

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

March 21, 2016

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 March 21, 2016.

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

Members present were:

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

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor  
Village Attorney, Alyse Terhune  
Street Superintendent, Gary Boyce  
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt  
Approximately 4 community members

Trustee Murphy motioned to enter executive session for a personnel matter. The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried. The Board entered executive session at 7:06P.M.

Trustee Farina motioned out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried. The Regular meeting reconvened at 7:16 P.M. The Board asked the Clerk to send a return to work notification, effective March 24<sup>th</sup>, to the employee who is on suspension.

Street Superintendent Gary Boyce asked the Village Board for permission to purchase a used street sweeper for \$10,000, which will come from the Street Maintenance budget. Mr. Boyce explained that the parts will be used to repair the Village's sweeper and extend its life by a few more years.

Trustee Aylward motioned to approve the purchase of the street sweeper as recommended by Street Superintendent Boyce for \$10,000 to be paid out of the Street Maintenance budget. The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

Mayor Flynn updated the Board on the Cancer Bike Rally that is scheduled for June 25<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Flynn explained that the organizers of this event have been preparing for a Main Street venue and have coordinated with West Point to allow the bikers to start from Municipal lot #1, go through Thayer Gate through West Point to eventually come down Mountain Ave and back to a finish at Cozzens Ave. Mayor Flynn reported that Aaron Falk, Recreation Director, is the local point of contact for this event and would present the Board with more detailed information at the next meeting.

Mayor Flynn explained about the Village's opportunity to become the first municipality in Orange County to be a Greenway Compact Community and the advantages that brings in the way of grant opportunities. Mayor Flynn reported that one grant we are going for now will be to do a study of the entire waterfront properties and the uses thereof. Mayor Flynn reported that right now we are mainly looking at the Marina property.

Mr. Jose Sierra, 65 Schneider Ave. came before the Board about a water issue he has been having for quite some time. Mr. Sierra commented that he has come before the Board on different occasions and nothing seems to be getting done to address his problem. Mr. Sierra explained that water is seeping into his basement and last year he was told by Kevin Hurst that there is chlorine and fluoride in the water. Mr. Sierra explained that he had a camera inspection of a pipe in his yard which showed that the pipe is rotted out.

Trustee Mellon asked Mr. Sierra to provide a copy of this inspection for the Village to review and said he would ask the Street Superintendent to look at the problem this week.

Trustee Mellon motioned to authorize the Mayor to sign the Developers Agreement and Pervious Pavers Maintenance Agreement for the Old Guard project as recommended by the Village Attorney.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

The Board acknowledged correspondence from Access: Supports for Living Inc. regarding the selling of raffle tickets in the Village. The Board tabled the matter.

Mayor Flynn reported to the Board that he would like them to review a proposal from Rockland Web Design to build a new website that would give the Village staff the capability to make changes and add documents to the site itself. Mayor Flynn explained that the office staff uses a third party to make changes to the website and sometimes this creates a timing issue.

Trustee Mellon asked to table this discussion until they had a chance to review the proposal. The Village Attorney also asked for some time to review the legal part of the proposal. Mayor Flynn commented that it will be put on the next meeting agenda.

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

- a) Regular Meeting –March 7, 2016
- b) Budget meeting-March 9, 2016
- c) Budget meeting- March 14, 2016

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

Mayor Flynn motioned the following:

Village of Highland Falls  
 Resolution Introducing Local Law and Providing for  
 Public Notice and Hearing  
 “A Local Law to Adopt the Orange County Greenway Compact”

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and the resolution was adopted on a roll call vote, the results which follow: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

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

Trustee Murphy motioned the following:

Resolution To  
 Establish Lead Agency To Adopt a Local Law  
 To Implement the Orange County Greenway Compact In The  
 Village of Highland Falls

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and on a roll call vote, the results which follow: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

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

Trustee Farina motioned the following:

Village of Highland Falls  
 Resolution to Seek a Grant under the  
 Greenway Communities Grant Program

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and on a roll call vote, the results which follow: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

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

Trustee Farina motioned to set a Public Hearing for the Tentative Budget and Reorganization meeting for Monday, April 4, 2016 at 7:00P.M.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to set a Public Hearing for the CDBG 2017 grant application following the tentative budget public hearing on Monday, April 4, 2016.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

Trustee Aylward motioned the following:

Resolution  
 Village of Highland Falls Board of Trustees  
 Supporting and Concurring in the Orange County  
 Community Development Block Grant Program  
 FY-2017 Funding Application  
 Municipal Grant Program

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and on a roll call vote, the results which follow: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

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

Trustee Aylward motioned to authorize the Village Clerk to publish the Notice to Bid for grass cutting services for FY 16-17.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to approve Krista Jones, Joshuah Pulido and Devan Sullivan as members of the HFFD, pending the results of their physicals.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

Trustee Aylward motioned to accept the resignation of Camera Operator, Kevin Coffey, with regret, effective March 11, 2016.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to approve the request from the HFFD to hold a Carnival and fireworks at Roe Park from May 29, 2016 to June 6, 2016 and the use of water and electric from Roe Park to Fickens Field in support of their annual fundraiser.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

Trustee Aylward motioned to approve the request from Vision to hold a Farmer's Market in municipal lot#2 from June 12, 2016 to October 30, 2016, on Sundays from 9:00am to 2:00pm.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to approve the request from the HFFD Auxiliary to reserve 30 parking spaces in municipal lot #1 on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> to support their Penny Social fundraiser.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Mellon to approve the bills and claims for \$58,423.26 from the following listed funds:

FY 15-16	General Fund	\$35,535.44
	Water Fund	\$7,390.80
	Sewer Fund	\$15,497.02

The motion was seconded by Trustee Farina and unanimously carried.

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

The Board entered executive session at 8:10 P.M.

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

The Regular meeting reconvened at 9:00 P.M. No Board action was taken.

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

The meeting closed at 9:00 P.M.

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Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk