

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

July 6, 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 July 6, 2015.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Flynn at 7:07 P.M.

Members present were:

Mayor Patrick Flynn
Trustee Anthony Farina
Trustee Robert Mellon

Member Absent was:

Trustee Aylward
Trustee Barbara Murphy

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
Village Treasurer, Ed Magryta
Village Attorney, William Florence
Police Chief, Ken Scott
Police Sargeant, Paul Troy
Planning Bd Chairman, James Ramus
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Approximately 6 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 June 2015 was presented by Chief Scott. In addition to routine information, Chief Scott informed the Board that the 1st meeting for the Community Advisory Committee will be held on July 14th and will be open to the public. Chief Scott reported that he is looking forward to having community involvement.

Mayor Flynn reported that the Orange County Department of Health will be larvaciding municipal catch basins in the coming weeks. The Mayor reported he had spoken to the Village Engineer about some grant opportunities for Village Hall, as well as, Main Street revitalization and that he gave the Engineer approval to go ahead with the application process for them.

Mayor Flynn congratulated the O'Neill HS graduates and thanked Desiree Talley and her committee for a great job on getting a 4th of July celebration together. Mayor Flynn also reminded the public about the Flotilla, that honors the Veterans, will be passing by the Highland Falls Marina this Saturday afternoon between, approximately, 11:30am and 12:30pm. The Mayor encouraged everyone to go and show support to the Veterans.

Mayor Flynn reported that Tiny Tomsen representative of WP Class of 64 (that donated the Hannibal Mule statue) would like to put a flag pole ,with lighting , near the mule and is working with Roy Hannawalt on the project.

The Board acknowledged a letter from Mrs. Joan Stehn regarding handicap parking spaces on her street and on Main Street. The Mayor responded that he is working with Chief Scott for solutions to her parking concerns.

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

- a) Regular Meeting –June 15, 2015
- b) Special Meeting –June 25, 2015

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

Trustee Mellon motioned the appointment of Robert Ruger as a Full Time Police Officer, at step one of the PBA contract, (\$49,532) and with maximum probation, 78 weeks. The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

Trustee Farina motioned the appointment of Wytoskia Baity as a Part Time Police Officer, recruit. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and on a vote of 2 Ayes 1 Nay (Mellon) 2 Absent (Aylward/Murphy), motion did not carry.

Trustee Farina motioned the appointment of Justin Lee as a Part Time Dispatcher, at the rate of \$12.00/hr nte 20 hrs per week, with maximum probation, 52 weeks. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee Farina motioned the appointment of Mary Laders as a PT Clerk, at the rate of \$12.00/hr nte 20hrs per week, with maximum probation, 52 weeks. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee Mellon motioned the appointment of David Yates, as a Part Time Police Officer at the rate of \$21.35/hr (step 1 of the PBA contract) nte 20hrs per week, with maximum probation, 52 weeks.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and on a vote of 2 Ayes 1 Nay (Farina) 2 Absent (Aylward/Murphy), motion did not carry.

Trustee Mellon motioned the following:

Resolution
Village of Highland Falls
Budget Amendment –Art Walk
2015-2016

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

	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Trustee Aylward			x
Trustee Farina	x		
Trustee Mellon	x		
Trustee Murphy			x
Mayor Flynn	x		

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

Trustee Mellon motioned to approve the EAP Services Agreement Addendum #9 for FY15-16 at the annual fee of \$1,802.00.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

Trustee Mellon motioned to approve the National Night Out event, sponsored by the PBA, for Municipal Lot #2, August 4, 2015, from 5:00pm -9:00pm, pending insurance is provided before the event.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Mellon to approve the bills and claims for \$158,356.79 from the following listed funds:

FY 14-15	General Fund	\$13,207.88
	Water Fund	\$ 476.41
FY 15-16	General Fund	\$72,310.45
	Section 8	\$62,275.09
	Water Fund	\$ 4,664.50
	Sewer Fund	\$ 5,422.46

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

Mary Ellen Oliva, 26 Cozzens Avenue, commented on concerns she had regarding this past 4th of July holiday with teenagers running around the neighborhood being disrespectful and shooting off fireworks in the early morning hours. Mrs. Olivia cited many Village codes that she felt were being violated and wanted to bring this to the attention of the Board and Police Department.

Trustee Farina motioned to go into executive session to discuss a specific individual in a personnel matter. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

The Board entered executive session at 7:43PM.

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

The Regular meeting reconvened at 9:18P.M.

Trustee Farina motioned to approve Rondout Consulting assisting the Village, with the development of a grant application for funding to conduct a police consolidation and efficiency study, under New York State Consolidated Fund Application at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee Mellon motioned to postpone the public hearing for the local law for “No Smoking in Village Parks” scheduled for the July 20th Board meeting for a date to be determined. The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

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

The meeting closed 9:20P.M.

Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk