# BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON



**MINUTES** 

MARCH 21, 2012

Mayor George read the following statement:

This meeting was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of March 21, 2012, was included in a list of meetings notices sent to the HERALD NEWS and the HAWTHORNE PRESS on January 6, 2012, and was advertised in said newspapers on January 12, 2012, and was posted on the bulletin board on the same date and remains 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.

Pastor Trevor Payton led the Prayer and Mayor George 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, and Robert Dyer. Borough Attorney Michael De Marco, Borough Engineer Joseph Pomante, Deputy Borough Clerk Angela Russo, Renate Elatab, Municipal Clerk. Captain Todd Darby, and Fire Chief A.J.

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ABSENT:

Councilwoman Donna Puglisi

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor George opened the floor to the public.

Motion by Councilman lacobelli, seconded by Councilwoman Vuoncino, to open the floor to the public

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

- 1. Brynmor Anderson, 294 Manchester Avenue, Eagle Scout Candidate, is here this evening taking notes for his Citizen in the Community Merit Badge.
- Andy Wilson, 1273 Belmont Avenue, resident within 200' of Tides Estate, asked for clarification of the 40' height allowance included in Ordinance #4-2012. Mayor responded.

- 3. Fred Stansfield, 4 Stanley Court, North Haledon inquired about timeline for the rehabilitation of Sicomac Road. When will County begin maintaining bridges? Mayor responded
- 4. Charles Mawhinney, 26 De Roon, North Haledon Requested one side of the street parking on De Roon Avenue on North Haledon Day. Councilman lacobelli will take care of the matter.

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, seconded by Councilwoman Vuoncino, 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 Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilwoman Vuoncino, to approve the minutes of the work session meeting of February 1, 2012, the regular meeting of February 15, 2012, and the Closed Executive Committee Meeting of March 7, 2012. Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

#### OFFICIAL REPORTS

Motion by Councilman lacobelli, seconded by Councilman Dyer, to dispense with all reports this evening. Upon roll call all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Mayor advised he attended ceremony this afternoon where a North Haledon resident was honored by Senator Pou. Also, we received micro chip scanner for animals and we have someone who is willing to train our police officers.

Manchester Regional High School would like to make a presentation to Governing Body.

Clerk stated she is in receipt of the following reports:

Building Official's Report Clerk's Receipts Fire Department Report North Haledon Volunteer Ambulance Report Municipal Court Report

Treasurer's Report
Tax Collector's Report to Treasurer
Recycling Enforcement Officer
Property Maintenance Report
Police Department Report

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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**

NORTH HALEDON VOLUNTEER 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

Motion by Councilman lacobelli, second by Councilman Dyer, that above 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.

# COMMUNICATIONS

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

Mayor Randy George

Re:

Letter to Senator Pou / S-1451

Mayor Randy George

Re:

Letter to Gina Mastrogiovanni/

Microchip Scanner

Borough Attorney Re: Solar Panels

Borough Attorney Re: Wood Burning

Police Chief R. Bracco Re: Radios / Narrowband Technology

Police Chief R. Bracco Re: Police Accreditation

Fire Chief A.J. Ricciarci Re: Scott Dunleavy/

Probationary Fireman

Fire Chief A.J. Ricciardi Re: Daniel Hook/

Probationary Fireman

North Haledon DARE Re: Invitation / March 15<sup>th</sup>

MUA Re: Senior Discount

NH Board of Education Re: Agreement for Use of Fields

After Conveyance of Fields

Susan Teschon Re: Residential Wood Burning

Gail and Michael Lettera Re: Chicken

Schvejda Re: Power Line Tree Survey

Nicholas Markets Foodtown Re: Parking Permission

Garry and Kathy Faber Re: Recycling Center Brush Pile

Michael Pravec Re: Ambulance Response Time

Councilwoman Vuoncino Re: MRHS 2012-2013 Budget

Appraisal Systems Re: Affidavit

Motion by Councilman lacobelli, second by Councilwoman Vuoncino, 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**

Ordinance #4-2012 Re: Establishment of a Banquet District

Motion by Councilman Luisi, second by Councilwoman Vuoncino, that the Clerk read the ordinance by title and waive the reading of the ordinance in full.

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

The Mayor read the Ordinance by title:

# AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 180, ZONING OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON ARTICLE XXIV, BANQUET ESTABLISHMENT (BE) DISTRICT

Mayor George opened the floor to the public.

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

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

Joseph Pomante, Borough Engineer, 46 Mann Avenue, Florham Park, NJ, stepped forward to address the Mayor and Council, regarding Ordinance #4-2012 which is on agenda tonight for second reading. This ordinance was introduced and passed first reading as **Block 54**, **Lots 4**, **5**, and **6**, and was advertised as such. However, after further research Mr. Pomante advised Governing Body that the ordinance should have read **Block 54**, **Lot 3**, **5**, and **6** as there is no **Lot 4**. Since this is a substantial change, it was recommended by the Borough Attorney that Ordinance #4-2012 be rescinded and a new ordinance be introduced next month with the correct lot designation and also include to the effect **whatever uses permitted in residential districts** be permitted in the **BE district**.

Motion by Councilman lacobelli, seconded by Councilwoman Vuoncino, to close the floor to the public.

# NEW BUSINESS / ORDINANCES / PROCLAMATIONS / RESOLUTIONS

Re:

Consent Agenda

#### RESOLUTION #2012-4

The Mayor presented the resolution by title:

#### Consent Agenda #4-2012

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;

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.

Approval / Engineer's Estimate / ADAing AML Building
Rejection of Bids / 2011 Road Improvement Project / Authorization to Re-
advertise for the Receipt of Bids
Authorization / Application / Municipal Building ADA Accessibility
Authorization / Application / AL Building ADA Accessibility
Appointment / Probationary Fireman / Scott Dunleavy

#70-2012	Appointment / Probationary Fireman / Daniel Hook
#71-2012	Window Envelopes / Treasurer's Office
#72-2012	Tax Overpayment / Molamusa
#73-2012	Tax Overpayment / Ryfkogel
#74-2012	Ratification of Check #1760 / US Postal Service
#75-2012	Refund / Limousine Operators
#76-2012	North Haledon Public Library
#77-2012	Authorization / Installment Plan Prior to Tax Sale
#78-2012	Authorization/Advertise for Auction of Two Police Vehicles

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, with the exception of Councilman lacobelli who abstained on Resolution #72-2012. Motion carried

# CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION #65-2012** 

Re:

Approval/Engineer's Estimate/ADAing

**AML Building** 

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Haledon is in need of Engineering Services, in particular for the preparation of plans and specifications for captioned project; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer by letter dated February 13, 2012 submitted its proposal regarding same as evidenced by attachment herein made a part of the with 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 February 13, 2012 for engineering services in connection with the above is hereby accepted and approved.

The compensation for said services shall not exceed \$9,600,00:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds are available for the aforementioned as evidenced by Treasurer/ CFO certification following:

# CERTIFICATION

I, Laura Leibowitz, Treasurer/ CFO, do hereby certify that funds are available for the aforementioned in Engineering 2012

**RESOLUTION #66-2012** 

Re: Rejection of Bids/2011 Road Improvement

Re-advertise to Receipt Bids

WHEREAS, pursuant to public advertising, bids were received by the Borough of North Haledon on February 9, 2012 for captioned project and the bids received came in too high; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Governing Body of the Borough of North Haledon hereby reject all bids as received; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Governing Body of the Borough of North Haledon desire to direct the Borough Engineer to revise the bid specifications;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the bids received on February 9, 2012 for the 2011 Road Improvements be and the same are hereby rejected, and that the Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to readvertise for the receipt of bids for captioned project.

Resolution #67-2012

Re: Application/NH Municipal Building ADA

Accessibility Project

BE IT RESOLOVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon authorize the application for and use of funds from the Passaic County Community Development Block Grant Program for the NORTH HALEDON MUNICIPAL BUILDING ADA ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT described in the proposal and, if awarded funds, shall implement the activities in a manner to ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations

RESOLUTION #68-2012

Re: Block

Block Grant Project/American Legion ADA Project

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon authorize the application for and use of funds from the Passaic County Community Development Block Grant Program for the AMERICAN LEGION POST #428 ADA ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT described in the proposal and, if awarded funds, shall implement the activities in a manner to ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.

**RESOLUTION #69-2012** 

Re: Appointment/Scott Dunleavy/Prob. Fireman

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Scott Dunleavy, be appointed Probationary Firefighter to the North Haledon Fire Department.

RESOLUTION #70-2012

Re: Appt./Prob. Fireman/Daniel Hook

WHEREAS, Daniel Hook was a North Haledon Junior Fireman; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Hook turned 18; and

WHEREAS, the Chief has recommended he become a probationary fireman;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Daniel Hook, be appointed Probationary Firefighter to the North Haledon Fire Department.

**RESOLUTION #71-2012** 

Re:

Window Envelopes/Treasurer's Office

BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$823.85 to the Philatelic Fulfillment Service Center for 500 post-paid Forever Stamp window envelopes.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

I, Laura Leibowitz, CFO/Treasurer of the Borough of North Haledon, do certify that funds are available for the aforementioned in Finance OE 2012

**RESOLUTION #72-2012** 

Re:

Tax Overpayment - Suria Molamusa

WHEREAS, the bank paid the first quarter 2012 taxes; and

WHEREAS, the homeowner also paid the first 2012 taxes; and

WHEREAS, above leaves an overpayment on the first quarter for the 2012 year.

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 2012.

Block 66

\$3,489.00

Lot 16

Suria Molamusa 7 Hubert Court

North Haledon, NJ 07508

Wells Fargo Real Estate Tax Service, LLC

Attn: Financial Support Unit – Region 1

1 Home Campus MAC X2302-04D

Des Moines, IA 50328-0001

**RESOLUTION #73-2012** 

Re:

Tax Overpayment – Helen Ryfkogel

WHEREAS, the homeowner filed an appeal for 2010 assessment; and

WHEREAS, the homeowner was granted a judgment from the NJ Tax Court lowering assessment by \$15,000.00; and

WHEREAS, above leaves an overpayment on the 2010 taxes of 1.377.41.

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 2010.

Block 59

\$1,377.41

Lot 39

Helen Ryfkogel 27 Briarwood Way

North Haledon, NJ 07508

**RESOLUTION #74-2012** 

Re: Ratification of Check #1760/US Postal Service

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that check #1760 in the amount of \$600.00, dated March 8, 2012 and drawn to the order of US Postal Service, 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, CFO/Treasurer of the Borough of North Haledon, do certify that funds are available for the aforementioned in A & E OE

**RESOLUTION #75-2012** 

Re: Limo License Application Refunds

WHEREAS, the limousine license fee was changed from \$50.00 each limousine to \$10.00 each limousine by ordinance #9-2010; and

WHEREAS, the owners of two (2) limousine companies remitted a payment of \$50.00 for their limousine, thereby causing an overpayment for each company in the amount of \$40.00 for their limousine sought to be licensed in 2012;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be and she is hereby authorized to issue checks for the following amounts:

Aristocrat Transportation, LTD

\$40.00

67 Hunter Road

North Haledon, NJ 07507

Daniella Limousine Service, LLC

\$40.00

1042 Belmont Avenue

North Haledon, NJ 07508

**RESOLUTION #76-2012** 

Re: North Haledon Free Public Library

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees of the Borough of North Haledon Free Public Library request payment for library purposes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to make payments to the Library according to the following schedule:

April 2012	\$38,515.50
May 2012	\$38,515.50
June 2012	\$38,515.50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said payments be charged to the 2012 Budget Appropriation Account Maintenance of the Free Public Library.

#### **RESOLUTION #77-2012**

Re: Installment Plan/Property taxes

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Haledon desires to enter into an installment payment plan for outstanding taxes on Block 36.05 Lot 18; and

WHEREAS, Block 36.05 Lot 18, commonly known as 203 Terrace Avenue is currently subject to a total tax sale amount of \$12,543.13; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the attached nine(9) month installment plan, the owner is required to pay \$1,500.28 per month beginning April 15, 2012 and ending December 15, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, as a condition to the Borough continuing to implement the installment plan, the owner must keep all future taxes current (every quarter) and must keep all monthly installment payments current for Block 36.05 Lot 18; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:5-21 such land upon which regular installment payments are being made may be omitted from a tax certificate sale; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to omit Block 36.05 Lot 18 from the tax sale scheduled for April 18, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the Tax Collector be and she is hereby authorized to remove Block 36.05 Lot 18 from the Tax Sale scheduled for April 18, 2012.

#### **RESOLUTION #78-2012**

Re: Advertise Auction of Two Police Cars

**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 auction of two Police Vehicles.

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#### CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

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

RESOLUTION #79-2012

Re: Payment of Approved Claims

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

#### **2011 BILLS**

CURRENT FUND -RESERVES......\$6,800.54

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<u>201</u>	12 BILLS	
FE TR DC	REPAID BILLS - CURRENT FUND - OTHER EXPENSE DERAL/STATE GRANT FUND RUST FUND II DG LICENSE TRUST ACCOUNT RPITAL FUND	\$ 68.95 \$ 4,650.00 \$ 1.000.00
the	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer is hereby asse claims, as funds are available.	authorized to pay
	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total payrolls in the amount of \$	339,822.74 paid

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

# **DISCUSSION**

Road Closing / 5K Race Course - route was discussed.

in the month of February be approved.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilwoman Vuoncino, seconded by Councilman Dyer, to adjourn the meeting.

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

Mayor George declared the meeting duly adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Renate Elatab, Municipal Clerk

Angela Russo, Deputy Borough Clerk

Approved at Meeting of April 18, 2012