

BOROUGH OF HALEDON
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
WORK SESSION

MOMENT OF SILENCE

March 11, 2015

FLAG SALUTE

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon conducted their March Work Session on March 11, 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; Maha Kandis, Michael Tirri, Tahsina Ahmed, Rey Martinez, Michael Johnson and Borough Attorney Andrew Oddo; and Municipal Clerk/Borough Administrator Allan R. Susen.

Absent: 0

Mayor Stampone welcomed special guests; Assemblywoman Shavonda Sumter and the Honorable John Segreto.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion by Martinez seconded by Ahmed that Ordinance #2-11-2015 to be heard in its second and final reading (An ordinance amending chapter 48 entitled “Police Department” – Police Promotion Procedures)

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

THE CLERK WILL READ THE TITLE

BOROUGH OF HALEDON
ORDINANCE #2-11-2015

“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 48 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HALEDON ENTITLED “POLICE DEPARTMENT”

Motion by Tirri seconded by Johnson to open the public hearing on Ordinance #2-11-15

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Frank Menyhardt, N 12th St. – questioned why the educational standards were lowered; don’t residents deserve better.

Motion by Tirri seconded by Johnson to close the public hearing on Ordinance #2-11-15

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ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Mayor Stampone, take exception of lowering the standards. Addressing a small number (Officers) in the Police Department and have vacancies. Need supervision, hiring from a limited pool; makes it difficult to fill needs. Need a wide pool of applicants, not limiting a fully staffed Police Department.

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Martinez that Ordinance #2-11-2015 be approved and adopted and to authorize the Municipal Clerk to advertise according to law.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Motion by Almaita seconded by Ahmed that Ordinance #2-11-2015A to be heard in its second and final reading (An ordinance amending chapter 48 entitled "Police Department" establishment & organization)

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

THE CLERK WILL READ THE TITLE

BOROUGH OF HALEDON

ORDINANCE #2-11-2015A

"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 48 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HALEDON ENTITLED "POLICE DEPARTMENT"

Motion by Tirri seconded by Johnson to open the public hearing on Ordinance #2-11-15A

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Motion by Martinez seconded by Johnson to close the public hearing on Ordinance #2-11-15A

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Motion by Tirri seconded by Ahmed that Ordinance #2-11-2015A be approved and adopted and to authorize the Municipal Clerk to advertise according to law.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Motion by Tirri seconded by Almaita that Ordinance #2-11-2015B to be heard in its second and final reading (An ordinance to add a new chapter 48-36.1 entitled "Police Officers, Off-Duty Employment of")

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ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

THE CLERK WILL READ THE TITLE

BOROUGH OF HALEDON

ORDINANCE #2-11-2015B

“AN ORDINANCE TO ADD NEW CHAPTER 48-36.1 OF THE CODE OF THE
BOROUGH OF HALEDON TITLED “POLICE OFFICERS, OFF-DUTY
EMPLOYMENT OF”

Motion by Tirri seconded by Kandis to open the public hearing on Ordinance #2-11-15B

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Motion by Martinez seconded by Kandis to close the public hearing on Ordinance #2-11-15B

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Motion by Tirri seconded by Ahmed that Ordinance #2-11-2015B be approved and adopted and to authorize the Municipal Clerk to advertise according to law.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

RESOLUTION#2015-048 CONFIRMING MEMBERSHIP OF POLICE
PROMOTIONS REVIEW COMMITTEE AND
DECISION TO CONDUCT INTERVIEWS FOR
PROMOTIONS & NEW POLICE OFFICERS

Motion by Tirri second by Kandis to approve.

WHEREAS, Section 48-38 of the Haledon Municipal code establishes a Police Promotion Review Committee to be comprised of three members; and

WHEREAS, the following individuals were appointed as the members of the Police Promotion Review Committee by the Mayor;

Mayor Domenick Stampone
Council President Mounir Almaita
Councilman Michael Johnson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby provides their advice and Consent for the above named individuals to be named to the Police Promotion Review Committee in accordance with the provisions set in Chapter 48 section 48-38 of the Borough Code and also provides and confirms direction for the advertising of and interview process for promotions within the Haledon Police Department.

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ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

HALEDON POLICE DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENTS

RESOLUTION#2015-048A APPOINTMENT OF REGULAR POLICE OFFICER-
JAKE RUTKOWSKI

Motion by Ahmed second by Kandis to approve.

WHEREAS, Mayor Domenick Stampone requests the advice and consent of the Borough Council to appoint Jake Rutkowski to the position of Police Officer effective March 16, 2015 at the annual starting salary of \$28,000.00.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Council of the Borough of Haledon hereby provides their advice and consent to appoint Jake Rutkowski to the position of Police Officer effective March 16, 2015 or an earlier date at the annual starting salary of \$28,000.00.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

RESOLUTION#2015-048B APPOINTMENT OF REGULAR POLICE OFFICER-
SEMIR CELOSKI

Motion by Almaita second by Tirri to approve.

WHEREAS, Mayor Domenick Stampone requests the advice and consent of the Borough Council to appoint Semir Celoski to the position of Police Officer effective March 16, 2015 at the annual starting salary of \$28,000.00.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Council of the Borough of Haledon hereby provides their advice and consent to appoint Semir Celoski to the position of Police Officer effective March 16, 2015 or an earlier date at the annual starting salary of \$28,000.00.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

HALEDON POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS

RESOLUTION#2015-048D PROMOTION TO POLICE SERGEANT- MICHAEL
SUSEN

Motion by Tirri second by Martinez to approve.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon are desirous of authorizing a promotion to Sergeant;

WHEREAS, the intention to do so was done by a job posting in the Department; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Stampone designated a Police Promotions Committee which conducted interviews of all interested applicants; and

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WHEREAS, as a result of these interviews, the Police Promotions Committee recommends Michael Susen to be promoted; and

WHEREAS, based upon that recommendation, Mayor Domenick Stampone requests the advice and consent of the Borough Council to appoint Michael Susen to the position of Police Sergeant effective immediately.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Haledon that Michael Susen be promoted to the position of Police Sergeant effective immediately.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Mayor Stampone introduced Hector Lora, Freeholder Director.

RESOLUTION#2015-048E PROMOTION TO POLICE SERGEANT- FRANK CONCA

Motion by Ahmed second by Alkaita to approve.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon are desirous of authorizing a promotion to Sergeant;

WHEREAS, the intention to do so was done by a job posting in the Department; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Stampone designated a Police Promotions Committee which conducted interviews of all interested applicants; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these interviews, the Police Promotions Committee recommends Frank Conca to be promoted; and

WHEREAS, based upon that recommendation, Mayor Domenick Stampone requests the advice and consent of the Borough Council to appoint Frank Conca to the position of Police Sergeant effective immediately.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Haledon that Frank Conca be promoted to the position of Police Sergeant effective immediately.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

RESOLUTION#2015-048F PROMOTION TO POLICE SERGEANT- GEORGE KELLY

Motion by Tirri second by Kandis to approve.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon are desirous of authorizing a promotion to Sergeant;

WHEREAS, the intention to do so was done by a job posting in the Department; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Stampone designated a Police Promotions Committee which conducted interviews of all interested applicants; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these interviews, the Police Promotions Committee recommends George Kelly to be promoted; and

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WHEREAS, based upon that recommendation, Mayor Domenick Stampone requests the advice and consent of the Borough Council to appoint George Kelly to the position of Police Sergeant effective immediately.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Haledon that George Kelly be promoted to the position of Police Sergeant effective immediately.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

RESOLUTION #2015-048G PROMOTION TO POLICE SERGEANT- JESSICA FUNES

Motion by Martinez second by Kandis to approve.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon are desirous of authorizing a promotion to Sergeant;

WHEREAS, the intention to do so was done by a job posting in the Department; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Stampone designated a Police Promotions Committee which conducted interviews of all interested applicants; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these interviews, the Police Promotions Committee recommends Jessica Funes to be promoted; and

WHEREAS, based upon that recommendation, Mayor Domenick Stampone requests the advice and consent of the Borough Council to appoint Jessica Funes to the position of Police Sergeant effective immediately.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Haledon that Jessica Funes be promoted to the position of Police Sergeant effective immediately.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

