



BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 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 October 21, 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 8:00 p.m. and the Clerk is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

Msgr. Ed Kurtyka lead 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, Donna Puglisi, Robert Dyer, Dennis Marco, and Michael Galluccio

Borough Attorney Michael De Marco

Borough Engineer, Joseph Pomante

Police Chief Robert Bracco and members of the North Haledon Police Department

Deputy Borough Clerk, Dena Ploch

Renate Elatab, Municipal Clerk

DEVIATION / RULES AND PROCEDURES / BY-LAWS OF COUNCIL

RESIGNATION OF CLASS II SPO

APPOINTMENT AND OATH OF OFFICE / POLICE OFFICER

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Marco, to deviate from the regular order of business to accept a resignation of a Class II SPO and for the appointment of a police officer. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Mayor George advised that a police officer is leaving and that the new officer is being hired so that he can attend the Police Academy in November; he explained that the officer was being hired to help reduce overtime. Mayor George also explained why the Borough had the number of police cars it had (to be used when doing roadwork, so that emergency equipment is instantly accessible if needed.)

Resolution # 211-2015

**Re: Acceptance of Resignation /
Sean Hagedoorn / SPO**

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Marco, 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:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the resignation of Sean Hagedoorn, Class II Special, be accepted effective immediately.

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

Resolution # 212-2015

**Re: Appointment / Police Officer /
Sean Hagedoorn**

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Marco, 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:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Sean Hagedoorn be appointed as a probationary police officer effective October 22, 2015, for one year from the effective date of appointment with salary in accordance with Salaries and Wages 2015.

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

Sean Hagedoorn takes the Oath of Office.

**DEVIATION / RULES AND PROCEDURES / BY-LAWS OF COUNCIL
PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Galluccio, to deviate from the regular order of business to open the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Captain Todd Darby and PBA President Michael Cedar approached the dais. Mayor George advised that he had received an email from the Treasurer stating that she could continue to issue live checks to police officers for road work they did since she considered traffic duty part-time employment. Mayor George stated that, in his opinion, the police officers were full-time employees and that the ordinance applied to them in all instances. Mayor George advised that a survey of surrounding municipalities revealed that they did not mandate direct deposit and that the Treasurer and the Auditor had communicated to him that they did not care one way or the other. Council Member Puglisi stated that she was going on record as opposing the ordinance. Councilmember Marco advised that he believed it could become a best practice in the future and that it made sense to him to implement it now. Councilmember Melone inquired whether it was a best practice and the Mayor responded “not at this time.” Councilmember Galluccio stated that it was the job of the Governing Body to run the borough efficiently and that the Borough’s financial advisers had stated that “it was a good thing to do.”

Councilmember Dyer stated that he had brought direct deposit up two years ago when Kinnelon started mandating direct deposit, and that the Treasurer had told him “in no uncertain terms” that people holding on to their checks was a problem for her. Councilmember Luisi stated that vendors can deposit their checks when they want so requiring a handful of employees to use direct deposit did not seem an effective way to curb accounting problems. Councilmember Melone wanted to know why, if it was not a mandate, would the Councilmembers want to hurt the police officers; perhaps the checks could reflect that they would not be valid after a certain number of days. Councilmember Melone further suggested that the Borough should begin doing electronic payments for vendors; Councilmembers Melone and Marco believed that this would be a helpful step towards resolving accounting problems and they agreed to set up a committee to launch this program. Captain Darby advised that the parties involved had received such different information from the Treasurer’s office and wondered why the Councilmembers would want to move forward if they had inaccurate information from the Treasurer’s office. Chief Bracco advised that he personally would not be affected by this ordinance, but was very unhappy the way Paychex was set up so that the amount of every check was always apportioned the same way, and he did not believe the information given to the officers by the Treasurer’s office that they could not have the option of having their road work checks deposited in a separate account.

Adrienne Rizzo, 8 Werner Avenue, advised that she was a mediator in Bergen County; she believed that this was a minor problem and suggested that a letter be given to the officers warning them that if they did not deposit their checks within 90 days, the Borough would have to mandate direct deposit. Ms. Rizzo suggested having flashing lights at pedestrian crossings on High Mountain Road to alert drivers at night time. Ms. Rizzo also commented on the dangerous intersections at Manchester Avenue and North Haledon Avenue and High Mountain Road and Sicomac Avenue. Ms. Rizzo also commented that children today are not as aware of vehicles “the way we were” because they are on their cellphones or listening to music on their earphones, and suggested that they needed to be educated to about these dangers.

Motion by Councilmember Puglisi, second by Councilmember Luisi, to close the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

**DEVIATION / RULES AND PROCEDURES / BY-LAWS OF COUNCIL
DISCUSSION REGARDING THE EXECUTION OF A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON AND BELMONT ESTATES
URBAN RENEWAL, LLC**

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Luisi, to deviate from the regular order of business for a discussion regarding the above matter. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Borough Attorney Michael De Marco, steps off the dais and Matthew C. Karrenberg from DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, takes the place his place on the dais as the Redevelopment Attorney (9:10 p.m.)

Mark Semeraro, representing Belmont Estates Urban Renewal, introduced the proposed PILOT program and advised that the purpose of the PILOT program was to incentivize redevelopment. He stated that the schools and County would continue to receive their share of taxes on the land, but that the lion's share of the taxes would go to the municipality. Matthew Karrenberg advised that there could be fluctuations in the market, but that the redeveloper's accounts would be audited every year, and in the event that there was a decrease in revenue, the Borough would still receive the amount it had the previous year, and if there was an unanticipated increase, the Borough would receive more money; he also advised that in the event that the owner decided to sell the property, the PILOT program would be changed.

Councilmember Melone inquired if this redevelopment would negatively impact the schools. Mayor George responded that currently there are less than 20 children living in the three current developments of Squaw Brook Run, Lakeside and Summit Pointe, who attend the local and regional school district. Councilwoman Puglisi further advised that the two local schools were built for 1000 students and there were presently only approximately 700 students in the schools.

Mark Semeraro advised that the redevelopment agreement would be executed the same evening that the ordinance regarding the financial agreement passed second and final reading as was the usual course of events.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Galluccio, to open the floor to the public to discuss the execution of proposed financial agreement. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Bruce Iacobelli, 18 Sturr Street, asked how much the Borough would be losing by not charging 100% taxes immediately. Mayor George advised that the redeveloper would not be able to build if he didn't receive a tax incentive, and the land would continue to remain under developed and bring in fewer taxes. Mr. Iacobelli was further advised that he would be able to obtain a copy of all the financial documents from the office of the Municipal Clerk the following day for inspection.

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

The Borough Attorney, Michael De Marco, returned to the dais (9:55 p.m.)

**DEVIATION / RULES AND PROCEDURES / BY-LAWS OF COUNCIL
PRESENTATION BY PMA RISK CONTROL CONSULTANT**

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Luisi, to deviate from the regular order of business for a presentation by Jack Alderton, PMA Senior Risk Control Consultant re: training, Safety Policy Statement and the establishment of a Safety Committee. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Jack Alderton, advised that the NJIIF had hired PMA. He advised that his job was to keep the employees and the public safe and to make sure that the Borough was in compliance with OSHA. He further advised that his services were free. Mr. Alderton was instructed to set up a training schedule and prepare a safety statement for adoption by the members of the Governing Body.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

Cherie Vanzile, 12 Manchester Avenue, did not feel safe to walk and wanted more lighting by the American Legion Hall and High Mountain School. She also wanted more sidewalks and a traffic light at the intersection of High Mountain Road and Sicomac Avenue. Mayor George instructed the Borough Engineer to look into the possibility of having more lights near the schools. Councilmember Melone inquired whether it would be possible to have the poles moved so that pedestrians did not have to walk in the street.

Michael Vanzile, 12 Manchester Avenue, suggested more solar lights. Mayor George advised that the Borough had received a grant for a solar street light that would be going up on Belmont Avenue.

Bruce Iacobelli, 18 Sturr Street, discussed electronic payment and advised that the process currently in place delays payments to vendors.

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

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

Motion by Council Member Galluccio, second by Council Member Marco, to approve the minutes of the work session and regular council meetings of July 8, 2015, the work session and regular council meetings of August 5 2015, the work session meeting of September 2, 2015 and the regular council meeting of September 16, 2015. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative, with the exception of Councilmember Luisi, who abstained on the minutes of September 2, and Councilmember Melone, who abstained from voting on all the minutes. Motion carried.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

The Clerk submitted the following reports:

Building Official's Report
Clerk's Receipts
Fire Department Report
North Haledon Volunteer Ambulance Report
Municipal Court Report
Police Department Report
Property Maintenance Report
Tax Collector's Report to Treasurer
Treasurer's Report

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 Marco, to dispense with above reports, that above reports be received, action taken where necessary, and reports be placed on file. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Clerk stated that the communications below were read at the Work Session.

Parker McCay	Re: 920 Belmont Avenue / Order Re: Redevelopment Project
MUA	Re: Annual Fall Hydrant Flushing
City of Paterson	Re: Resolution / Increase / Property Tax Relief for Veterans
Holland Christian Home	Re: Request for Release of Bond
High Mtn. Presbyterian Church	Re: Refund of CCO
Philip Zofrea	Re: Resignation / Ethics Board
Paula Grossi	Re: Glenwood Drive
Mr. and Mrs. Leuzzi	Re: Speeding on Overlook Avenue
Stojakovic & Tumminia Families	Re: Lowering of Speed Limit to 25 mph
Borough Auditor	Re: Policy / Borough-Owned Vehicles
PBA	Re: Direct Deposit
CFO	Re: Direct Deposit & Off-Duty Checks
NH Bd. of Education Attorney	Re: Land Swap
204 Wagaraw Road LLC	Re: Hawthorne Mt. Laurel Obligation
PMA / NJIIF	Re: Training & Safety Policy
Fire Chief Ricciardi	Re: LOSAP
Borough Attorney	Re: Stipulation of Dismissal
Vito Gagliardi	Re: Manchester Funding Formula
Mayor George	Re: Various Emails re: Direct Deposit
Mayor George	Re: Various Emails re: Signs at Lakeside
Mayor George	Re: Various Emails re: Best Practices
Mary Help of Christians	Re: Refund / Building Permits
Holland Christian Home	Re: Drill at HCH
Councilwoman Puglisi	Re: Recommendation / New Police Officer
Vozza Agency	Re: North Haledon Medical and Rx Review
Michael De Marco	Re: Health Benefits for Elected Officials
Michael De Marco	Re: Disposal of Solid Waste / Covanta
Sean Hagedoorn	Re: Letter of Resignation

Councilmember Puglisi recused herself from Lakeside issues. Mayor George advised that he had never received as many emails regarding an issue as he had regarding the “no parking” signs at Lakeside and that, while he had stopped the signs from going up, he was well aware that there could not be an enforceable “no parking” ordinance without signage, and that he was going to discuss this issue with the Borough Prosecutor.

Motion by Council Member Councilmember Dyer, second by Council Member Luisi, that the above communication be received, action taken where necessary, and be placed in file. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS / ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE #12-2015

Re: Mandatory Direct Deposit

Motion by Council Member Galluccio, second by Council Member Luisi, 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 MANDATE DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES PURSUANT TO C.52:14-15F ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, P.L. 2013 c. 28 authorizes local governments to mandate direct deposit for certain governmental employees effective after July 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2013 c. 28 permits governing bodies to grant exemptions on such terms and conditions as they deem necessary;

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

- Section 1. All full time employees and elected public officials who receive compensation from the Borough of North Haledon are mandated to have direct deposit of their compensation as of January 1, 2016 in accordance with Chapter 28, P.L. 2013, as defined under C.5214-15f(b).
- Section 2. Seasonal and temporary employees who are employed by the Borough of North Haledon are exempt from the direct deposit mandate.
- Section 3. If any section of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall only apply to the section so adjudged and the remainder of the ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.
- Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with the ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
- Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption and publication according to law.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

WHEREAS, the Redeveloper intends to construct upon the Project Area approximately thirty-four residential rental units (the “Project”);

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2015, the Borough Council adopted resolution number 165-2015, authorizing the execution and delivery of a redevelopment agreement and designating the Redeveloper as redeveloper of the Project Area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Long Term Tax Exemption Law, constituting Chapter 431 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1991 of the State, and the acts amendatory thereof and supplement thereto (the “Long Term Tax Law”, as codified in N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1 et seq.), the Borough is authorized to provide for tax exemption within a redevelopment area and for payments in lieu of taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Redeveloper has submitted an application to the Borough for the approval of the Project as an urban renewal project, as such term is used in the Tax Exemption Law, all in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:20-8 (the “Exemption Application”, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, the Borough and the Redeveloper have reached agreement with respect to, among other things, the terms and conditions relating to the Annual Service Charges and desire to execute the Financial Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon, County of Passaic, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Exemption Application is hereby accepted and approved.

Section 2. The Financial Agreement is hereby authorized to be executed and delivered on behalf of the Borough by the Mayor in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, with such changes as the Mayor (an “Authorized Officer”), in his respective sole discretion, after consultation with such counsel and any advisors to the Borough (collectively, the “Borough Consultants”) shall determine, such determination to be conclusively evidenced by the execution of the Financial Agreement by an Authorized Officer as determined hereunder. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest to the execution of the Financial Agreement by the Authorized Officer of the Borough as determined hereunder and to affix the corporate seal of the Borough to the Financial Agreement.

Section 3. The Authorized Officer of the Borough is hereby further severally authorized and directed to (i) execute and deliver, and the Borough Clerk is hereby further authorized and directed to attest to such execution and to affix the corporate seal of the Borough to, any document, instrument or certificate deemed necessary, desirable or convenient by the Authorized Officer or the Borough Clerk, as applicable, in their respective sole discretion, after consultation with the Borough Consultants, to be executed in connection with the execution and delivery of the Financial Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby, which determination shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution of each such certificate or other document by the party authorized hereunder to execute such certificate or

other document, and (ii) perform such other actions as the Authorized Officer deem necessary, desirable or convenient in relation to the execution and delivery thereof.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as required by law.

Section 5. Upon final adoption hereof, the Borough Clerk shall forward certified copies of this resolution to Douglas F. Doyle, Esq., DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, Special Redevelopment Counsel to the Borough.

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Marco, that the ordinance heretofore introduced does now pass on first reading and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage on November 4, 2015, at 8:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached by the Mayor and Council, and that at such time and place, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and that the Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in accordance with the law.

RESOLUTION CA#11-2015

Re: Consent Agenda #11-2015

Motion by Council Member Luisi, second by Council Member Galluccio, 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:

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. NJ DOT Grant Application
2. Appointment / Temporary Fulltime Help / DPW
3. Appointment / Temporary Leaf Collector(s) / DPW
4. Increase / Veterans Tax Property Relief
5. Refund of CCO / High Mountain Presbyterian Church
6. Acceptance of Resignation / Ethics Board / Phil Zofrea
7. Ratification of Check / Hudson Essex Passaic Soil Conservation District
8. Lien Redemption
9. Authorization / Settlement of Tax Appeal
10. Replenishment of Postage Meter

11. Refund of HCH Bond
12. Raffle License / Heights School
13. Raffle License / #16-2015 & #17-2015
14. Award of Contract / Garbage Disposal / Covanta
15. Conveyance / Transfer of Property / North Haledon & North Haledon Board of Education
16. Refund / Building Department Fees / Mary Help of Christians Academy
17. Award of Contract / Winner Ford / (2) 2016 Police Interceptor Utility
18. Appointment / Probationary Firefighter / Nicholas Dansen

Motion by Council Member Puglisi, second by Council Member Melone, to approve the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative, with the exception of Council Member Melone, who abstained on no. 15. Motion carried.

Resolution #213-2015

Re: NJDOT Grant Application

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of North Haledon formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2016- Ballentine Drive, Section 2 Improvements Project - 00201 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Borough of North Haledon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Borough of North Haledon, and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

Resolution #214-2015

Re: Appointments / DPW / PT Help

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Russell Walters, 65 Hillside Drive, North Haledon, NJ be employed as temporary full time employee for the Department of Public Works, retro-active to September 28, 2015, salary in accordance with the Salary and Wages Ordinance for 2015.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that James Greig III, 615 High Mountain Road, North Haledon, NJ be employed as temporary full time employee for the Department of Public Works, retro-active to October 5, 2015, salary in accordance with the Salary and Wages Ordinance for 2015.

Resolution #215-2015

**Re: Appointments / DPW /
Leaf Collectors**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the following individuals be employed as temporary full time employees for the Department of

Public Works, effective October 26, 2015, salary in accordance with the Salary and Wages Ordinance for 2015.

James Cooley	21 Garden Terrace	North Arlington N.J. 07031
Benjamin Moore	239 Saw Mill Road	North Haledon, NJ 07508

Resolution #216-2015 **Re: Increase / Veterans Tax Relief**

WHEREAS, the City of Paterson has a significant amount of veterans residing within its communities; and

WHEREAS, the veterans have made a huge sacrifice for the benefit of our country; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:4-8.11 provides that all veterans residing in the State of New Jersey are entitled to property tax relief in the amount of \$250.00; and

WHEREAS, the effective date of this provision of the statute was March 30, 2000; and

WHEREAS, since the effective date of this statute, there has been a significant increase in property taxes and overall cost of living; and

WHEREAS, due to these increase costs, the current amount provided for by the statute no longer provides effective property tax relief to veterans;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Council of the Borough of North Haledon that it shall support Paterson's petition to the New Jersey Legislature for an increase in the property tax relief amount to all veterans residing in the State of New Jersey from two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) to One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00).

Resolution #217-2015 **Re: Refund / Presbyterian Church**

WHEREAS, High Mountain Presbyterian Church paid for a permit at the Construction Office for a CCO for the manse, and

WHEREAS, High Mountain Presbyterian Church is requesting reimbursement of said fee since the Borough waives fees associated with construction projects for non-profit organizations in the Borough of North Haledon; and

WHEREAS, by letter, High Mountain Presbyterian Church requested a refund;

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 High Mountain Presbyterian Church in the amount of \$50.00.

Resolution #218-2016 **Re: Resignation / Ethics Board / Zofrea**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the resignation of Phil Zofrea, member of the North Haledon Ethics Board, be accepted effective immediately.

Resolution #219-2015

Re: Ratification of Check

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that check #1547 in the amount of \$775.00, dated October 6, 2015, drawn to the order of Hudson Essex Passaic Soil Conservation District, be hereby ratified; and

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

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura Leibowitz, Treasurer of the Borough of North Haledon do hereby certify that funds were available for aforementioned in Capital Fund C-04-55-510001901.

Resolution #220-2015

Re: Tax Title Lien Redemption

WHEREAS, the bank of the owner of the property located at 33 Pettee Avenue also known as Block 70 lot 6.18, mailed to the Tax Collector's Office on October 2, 2015 a check to redeem Tax Title Certificate 14-00007 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 \$17,072.76
Premium \$28,000.00

Clemente Enterprises, LLC
PO Box 141
Wyckoff, NJ 07481

Resolution #221-2015

Re: Authorization / Settlement / Tax Appeal

WHEREAS, a certain tax appeal was filed by Jillian Silvestri, LLC affecting the real property known as 546 High Mountain Road and designated on the tax maps of the Borough of North Haledon as Block 29, Lot 13, which tax appeal is now pending in the Tax Court of the State of New Jersey for the 2013 tax year; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Tax Assessor of the Borough of North Haledon that the aforementioned Tax Appeals be resolved amicably by adjusting the total assessment of the aforementioned property for said tax year as set forth in the attached Stipulation of Settlement; and

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Name: Pathway to Hope
Location of Raffle: 15 Brookview Drive
Date of Raffle: December 5, 2015
Raffle License: #17-2015

Raffle #225-2015

Re: Award of Contract / Garbage Disposal

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Haledon advertised for bids for captioned, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2015, three bids were received and the three low bids are as follows;

	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Covanta Sustainable Solutions, LLC 445 South Street Morristown, NJ 07490	\$70.38 per ton
Interstate Waste Services (IWS) 300 Frank W. Burr Blvd. Suite 39 Teaneck, NJ 07666	\$72.50 per ton
Waste Management of NJ 107 Silvia Street Ewing, NJ 08628	\$74.47 per ton

WHEREAS, Covanta Sustainable Solutions, LLC., 445 South Street, Morristown, NJ 07490, is the lowest complying bidder; and

WHEREAS, the bid documents have been reviewed by the Superintendent of Public Works as to technical sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, the bid documents of Covanta Sustainable Solutions, LLC, have been reviewed by the Borough Attorney as to legal sufficiency and his recommendation of award is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

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

1. The contract for disposal of garbage and bulky waste for a five year contract be and hereby is awarded to Covanta Sustainable Solutions, LLC, 445 South Street, Morristown, NJ 07490 in the amount as follows:

FOR THE PERIOD
November 2015 to December 2020

COST PER TON
\$70.38

Subject to receipt of the required contract in a form acceptable to the Borough Attorney as well as the performance bond with required surety disclosure statement.

2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute such contract in a form acceptable to the Borough Attorney.

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 and/or will be made available for aforementioned in 5-01-32-465-201.

Resolution #226-2015

Re: Land Swap / NHBE

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Haledon ("Borough") owns real property consisting of undeveloped land identified as Lot 3.02, Block 55 that abuts the Memorial School ("Memorial Property"); and,

WHEREAS, the North Haledon Board of Education ("Board") owns real property consisting of athletic fields that comprise a portion of Lot 5.01, Block 18.01 that abuts the High Mountain School ("High Mountain Property"); and,

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to accept the conveyance of the High Mountain property from the Board and to convey the Memorial Property to the Board; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough has utilized and maintained the High Mountain Property for years and will continue to do so; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough will continue to allow the Board's use of the High Mountain Property following the Board's conveyance of the High Mountain Property to the Borough; and,

WHEREAS, the Board desires to utilize the Memorial Property for a playground following the Borough's conveyance of the Memorial Property to the Board; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that, in light of the above, the Borough's fee interest in the Memorial Property is no longer necessary; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.C. 6A:26-7.1 et seq. requires that the Board apply for and receive the approval of the New Jersey Department of Education ("NJDOE") prior to acquiring or disposing of real property; and,

WHEREAS, the NJDOE has required that the Board and Borough confirm their respective desire to move forward with the conveyance/acquisition described above.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Council that the Borough of North Haledon continue in its desire to proceed with conveyance of the Memorial Property and acquisition of the High Mountain Property and to follow all procedures required by law.

Resolution #227-2015

Re: Refund / Building Permit Fee

WHEREAS, the Mary Help of Christians Academy, located at 655 Belmont Avenue, North Haledon paid \$402.75 for soil movement / pond restoration application; and

WHEREAS, the Mary Help of Christians Academy is requesting reimbursement of said fee since the Borough waives fees associated with construction projects for non-profit organizations in the Borough of North Haledon.

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 in the amount of \$402.75 to Mary Help of Christians Academy.

Resolution #228-2015

Re: Award of Contract / Police Interceptors

BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Cherry Hill Winner Ford, 250 Haddonfield-Berlin Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034, for the purchase of (2) 2016 Police Interceptor Utility, All Wheel Drive, under New Jersey State Contract No. 88728 at the purchase amount of \$30,068.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds will be 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 5-01-25-240-241-201.

Resolution #228-201

Re: Appointment / Probationary Firefighter

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Nicholas Dansen, 36 Walray Ave, North Haledon, NJ 07508, be appointed a Probationary Firefighter to the North Haledon Volunteer Fire Department.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Mayor George reads the Certification of Availability of Funds into the record.

Resolution #229-2015

Re: Payment of Approved Claims

Mayor George reads the Payment of Claims Resolution into the record.

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

2015 BILLS

CURRENT FUND-OTHER EXPENSES\$ 216,496.01

2014 BILLS

PREPAID BILLS - CURRENT FUND - OTHER EXPENSE.....\$ 106,080.57
FEDERAL/STATE GRANT FUND.....\$ 2,206.00
PREPAID FEDERAL STATE GRANT.....\$ 1,750.00
TRUST FUND II.....\$ 2,299.00
DOG LICENSE TRUST ACCOUNT.....\$ 1,000.00
CAPITAL FUND.....\$ 70,568.72

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 \$ 315,800.14 paid in the month of September be approved.

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

DISCUSSION

2016 Meeting Dates; new time: 7:30 p.m.

Because of the 4th of July holiday, the combined work session – council meeting will be on July 13, 2016.

Council Member Puglisi, who has offered to work in the personnel handbook, requested copies of personnel handbooks from other municipalities. Council Member Marco advised that he would get her a copy of the handbook from Franklin Lakes.

Council Member Puglisi advised that there was nothing to discuss regarding the PBA contract negotiations, as the Police Committee had not heard anything back from their attorney.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor George declared the meeting duly adjourned at 10:28 p.m.

Minutes
October 21, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,

Renate Elatab, Municipal Clerk

Approved at Council Meeting of December 2, 2015