



BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 18, 2024

Mayor George read the OPMA notice into the record.

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of June 18, 2024, was included in a meeting notice emailed to THE HERALD NEWS and THE RECORD on January 12, 2024, and advertised in the aforementioned newspapers on January 18, 2024. These notices were posted on the bulletin board on the same date and have been continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute, and a copy is and has been available on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk for inspection.

Proper notice having been given, this meeting was called to order at 7:48 p.m. and the Clerk was directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Randy George

Council Members: Jacqueline Roscio, Rocco Luisi, George Pomianek, Bruce O. Iacobelli, Vince Parmese

Also Present:

Borough Attorney, Michael De Marco

Chief of Police, Todd Darby

Deputy Municipal Clerk, Dena Cedar

Absent:

Councilwoman Donna Puglisi

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Motion by Council Member Iacobelli, second by Council Member Roscio, to open the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Since no one was present in the public, motion by Council Member Iacobelli, second by Council Member Luisi, to close the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

Motion by Council Member Luisi second by Council Member Roscio to approve the minutes of the work session meeting, and the regular meeting of May 15, 2024. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

Building Official's Report
Clerk's Receipts
Fire Department Report Municipal
Court Report Police Department Report
Property Maintenance
DPW Report
Tax Collector's Report to Treasurer Treasurer's
Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DPW / STREETS & ROADS / SEWERS/ BUILDINGS & GROUNDS / SOLID WASTE / RECYCLING -
IACOBELLI
POLICE / EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT / SAFETY / PBA LOCAL 292 - **PUGLISI**
RECREATION - **PUGLISI**
CODIFICATION -- **PUGLISI**
FINANCE – **POMIANEK**
PLANNING BOARD - **PARMESE**
BOARD OF EDUCATION / LOCAL - **LUISI**
BOARD OF EDUCATION / REGIONAL - **IACOBELLI**
BOARD OF HEALTH – **IACOBELLI**
FIRE & WATER - **LUISI**
ENGINEERING - **POMIANEK**
LIBRARY - **MAYOR GEORGE**
PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS – **IACOBELLI**

Motion by Council Member Roscio, second by Council Member Pomianek, that above reports be received, that action be taken where necessary, and that the reports be placed on file. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

The communications below were discussed at the Work Session:

Police Chief Todd Darby	Re: Officers Off-probation
DeMarco & DeMarco	Re: Borough of North Haledon vs. Faber
Joseph Pomante	Re: 2025 Municipal Aid Grant Application

Motion by Council Member Iacobelli, second by Council Member Luisi that these communications be received, that action be taken where necessary, and that reports be placed on file. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS / ORDINANCES

Ordinance #13-2024

Re: Tree Ordinance

Motion by Council Member Iacobelli, second by Council Member Pomianek, that the Clerk read the ordinance by title and waive the reading of the ordinance in full. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following ordinance:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT
THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON
CHAPTER 570, TREES**

SECTION I. Purpose:

An ordinance to establish requirements for tree removal and replacement in *the Borough of North Haledon* to reduce soil erosion and pollutant runoff, promote infiltration of rainwater into the soil, and protect the environment, public health, safety, and welfare.

SECTION II. Definitions:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this ordinance clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The use of the word "shall" means the requirement is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- A. "Applicant" means any "person", as defined below, who applies for approval to remove trees regulated under this ordinance.
- B. "Critical Root Radius (CRR)" - means the zone around the base of a tree where the majority of the root system is found. This zone is calculated by multiplying the diameter at breast height (DBH) of the tree by 1.5 feet. For example: a tree with a 6" DBH would have a CRR = 6"x1.5' = 9'.
- C. "Diameter at Breast Height (DBH)" means the diameter of the trunk of a mature tree generally measured at a point four and a half feet above ground level from the uphill side of the tree.

- D. "Hazard Tree" means a tree or limbs thereof that meet one or more of the criteria below. Trees that do not meet any of the criteria below and are proposed to be removed solely for development purposes are not hazard trees.
1. Has an infectious disease or insect infestation;
 2. Is dead or dying;
 3. Obstructs the view of traffic signs or the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles, where pruning attempts have not been effective;
 4. Is causing obvious damage to structures (such as building foundations, sidewalks, etc.); or
 5. Is determined to be a threat to public health, safety, and/or welfare by a certified arborist or LTE.
- E. "Person" means any individual, resident, corporation, utility, company, partnership, firm, or association.
- F. "Planting strip" means the part of a street right-of-way between the public right-of-way adjacent to the portion of the street reserved for vehicular traffic the abutting property line and the curb or traveled portion of the street, exclusive of any sidewalk.
- G. "Resident" means an individual who resides on the residential property where a tree(s) regulated by this ordinance is removed or proposed to be removed.
- H. "Street Tree" means a tree planted in the sidewalk, planting strip, and/or in the public right-of-way adjacent to the portion of the street reserved for vehicular traffic. This also includes trees planted in planting strips within the roadway right-of-way, i.e., islands, medians, pedestrian refuges.
- I. "Tree" means a woody perennial plant, typically having a single stem or trunk growing to a considerable height and bearing lateral branches at some distance from the ground.
- J. "Tree Caliper" means the diameter of the trunk of a young tree, measured six (6) inches from the soil line. For young trees whose caliper exceeds four (4) inches, the measurement is taken twelve (12) inches above the soil line.
- K. "Tree removal" means to kill or to cause irreparable damage that leads to the decline and/or death of a tree. This includes, but is not limited to, excessive pruning, application of substances that are toxic to the tree, over-mulching or improper mulching, and improper grading and/or soil compaction within the critical root radius around the base of the tree that leads to the decline and/or death of a

tree. Removal does not include responsible pruning and maintenance of a tree, or the application of treatments intended to manage invasive species.

SECTION III. Regulated Activities:

Optional Application Process:

1. Any person planning to remove a street tree with DBH of 2.5" or more or any non-street tree with DBH of 6" or more on their property shall submit a Tree Removal Application to the North Haledon Construction Department. *No tree shall be removed until municipal officials have reviewed and approved the removal.*

Applicants will be subject to an application fee as per the Table below.

Tree Replacement Requirements

2. Any person who removes one or more street tree(s) with a DBH of 2.5" or more, unless exempt under Section IV, shall be subject to the requirements of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table below.
3. Any person, other than a resident, who removes one or more tree(s) with a DBH of 6" or more per acre, unless exempt under Section IV, shall be subject to the requirements of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table.

The species type and diversity of replacement trees shall be in accordance with Appendix A (*insert municipality provided tree list as Appendix A of this ordinance*). [*The municipality shall provide a list of approved trees that are acceptable to be planted as replacement trees, or at a minimum develop a list of trees that shall not be used as replacement trees. This list will be included as "Appendix A". It is permissible for a municipality to include a procedure for approval of a tree not on the approved list. The list shall also contain approved planting times/seasons and proper planting standard procedures.*]

Replacement tree(s) shall:

1. Be replaced in kind with a tree that has an equal or greater DBH than tree removed **or** meet the Tree Replacement Criteria in the table below;
2. Be planted within twelve (12) months of the date of removal of the original tree(s) or at an alternative date specified by the municipality;
3. Be monitored by the applicant for a period of two (2) years to ensure their survival and shall be replaced as needed within twelve (12) months; and
4. Shall not be planted in temporary containers or pots, as these do not count towards tree replacement requirements.

Tree Replacement Requirements Table:

Category	Tree Removed (DBH)	Tree Replacement Criteria (See Appendix A)	Application Fee
1	DBH of 2.5" (for street trees) or 6" (for non-street trees) to 12.99"	Replant 1 tree with a minimum tree caliper of 1.5" for each tree removed	\$ 25.00
2	DBH of 13" to 22.99"	Replant 2 trees with minimum tree calipers of 1.5" for each tree removed	\$ 25.00
3	DBH of 23" to 32.99"	Replant 3 trees with minimum tree calipers of 1.5" for each tree removed	\$ 25.00
4	DBH of 33" or greater	Replant 4 trees with minimum tree calipers of 1.5" for each tree removed	\$ 25.00

B. Replacement Alternatives:

1. If the municipality determines that some or all required replacement trees cannot be planted on the property where the tree removal activity occurred, then the applicant shall do one of the following:
 - a. Plant replacement trees in a separate area(s) approved by the municipality.
 - b. Pay a fee of \$400.00 per tree removed. This fee shall be placed into a fund dedicated to tree planting and continued maintenance of the trees.

SECTION IV. Exemptions:

All persons shall comply with the tree replacement standard outlined above, except in the cases detailed below. Proper justification shall be provided, in writing, to the municipality by all persons claiming an exemption. Proper justification shall be in the form of photographs and certified statements. In the event the municipality cannot determine proper justification from the submitted documentation, the Applicant shall provide the findings from NJ licensed tree expert as per NJ Statute 45:15C-11 or arborist.

- A. Residents who remove less than four (4) trees per acre that fall into category 1, 2, or 3 of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table within a five-year period. The number of trees removed is a rolling count across a five-year period. For example, if 3 trees from category 1 are removed in July 2023, the 'count' resets to zero in July 2028. However, if 1 tree from category 1 is removed in July 2023 and another in July of 2025 the first

tree will come off the count in July 2028 and the second in July 2030.

- B. Tree farms in active operation, nurseries, fruit orchards, and garden centers;
- C.
- D. Properties used for the practice of silviculture under an approved forest stewardship or woodland management plan that is active and on file with the municipality;
- E. Any trees removed as part of a municipal or state decommissioning plan. This exemption only includes trees planted as part of the construction and predetermined to be removed in the decommissioning plan.
- F. Any trees removed pursuant to a New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) or U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved environmental clean-up, or NJDEP approved habitat enhancement plan;
- G. Approved game management practices, as recommended by the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife;
- H. Hazard trees may be removed with no fee or replacement requirement.

SECTION V. Enforcement:

This ordinance shall be enforced by the *Police Department, and/or the Construction Code Official, the Borough Engineer, the DPW* during the course of ordinary enforcement duties.

SECTION VI. Violations and Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of \$400.00 per tree in accordance with tree replacement costs referenced in this ordinance.

SECTION VII. Severability:

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase, and finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause or reason shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION VIII. Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

Appendix A

Approved list of Replacement tree Species and Planting Standards for Borough of North Haledon

New Jersey Most Common Native Trees

1. Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*)
2. White Oak (*Quercus alba*)
3. Eastern Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*)
4. American Beech (*Fagus grandifolia*)
5. Black Cherry (*Prunus serotina*)
6. Eastern Hemlock (*Tsuga canadensis*)
7. Tulip Tree (*Liriodendron tulipifera*)
8. Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*)
9. American Sycamore (*Platanus occidentalis*)
10. American Chestnut (*Castanea dentata*) - Though rare due to blight, efforts are underway to restore this species.
11. American Elm (*Ulmus americana*)
12. Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*)
13. Black Walnut (*Juglans nigra*)
14. Eastern White Pine (*Pinus strobus*)
15. Black Oak (*Quercus velutina*)

New Jersey Most Common Native Shrubs

1. Common Elderberry (*Sambucus canadensis*)
2. American Witch Hazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*)
3. Eastern Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)
4. Highbush Blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*)
5. New Jersey Tea (*Ceanothus americanus*)
6. Spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*)
7. Inkberry (*Ilex glabra*)

8. Bayberry (*Myrica pensylvanica*)
9. Arrowwood Viburnum (*Viburnum dentatum*)
10. Winterberry (*Ilex verticillata*)
11. Buttonbush (*Cephalanthus occidentalis*)
12. Virginia Sweetspire (*Itea virginica*)
13. Silky Dogwood (*Cornus amomum*)
14. Black Chokeberry (*Aronia melanocarpa*)
15. Swamp Azalea (*Rhododendron viscosum*)

