

BOROUGH OF HALEDON  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION

MOMENT OF SILENCE

April 8, 2015

FLAG SALUTE

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon conducted their April Work Session on April 8, 2015 at 8:15PM in the Council Chambers of the Haledon Municipal Complex located at 510 Belmont Avenue. Formal action may be taken.

This meeting was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. Notice of this meeting was included in the notice sent to the North Jersey Herald & News and the Record on January 5, 2015 posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 5, 2015 and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. Copies of the above notices are and have been available to the public and are on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Proper notice having been given, the Municipal Clerk is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

ROLL CALL – Mayor Domenick Stampone called the meeting to order at 8:15 PM

Present: Mayor Domenick Stampone; Council President Mounir Almaita; Council members; Tahsina Ahmed, Reynaldo Martinez, Michael Johnson and Borough Attorney Andrew Oddo; and Municipal Clerk/Borough Administrator Allan R. Susen.

Absent: Councilwoman Maha Kandis absent with notice.  
Councilman Michael Tirri absent with notice.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

September 18, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 11, 2015 Work Session Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2015 Executive Session Meeting Minutes  
November 13, 2014 Executive Session Meeting Minutes

Motion by Johnson seconded by Ahmed to approve the above meeting minutes.

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**(Privilege of the floor)**

Motion by Almaita seconded by Ahmed to open the public hearing

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

Frank Menyhart, 33 N.12th Street, congratulated Angelo Daniele on his appointment.

- Easter Egg hunt, hope it was successful. Indicated no one cleaned up, found plastic egg pieces on his property as well as on other properties on N.12th Street.
- Looking for signs to be posted on streets surrounding the park for no parking. Concerned about response when called dispatch; did not seem to hear the location.
- Gate at playground has a space that allows possible entering. Should be tighter.

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- Need more garbage cans at field.
- Parking around the park, assume no parking is for everyone. Rec Director violated this.

Tammy Moore, 89 Lee Avenue, questions regarding the Rec Building and Rec programs; questioning when is 6 month trial over. What is the plan after the 6 months, what is the vision for the Rec Center? She has ideas but will cost money.

Carlos Mazzoni, 268 Belmont Avenue, question regarding line item in the upcoming budget, and why is it less.

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Martinez to close the public hearing

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

### **GOVERNING BODY RESPONSES**

Mayor Stampone

- Playground issues are enforcement issues.
- Litter, garbage needs to be put in cans.
- Eggs, children collected and walked away with them. Confused about why eggs would be all over the streets.
- REC program, if new program works will continue; not sure if a time frame was given. Tried various ways of running the programs.
- Correct, will need more money than what is budgeted. Other groups do fund raisers, we have not.

Council President Alkaita, looks like (line item) reduced because moved money to the salary line. Also have trust money for funds raised with registration.

### **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS AND DISCUSSION**

ENGINEER'S REPORT – ALAIMO ENGINEERING – Administrator Susen reported.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Allan Susen

FINANCE

1. The Borough Budget was introduced at the March 11 work session meeting. The public hearing is scheduled for April 22<sup>nd</sup>. If all goes well and the State approves our Budget we will also be able to adopt on April 22. The finance system has been updated and rolled into Budget year 2015.
2. The Finance Committee must now review and prioritize our capital improvements for 2015. Decisions must be made prior to preparing a Bond Ordinance.

ADMINISTRATION

1. DPW and Crossing Agreements have been finalized. A resolution is on this agenda authorizing the Municipal Clerk and Mayor to execute the agreements. Also on this agenda are the DPW and Crossing Guard Salary Ordinances, establishing the hourly rates they will be paid during their contract term.
2. Alaimo Engineering is preparing a proposal for the installation of monitoring wells at the former Municipal Complex site.
3. Demolition of structures and backfilling of the foundations at the old municipal complex was completed February 26<sup>th</sup>. Weather conditions prevented further

- completion. Alaimo is in the process of coordinating with the contractor to install the permanent fence, topsoil the property, seed and fertilize. Topsoil is being inspected to ensure it is clean material.
4. The County Clerk will conduct satellite office session here in the Borough of Haledon on April 22<sup>nd</sup> for Passport applications, Notary, and Veteran ID's.
  5. The 2015 Borough Calendar is complete and available at the Borough Offices, the Recycling Center and the Library. Residents are happy to see the return of our printed calendar.

#### CAPITAL PROJECTS

1. Roe Street Athletic Field: Work continues at the Field. The Borough Engineer reports safety netting poles have been installed and the netting has been ordered. Fencing work should be complete April 9<sup>th</sup>. Field restoration work is awaiting dry conditions and is expected to begin next week. The contractor has been put on notice to complete restoration as soon as possible to minimize impacting Spring sports programs.
2. Belmont Streetscape –Phase II: Andy Oddo and I met with Nordan to discuss contract requirements and completion of the project. Alaimo will be contacting 4 Clean-UP to discuss completion of the project and possible liquidated damages.
3. The following grant awards were received:
  - \$620,000; for Phase III of the Belmont Streetscape.
  - \$158,228 for Lee Avenue
4. Pending projects:
  - Roe Street Field Tree Replacement
  - Tilt Street Pocket Park
  - Security Cameras
  - King Street, North 15<sup>th</sup> St. and Roe St. NJDOT Municipal Aid
5. Grant applications pending:
  - Community Development Block Grant for improvements to John Street; and Geyer Street. This application is amending the 2014 CDBG award for Ida Street, Bernard Ave, N12th St and Post Street.
  - Open Space for Belmont Towne Square proposal
  - Community Development Block Grant for Circle Avenue.

#### POLICE DEPT. – Chief Mercurio

Lt. Daniele, officer in charge, read regular report of Police Department activities.

- Kidnapping in Borough, individual was caught in Paterson.
- Structuring and reorganizing units in the PD.
- Community policing; looking into a Junior PD academy. The idea is to possibly run in summer with children from the Borough, 6,7,8<sup>th</sup> graders.
- Bringing back bicycle patrol.
- National Night Out will be August 4, 2015.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – Doug Morgan – not present, family emergency.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Mike Moscatello – not present.

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – Scott Wilson – not present.

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CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT/PROPERTY MAINTENANCE - Jessica Jimenez –  
Not present, taking a final exam.

RECREATION – Frank Caraccio – not present.

**MUNICIPAL CLERK’S AGENDA**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION**

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Motion by Alkaita seconded by Ahmed that Ordinance #3-11-2015A to be heard in its second and final reading (An ordinance to exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and establish a Cap Bank)

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

THE CLERK WILL READ THE TITLE

BOROUGH OF HALEDON

ORDINANCE #3-11-2015A

“AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION  
LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK”

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Martinez to open the public hearing on Ordinance #3-11-2015A

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

Motion by Johnson seconded by Ahmed to close the public hearing on Ordinance #3-11-2015A

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

Motion by Martinez seconded by Johnson that Ordinance #3-11-2015A be approved and adopted and to authorize the Municipal Clerk to advertise according to law.

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion Martinez seconded by Ahmed to request two ordinances be added to the agenda.

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Johnson to read the introduction of Ordinance #4-8-2015 (Salary Ordinance, Crossing Guards)

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

The Clerk will read the title:

BOROUGH OF HALEDON  
ORDINANCE #4-8-2015  
AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE ANNUAL SALARIES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE  
HALEDON CROSSING GUARDS  
LOCAL 74 USWU, IUJAT FOR THE YEARS 2014 THROUGH 2017 AND  
PROVIDING FOR THE COST THEREOF

Motion by Alkaita seconded by Ahmed to approve and authorize the Municipal Clerk to advertise in the next available issue of the Herald News for a public hearing to take place on May 13, 2015

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

Motion by Johnson seconded by Martinez to read the introduction of Ordinance #4-8-2015A (Salary Ordinance, Department of Public Works)

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

The Clerk will read the title:

BOROUGH OF HALEDON  
ORDINANCE #4-8-2015A  
AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE ANNUAL SALARIES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE  
HALEDON DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
LOCAL 74 USWU, IUJAT FOR THE YEARS 2014 THROUGH 2018 AND  
PROVIDING FOR THE COST THEREOF

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Johnson to approve and authorize the Municipal Clerk to advertise in the next available issue of the Herald News for a public hearing to take place on May 13, 2015

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

**RESOLUTIONS**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon are not desirous of removing any resolution from the Consent Agenda;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon, that the following resolutions on the Consent Agenda are hereby approved:

- RESOLUTION#2015-066 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER- 5 OXFORD STREET HALEDON NJ 07508
- RESOLUTION#2015-067 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER- 81 TILT STREET, HALEDON NJ 07508
- RESOLUTION#2015-068 APPROVAL OF THE RECYCLING MANDATORY SOURCE RECYCLING GRANT APPLICATION
- RESOLUTION#2015-069 AUTHORIZE MUNICIPAL CLERK TO REQUEST BIDS FOR THE BELMONT AVENUE STREET SCAPE PHASE III

Motion by Martinez seconded by Johnson to approve.

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

- RESOLUTION#2015-066 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER – 5 OXFORD STREET

WHEREAS, At the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 4<sup>th</sup> 2014, a lien was sold on Block 129, lot 16, also known as 5 Oxford Street in Haledon, for 2013 tax/water, and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate # 14-00007 was sold to US Bank Cust for BV001 Trust, 50 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102-2513, In the amount of \$6,278.75 at zero percent interest, with a premium of \$19,500, and

WHEREAS, Property Owner, has effected redemption of Certificate # 14-00007 in the Amount of \$21,062.81, as of March 30<sup>th</sup> 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CFO/Treasurer be authorized to Issue a check in the amount of \$21,062.81,for redemption ,and one Trust Fund check in the amount of \$19,500.00 refund of premium, payable to the US Bank, Cust for BV001 Trust & Crdtrs, , 50 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102-2513 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate # 14-00007.

