



BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2013

Mayor George read the following statement:

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of December 11, 2013, was included in a list of meetings notices sent to the HERALD NEWS and the HAWTHORNE PRESS on January 7, 2013, and was advertised in said newspapers on January 10, 2013, 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 is called to order at 9:21 p.m. and the Clerk is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Randy George.

Council Members: Raymond Melone, Rocco Luisi, Bruce O. Iacobelli, Elaine Vuoncino, Robert Dyer, and Donna Puglisi
Borough Attorney, Michael De Marco

Also Present:

Police Chief Robert Bracco and Captain Todd Darby
Fire Chief A. J. Ricciardi
Ambulance Chief Robert Flaker
Deputy Clerk Dena Ploch
Municipal Clerk, Renate Elatab

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilwoman Puglisi, to open the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

George Pomianek, 64 Moccasin Road, thanked Councilwoman Vuoncino and Councilman Iacobelli for their years of service and told them that they would be missed.

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilwoman Puglisi, to close the floor to the public. 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
 Clerk's Receipts
 Fire Department Report
 Ambulance Report
 Police Department Report
 Property Maintenance Report
 Tax Collector's Report to Treasurer

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

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

RECREATION - **PUGLISI**

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - **PUGLISI**

NORTH HALEDON VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE - **DYER**

FINANCE - **IACOBELLI**

PLANNING BOARD - **LUISI**

BOARD OF EDUCATION / LOCAL - **LUISI**

BOARD OF EDUCATION / REGIONAL - **VUONCINO**

BOARD OF HEALTH - **IACOBELLI**

FIRE & WATER - **VUONCINO**

ENGINEERING - **DYER**

CODIFICATION ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORT - **PUGLISI**

LIBRARY - **MAYOR GEORGE**

PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS –**IACOBELLI**. Mayor George thanked Councilman Iacobelli for his work organizing the Veterans Day celebration and the Senior Christmas Party. He also reminded everyone of the upcoming tree lighting and children's Christmas Party.

BUEHLER ADHOC COMMITTEE - **IACOBELLI**

Motion by Councilwoman Puglisi, second by Councilwoman Vuoncino, to dispense with the committee reports. Upon roll call, all members 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 George to DEP	Re: Letter of Intent / Grant De-snagging / Dredging / Molly Ann Brook
Police Chief Robert Bracco	Re: Officer Y. Fattah – Completion of Probation
Ralph Fasse / Zoning Board	Re: Appeals to Mayor and Council
North Haledon Fire Dept.	Re: Banner on High Mountain Road
Fire Chief A. J. Ricciardi	Re: Activation Process / Consent Judgment
Fire Chief A. J. Ricciardi	Re: FEMA Grant Application
Manchester Regional High School	Re: Shared Services Agreement
Jim Booth, Construction Office	Re: Enhanced Incident Management Unified Command Course
Nicholas Market	Re: Refund / Planning Board Application Fee
Martin Schottanes	Re: Suggestions / 512 High Mountain Road

Motion by Councilwoman Vuoncino, second by Councilman Melone, that these communications be received, action taken where necessary, and be placed on file. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance #17-2013

Re: **Amendment / Chapter 27**

Motion Councilman Iacobelli, 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 voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following ordinance:

**AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND
THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON TO REPEAL §27-1**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that:

Section 1. The Code of the Borough of North Haledon, shall be and hereby is revised, amended and modified as follows:

- (1) §27-1 of the Code of the Borough of North Haledon is hereby repealed.

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.

Motion by Councilman Melone, second by Councilwoman Vuoncino, 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 Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilwoman Puglisi, to close the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilwoman Vuoncino, second by Councilman Iacobelli, that Ordinance #17-2013 pass its second and final reading and that the Clerk be authorized to cause the appropriate notice to be published that Ordinance #17-2013 was adopted on second reading and is hereby declared a passed ordinance in accordance with law. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION CA#13-2013

Re: Consent Agenda #13-2013

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilwoman Vuoncino, that the Clerk read the resolution by title and waive the reading of the resolution in full. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following resolution:

TITLE: CONSENT AGENDA #13-2013

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.

1. Approval of Raffle Licenses
2. Property Tax Deduction / Veterans
3. Tax Overpayment / Lemme
4. Tax Overpayment / Arturo
5. Award of Contract / Diesel & Gasoline
6. Award of Contract / 2013 Road Program
7. Acceptance of Proposal / Snow Plowing Services

8. Refund / Application to Planning Board Fee / Nicholas Markets
9. Off Probation / Yousef Fattah / Police
10. Change Order / Ahnert Avenue Rehabilitation, Phase 1 and 2
11. December Transfers (as per Treasurer will not be available until the year-end meeting)
12. Authorization / Execution of Agreement / NJIIF
13. Clothing Allowance / North Haledon Fire Department

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilwoman Vuoncino, to approve the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Resolution #253-2013

Re: Approval of Raffle Licenses

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the following Raffle License be approved as submitted providing all rules and regulations of Legalized Games of Chance are adhered to.

Name: NHEF
 Location of Raffle: 568 High Mountain Road
 Date of Raffle: March 28, 2014
 Raffle License: #16-2013

Name: NHEF
 Location of Raffle: 1245 Belmont Avenue
 Date of Raffle: February 7, 2014
 Raffle License: #17-2013

Resolution #254-2013

Re: Property Tax Deduction / Veterans

WHEREAS, the following property owners have applied to the Borough of North Haledon for a Veteran's Property Tax Deduction or a Widow of a Veteran Deduction, and,

WHEREAS, each applicant has been found eligible and entitled to said deduction for the year 2013,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector be authorized to grant these deductions for the year 2013 and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue checks to the following property owners for the respective amounts;

<u>BLOCK & LOT</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
26 22	KENNETH HOOGERHYDE	32 SUNCREST AVE	250.00
61 8 C0059	RICHARD OLESKI	12 HUNTER RD	250.00
66 19	JOSEPH STATUTO	407 MANCHESTER AVE	250.00

Resolution #255-2013

Re: Tax Overpayment / Lemme

WHEREAS, the homeowner was exempt for the 4TH quarter for the year 2013 and,

WHEREAS, they received a homestead benefit check ; and

WHEREAS, above leaves an overpayment on the fourth quarter for the 2013 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 2013.

Block 61.11 Lot 11.01 \$702.78

Angelo & Santa Lemme
680 Squaw Brook Rd
North Haledon, NJ 07508

Resolution #256-2013

Re: Tax Overpayment / Arturo

WHEREAS, the homeowner paid the 4TH quarter for the year 2013 and,

WHEREAS, they received a homestead benefit check; and

WHEREAS, above leaves an overpayment on the fourth quarter for the 2013 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 2013.

Block 65 Lot 19 \$918.61

Frank and Maria Arturo
83 Oakdale Ct
North Haledon, NJ 07508

Resolution #257-2013

Re: Award of Contract / Diesel and Gasoline

WHEREAS, bids were received for Diesel Fuel & Gasoline on December 3, 2013, for the years 2014, 2015, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the bids have been reviewed by the Superintendent of Public Works and his recommendation of award to Allied Oil, LLC is attached here to and made a part of the within resolution; and

WHEREAS, the bids were also review by the Borough Attorney wherein the bid from Allied Oil, LLC was approved as to legal sufficiency; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that it hereby awards the contract for Diesel Fuel& Gasoline to Allied Oil Company effective January 1, 2014 for a period of three (3) years, expiring December 31, 2016.

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

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura Leibowitz, Treasurer/ CFO do hereby certify that funds will be available for the aforementioned in Utilities 2014.

Resolution #258-2013

**Re: Award of Contract /
2013 Road Improvement Program**

WHEREAS, pursuant to public advertising, bids were received by the Borough Clerk for the Mayor and Council on November 6, 2013, for the 2013 Road Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the bids have been reviewed by the Borough Engineer and his recommendation of award to **New Prince Concrete Construction, Co.**, is attached here to and made a part of the within resolution; and

WHEREAS, the bids were also review by the Borough Attorney wherein the bid from **New Prince Concrete Construction, Co.** was approved as to legal sufficiency; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the contract for the 2013 Road Improvement Program be and the same is hereby awarded as follows

New Price Concrete Construction, Co.	
Base Bid	\$459,404.24
Alternate A	\$114,996.32
Total Bid	\$574,400.56

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura Leibowitz, Treasurer/ CFO do hereby certify that funds will be available for the aforementioned in 2013 Capital Budget.

Resolution #259-2013

**Re: Acceptance of Proposal /
Snow Removal Services**

WHEREAS, proposals were requested by the Governing Body and received for captioned matter; and

WHEREAS, proposals as solicited are attached hereto and made a part of the within resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of William Graham, Supt., DPW (attached) to accept the proposal of Guido and Sons, 54 Pettee Avenue, North Haledon, NJ;

BE IT RESOLVED, that said proposal (attached) be accepted as submitted; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that it hereby awards the contract for snow plowing services effective immediately, 2013 for a period of three (3) years, expiring December 31, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, funds are available for the aforementioned as evidenced by CFO/Treasurer following.

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura Leibowitz, Treasurer of the Borough of North Haledon, do hereby certify that funds are available for the aforementioned in Streets and Roads 3-01-26-290-281 for the year 2013.

Resolution #260-2013**Re: Refund / Planning Board Application / Nicholas Markets**

WHEREAS, Nicholas Markets applied to the Planning Board for 1068 High Mountain Road, and

WHEREAS, the property owner cancelled the project after paying necessary fees totaling \$150.00 was secured, and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Markets requested a refund of \$150.00

NOW, THEREFORE 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 to Nicholas Markets in the sum of \$150.00.

Resolution #261-2013**Re: Off Probation / Yousef Fattah / Police**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Yousef Fattah, having successfully completed his one-year probationary period is hereby taken off probation effective immediately, salary in accordance with 2013 Salary and Wages Ordinance.

Resolution #262-2013**Re: Change Order / Ahnert Avenue / Phase I & II**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Change Order #1 and Final for captioned project in the sum of - \$9,631.09 (copy of same attached hereto and made a part of the within resolution) be and the same is hereby approved.

Resolution #263-1013**Re: Authorization / Execution of Agreement / NJIIF**

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Haledon has been a participating member of the New Jersey Intergovernmental Insurance Fund (hereinafter the "Fund) established pursuant to Chapter 372, Laws of 1983 (N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 etseq), and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of the Borough of North Haledon has determined that membership in the "Fund" is the best interest of the municipality,

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

SECTION 1. The Borough of North Haledon hereby agrees to continue its membership in the "Fund" for a period commencing January 1, 2014 terminating on December 31, 2016 for the purpose of establishing the following types of insurance coverage:

- a) Workers Compensation and Employers Liability

- b) General Liability (including Police Professional & Public Officials Liability/Employment Practices Liability);
- c) Motor Vehicle and Equipment Liability Coverage;
- d) Property Damage (including Building & Contents, Automobile Physical Damage, Contractors Equipment and Boiler & Machinery)
- e) Environmental Impairment Liability

SECTION 2. For the purpose of contribution of sums into the “Fund” to be designated for administrative costs and claims, Borough of North Haledon hereby agrees to obtain the types of coverage from the “Fund” as are set forth in Section 1 of the Resolution and Indemnity and Trust Agreement to be signed by it.

SECTION 3. The by-laws of the New Jersey Intergovernmental Insurance Fund have been adopted and accepted by the local unit and the local unit hereby agrees to conduct its membership in the “Fund” according to the rights and obligations set forth therein.

SECTION 4. The Mayor and Council are hereby authorized and directed to execute a written agreement signifying application for membership in the ‘Fund” and are to execute such other agreements, including but not limited to the Indemnity and Trust Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A, in order to implement its membership in the “Fund” and to conduct itself according to the terms thereof.

SECTION 5. The local unit certifies that it has never defaulted on claims under a self-insurance plan and that it has not had its insurance canceled for non-payment of premium for a period of at least two (2) years prior to this application.

SECTION 6. Inconsistent Resolutions. All resolutions, or parts thereof, inconsistent with provisions of this resolution are hereby repealed as to such inconsistency.

SECTION 7. Severability. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Resolution shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 8. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Resolution #264-2013

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 \$500.00.

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura Leibowitz, Treasurer of the Borough of North Haledon, do hereby certify that funds are available for the aforementioned in Clerk Postage, 3-01-20-120-205.

Resolution #265-2013

**Re: Approval / 2013 Clothing Allowance
North Haledon Fire Department**

WHEREAS, clothing allowance for the year 2013 has been awarded to various volunteer North Haledon firefighters in accordance with Borough Ordinance #30-2009;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following firefighters receive a clothing allowance as follows:

Chad Boonstra	\$823.55	Tim Lalley	\$732.55
Dean Brauch	\$655.88	Jim Ormezzano	\$354.90
Eric Collins	\$468.55	Anthony Padula	\$948.35
Brian Faasse	\$373.10	Philip Palkewick	\$937.20
Ryan Graham	\$978.05	Andrew Ricciardi	\$1,591.50
Brian Hartley	\$682.92	Louis Schott	\$373.10
Alan Hofer	\$527.80	Steve Schott	\$482.30
Dan Hook	\$759.85	Tom Ursetti	\$864.50
Mike Kameno	\$445.90		

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The Clerk reads the Certification of Availability of Funds into the record.

Resolution #266-2013

Re: Payment of Approved Claims

The Clerk presented the following resolution

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

2012 BILLS

CURRENT FUND -RESERVES.....\$ 3,250.00

2013 BILLS

CURRENT FUND-OTHER EXPENSES\$ 190,823.53

2013 BILLS

PREPAID BILLS - CURRENT FUND - OTHER EXPENSE.....\$ 2,549,725.71
 FEDERAL/STATE GRANT FUND.....\$ 9,026.72
 TRUST FUND II.....\$ 10,080.00
 DOG LICENSE TRUST ACCOUNT.....\$ 1,350.00
 CAPITAL FUND.....\$ 214,614.38
 PREPAIDMUNICIPAL ALLIANCE.....\$ 57.00

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 \$378,608.95 paid in the month of November be approved.

Motion by Councilman Iacobelli, second by Councilwoman Vuoncino, to approve the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilman Melone, second by Councilwoman Vuoncino, to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Prior to adjourning the meeting, Mayor George thanked Councilman Iacobelli and Councilwoman Vuoncino for their service and presented them with their bronze-casted name plates. He thanked Councilman Iacobelli for agreeing to continue to help with the public events.

Mayor George declared the meeting duly adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

**REMINDER:COMBINED ADJOURNED MEETING RECONVENES
DECEMBER 30 – 7:00 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted

Renate Elatab, Municipal Clerk

Approved at Council Meeting of December 30, 2013