Native New Jersey Trees for Streetscape

1. **Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*):** Red maple is a versatile and adaptable native tree known for its fall foliage. It tolerates a wide range of soil conditions and grows well in urban environments.
2. **American Elm (*Ulmus americana*):** American elm is a classic street tree with a vase-shaped canopy. Although susceptible to Dutch elm disease, disease-resistant cultivars are available.
3. **Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*):** Sugar maple is known for its fall color and dense, rounded canopy. It prefers slightly acidic, well-drained soil and is tolerant of urban pollution.
4. **Eastern Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*):** Eastern redbud is known for its early spring blooms of pink or purple flowers that appear before the leaves emerge. It has a small to medium size and adapts well to urban conditions.
5. **American Hornbeam (*Carpinus caroliniana*):** Also known as musclewood or ironwood, American hornbeam is a small to medium-sized tree with attractive bark and yellow fall color.
6. **Sassafras (*Sassafras albidum*):** Sassafras is a small to medium-sized tree with unique, mitten-shaped leaves that turn vibrant colors in the fall. It is adaptable to various soil types and grows well in urban environments.
7. **White Oak (*Quercus alba*):** White oak is a large, long-lived tree with a broad, spreading canopy. It provides excellent shade.

Decorative Trees for Streetscape

- **Japanese Tree Lilac (*Syringa reticulata*):**
 - Tolerance to Pollution: Japanese tree lilacs are known for their ability to tolerate urban pollution.
 - Soil Compaction: They have moderate tolerance to soil compaction and can adapt to a variety of soil types.
 - Resistance to Pests and Diseases: Japanese tree lilacs are relatively resistant to pests and diseases, including common urban pests like aphids and scale insects.

- **American Hornbeam (*Carpinus caroliniana*):**
 - Tolerance to Pollution: American hornbeam is known for its ability to tolerate urban pollution.
 - Soil Compaction: It has good tolerance to soil compaction and can adapt to various soil types, including clay and loam.
 - Resistance to Pests and Diseases: American hornbeam is relatively resistant to pests and diseases, making it a low-maintenance option for urban landscapes.

- **Northern Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*):**
 - Tolerance to Pollution: Northern red oak is moderately tolerant of urban pollution.
 - Soil Compaction: It has good tolerance to soil compaction and can adapt to a variety of soil types.
 - Resistance to Pests and Diseases: Northern red oak is relatively resistant to pests and diseases, although it can be susceptible to oak wilt and other fungal diseases.

- **Eastern Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*):**
 - Tolerance to Pollution: Eastern redbud can tolerate moderate levels of pollution.
 - Soil Compaction: It has moderate tolerance to soil compaction and can adapt to various soil types, including clay and loam.
 - Resistance to Pests and Diseases: Eastern redbud is relatively resistant to pests and diseases, although it can be susceptible to verticillium wilt and certain fungal diseases.

- **Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*):**
 - Tolerance to Pollution: Flowering dogwoods can tolerate moderate levels of pollution.

- Soil Compaction: They have moderate tolerance to soil compaction and can adapt to a variety of soil types, including clay and loam.
- Resistance to Pests and Diseases: Flowering dogwoods are relatively resistant to common pests and diseases, although they can be susceptible to certain fungal diseases like anthracnose.
- **Serviceberry (*Amelanchier spp.*):**
 - Tolerance to Pollution: Serviceberries are known for their ability to tolerate urban pollution, making them suitable for street planting.
 - Soil Compaction: They have good tolerance to soil compaction and can adapt to a variety of soil types, including clay and sandy soil.
 - Resistance to Pests and Diseases: Serviceberries are relatively resistant to pests and diseases, although they can be susceptible to certain fungal diseases like powdery mildew.
- **London Plane Tree (*Platanus x acerifolia*)**
 - Tolerance to Pollution: London plane tree exhibits a high tolerance to pollution, making it well-suited for urban environments with elevated levels of air pollution. It can survive in city streets, parks, and other urban landscapes where pollution levels may be high.
 - Pest Resistance: London plane trees are relatively resistant to common pests and diseases that affect other tree species. However, they may still be susceptible to issues such as:
 1. Anthracnose: Anthracnose is a fungal disease that can cause leaf spots, twig dieback, and defoliation. London plane trees are generally less susceptible to anthracnose compared to American sycamores, but severe infections can still occur, especially in wet conditions.
 2. Sycamore lace bugs: Lace bugs are small insects that feed on the undersides of leaves, causing yellowing and stippling. While London plane trees may be less susceptible to lace bugs compared to American sycamores, they can still be affected, especially in hot, dry conditions.

Motion by Council Member Pomianek, second by Council Member Luisi, to open the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Since no one was present in the public asked to speak, motion by Council Member Pomianek, second by Council Member Luisi to close the floor to the public. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Pomianek, second by Council Member Luisi, that Ordinance #13-2024 pass its second and final reading and that the Clerk be authorized to cause the appropriate notice to be published that Ordinance #13-2024 was adopted on second reading and is hereby declared a passed ordinance in accordance with law. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance #14-2024

Re: SUPPLEMENT / SALARY ORDINANCE

Motion by Council Member Iacobelli, second by Council Member Pomianek, that the Clerk read the ordinance by title and waive the reading of the ordinance in full. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following ordinance:

**AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT
ORDINANCE #7-2024 FIXING THE SALARIES AND COMPENSATIONS
OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF
NORTH HALEDON, IN THE YEAR 2024**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon as follows:

The following annual salaries and compensations shall be paid to the following officers and employees of the Borough of North Haledon, County of Passaic, and State of New Jersey for the year 2024.

MUNICIPAL JUDGE	\$ 25,272.89
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK	\$ 90,294.02

Motion by Council Member Iacobelli, second by Council Member Luisi, that the ordinance heretofore introduced does not pass on its first reading and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage on July 17, 2024 at 7:30 pm or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached by the Mayor and Council and that at such time and place, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and that the Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in accordance with the law. Upon roll call, all members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION CA#7-2024

Re: **Consent Agenda**

Motion by Council Member Iacobelli, second by Council Member Pomianek, that the Clerk read

the resolution by title and waive the reading of the resolution in full. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following resolution:

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Council of the Borough of North Haledon are not desirous of removing any resolution for individual action from the agenda; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the following resolutions on the consent agenda are hereby approved and adopted.

1. Appointment / Municipal Alliance Coordinator / Sgt. Dean Fusco
2. Renewals / Retail Consumption / Liquor License
3. Renewals / Retail Distribution / Liquor License
4. Library Remittances
5. Schedule of Taxes / Regional
6. Schedule of Taxes / Local School Taxes
7. Lien / 15 Dorothy Drive
8. Lien / 52 Bogart
9. Acceptance of Proposal / Boswell Engineering / 2025 Local Aid Grant
10. Authorization / Off Probation / Janti Janouk / John Conforti
11. Approval To Submit A Grant Application And Execute A Grant Contract With The New Jersey Department Of Transportation For The Manchester Avenue Improvements Project
12. Acceptance of Resignation / Assistant to Tax Assessor / Dena Cedar
13. Appointment / Assistant Tax Assessor / Emine Hani
14. Authorization / Receipt of Bids / Breathing Air Compressor / NHFD
15. Appointment / Medical Director / Dr. Kimberly Baldino
16. Payment of Bills / Issuance of Checks

Motion by Council Member Iacobelli, second by Council Member Roscio, to approve the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Resolution #126-2024

**RE: APPOINTMENT / MUNICIPAL
ALLIANCE COORDINATOR / DEAN FUSCO**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Sgt. Dean Fusco be employed as Municipal Alliance Coordinator effective July 1, 2024.

Resolution #127-2024

RE: RENEWALS / RETAIL CONSUMPTION / LIQUOR LICENSE

BE IT RESOLVED that the following Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses be renewed as of the 19th day of June 2024, effective the 1st day of July 2024:

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES

J.F.V Enterprises, LLC, 371 High Mountain Road	1606-33-007-007
Roberto Caterers, Inc., 778 Belmont Avenue	1606-33-001-004
Staiano Family, LLC t/a Giuseppe Restaurant, 5 Sicomac Road	1606-33-008-009
The Tides, Inc. t/a The Tides Estate, 1245 Belmont Avenue	1606-33-009-003
North Haledon Liquors, LLC	1606-33-006-016

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to issue said renewals for the year 2024-2025 with the date of issuance as the first day of July 2024.

Resolution #128-2024

RE: RENEWALS / RETAIL DISTRIBUTION / LIQUOR LICENSE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Plenary Retail Distribution License Number 1606-44-005-009 belonging to NICHOLAS MARKETS, INC., be renewed for the year 2024-2025, effective as of the first day of July 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to issue said renewal for the year 2024-2025 with the date of issuance as the first day of July 2024.