RESOLUTION#2015-048H PROMOTION TO POLICE LIEUTENANT –ANGELO DANIELE

Motion by Kandis second by Tirri to approve.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon requested applications for the position of Police Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, the Police Promotions Committee conducted an interview with Mr. Daniele and have recommended his promotion to the position of Police Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Domenick Stampone requests the advice and consent of the Borough Council to appoint Angelo Daniele to the position of Police Lieutenant effective immediately; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Haledon that Angelo Daniele be promoted to the position of Police Lieutenant effective immediately.

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ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

RESOLUTION#2015-048I PROMOTION TO POLICE LIEUTENANT- GEORGE GUZMAN

Motion by Ahmed second by Kandis to approve.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon requested applications for the position of Police Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, the Police Promotions Committee conducted an interview with Mr. Guzman and have recommended his promotion to the position of Police Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Domenick Stampone requests the advice and consent of the Borough Council to appoint George Guzman to the position of Police Lieutenant effective immediately; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Haledon that George Guzman be promoted to the position of Police Lieutenant effective immediately.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON

NO: -0-

Mayor Stampone congratulated the Police Officers who received promotions and the Appointed Officers. Thanked all those that came out to support. The Mayor mentioned coming back on March 25th for those who are retiring.

Thanked Assemblywoman Shavonda Sumter, Judge John Segreto and Freeholder Director Hector Lora for attending.

Sergeant Conca invited Deputy Chief Gottheiner to come forward. On behalf of the Police Department, Sergeant Conca presented Deputy Chief Gottheiner with a plaque for his service to the Haledon Police Department.

5 minute recess.

Prior to the Open Space Hearing, Councilman Johnson had to leave the meeting.

OPEN SPACE GRANT APPLICATION PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Martinez seconded by Ahmed to open the public hearing

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

Pete Blanos of Millennium Strategies will present this year's Open Space Application. 2015 Open Space; Belmont Towne Square at 407 Belmont, the old Municipal Complex. Support revitalization with the Belmont Corridor. Mr. Blanos referred to the packets provided which show the plan, a park with a clock in the center. The application indicates two years to complete, however construction time would be less.

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Mayor Stampone mentioned the environmental issues at the site; we have had trouble selling because of this. This plan (the park) is in response to that plan (selling the property).

Felix Piccolo, 21 Harris St., on the surface it looks good have some concerns. Upkeep is a concern. Concerned about it becoming a gathering place for undesirables.

Melissa Marte, 401-407 Morrissee Ave., concerned about what type of environmental issues.

Amy Solat, 418 Morrissee Ave., why not bring in something that will bring in money to the Borough? Concerned about people picking up after their dogs.

Mike Reilly, 385 Belmont Ave., Haledon Opticians, love parks, this is a surprise. Concerned about money, how much will be applied to remediation? This is a prime piece of real estate, if low balled the price to attract purchasers could they do the environmental work? Has concerns about the upkeep of a park; would like to see tax ratable.

Sal D'Alessandro, 411 Morrissee Ave., supports the park. Wants to understand what is the next step.

Frank Menyhart, N 12th St., concerned about traffic control at the location. What is the solution? Will there be parking to support the park?

Bonnie Minery, owns neighboring property next to the site, concerned about the contamination.

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Tirri to close the public hearing

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

Mayor Stampone responded, this application was borne out of frustration with the property. The plan was always to sell the property. The condition of the property has been a concern. It was not the plan to have it left this long without selling. Years ago folks did not understand concerns of punctured tanks. Learned from the Department of Environmental Protection when we were ready to sell; contamination from fuel by-products. We've been talking about that for years. Not happy to have to use tax funds to tear down the buildings. This was not the original plan but this is what we are looking to do. We have an LSRP (Site Remediation Program), does on line reporting. We need to do something with the property. We may not get this money we are applying for; think this is good plan. Council has the same concerns regarding ratables. A nice Towne Square works with Streetscape. this problem should have been taken care of years ago, 15-20 years ago. Maintenance, a special improvement district is being discussed; the members of the district make decisions on use of funds raised to maintain the district.

Council President Alkaita, the property was virtually given away under one sale plan. Since we could not sell, decision was to tear down. Feels the Borough is over built, this project will provide open space. Feels it is a good project.

Mayor thanked those that came out.

PUBLIC HEARING
(Privilege of the floor)

Motion by Martinez seconded by Ahmed to open the public hearing

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

Bonnie Minery, is this grant to produce a park going to be used for remediation and is there a remediation plan?

Mike Reilly, Belmont Avenue, wants to make sure all avenues have been addressed for cleanup.

Frank Menyhart, North 12th St., thanked the DPW for snow removal. Expressed disappointment in changing the Police Department ordinance requiring less education. Concerned with people parking and blocking driveways. Heard there is a neighbor of his renting his garage to a motorcycle group. What can we do about illegal apartments? Noticing extra meters and extra mailboxes, people living in basements. Street sweeper, hoping for a regular schedule.

Motion by Tirri seconded by Ahmed to close the public hearing

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

GOVERNING BODY RESPONSES

Mayor Stampone asked the DPW and the Code Enforcement Officer to help respond (to Mr. Menyhart). We have a Special Court session each month to deal with code violations. Give Jessica Jimenez the information and she will investigate. The Borough is very serious about illegal apartments.

DPW Superintendent Morgan, street sweeper is ready to go.

This project tonight is for a grant. Cleanup and investigation is coming out of budget.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

ENGINEER'S REPORT – ALAIMO ENGINEERING – copy in packet.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Allan Susen – will submit report at next meeting.

POLICE DEPT. – Chief Mercurio - no report.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – Doug Morgan read regular report. Asked to have pot holes reported to his office.

Mayor Stampone commented about the streets being clear. He also commended the DPW for how they handled the snow storms and the fires. Thanked the DPW.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Mike Moscatello – not present.

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Councilman Tirri reported the fire is an ongoing inspection

Council President Almaita and Councilwoman Ahmed went to the critique meeting for the Roe Street Fire; very impressed with the discussion.

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – Scott Wilson – not present.

CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT/PROPERTY MAINTENANCE - Jessica Jimenez – read regular report.

RECREATION – Frank Caraccio – read report.

- Two weeks left with Basketball.
- Getting quotes for trophies for pizza party later this month.
- Volunteer coaches – parents and PD.
- Open gym nights.
- Baseball registration beginning. Weather has held up activity by the League.

MUNICIPAL CLERK’S AGENDA

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Letter to Mayor Domenick Stampone from HomeServe regarding a mass mailing to residents to offer optional coverage for water serve lines.
2. 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 XXI-Senior Citizen Residential District (notification of final reading).

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Martinez to accept and file.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

GENERAL DISCUSSION

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Almaita seconded by Ahmed to read the introduction of Ordinance #3-11-2015

(“An Ordinance amending Chapter 405 (zoning) to require a certificate of compliance to be obtained upon change of use or ownership)

Mayor Stampone explained this will change in how dealing with business. New business will need to go before the Zoning Board for approval to get a Certificate Of Occupancy.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

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The Clerk will read the title:

BOROUGH OF HALEDON
ORDINANCE #3-11-2015
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 405, (ZONING) TO REQUIRE A
ZONING CERTIFICATE OF COMPLAINE TO BE OBTAINED UPON CHANGE
OF USE OR OWNERSHIP OF REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF
HALEDON

Motion by Almaita 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 April 22, 2015.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

Motion by Almaita seconded by Martinez to read the introduction of Ordinance #3-11-2015A

("Ordinance to exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation limits and to establish a Cap Bank")

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

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 (N.J.S.A 40A: 4-45.14)

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Martinez 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 April 8, 2015.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Almaita to add one ordinance to the agenda

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

Motion by Almaita seconded by Ahmed to read the introduction of Ordinance #3-11-2015B

(amends ordinance setting fees for youth athletic programs)

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

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The Clerk will read the title:

BOROUGH OF HALEDON
PASSAIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE #3-11-2015B

AN ORDINANCE TO SET FEES IN THE BOROUGH OF HALEDON

Motion by Almata seconded by Martinez 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 April 22, 2015.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

INTRODUCTION OF 2015 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

RESOLUTION#2015-049 AUTHORIZING THE HALEDON MUNICIPAL BUDGET
TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Motion by Martinez second by Ahmed approve.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

RESOLUTION#2015-050

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2015 MUNICIPAL
BUDGET

Motion by Almata second by Martinez to approve.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

Spread in full at the end of the minutes.

