

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

August 3, 2015

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 August 3, 2015.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Flynn at 7:06 P.M.

Members present were:

Mayor Patrick Flynn
Trustee Brian Aylward
Trustee Robert Mellon
Trustee Barbara Murphy

Member Absent was:

Trustee Anthony Farina

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
Village Treasurer, Ed Magryta
Village Attorney, Alyse Terhune
Planning Bd Chairman, James Ramus
OC Legislator, James DiSalvo
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Approximately 2 community members

Mayor Flynn opened the meeting with a moment of silence for all our fallen soldiers and community members since the last meeting.

The Police Department Report for July 2015 was presented by Trustee Aylward. Trustee Aylward reminded people that National Night Out will be held tomorrow night in municipal lot #2 from 5:00pm -9:00pm and they are still working on setting up having a “coffee with a Police Officer” .

Trustee Murphy reported that the Fire Department would be participating in the National Night Out being held tomorrow evening and there will be some trucks for the kids to explore and members will be available to answer any questions about joining the volunteer fire department.

Trustee Mellon updated the Board that we are still waiting on the grant money before making any needed improvements to the senior center and that he will have a representative to speak on the installation of LED lighting in the Village at the next Board meeting.

Mayor Flynn reported that he had met with the new West Point Deputy Garrison Commander and received some positive feedback in discussions on relations between the Village and West Point. The Mayor also reported he had met with the Town Board in reference to the Town taking on some pieces that are more Town than Village, for example the senior center and parks.

Mayor Flynn also reported to the Board that he would like to lower the cost of parking stickers. The Mayor explained that he would like to give them another push and lowering the cost might be helpful. Trustee Murphy responded that this might help to determine if cost has been a factor in the purchasing of them.

The Board acknowledged a letter from the Planning Board recommending modifying the land use application and escrow fees.

The Board acknowledged a letter from the property owner of 59 Laurel Lane regarding a water break and future sewer charges. The Board tabled any decision until the attorney can look into the matter.

Trustee Aylward motioned to approve the below listed minutes as follows:

a) Regular Meeting –July 20, 2015

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and carried on a vote as follows:

3 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Farina) 1 Abstain (Murphy)

Trustee Murphy motioned to reduce the cost of the parking stickers from \$50.00 for Resident and \$75.00 for Non-Resident to \$30.00 for Resident and \$50.00 for Non-Resident.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee Aylward motioned to renew the Service Agreement with Firthcliffe Technologies Inc. for one year, August 4, 2015 to August 3, 2016.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee Aylward motioned to approve the request for training from the Clerk's Office for Margaret and Gina to attend the KVS Regional Company Update, August 19th from 9:00am -3:00pm in Tarrytown, NY and that mileage reimbursement be approved.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to approve a band concert series in Memorial Park, to be funded out of A7550.04 Celebrations with the first concert to be held on August 14th at 7:00pm.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee Mellon motioned the following:

Resolution
Board of Trustees
Resolution Modifying Land Use Application and Escrow Fees

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

4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Farina)

The Mayor declared this resolution adopted. (A true and complete copy of this resolution is appended to these minutes)

Trustee Mellon motioned the following:

Resolution
Board of Trustees
Resolution Concerning High-Point Utility
Local Development Corporation

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

3 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Farina) 1 Recuse (Murphy)

The Mayor declared this resolution adopted. (A true and complete copy of this resolution is appended to these minutes)

A motion was made by Trustee Aylward to approve the bills and claims for \$85,044.58 from the following listed funds:

FY 15-16	General Fund	\$17,301.82
	Section 8	\$61,596.60
	Water Fund	\$ 1,767.47
	Sewer Fund	\$ 4,378.69

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Mary Ellen Oliva, 26 Cozzens Avenue, commented on concerns she had regarding the Village curfew, the continuation of youth menacing the neighborhood, and fireworks continuing to be shot off in the neighborhood. Trustee Murphy asked if the Village could opt out of the fireworks law. The Mayor responded that he would have the attorney look into it.

James DiSalvo asked the Board questions regarding the LDC and when meetings are scheduled. The Mayor responded that no meetings have been scheduled and they would be posted when they are.

Trustee Aylward motioned to go into executive session to conduct personnel interviews. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

The Board entered executive session at 7:51P.M.

Trustee Mellon motioned out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

The Regular meeting reconvened at 10:03P.M.

Trustee Aylward motioned to approve the recommendation of the Village Labor Attorney to move toward a settlement with the PBA's Counsel on the 207c case before the Village Board. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee Aylward motioned to approve the recommendation of the Village Labor Attorney to move forward with the grievance by the PBA regarding the retro pay calculations on the settled Police Contracts. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

The meeting closed 10:04P.M.

Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk