BOROUGH OF HALEDON
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
November 11, 2015

MOMENT OF SILENCE
FLAG SALUTE

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon took place on November 11, 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, Reynaldo Martinez, Michael Johnson and Borough Attorney Andrew Oddo; and Municipal Clerk/Borough Administrator Allan R. Susen.
Absent: -0-

MAYOR DOMENICK STAMPONE PRESENTED A PLAQUE TO HALEDON RESIDENT LEONID GERASIMENKO IN CELEBRATION OF HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

Mayor Stampone mentioned he received an email from a family member of an individual reaching 100 years old; and then he learned his birthday was actually on our meeting night.

PUBLIC HEARING
(Privilege of the floor)
Motion by Ahmed seconded by Johnson to open the public hearing.
ROLL CALL
YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON
NO: 0

John Block, 337 Morrissee Avenue – heard a rumor about a presentation regarding Belmont Square. I would like to see a ratable not a park. Why is the sewer jet machine parked outside? Regarding the park, the DPW is short on workers, how will it be maintained? The roof on the Recycling building is rusting; with a little care it can be saved.

Carlos Mazzoni, 268 Belmont Avenue, updating of the Borough website, minutes not being posted.
Who is responsible for placements of crossing guards? Seen various locations that need guards.

Frank Menyhart, N 12th St. – thanked John Lindberg for his efforts as a Code Enforcement Officer. Thanked Lt. Guzman and Sergeant Funes for controlling the youth at the playground. Still no garbage cans around the park. Trees not replanted around the park, this is the season to plant.

Motion by Tirri seconded by Ahmed to close the public hearing.
ROLL CALL
YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON
NO: 0

GOVERNING BODY RESPONSES

Mayor Stampone responded:

- Trees project from Open Space funds; Superintendent Doug Morgan will report, he has been getting quotes.
- Minutes get placed on the web site after they are approved.

Administrator Susen, Mayor Stampone requested agendas be placed on the website 48 hours prior to meeting.

- Town square, there is no final design decision at this time.
- Regarding the Planters, I agree the property owners should help maintain them.

Sewer jet, DPW Superintendent Morgan reported the truck is out of service. Using outside service for sewer cleanouts.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Michael Johnson, Chairperson

Police Liaison – Michael Johnson – no official report.

Police Department
Housing Inspection/Building Maintenance
Municipal Court

Fire Liaison– Michael Tirri – no official report.

Fire Department

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mounir Almaita, Chair – no official report.

ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL

Chair –

ORDINANCE

Mounir Almaita, Chair – Looking into minimum age for cigarettes.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Tahsina Ahmed, Chair – no official report.

PUBLIC WORKS

Michael Johnson, Chair – no offical report.

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

DPW Superintendent Doug Morgan read his monthly report.

- Leaves are being picked up
- Tree planting requisition is pending approval.

Mayor Stampone mentioned lights at the REC Center, timer may be off, Superintendent Morgan will follow up.

CAPITAL PROJECTS
Rey Martinez, Chair – no official report.

TECHNOLOGY
Tahsina Ahmed, Chair – no official report.

Mayor Stampone asked agenda and minutes posted timely.

SPECIAL EVENTS
Chair –

Councilwoman Tahsina Ahmed, Halloween had twice as many participants as last year. Well attended!

Mayor Stampone received positive reports.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Thanked all Veterans for their service
- Congratulated Rey Martinez and Islam Sery for their election
- Reorganization , Jan 4, 2016 at 6PM
- Received letter of intent regarding Fire Chief

COMMUNICATIONS
None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
None.

NEW BUSINESS
None.

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#2015-165	APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF NEW FIREFIGHTER, FIRE COMPANY #1-ALEJANDRO MONTOYA
RESOLUTION#2015-166	GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT
RESOLUTION#2015-167	GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF HALEDON NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER FOR THE 2014 ANNUAL AUDIT
RESOLUTION#2015-168	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER-603 SKYLINE DRIVE, HALEDON NJ
RESOLUTION#2015-169	APPOINTMENTS TO THE HALEDON BOARD OF HEALTH
RESOLUTION#2015-170	EMERGENCY RESOLUTION N.J.S.A 40A:4-48
RESOLUTION#2015-171	TRANSFER OF FUNDS- 2015 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
RESOLUTION#2015-172	APPROVE REQUEST FOR RED LIGHT AND/OR SIREN PERMIT FOR CHRISTOPHER BAKKER
RESOLUTION#2015-173	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER-29 CYPRESS, HALEDON, NEW JERSEY, 07508

Motion by Johnson seconded by Ahmed to approve.
ROLL CALL
YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON
NO: 0

RESOLUTION #2015-165 APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF NEW FIREFIGHTER, FIRE COMPANY #1-ALEJANDRO MONTOYA.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon that the following individual be accepted as probationary members of the Haledon Fire Department and they are authorized to sign the Borough Roll:

Fire Company #1
Alejandro Montoya

RESOLUTION #2015-166 GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions, and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2014 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall, by resolution, certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed, as a minimum, the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

> R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

RESOLUTION #2015-167 GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF HALEDON NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER FOR THE 2014 ANNUAL AUDIT.

WHEREAS, the 2014 audit contained certain comments and recommendations of the Municipal Auditor concerning corrective action to be taken by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has developed a Corrective Action Plan in response to the Municipal Auditor's comments and recommendation as contained in the 2014 audit; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to acknowledge, accept and implement the Corrective Action Plan prepared by the Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon, Passaic County, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Governing Body does hereby acknowledge, accept and authorize the implementation of the corrective action plan prepared by the Chief Financial Officer in response to the Municipal Auditor's comments and recommendations in the 2014 audit.

2. That a certified copy of this resolution, together with a copy of the Corrective action Plan, be forwarded by the Municipal Clerk to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, as per law and a copy be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer for her records.

RESOLUTION#2015-168 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER – 603 SKYLINE DRIVE, HALEDON, NJ

WHEREAS, At the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 19th, 2013, a Lien was sold on Block 12, Lot 4,-C6.3--, also known as 603 Skyline Drive, Haledon, NJ 07508 for 2012 tax/water and

WHEREAS, This Lien known as Tax Sale Certificate #13-00001, sold to Stonefield Investment Fund II, 21 Robert Pitt Drive, Suite 202, Monsey, NY 10952, in the amount of $ 7,491.25 with interest

WHEREAS, Property owner has effected redemption of Certificate number 13-00001 in the amount of $ 50,203.06 as of October 30th 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the CFO/Treasurer be authorized to issue two checks, one Current Account Check in the amount of $50,203.06 and one Trust Account check in the amount of $29,000.00, for the premium, payable to Stonefield Investment Fund II for redemption of Certificate # 13-00001.

RESOLUTION #2015-169 APPOINTMENTS TO THE HALEDON BOARD OF HEALTH

WHEREAS, Mayor Domenick Stampone requests the advice and consent of the Borough Council to appoint the below individuals as members to the Board of Health:

Cindy Reyes Term expiring: 12/31/2015

Steven Bravo Term expiring: 12/31/2017

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Council of the Borough of Haledon hereby provide their advice and consent to appoint the above individuals to the Haledon Board of Health for the terms expiring stated above.

RESOLUTION #2015-170 EMERGENCY RESOLUTION N.J.S.A 40A:4-48

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen with respect to Legal other expenses and no adequate provision was made in the 2015 Current Budget for the aforesaid purpose, and N.J.S.A 40A:4-46 provides for the creation on an emergency appropriation for the purpose mentioned above, and

WHEREAS, the total amount of emergency appropriations created, including the appropriation to be created by this resolution is $50, 000 and three percent of the total operating appropriations in the budget for 2014 is $263, 301 and

WHEREAS, the foregoing appropriation together with prior appropriations does not exceed three percent of the total operating appropriations does not exceed three percent of the total operating appropriations (including utility operation appropriations) in the budget for 2014

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, (by not less than 2/3 of all Governing Body members affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with N.J.S.A:4-48:

1. An emergency appropriation is hereby made for Legal – Other Expenses in the amount of $50,000
2. That said emergency appropriation shall be provided for in full in the 2016 budget, and is requested to be excluded from CAPS, pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:4-53.3c (1).
3. That an Emergency Note not in excess of the above amount be authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:4-51.
4. That such note be executed by the Administrator and by the Chief Financial Officer.
5. That such note be dated November 11, 2015 may be renewed from time to time, and such note and any renewals shall be payable on or before December 31, 2016.
6. That (2) certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION #2015-171 TRANSFER OF FUNDS – 2015 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS RESERVES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Council of the Borough of Haledon, that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to make the following transfers of the 2015 Municipal Budget Appropriations according to N.J.S.A.40A:4-5.8:

From:	Buildings & Grounds O & E	110-211	$ 10 ,000.00
From:	Buildings & Grounds O & E	110-233	$ 10,836.00
From:	Police O & E	118-201	$ 740.00
From:	Police O & E	118-236	$ 1,600.00
From:	Police O & E	118-272	$ 910.00
From:	Police. O & E	118-273	$ 2,050.00
From:	Other Insurance O & E	113-301	$ 10,000.00
To:	Police O &E	118-261	$ 3,250.00
To:	Police O & E	118-291	$ 2,050.00
To:	Annual Audit Misc.O&E	103-302	$ 10,000.00
To:	Buildings & Grounds O & E	110-202	$ 20,836.00
	Total Transfers:		$ 36,136.00

RESOLUTION #2015-172 APPROVE REQUEST FOR RED LIGHT AND/OR SIREN PERMIT FOR CHRISTOPHER BAKKER

WHEREAS, red light permit application has been submitted for approval by Christopher Bakker; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Bakker is the Assistant Chief of the Haledon Fire Department; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Haledon that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the aforementioned red light permit application.

RESOLUTION#2015-173 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIEN HOLDER – 29 CYPRESS AVENUE, HALEDON, NEW JERSEY, 07508

WHEREAS, At the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 4th 2014, a Lien was sold on Block 4, Lot 14, also known as 29 Cypress Avenue, Haledon, NJ 07508 for 2014 tax/water and

WHEREAS, This Lien known as Tax Sale Certificate #14-00009, sold to US Bank Cust. For Pro Cap 4, Firstrust Bank, 50 South 16th Street, Philadelphia, PA19102, in the amount of $80.00 with interest

WHEREAS, Property owner has effected redemption of Certificate # 14-00009 in the amount of $328.24 as of November 13th, 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the CFO/Treasurer be authorized to issue one Current Account Check in the amount of $328.24, payable to US Bank Cust for Pro Cap 4, Firstrust Bank, 50 South 16th Street, Philadelphia, Pa,19102, for the redemption of Certificate # 14-00009

RESOLUTION #2015-174 BILLS LIST – November 11, 2015
Motion by Tirri 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 November 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 November 11, 2015 WITH PREPAIDS IS:

CURRENT:	$6,230,731.99
WATER (MUA):	$ 29,574.32
TOTAL:	$6, 260,306.31

ROLL CALL
YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON
NO: 0

RESOLUTIONS FROM OTHER MUNICIPALITIES FOR CONSIDERATION:

- Resolution#162-0-15 from the Borough of Wanaque petitioning the Governor and State Legislature to form a commission to explore the elimination or reduction of County Government in the State of New Jersey.

Mayor Stampone asked the Council not to consider, no option was offered.

- Resolution from the City of Union City urging NJ Mayors to provide leadership in ending human trafficking at the local level.

ADJOURN

Motion by Martinez seconded by Ahmed to adjourn.
ROLL CALL
YES: TIRRI, ALMAITA, AHMED, MARTINEZ, JOHNSON
NO: 0

Respectfully submitted:

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