAYOR RANDY GEORGE**

PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS  
**COUNCILMAN IACOBELLI**

BUEHLER ADHOC COMMITTEE  
**COUNCILMAN IACOBELLI**

Mayor reported that all paving projects are coming along beautifully; Lotz Street will be paved by the MUA; Ball field #1 fencing project will have a great effect on our children.

Mayor thanked Councilman Iacobelli for his hard work and the time he had put into the preparations for the 9/11 Ceremony, and his generosity in paying the extra money needed for the ceremony commemorating this tragic event.

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilwoman Puglisi, that above reports be received, and action taken where necessary.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

### COMMUNICATIONS

The Clerk stated that all communications were read in full at the Work Session and were as follows:

Borough Attorney M. De Marco	Re: Accounting of Funds / Fire Companies 1 & 2
Borough Attorney M. De Marco	Re: State of NJ vs. H.L. Holdings
Borough Attorney M. De Marco	Re: Tax Appeals
Councilwoman Elaine Vuoncino	Re: Letter to John Bleeker
Asst. Fire Chief Brian Hartley	Re: Fylstra's Allegations / August 18 <sup>th</sup> Council Meeting
Laura Leibowitz, CFO	Re: Letter to Borough Auditor
Zoning Review Officer	Re: Letter to Lettera re: Keeping Chicken
Boswell Engineering	Re: Request for Additional Funding / Tax Map Update
Michael Kauker	Re: Proposal / Additional Funding Master Plan & Redevelopment Project
Haledon Emergency Ambulance Assoc.	Re: Request / Use of Buehler's
Passaic Co. Dept. of Health	Re: Compliance / Safe Drinking Water Act
Jill Zajac	Re: Project Porchlight
Labinski	Re: Block Party
Paradiso	Re: Block Party
A Pathway to Hope	Re: Use of Dog Run
North Haledon Foodtown	Re: Parking at Recreation Field
Robert Harrison	Re: Change Ordinance / Working on Weekends
Lettera	Re: Change Ordinance / Keeping Chicken

RBARI	Re: Use of Recreation Field
Haledon Ambulance	Re: LOSAP
Bauer	Re: Curbing on School Street
Emily Fund	Re: Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Councilwoman Puglisi questioned communication from RBARI regarding the use of the Recreation Field, and Councilman Iacobelli questioned the letter from Mr. Bauer regarding the curbing on School Street. Mayor George responded to both questions.

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilman Dyer, that these communications be received, action taken where necessary, and be placed on file.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

<b>ORDINANCE #22-2010</b>	<b>Re: Land Use Procedures/Chapter 11</b>
OFF until October meeting	<b>Variances</b>

#### **NEW BUSINESS / PROCLAMATIONS / ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS**

##### **PROCLAMATION/AMERICAN LEGION DAY**

Mayor George presented the following proclamation:

**WHEREAS**, the American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 on September 16<sup>th</sup> as a wartime veterans organization based on the four pillars of Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children and Youth; and

**WHEREAS**, over the years, the American Legion has become a preeminent community-service organization which now numbers more than 2.5 million members – men and women – in over 14,000 American Legion posts worldwide working a variety of programs that support the four pillars and benefit our nation’s veterans, its service members, their families, the youth of America and its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the American Legion are dedicated to upholding the ideals of freedom and democracy, while working to make a difference in the lives of fellow Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 observance of American Legion Day provides an opportunity to recognize legionnaires in our community for their many contributions to our community.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, I, Randy George, Mayor of the Borough of North Haledon, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2010 as:

**AMERICAN LEGION DAY**

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilman Luisi, to concur with above proclamation.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

**PROCLAMATION/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS WEEK**

Mayor George presented the following proclamation:

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects people of all races, ages, gender and income levels; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence is widespread and affects over 4 million Americans each year; and

**WHEREAS**, one in three Americans have witnessed an incident of domestic violence; and

**WHEREAS**, children that grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a rate higher than the national average; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence costs the nation billions of dollars annually in medical expenses, police and court costs, shelters, foster care, sick leave, absenteeism, and non-productivity; and

**WHEREAS**, only a coordinated community effort will put a stop to this heinous crime; and

**WHEREAS**, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing domestic violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Randy George, Mayor of the Borough of North Haledon do hereby proclaim the month of October as **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**, and urge our citizens to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilwoman Vuoncino, to concur with above proclamation.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #10-2010**

**Re: Consent Agenda**

The Clerk presented the following resolution:

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

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

**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.

- 213-2010 Board of Education / Local / Current
- 214-2010 Board of Education / Regional Current
- 215-2010 Replenishment of Postage Meter Machine
- 216-2010 Change Order #1/ New Prince Construction / Squaw Brook Road Rehabilitation
- 217-2010 Ratification of Check / HEPSCD Soil Erosion Application Fee
- 218-2010 Ratification of Check / Sheraton Atlantic City
- 219-2010 Authorization / Submission of Application / Municipal Alliance – Year 2011
- 220-2010 Re-Appointment to Ethics Board / George Sawey
- 221-2010 Postage / Window Envelopes
- 222-2010 Refund / Zoning Board of Adjustment Application Fees / Elite Karate and Fitness
- 223-2010 Authorization / Advertise to Receive Bids / 2011 Modular Ambulance
- 224-2010 Probationary Firefighter / Sean D. Hagedoorn

Councilman Iacobelli moved the adoption of the resolution.

Councilwoman Vuoncino seconded the adoption of the resolution.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION #213-2010**

**Re: Board of Education/Local/Current**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has requested that the sum of \$554,877.14 other than Debt Service, be placed in the hands of the Treasurer of School Monies within the next thirty (30) days to meet obligations of said Board.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to disburse the sum of \$554,877.14 other than Debt Service, as needed by the school district in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 54:4-75 and related statutes, to be charged against Local District School Tax for the year 2010-2011.

**RESOLUTION #214-2010                      Re:    Board of Education/Regional/Current**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Passaic County Manchester Regional High School of Haledon, North Haledon and Prospect Park has requested the sum of \$243,936.02 other than Debt Service be placed in the hands of the Treasurer of School Monies for said district within the next thirty (30) days, in accordance with the statutes relating thereto,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Treasurer be authorized to disburse the sum of \$243, 936.02, other than Debt Service, as needed by the school district in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 54:4-75 and related statutes, to be charged against Manchester Regional District School Tax for the year 2010-2011.

**RESOLUTION #215-2010                      Re:    Replenishment of Postage Meter Machine**

**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 the postage meter machine in the amount of \$400.00; and

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

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Laura Leibowitz, Treasurer of the Borough of North Haledon do hereby certify that funds are available for the aforementioned in Municipal Clerk's Postage OE

**RESOLUTION #216-2010                      Re:    Change Order #1 – New Prince Construction Co.  
Squaw Brook Road Rehabilitation**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Change Order #1 for captioned project in the sum of an increase of \$9,807.50 (copy of Change Order attached hereto and made a part of the within resolution) be and the same is hereby approved and authorized for execution.

**RESOLUTION #217-2010                      Re:    Ratification of Check/HEPSCD Soil Erosion  
Application**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that check #1518 in the amount of \$950.00, dated September 3, 2010, and drawn to the order of Hudson/Essex/Passaic County Soil Conservation District, be and the same is hereby ratified.

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

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Laura Leibowitz, Treasurer of the Borough of North Haledon do hereby certify that funds were available for the aforementioned in C-04-55-011-001-906



**RESOLUTION #218-2010                      Re:     Ratification of Check/Sheraton Atlantic City**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that check #1549 in the amount of \$420.00, dated September 1, 2010, and drawn to the order of Sheraton Atlantic City, LLC, be and the same is hereby ratified.

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

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Laura Leibowitz, Treasurer of the Borough of North Haledon do hereby certify that funds were available for the aforementioned in 0-01-20-130-130-209

**RESOLUTION #219-2010                      Re:     Authorization/Municipal Alliance Application**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society among persons of all ages; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials, but upon the entire community, to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Passaic;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough of North Haledon, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of an application for the North Haledon Municipal Alliance grant for calendar year 2011 in the amount of \$17,243.00.

The Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirement.

**RESOLUTION #220-2010                      Re:     Re-Appointment of Ethics Board/G. Sawey**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that George Sawey is hereby re-appointed as a member of the North Haledon Ethics Board, term to expire July 17, 2015.

**RESOLUTION #221-2010                      Re:     Postage – Window Envelopes**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$270.60 to the Philatelic Fulfillment Service Center for 500 post-paid forever stamped window

envelopes to be charged to Account #7-01-27-330-330-205, Financial Administration Postage – 2010.

**RESOLUTION #222-2010                    Re:    Refund/Board of Adjustment Applications Fees  
Elite Karate and Fitness, LLC**

**WHEREAS**, Carlo Romaniello, owner of Elite Karate and Fitness Center, applied to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for permission to erect a free standing sign on captioned property requiring application fees totaling \$1,025.00; and

**WHEREAS**, said application was dismissed by the Zoning Board of Adjustment for “Lack of Prosecution”; and

**WHEREAS**, Carlo Romaniello, by letter dated September 9, 2010, requested a refund of monies expended for this application; and

**WHEREAS**, since the certified list of residents within 200’ was supplied to the applicant at a fee of \$25.00, the amount of the refund due to him has been computed to be \$1,000.00.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the refund be approved and the Treasurer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check to Carlo Romaniello in the sum of \$1,000.00.

**RESOLUTION #223-2010                    Re:    Authorization/Advertise-Receive Bids  
2011 Modular Ambulance**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to advertise for the receipt of bids for one (1) Modular Ambulance, bids to be received October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 11:00 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the North Haledon Municipal Building, 103 Overlook Avenue, North Haledon, NJ 07508.

**RESOLUTION #224-2010                    Re:    Probationary Firefighter/Sean Hagedoorn**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Sean D. Hagedoorn, be appointed Probationary Firefighter to Fire Co. #2, for a period of ninety (90) days.

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**CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

The Clerk read the Certification of Availability of Funds.  
(Attached to Minutes)

The Clerk presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION #225-2010                      Re:    Payment of Approved Claims**

**WHEREAS**, claims from the following funds have been presented to the Mayor and Board of Council for payment:

**2009 BILLS**

CURRENT FUND-RESERVES.....\$ 6,000.00

**2010 BILLS**

CURRENT FUND-OTHER EXPENSES .....\$ 73,832.08

**2010 BILLS**

**PREPAID BILLS**-CURRENT FUND-OTHER EXPENSE.....\$ 75,928.47

**PREPAID FEDERAL STATE GRANT**.....\$ 1,125.00

TRUST FUND II.....\$ 1,143.00

SUMMER CAMP TRUST.....\$ 1,728.60

DOG LICENSE TRUST ACCOUNT.....\$ 500.00

CAPITAL FUND.....\$ 118,991.84

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay these claims, as funds are available.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the total payrolls in the amount of \$ 340,749.38 paid in the month August be approved.

Councilman Iacobelli moved the adoption of the resolution.

Councilwoman Puglisi seconded the adoption of the resolution.

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION**

1. Fall Leaf Flyer (approximately \$2,100 for design, printing and mailing) – Consensus of Governing Body is to eliminate the fall flyer this year – leaf schedule is already in the 2010 calendar. Clerk was instructed to include leaf schedule on our website. Board of Health will also put their information on the website.
2. Mayor reminded everyone that Senior Picnic is this Tuesday and Council is invited.
3. Fire Co. #1 – Mayor’s recommendation to the Council is that all firematic equipment be removed from Belmont Avenue firehouse and that the Fire Chief be instructed to remove all firematic equipment for storage in a bay at DPW garage, including the fire truck presently housed on Belmont Avenue. Council concurred with Mayor’s recommendation.

Councilwoman Puglisi stated she is surprised and sorry that it has come to this point. When asked, the Borough Attorney explained it is not an option to allow building to go into foreclosure. Council wanted to know what it will cost to maintain the building – Mayor reported Co. #1 members refused to show Borough their books. Mayor stated from this point on Fire Department will be audited on a yearly basis.

Mayor advised Council that not one person called him in support of Co. #1.

At this time Mayor directed Fire Chief Ricciardi to call Co. #1 and advise them that he will be arriving at the Belmont Avenue Fire House on Monday to remove all firematic equipment, including the fire truck. Mayor instructed Fire Chief to take photos before removing any equipment and to not become confrontational, and call for help from police if necessary.

Mayor asked Fire Chief for advice as to which one (1) of the five (5) trucks should be sold.

Mayor asked if anyone from the audience wished to be heard. There was no one.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION/off**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilwoman Puglisi, second by Councilman Luisi, to adjourn the meeting

Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Mayor George declared the meeting duly adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

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Renate Elatab, Municipal Clerk

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Angela Russo, Deputy Borough Clerk

Approved at meeting of October 20, 2010