Resolution #129-2024

RE: NORTH HALEDON LIBRARY REMITTANCES

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees of the Borough of North Haledon Free Public Library requests payment for library purposes;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to make payments to the Library according to the following schedule:

July 2024	\$47,401.50
August 2024	\$47,401.50
September 2024	\$47,401.50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said payments be charged to the 2024 Budget Appropriation Account Maintenance of the Free Public Library.

Re: #130-2024

RE: SCHEDULE OF TAXES / REGIONAL

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Passaic County Manchester Regional High

School of Haledon, North Haledon and Prospect Park has requested that the sum of **\$2,009,294.00** be placed in the hands of the Treasurer of School Monies monthly to meet obligations of said Board, to be disbursed as follows:

<u>Month of:</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Payment Date</u>
July 2024	\$167,442.00	07/15/2024
August 2024	\$167,442.00	08/15/2024
September 2024	\$167,441.00	09/13/2024
October 2024	\$167,441.00	10/15/2024
November 2024	\$167,441.00	11/15/2024
December 2024	\$167,441.00	12/13/2024
January 2025	\$167,441.00	01/15/2025
February 2025	\$167,441.00	02/14/2025
March 2025	\$167,441.00	03/13/2025
April 2025	\$167,441.00	04/15/2025
May 2025	\$167,441.00	05/15/2025
June 2025	\$167,441.00	06/13/2025

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to disburse the sums aforementioned, as needed by the regional school district in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 54:4-75 and related statutes, to be charged against Manchester Regional District School Tax for the year 2024-2025.

Resolution #131-2024

RE: SCHEDULE OF TAXES / LOCAL

WHEREAS, the North Haledon Board of Education has requested that the sum of \$12,293,972.00 including Debt Service, be placed in the hands of the Treasurer of School Monies monthly to meet obligations of said Board, to be disbursed as follows:

<u>Month of:</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Pmt. Date</u>
July 10, 2024	\$184,500	\$898,331.00	07/10/2024
August 9, 2024		\$898,331.00	08/10/2024
September 10, 2024		\$898,331.00	09/08/2024
October 10, 2024		\$898,331.00	10/10/2024
November 8, 2024		\$898,331.00	11/09/2024
December 10, 2024		\$898,331.00	12/08/2024
January 10, 2025	\$1,329,500.00	\$898,331.00	01/10/2025
February 10, 2025		\$898,331.00	02/09/2025
March 10, 2025		\$898,331.00	03/08/2025
April 10, 2025		\$898,331.00	04/10/2025
May 9, 2025		\$898,331.00	05/10/2025
June 10, 2025		\$898,331.00	06/10/2025

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to disburse the sum of \$12,293.972.00, including Debt Service, as needed by the

North Haledon School District in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 54:4-75 and related statutes, to be charged against Local District School Tax for the year 2024-2025.

Resolution # 132-2024

RE: LIEN / 15 DOROTHY DRIVE

WHEREAS, the property known and designated as Block 31 Lot 45 (15 Dorothy Drive) has been the subject of complaints, as said property has not maintained the lawn; and

WHEREAS, proper notice has been provided to owner of said property to do the lawn maintenance as this was in violation of a Borough Ordinance, and the owner has not complied with the request; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the §455-9 of the Borough Code, the Borough may take action deemed necessary to remedy said conditions when an owner fails to do so, and the costs of said remedies shall be a principal lien against the property upon which said costs were incurred; and

WHEREAS, the condition of said lot has become a safety hazard, and it is necessary for the Borough of North Haledon to have grass maintained; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the council of the Borough of North Haledon that it hereby directs the Receiver of Taxes to place a lien against the aforementioned property, in the amount of \$500.00, plus all legal fees associated with filing the lien, and such lien shall become and form part of the taxes levied upon such property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the owner of the property or their agent.