Mayor Stampone thanked the Finance Committee, administrator and auditor.

NO LONGER NEEDED:

RESOLUTION#2015-050A
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR INCREASE IN
RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES
PERCENTAGE

Motion by _____ second by _____ to approve.

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#2015-051

AUTHORIZE AN OPEN SPACE AND FARMLAND
PRESERVATION TRUST FUND APPLICATION

- RESOLUTION#2015-052 AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF 2015 DEDR MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT
- RESOLUTION#2015-053 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER- 476-478 BELMONT AVENUE HALEDON, NEW JERSEY 07508
- RESOLUTION#2015-054 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER- 5 CONA COURT
- RESOLUTION#2015-055 AUTHORIZE A PASSAIC COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION
- RESOLUTION#2015-056 AFFIRMING COMPLIANCE WITH TITLE VIII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1968 (FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING LAW)
- RESOLUTION#2015-057 REQUEST AND AUTHORIZE THE RE-ALLOCATION OF A 2014 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AWARD FROM PASSAIC COUNTY

Motion by Martinez seconded by Almaita to approve.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

- Resolution #2015-051 AUTHORIZE AN OPEN SPACE AND FARMLAND PRESERVATION TRUST FUND APPLICATION.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon are requesting funding through the Passaic County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund for the construction of the Belmont Avenue Town Square Park; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, such funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the Borough of Haledon; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon do hereby confirm endorsement of the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council certify the resolution for the application to be presented to the Passaic County Department of Planning and Economic Development.

- RESOLUTION #2015-052 AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF 2016 DEDR MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body further recognizes that is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Passaic;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Governing Body does hereby authorize submission of an application for the Haledon Municipal Alliance grant for calendar year 2014-2015 in the amount of:
 - Alliance DEDR Allocation: \$16,792.00
 - Cash Match: \$ 4,198.00
 - In-Kind Match (must be 75% of the DEDR allocation) \$12, 594.00

Total Alliance Budget \$33, 584.00

2. The Governing Body acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

RESOLUTION#2015-053

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER - 476 – 478 BELMONT AVENUE, HALEDON, NEW JERSEY 07508.

WHEREAS, At the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 19TH 2013, a lien was sold on Block 86, lot 1, also known as 476-478 Belmont Avenue, Haledon, NJ, and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate # 13-00006 was sold to US Bank Custodial for Pro Cap III, LLC, 50 South 16th Street, Suite 2050 Philadelphia, PA 19102, in the amount of \$12,094.85, and

WHEREAS, Property Owner, has effected redemption of Certificate # 13-00006 in the Amount of \$27,963.71, as of February 27rd 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CFO/Treasurer be authorized to Issue a check in the amount of \$27,963.71, payable to the US Bank Custodial for Pro Cap III, LLC, 50 South 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate # 13-00006..

RESOLUTION#2015-054

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER – 5 CONA COURT

WHEREAS, At the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 4th 2014, a lien was sold on Block 106, lot 47, also known as 5 Cona Court, Haledon, for 2013 tax/water, and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate # 14-00018 was sold to US Bank Cust for PC 4 Firstrust Bank, 50 South 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, in the amount of \$482.55 at zero percent interest, and

WHEREAS, Property Owner, has effected redemption of Certificate # 14-00018 in the Amount of \$754.11, as of February 26th 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CFO/Treasurer be authorized to Issue a check in the amount of \$754.11, 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 # 14-00018.

Resolution #2015-055 **AUTHORIZE A PASSAIC COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon wish to apply for and obtain funding through the FY 2015 Passaic County Community Development Block Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, the Borough will submit an application for the capital rehabilitation of various streets within the Borough of Haledon.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Haledon will implement this project in a manner to ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

Resolution #2015-056 **AFFIRMING COMPLIANCE WITH TITLE VIII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1968 (FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING LAW)**

WHEREAS, The Borough of Haledon supports Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination. It is the policy of the Borough of Haledon to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, nationality, familial status, marital or domestic partnership status, affectional or sexual orientation, atypical hereditary cellular or blood trait, genetic information, liability for military service, mental or physical disability, perceived disability, AIDS/HIV status and Lawful Income or Source of Lawful Rent Payment (Section 8). The Borough of Haledon further objects to discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability as prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination. Therefore, the Municipal Council of the Borough of Haledon do hereby approve the following resolution.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that within available resources, the Borough of Haledon will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against under one of the aforementioned categories, to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the New Jersey Division on Civil Rights and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Haledon shall publicize this resolution and through this publicity shall cause owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law, the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination, and any local laws or ordinances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Haledon will at a minimum print and publicize this resolution, a fair housing public notice, and other applicable fair housing information through local media.

Resolution #2015-057 REQUEST AND AUTHORIZE THE RE-ALLOCATION
OF A 2014 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT AWARD FROM PASSAIC COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Haledon submitted a 2014 Community Development Block Grant Application for the milling and paving of streets within Census Tract 133701, Block Group 5; and

WHEREAS, the project was originally located in a low/moderate income census tract as determined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development criteria for Public Facilities (Streets, Curbs, Sidewalks); and

WHEREAS, the County of Passaic recommended that the Borough receive a grant award in the amount of \$140,181 for this project through the Passaic County CDBG FY 2014 Action Plan submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, following the submission of this application, the County was notified that Census Tract 133701, Block Group 5 was no longer classified by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as a low-moderate income area and that the Borough would no longer be eligible to receive funding for this project; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Haledon desires to re-allocate the CDBG FY 2014 grant award to perform milling, paving, and installation of ADA curb ramps on John and Geyer Streets which are located in the low-moderate income census tract of Census Tract 133701, Block Group 2; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Haledon is requesting a re-allocation of its FY 2014 Community Development Block Grant for the purpose of implementing John Street and Geyer Street Roadway Improvements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all required supporting documentation related to this project will be provided to the County of Passaic to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon formally approve and endorse the aforesaid.

RESOLUTION #2015-058 BILLS LIST – March 11, 2015
Motion by Almaita seconded by Ahmed 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 March 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 March 11, 2015 WITH PREPAIDS IS:

CURRENT:	\$2,184,034.61
WATER (MUA):	<u>\$ 23,952.66</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,207,987.27

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

RESOLUTIONS FROM OTHER MUNICIPALITIES FOR CONSIDERATION, March 25, 2015:

- None.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Stampone thanked David Marino of North Haledon for the donation of the pool table and bumper table.

- Appointment of Blan Jarkasi to the Planning Board, 2 year alternate member.

Mayor Stampone swore him in.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LEGAL UPDATE – Andrew Oddo – no report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Michael Johnson
Police Liaison – Michael Johnson – not present.

Fire Liaison – Michael Tirri – no report.

Office of Emergency Management – Tahsina Ahmed – no report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mounir Almaita – no report.

ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL – Maha Kandis – no report.

ORDINANCE – Mounir Almaita – no report.

HEALTH AND WELFARE – Tahsina Ahmed – no report.

PUBLIC WORKS – Michael Johnson – not present.

CAPITAL PROJECTS – Rey Martinez – no report.

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TECHNOLOGY – Tahsina Ahmed – no report.

SPECIAL EVENTS – Maha Kandis

- Committee meeting tomorrow night to discuss events.
- Planning Easter 4/4
- PBA will participate with Haledon Day, looking to set date in June.

Council President Almaita, mass email went out requesting assistance with committee and Haledon Day.

ADJOURN

Motion by Martinez seconded by Ahmed to adjourn.

ROLL CALL

YES: KANDIS, TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ

NO: -0-

Respectfully submitted:

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