

REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF HIGHLAND FALLS

September 4, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Highland Falls was held in Village Hall, 303 Main Street, Highland Falls, New York on September 4, 2012.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor D'Onofrio at 7:00 P.M.

Members present were:

Mayor Joseph E. D'Onofrio  
Trustee Joseph McCormick  
Trustee James DiSalvo  
Trustee Harold Brown  
Trustee Patrick Flynn

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor  
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt  
Fire Chief, John Rush  
Planning Board Chairman, James Ramus  
Village Residents – Norman DeYoung – 11 Walker Rd, Dan Borra- 31 Walker Rd,  
Gus Koutsourades -156 Main St. (West Point Motel)

A motion was made by Trustee McCormick to approve the below listed minutes as follows:

- a) Regular Meeting – August 20, 2012

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

The Police Department Report for August 2012 was presented to the Board for review.

Trustee Brown motioned to approve the resignation of Michael Dunlop as Part-Time Dispatcher, effective 8/27/12.

The motion was seconded by Trustee McCormick and unanimously carried.

The Fire Department Report for August 2012 was presented to the Board for review.

Mayor D'Onofrio motioned to approve the request, from the Fire Chief, for permission to take Engine 428 to Stony Point, NY on September 8, 2012 for the Rockland County parade and to take Engine 428 and Rescue 430 to Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY on September 22, 2012 for the Orange County parade.

The motion was seconded by Trustee McCormick unanimously carried.

Trustee McCormick motioned the following:

Resolution  
Village of Highland Falls Board of Trustees  
Standard Work Day and Reporting  
New York State and Local Retirement System

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and on a roll call vote, the results which follow:

5 Ayes      0 Noes

motion carried (A true and complete copy of the resolution is appended to these minutes).

Trustee DiSalvo motioned the following:

Resolution  
Village of Highland Falls Board of Trustees  
Disaster Recovery Plan

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and on a roll call vote, the results which follow:

5 Ayes      0 Noes

motion carried (A true and complete copy of the resolution is appended to these minutes).

The Mayor acknowledged receipt of notification from the Citizens Campaign for the Environment (CCE) and their plan to canvass in the Village beginning August 29<sup>th</sup> and finishing by December 30, 2012.

Trustee Brown motioned to acknowledge the notification from the Citizens Campaign to canvass the Village beginning August 29<sup>th</sup> and finishing by December 30, 2012.

The motion was seconded by McCormick and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee McCormick to approve the request from the Village Clerk for the Purchasing Clerk and the Deputy Clerk to attend the O.C. Procurement Conference in Goshen, NY on October 3, 2012 from 9am to 5pm and that all actual expenses incurred be reimbursed.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Brown to approve the recommendation from the Chief Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, John Jones, to complete the probationary period for Wastewater Treatment Plant Maintenance Worker Timothy Doherty.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Brown to approve the bills and claims for \$161,255.59 from the following listed funds for FY 12-13:

General Fund	\$38,449.62
Section 8	\$61,602.23
Community Dev.	\$ 34.55
Water Fund	\$29,198.26
Sewer Fund	\$29,038.51
Capital Fund	\$ 2,932.42

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo reported that he would have the proposed changes to the penalties for parking violations and a resolution for the stop sign on Main Street to WP Highway, for the next meeting.

Trustee McCormick read the water department report. He commented that the work needed at Jim's Pond from the Hurricane Irene storm damage and around the water plant was being done now. He would like the Village to look at the code on who is responsible for property maintenance between the roadway and curbs. He updated the Board that PBA negotiations are at a standstill, that the PBA has refused to set a meeting and that it will probably go to arbitration.

Mayor D'Onofrio responded to Pellwood residents regarding the local law on Motel Stays. He reminded residents that they should file complaints through the Town Building Department. He responded that if they are not satisfied with the Building Departments response, they should go to a Town meeting to voice their complaints. The Mayor congratulated the Fire Department on the successful Carnival they recently sponsored. He reported that street markings would now be done with tape on sidewalks and water based paint in the streets. The Mayor also reported that consolidation issues to be discussed include the Village possibly taking over the operations of Town of Highlands Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to enter executive session to discuss contract negotiations with the Town of Highlands and water services the Village could provide. The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

The Board entered executive session at 7:38pm.

Trustee Brown motioned to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee McCormick.

The Regular meeting reconvened at 7:45pm.

Trustee McCormick motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

Meeting closed at 7:45 P.M.

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Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk