

**BOROUGH OF HALEDON
MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

February 25, 2015

**MOMENT OF SILENCE
FLAG SALUTE**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon took place on February 25, 2015 at 8:15PM in the Council Chambers of the Haledon Municipal Complex located at 510 Belmont Avenue, Haledon, New Jersey.

This meeting was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. Notice of this meeting was included in a notice sent to the North Jersey Herald & 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. In addition, 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 8:15PM.

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

Absent: Councilwoman Maha Kandis and Councilman Rey Martinez with prior notice.

PRESENTATION OF SPECIAL CITATIONS

Mayor Stampone presented special citations to Police Officers Andrea Len and Todd Ward for their efforts at the February 22, 2015 fire on Roe Street.

Mayor Domenick Stampone called up Fire Chief Michael Moscatello and Deputy Chief Kevin Gottheiner for their department efforts with the fire on Roe Street.

Chief Michael Moscatello explained what happened during the fire, Haledon and mutual aid responded to fire at 429 Roe Street. The Police Officers receiving citations assisted with removing residents from the fire. The residents that were removed to safety did not hear the alarm from next door.

Mayor Stampone explained that Officers did not have fire gear, yet they still assisted.

Deputy Chief Kevin Gottheiner the officers did not have fire emergency training but their Police Officer training instilled what to do in any emergency situation.

Officer Todd Ward was presented citation by Mayor Domenick Stampone and Councilman Michael Johnson. Deputy Chief Kevin Gottheiner presented Officer Todd Ward with a lifesaving medal for his efforts in assisting residents to safety during the fire.

Mayor Domenick Stampone requested Councilman Johnson for comment – he is a Police Officer as well.

Councilman Johnson stated being in public service is not an easy job but when adrenalin is pumping you do what is needed. Congratulated the Police Officers for an outstanding job!

Officer Andrea Len was called forward for her citation.

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Mayor Stampone stated Officer Len was working with Officer Ward, Officer Len responded to the scene. Mayor Stampone presented citation to Officer Len and Deputy Chief Gottheiner presented the lifesaving medal.

Officer Len thanked Officer Ward. During event did not think of self, but the people inside.

Mayor Stampone acknowledged North Haledon and Prospect Park for their assistance. Also thanked the following Fire Departments for assisting: Paterson, Wayne, Totowa, Little Falls, Woodland Park, Hawthorne, Pompton Lakes, Bloomingdale, Passaic, Clifton, Wyckoff, and Franklin Lakes. Special thanks to the Wayne 1st Aid Squad, William Paterson Police and the support from Haledon Department of Public Works.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 1, 2015	Reorganization Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2014	Regular Meeting Minutes
September 4, 2014	Regular Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2014	Work Session Meeting Minutes
November 6, 2014	Work Session Meeting Minutes

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

ROLL CALL

YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

PUBLIC HEARING

(Privilege of the floor)

Motion by Johnson seconded by Tirri to open the public hearing.

ROLL CALL

YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

No Comments.

Motion by Tirri seconded by Johnson to close the public hearing.

ROLL CALL

YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

GOVERNING BODY RESPONSES

No Response.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Michael Johnson, Chairperson

Police Liaison – Michael Johnson

Police Department

Housing Inspection/Building Maintenance

Municipal Court

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Discussed with Recreation Director using Rec Center for staging area in emergencies. Use to temporary place victims that are displaced due to an emergent situation.

Fire Liaison– Michael Tirri

Fire Department -Invitation from Fire Chief Michael Moscatello for critique meeting.

Borough Attorney Andrew Oddo advised the Mayor and Council if they are there to be educated on issue but no decisions on Borough business, if they listen to presentation but Governing Body members cannot speak together.

Mayor Domenick Stampone – OEM Coordinator Scott Wilson was also at fire scene thanked him.

Office of Emergency Management Liaison – Tahsina Ahmed-no official report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mounir Almaita, Chair –

The Finance Committee is done with budget and the Budget will be introduced at March work session.

ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL

Maha Kandis, Chair – absent.

ORDINANCE

Mounir Almaita, Chair –no official report.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Tahsina Ahmed, Chair – no official report.

PUBLIC WORKS

Michael Johnson, Chair –

- Water Department & Utility Management
- Department of Public Works
- Streets & Roads
- Public Land, Parks & Building Maintenance
- Sanitation & Waste Services
- Clean Streets
- Recycling

Mayor Domenick Stampone this may be the coldest February on record. Douglas Morgan said it was the 4th coldest.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Rey Martinez, Chair – absent.

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TECHNOLOGY

Tahsina Ahmed, Chair –no official report.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Maha Kandis, Chair –absent.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Acknowledged all volunteers and professionals at fire on Roe Street, building has already been raised. Thanked Red Cross for assisting the fire victims. Victims are with family, or friends. And some had to be placed in hotels. Shifts now to the Construction Office to rebuild structure.

Old Municipal Building site 407 Belmont – structures have been raised. Dealing with environmental issues on site, need plan by spring for usage options for the land.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Letter from the Borough of North Haledon regarding ordinance #4-2015 An ordinance to amend chapter 600 Zoning Code of the Borough of North Haledon, Article XXIII – Senior Citizen Residential (SCR) District.
2. Letter from the Borough of Tinton Falls regarding R-15-022 Resolution Supporting, Recognizing and Honoring the Service of Law Enforcement Officers that was adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Tinton Falls on January 20, 2015.

Motion by Johnson seconded by Ahmed to accept and file.

ROLL CALL

YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, JOHNSON

NO:-0-

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

New Business

None.

Council President Mounir Alkaita suggested reconsidering the overnight stay at firehouses for the firefighters. Would be beneficial when a fire occur.

Mayor Domenick Stampone asking Borough Attorney Andrew Oddo to review what the correct procedure would be.

Andrew Oddo suggested the Governing Body adopt a resolution. This can be recommended by committee or the department.

Councilman Michael Tirri recommended the Fire Department make report and recommendation to the Mayor and Council.

Councilman Johnson is not in favor of this idea because of problems at the firehouse. Those members are no longer present, but there was a past issue, do not want reoccur. The Governing Body will review the proposed plan.

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Mayor Domenick Stampone – should consider request, a lot of the volunteers do not live in town. Thanked Chief Michael Moscatello for dealing with issues Councilman Johnson mentioned. Need to know we do not have to deal with similar problems in the future. Fire Chief will be given 15 minutes at work session in March to present plan.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS ARE POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD

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#2015-043 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER – 24 WILLIE STREET
- RESOLUTION#2015-044 AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK TO SIGN THE DEVELOPER’S AGREEMENT FOR LANXESS CORPORATION
- RESOLUTION#2015-045 AUTHORIZE THE CONTROLS AGREEMENT WITH TRANE INC. AND THE BOROUGH OF HALEDON FOR THE HVAC SYSTEM IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMPLEX
- RESOLUTION#2015-046 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER -61 CLIFF STREET

Motion by Johnson seconded by Ahmed to approve.

ROLL CALL

YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

- RESOLUTION #2015-043 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER- 24 WILLIE STREET

WHEREAS, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 4, 2014, a lien was sold on Block 76, Lot 17, also known as 24 Willie Street in Haledon, for 2013 delinquent tax/water; and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #14-00004 was sold to US Bank Cust BV001 Trst and Crdtrs, 50 South 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102-2513, in the amount of \$199.09 at zero percent interest, with a premium of \$100.00; and

WHEREAS, Property Owner, has effected redemption of Certificate #14-00004 in the amount of \$199.09, as of February 19th, 2015;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CFO / Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$199.09, payable to US Bank CustBV001 Trs & Crdtrs, 50 South 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA, 19102-2513 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate # 14-00004.

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RESOLUTION #2015-044 AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK TO SIGN THE DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT FOR LANXESS CORPORATION

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon received the developer's agreement from the Planning Board Secretary for development of the 8 Hoxsey (a.k.a. 550 Belmont Ave.); and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body is desirous of authorizing this agreement subject to review by the Borough Attorney, Borough Engineer, and Risk Management Consultant;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon that the Developer's Agreement for 8 Hoxsey (a.k.a. 550 Belmont Avenue) is hereby authorized subject to review and approval of the Borough Attorney, Borough Engineer, and Risk Management Consultant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the Developer's Agreement mentioned above in a form to be approved by the Borough Attorney.

RESOLUTION #2015-045 AUTHORIZE THE CONTROLS AGREEMENT WITH TRANE INC. AND THE BOROUGH OF HALEDON FOR THE HVAC SYSTEM IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMPLEX

WHEREAS, a maintenance agreement has been submitted by Trane Inc. to control and maintain the HVAC system at the Municipal Building Complex; and

WHEREAS, the term of this controls agreement is April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016 at the annually cost of \$3,814.00; and

WHEREAS, Chief Financial Officer MaryAnn Brindisi has issued a certification of funds for an amount not to exceed \$3, 814.00;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body that the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk are authorized to sign the maintenance agreement submitted by Trane Inc.

RESOLUTION#2015-046 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER – 61 CLIFF STREET

WHEREAS, At the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 4th 2014, a lien was sold on Block 125, lot 7, also known as 61 Cliff Street in Haledon, for 2013 tax/water, and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate # 14-00019 was sold to US Bank Cust for PC 4, First Trust Bank, 50 South 16th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102, in the Amount of \$1,085.84 at zero percent interest, with a premium of \$1,000.00, and

WHEREAS, Property Owner, has effected redemption of Certificate # 14-00019 in the Amount of \$1,399.01, as of February 23rd 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CFO/Treasurer be authorized to Issue a check in the amount of \$1,399.01, payable to the US Bank Cust for PC 4, First Trust Bank, Tax Lien Services Group, 50 South 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate # 14-00019

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RESOLUTION#2015-047 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

Motion by Ahmed second by Tirri to approve.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon established a Recreation Committee consisting of five members; and

WHEREAS, one of the five members is a member of the Governing Body who will serve a one year term; and

WHEREAS, the remaining members shall serve three year terms; and

WHEREAS, the initial term of the non-governing body members shall be two serving three years and two serving two year terms;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor Stampone hereby requests the advice and consent to appoint the following individuals to the Recreation Committee:

Governing Body Representative – Mounir Alkaita, one year term
Carlos Mazzoni – 3 year term
Edwin Colondres - 2 year term
Tammy Moore - 2 year term
George Guzman - 3 year term

ROLL CALL

YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

RESOLUTION #02112015

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Johnson second by Ahmed to approve.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to move to executive session to discuss the following matters:

- Belmont Car Wash.

WHEREAS, minutes will be taken during the closed session and once the confidential matter has been resolved, then the minutes will be made available to the public;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon will hereby move to closed session and that the public will be excluded from this meeting in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL

YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Motion by Alkaita second by Ahmed to re-open public session of meeting.

ROLL CALL

YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

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ADJOURN

Motion by Almaita seconded by Ahmed to adjourn.

ROLL CALL

YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Respectfully submitted:

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