Resolution #133-2024

RE: LIEN 52 BOGART DRIVE

WHEREAS, the property known and designated as Block 65 Lot 27----- (52 Bogert Drive) has been the subject of complaints, as said property has not maintained the lawn; and

WHEREAS, proper notice has been provided to owner of said property to do the lawn maintenance as this was in violation of a Borough Ordinance, and the owner has not complied with the request; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the §455-9 of the Borough Code, the Borough may take action deemed necessary to remedy said conditions when an owner fails to do so, and the costs of said remedies shall be a principal lien against the property upon which said costs were incurred; and

WHEREAS, the condition of said lot has become a safety hazard, and it is necessary for the Borough of North Haledon to have grass maintained; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the council of the Borough of North Haledon that it hereby directs the Receiver of Taxes to place a lien against the aforementioned property, in the amount of \$500.00, plus all legal fees associated with filing the lien, and such

lien shall become and form part of the taxes levied upon such property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the owner of the property or their agent.

Resolution #134-2024

**RE: ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL /
BOSWELL / 2025 LOCAL AID GRANT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Haledon is in need of engineering services, in particular for engineering services associated with the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan; and

WHEREAS, Boswell Engineering, by letter dated June 5, 2024 submitted a proposal regarding same as evidenced by **attachment herein** and made a part of the within resolution;

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

The Proposal of Boswell McClave Engineering, dated June 5, 2024 for engineering services in connection with the above is hereby accepted and approved.

Compensation for said services for a total not to exceed \$2,500.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds are available for the aforementioned as evidenced by Certification of Treasurer following.

CERTIFICATION

As required by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-57, N.J.A. 5:34-5.1 et seq. and any other applicable requirement, I, Christopher Battaglia, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of North Haledon, have ascertained that there are available sufficient uncommitted funds in the item specified in the resolution, in the amount specified below. I further certify that I will encumber these funds upon passage of this resolution.

Account: 4-01-26-313-020 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT Amount: NTE \$5,000.00
(drawdown on PO 24-00038)

Signed: Chris Battaglia, Chief Financial Officer

Resolution #135-2024

**RE: AUTHORIZATION / OFF PROBATION / JANTI
JANOUK / JOHN CONFORTI**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Janti Janouk and John Conforti upon successfully completing their probationary period are hereby taken off probation effective June 21, 2024.

Resolution #136-2024

**RE: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT
CONTRACT / MANCHESTER AVE
IMPROVEMENTS**

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2025- Manchester Avenue Improvements -00287 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of North Haledon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of North Haledon and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

Resolution #137-2024

**RE: ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION /
ASSISTANT TO TAX ASSESSOR /
DENA CEDAR**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the resignation of Dena Cedar, as assistant tax assessor be accepted effective immediately

Resolution #138-2024

**RE: APPOINTMENT / ASSISTANT TO TAX
ASSESSOR / EMINE HANI**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Emine Hani be appointed as Assistant Tax Assessor, effective immediately, with salary in accordance with Salaries and Wages 2024

Resolution #139-2024

**RE: AUTHORIZATION / RECEIPT OF BIDS /
BREATHING AIR COMPRESSOR / NHFD**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the Deputy Municipal Clerk be, and she is hereby authorized to advertise for the receipt of bids for the Breathing Air Compressor for the NHFD. Bids are to be received by the Municipal Clerk on behalf of the Mayor and Council at the Municipal Building, 103 Overlook Avenue, North Haledon at a time and date to be determined.

Resolution #140-2024

**Re: APPOINTMENT / MEDICAL
DIRECTOR / DR. KIMBERLY BALDINO**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Haledon that Dr. Kimberly Baldino be appointed as Medical Director, effective immediately, to assist with

training and guidance with the North Haledon ambulance.

Resolution #141-2024

**RE: AUTHORIZATION / PAYMENT OF
BILLS / ISSUANCE OF CHECKS /
\$3,160,118.08**

WHEREAS certain bills which are contained on the bills list which is attached hereto and incorporated herein have been submitted to the Borough of North Haledon for payment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5:16, it has been certified to the Governing Body that the goods and services for which said bills were submitted have been received by or rendered to the Borough of North Haledon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Council of the Borough of North Haledon that the Mayor, Deputy CFO, and Administrator, be and are hereby authorized to sign checks in payment of the bills set forth in the attached schedule.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member Iacobelli, second by Council Member Roscio, to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call, all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Mayor George declared the meeting duly adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dena Cedar, Deputy Municipal Clerk

Approved at Council Meeting of July 17, 2024