

BOROUGH OF HALEDON  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION  
November 10, 2016

MOMENT OF SILENCE  
FLAG SALUTE

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haledon conducted their November Work Session on November 10, 2016 at 7PM 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 8, 2016 posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 8, 2016 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 – Council President Mounir Almaita called the meeting to order at 7PM  
Present: Council President Mounir Almaita; Council members; Nereyda Curiel, Islam Sery, Tahsina Ahmed and Borough Attorney Andrew Oddo; and Municipal Clerk/Borough Administrator Allan Susen.

Absent: Mayor Domenick Stampone absent with notice.  
Councilman Reynaldo Martinez absent with notice.  
Councilman Michael Johnson absent with notice.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

October 27, 2016 Executive Session Minutes

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

ROLL CALL

YES: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**(Privilege of the floor)**

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Sery to open the public hearing

ROLL CALL

YES: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

No comments.

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Sery to close the public hearing

ROLL CALL

YES: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

## **GOVERNING BODY RESPONSES**

No comments.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS AND DISCUSSION**

ENGINEER'S REPORT – ALAIMO ENGINEERING – see report by Allan Susen.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Allan Susen reported:

### FINANCE

1. Online tax payments are now available. A special link has been placed in the “Quick Link” area of the website. Residents are now able to make online tax payments.
2. Departments received their 2017 Budget Request forms October 18<sup>th</sup>. Budget requests and Capital Budget requests are due in my office December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### ADMINISTRATION

1. Bid specifications were written for Security Cameras at the Roe Street Field and REC Building. The project is funded by a Community Development Block Grant. Advertising is done and bids will be accepted December 6<sup>th</sup>.
2. Bid specifications were written for 2017 Professional Services. This has also been advertised with proposals being accepted December 6<sup>th</sup>.
3. The PSEG Gas Main project has begun in Haledon in the area of John Street and Geyer Street. This location was selected first to allow the Borough to begin work on road improvements for both these streets. PSEG will work through the Fall into Winter and the Borough expects to start the road improvement project during the first quarter.
4. Alaimo is investigating options regarding the Borough's sanitary sewer connection with Paterson. Options discussed include:
  - Separating entirely from Paterson and redirecting flows to the Passaic Valley Sewer connection.
  - The other option is to meter all flows into the Paterson connection.
5. Preparations for the November 8<sup>th</sup> General Election were completed. Thank you to Leena Abaza for filling in as the Master Board Worker. This was a last minute decision due to our regular MBW not being available for this election. Leena had to complete special training and endure the long hours of Election Day – 5:15AM to 9:00PM
6. Thank you also to Edlyn Miller for coming in at 7:30PM and working with me until 11:00PM to tally the election results. This year it was particularly difficult due to the large number of write-in ballots.
7. Congratulations to all participants in the General Election and especially our newly re-elected Council members, Nereyda Curiel and Mounir Almaita.

### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

1. Tilt Street Pocket Park – the project is complete. Dead landscape plantings have been replaced. A resolution approving final payment and Change Order #2 are on tonight's agenda.
2. The John Street/Geyer Street project will receive a grant extension, enabling the work to be completed by June 30, 2017.
3. Improvements to Various Streets – A notice to proceed was issued October 3, 2016. Ford Road is part of this project and work is progressing. A majority of the drainage improvements are complete and curb installation is complete.

4. Belmont Square – preliminary plans are complete following a meeting I had with Councilman Martinez and Nordan Murphy. A meeting is scheduled November 15<sup>th</sup> with the Passaic County Planning & Economic Development office. Draft plans will be reviewed. Following this meeting I will schedule a meeting with the Capital Projects Committee to review finalized plans. A public presentation of the project will follow.

POLICE DEPT. – Deputy Chief Daniele – read regular report.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – Doug Morgan – not present, report provided.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Christopher Bakker – read regular report.

- Submitted a requisition for a thermo imaging camera.
- Mentioned NFIS reports have not been submitted; prevents the department's ability to get grants.

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – Scott Wilson – not present.

CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT/PROPERTY MAINTENANCE - John Lindberg – read regular report.

RECREATION – Wayne YMCA- Shaq Brown reported:

- Increase attendance with high school youth.
- Younger groups lower numbers.
- Non-resident - \$50 for open gym, Haledon resident free for open gym
- Basketball registration ongoing.

Future programs being discussed for various age groups.

## MUNICIPAL CLERK'S AGENDA

### COMMUNICATIONS

None.

### GENERAL DISCUSSION

- Business License for 454 Belmont Ave. – will discuss at the December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Letter from the Borough of Prospect Park Acting Fire Chief requesting permission to use the hydrant (located at Haledon Ave./North 16<sup>th</sup> Street) in emergency situations.  
Council agreed to grant this request.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**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#2016-208    AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPAL CLERK TO SIGN THE PARTICIPATION FORM COMMITTING TO THE PCECPS 2016 ELECTRICITY GENERATION SUPPLY SERVICE BID
- RESOLUTION#2016-209    AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP THEREIN FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2016 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021
- RESOLUTION#2016-210    ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER CLASS I-MARQUIS BETHEA
- RESOLUTION#2016-211    AUTHORIZE CURRENT ESTIMATE#2 & FINAL AND CHANGE ORDER#2 FOR THE TILT STREET POCKET PARK PROJECT
- RESOLUTION#2016-212    TRANSFER OF FUNDS-2016 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
- RESOLUTION#2016-213    RESOLUTION ADOPTING PROPERTY TAX COURT STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

Motion by Ahmed seconded by Sery to approve.

ROLL CALL

YES: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

- RESOLUTION #2016-208                      AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPAL CLERK TO SIGN THE PARTICIPATION FORM COMMITTING TO THE PCECPS 2016 ELECTRICITY GENERATION SUPPLY SERVICE BID

WHEREAS, the Borough of Haledon has participated in the Passaic County Energy Cooperative Pricing System (PCECPS) for purchase of electricity at considerable savings; and

WHEREAS, the existing agreement expires and the new contract will begin with the June 2017 meter read UNDER ID #184PCECPS; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator recommends continuing with the PCECPS agreement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Governing Body hereby authorizes the Municipal Clerk to sign the Participation Form committing the Borough of Haledon to the PCECPS Electricity Generation Supply Service beginning with the June 2017 meter read.

RESOLUTION #2016-209

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP THEREIN FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2016 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

WHEREAS, the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (“MCCPC”) was created in 1974 to conduct a voluntary cooperative pricing system with municipalities, boards of educations, and other public bodies located in the County of Morris and adjoining counties; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the MCCPC is to provide substantial savings on various good and services to its members through the cooperative public bidding process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Haledon desires to enter into an Agreement with the MCCPC, which is administered by Randolph Township as Lead Agency to renew its membership in the MCCPC for the period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2021.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Haledon County of Passaic, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon hereby authorizes the execution of an Agreement with the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council by the Township of Randolph as Lead Agency dated October 1, 2011 pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:11-11(5). Said Agreement is for renewal of membership in the MCCPC for a five (5) year period from October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2016.
2. The Borough of Haledon Clerk is hereby directed to submit a copy of this adopted Resolution, along with an executed Agreement to Randolph Township as Lead Agency of the MCCPC.
3. This Resolution shall take in effect immediately upon final passage according to law.
4. All appropriate Borough of Haledon officials are authorized and directed to perform all required acts to affect the purpose of this Resolution.

RESOLUTION #2016-210

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER CLASS I- Marquis Bethea

BE IT RESOLVED, the Governing Body of the Borough of Haledon hereby accepts with regret the resignation of Marquis Bethea as Special Police Officer Class I effective November 4, 2016.

RESOLUTION #2016-211

AUTHORIZE CURRENT ESTIMATE #2 & FINAL AND CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR TILT STREET POCKET PARK PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Haledon awarded a contract to DTS Services, LLC, 65 Royal Avenue Hawthorne NJ for the Tilt Street Park Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, Change Order #2 is a net change of zero dollars and consists of a credit for \$1, 560.00; quantity adjustments of \$956.50 and Supplemental work for \$594.50; and

WHEREAS, Nordan Murphy of the Alaimo Group recommends approval of Current Estimate #2 & Final and Change Order #2 in the amount of \$52, 503.43; and

WHEREAS, Chief Financial Officer Mary Ann Brindisi has issued a certification of funds for an amount not to exceed \$52, 503.43; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has concurred in the recommendation of Mr. Murphy and has determined that this Resolution should be adopted subject to the conditions hereinafter, stated;

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

1. Field quantity adjustments:
  - a. Cumulative credit in the amount of (\$594.50) for final field quantity adjustments for various items.
2. Supplemental Pay Items:
  - a. Supplemental Pay Item 5S in the amount of \$594.50 for additional landscape plantings at the south end of the brick paver walkway.
3. The written concurrence by DTS Services LLC to the modification shall be obtained in the form of Change Order No. 2, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
4. It is hereby determined that this Change Order does not expand the size, nature or scope of the project as it was originally described in the bid specifications. The work could not reasonably be effectuated by a separately bid contract without unduly disrupting the basic work or imposing adverse cost consequences.
5. The Contractor waives all claims for extensions of time and all claims for damages of whatsoever kind, either direct or indirect as well as any claim for impacted loss of profits of whatsoever kind related to this Change Order.

RESOLUTION #2016-212

TRANSFER OF FUNDS – 2016 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

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 2016 Municipal Budget Appropriations according to N.J.S.A.40A:4-5.8:

From: Dispatchers S & W	119-101	41,000.00	
From: Admin. & Exec. O & E	101-201	500.00	
From: Bldg. & Grnds O & E	110-234	6,850.00	
From: Other Insurance O & E	113-301	6,000.00	
To: Dispatchers S & W	119-105		\$ 41,000.00
To: Unemploy.Benefits O&E	145-231		\$ 500.00
To: P.E.R.S. Employer Liab.	145-211		\$ 6,850.00
To: DCRP O & E	113-286		\$ 6,000.00
Total Transfers:			\$ 54,350.00

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RESOLUTION #2016-213

RESOLUTION ADOPTING PROPERTY TAX  
COURT STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

WHEREAS, complaints were filed against the Borough of Haledon (the "Borough") in the Tax Court of New Jersey, Passaic County in matters entitled:

**Mancero v. Haledon Borough, Dckt -12806-2015**

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to enter into Stipulations of Settlement and be bound by its terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, the parties are desirous of memorializing the terms of the Stipulations of Settlement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the matters in controversy by and between the Plaintiffs and the Borough, regarding the Tax Assessor's assessment with regard to the subject properties are hereby amicably resolved between the parties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parties have memorialized the terms and conditions of their dispute resolution in the Stipulation of Settlement annexed hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parties are desirous of mutually binding themselves to the terms and conditions of the Stipulation of Settlement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough hereby approves and adopts the terms and conditions of the Stipulation of Settlement and agrees to be bound thereby; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough hereby authorizes the Borough Attorney, Borough Tax Assessor, Borough Clerk and Borough Administrator to execute any and all documents in connection with the resolution of this matter in a manner consistent with the terms and conditions of the Stipulation of Settlement.

Motion by Sery seconded by Ahmed to add Resolution #2016-214

ROLL CALL

YES: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

RESOLUTION #2016-214

RESOLUTION ADOPTING PROPERTY TAX  
COURT STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT (A.M  
REALTY ASSOC. LLC)

Motion by Sery seconded by Ahmed to approve.

WHEREAS, complaints were filed against the Borough of Haledon (the "Borough") in the Tax Court of New Jersey, Passaic County in matters entitled:

**A.M. Realty Assoc. LLC v. Borough of Haledon, Docket No. 1736-2015; 348-2016**  
**K&Y Investment LLC v. Borough of Haledon, Docket No. 12331-2014; 11482-2015;**  
**9766-2016**  
**Fancy Yoo LLC v. Borough of Haledon, Docket No. 11485-2015**

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to enter into Stipulations of Settlement and be bound by its terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, the parties are desirous of memorializing the terms of the Stipulations of Settlement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the matters in controversy by and between the Plaintiffs and the Borough, regarding the Tax Assessor's assessment with regard to the subject properties are hereby amicably resolved between the parties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parties have memorialized the terms and conditions of their dispute resolution in the Stipulation of Settlement annexed hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parties are desirous of mutually binding themselves to the terms and conditions of the Stipulation of Settlement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough hereby approves and adopts the terms and conditions of the Stipulation of Settlement and agrees to be bound thereby; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough hereby authorizes the Borough Attorney, Borough Tax Assessor, Borough Clerk and Borough Administrator to execute any and all documents in connection with the resolution of this matter in a manner consistent with the terms and conditions of the Stipulation of Settlement.

ROLL CALL

YES: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

RESOLUTION #2016-215

BILLS LIST, November 10, 2016.

Motion by Sery 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 10, 2016 WITH PREPAIDS IS:

CURRENT:	\$1, 015, 104.59
WATER (MUA):	<u>\$ 21, 113.50</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 1,036, 218.09

ROLL CALL

YES: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

RESOLUTIONS FROM OTHER MUNICIPALITIES FOR CONSIDERATION,

December 8, 2016:

- Resolution#R545-16 from the Borough of Ringwood Opposing the Passaic County Division of Roads Highway Opening and Use resolution.

**MAYOR'S REPORT** –absent.



**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

LEGAL UPDATE – Andrew Oddo – nothing to report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Michael Johnson  
Police Liaison – Michael Johnson – absent.

Fire Liaison – Islam Sery – no report.

Office of Emergency Management – Tahsina Ahmed – nothing to report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mounir Almaita – waiting for budget requests.

ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL – Tahsina Ahmed – nothing to report.

ORDINANCE – Mounir Almaita – nothing at this time.

HEALTH AND WELFARE – Nereyda Curiel – Rabies clinic will be held on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

PUBLIC WORKS – Michael Johnson – absent.

CAPITAL PROJECTS – Rey Martinez – absent.

TECHNOLOGY – Islam Sery – nothing to report.

SPECIAL EVENTS – Tahsina Ahmed reported:

- Veterans Day 6pm at Roe St on 11/11
- Halloween event was a success.

RESOLUTION #11102016

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Ahmed second by Sery 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:

- Contract negotiations with PBA

**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;

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**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: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

Motion by Curiel seconded by Sery to reopen.

ROLL CALL

YES: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

Readopt PBA agreement for period of 1/1/2016 to 12/31/2021

Motion by Sery seconded by Curiel to approve.

ROLL CALL

YES: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

**ADJOURN**

Motion by Sery seconded by Ahmed to adjourn.

ROLL CALL

YES: CURIEL, ALMAITA, SERY, AHMED

NO: -0-

Respectfully submitted:

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