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RESOLUTION#2015-067

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF  
REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN  
HOLDER – 81 TILT STREET, HALEDON, NJ  
07508

WHEREAS, At the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 4<sup>th</sup> 2014, a lien was sold on Block 38 , Lot 7, also known as 81 Tilt St., Haledon, for 2013 tax/water sale, and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate # 14-00013 was sold to US Bank Cust. for Pro-Cap 4, 50 south 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102 in the amount of \$4,234.34 at zero percent interest, with a premium of \$1,200.00 and

WHEREAS, property owner has effected redemption of Certificate # 14-00013 in the amount of \$4,374.03, as of April 15<sup>th</sup> 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the CFO/Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$4,374.03 for redemption, and one Trust Fund check in the amount of \$1,200.00, refund of premium, payable to US Bank, Cust for PC 4, First Trust Bank, 50 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate # 14-00013.

RESOLUTION #2015-068

APPROVAL OF THE RECYCLING  
MANDATORY SOURCE RECYCLING GRANT  
APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, C. 102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

WHEREAS, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to , making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants for calendar year 2014 will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

WHEREAS, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon, County of Passaic, that the Borough of Haledon hereby endorses the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates Doug Morgan to ensure that the application is properly filed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purposes of recycling.

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RESOLUTION #2015-069

AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPAL CLERK TO  
ADVERTISE FOR BIDS; BELMONT AVENUE  
STREET SCAPE PHASE III

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon that the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for bids for the Belmont Avenue Street Scape Phase III.

Motion by Martinez seconded by Johnson to request two resolutions be added to agenda:

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

RESOLUTION #2015-070

AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPAL CLERK  
AGREEMENTS WITH LOCAL 74, USWU, IUJAT  
(DPW) AND LOCAL 74 USWU, IUJAT (CROSSING  
GUARDS)

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Johnson to approve

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute agreements with the above referenced Unions in accordance with previously authorized memorandums of agreement in a form to be approved by the Borough Attorney.

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

RESOLUTION #2015-071

AUTHORIZE A SIX MONTH EXTENSION TO FY 2013  
MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM AWARD – VARIOUS  
STREETS

Motion by Johnson seconded by Ahmed to approve.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to request an additional six month extension to the above referenced project; and

WHEREAS, the original scope of the project several streets including Ida Street; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2013 Municipal Aid funding from NJDOT provided only \$120,000; an amount not sufficient to complete improvements for the entire project; and

WHEREAS, the Borough attempted to receive additional funding through a Passaic County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) but after originally being approved; the Borough after considerable time learned the project could no longer be funded under the CDBG;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon hereby request the NJDOT to consider modification of the project to include only Ida Street and grant an additional six month extension.

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

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RESOLUTION #2015-072

BILLS LIST – April 8, 2015

Motioned by Ahmed seconded by Johnson to approve.

WHEREAS, the attached bills have been submitted for payment; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has attached his certification of availability of funds stating that the Bills list for April will not constitute an over expenditure of any Ordinance or Line Item;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon that the attached payments are hereby approved and payment made when the funds of the Borough are sufficient to meet them.

TOTAL BILLS LIST FOR April 8, 2015 WITH PREPAIDS IS:

CURRENT:	\$2,022,924.68
WATER (MUA):	<u>\$ 38,341.04</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,061,265.72

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

RESOLUTIONS FROM OTHER MUNICIPALITIES FOR CONSIDERATION,  
APRIL 22, 2015:

- Resolution #52-0-15 Opposing Pilgrim Pipeline from the Borough of Wanaque.

Put on 4/22 agenda, Mayor asked Council to support.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

- Lieutenant Daniele Officer in charge.

Welcomed Lt. Daniele as Officer in Charge. Mayor likes his team approach.

Ford Road, Borough Engineer, same dollar figure.

Phase III of Belmont Streetscape, the Municipal Clerk is authorized to advertise by Governing Body, but need to get NJDOT approval.

Recycling, disappointed with recycling efforts. Wants residents to understand that when they do not recycle, adding weight to the amount brought to the dumps, costing more. Asked DPW Superintendent Morgan to put together a Recycling Awareness program.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

LEGAL UPDATE – Andrew Oddo – nothing further.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Michael Johnson  
Police Liaison – Michael Johnson

Acknowledged Lt. Daniele as Officer in Charge, wished him the best.

Dispatcher issue, Administrator Susen – hours are under control. Hiring two (2) dispatchers.

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Fire Liaison – Michael Tirri –absent with notice.

Office of Emergency Management – Tahsina Ahmed – nothing at this time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mounir Almaita

Committee will need to meet soon to discuss funding of new DPW equipment. The equipment has not been replaced and is now aged to the point that needs replacement.

ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL – Maha Kandis – absent with notice.

ORDINANCE – Mounir Almaita

Concession stand and fees for signage

HEALTH AND WELFARE – Tahsina Ahmed – nothing at this time.

PUBLIC WORKS – Michael Johnson – nothing at this time.

CAPITAL PROJECTS – Rey Martinez – nothing to report.

TECHNOLOGY – Tahsina Ahmed – nothing to report.

SPECIAL EVENTS – Maha Kandis – absent with notice.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by Johnson seconded by Ahmed to adjourn.

ROLL CALL

YES: ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: 0

Respectfully submitted:

Allan R. Susen, RMC/MMC  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator