

REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF HIGHLAND FALLS
AUGUST 2, 2010

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 2, 2010.

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

Members present were:

Mayor Joseph E. D'Onofrio
Trustee June L. Gunza
Trustee James DiSalvo
Trustee Harold Brown

Members Absent:

Trustee Joseph McCormick

Also present were:

Deputy Clerk, Ana I. Sierra
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Village Residents, Jean Sharp-11 Homestead Ave., James Ramus-31 Liberty St., James Titolo-95 Mountain Ave., Timothy Doherty-32 Roe Ave.

Motion was made by Trustee DiSalvo to approve minutes the below listed minutes as follows:

- a) Regular Meeting – July 19, 2010
- b) Special Meeting - July 29, 2010

Motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

The Building Department Report for July 2010 was presented to the Board for review.

The Community Development Report for July 2010 was presented to the Board for review.

The Police Department Report for July 2010 was presented to the Board for review.

Trustee Gunza motioned to approve the request from Mayor Joseph D'Onofrio to appoint Mr. Konstantinos Fatsis to the Planning Board to replace Robert Mellon with a term to expire December 31, 2011.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Brown to appoint Anthony Galu Jr, as an alternate member to the Planning Board to replace Konstantinos Fatsis with a term to expire December 31, 2011.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned the following:

Village of Highland Falls Board of Trustees
Resolution
Final Notice and Termination of Service for May 2010 unpaid Water Bills

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

4 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent

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

Trustee DiSalvo brought up discussion on the parking at Walnut Avenue and asked if maybe the sign could be moved up a few feet. He was advised that further discussion would take place with the Police.

Mayor D'Onofrio read request from Police Officer Kenneth Scott to have work completed to their repeater system at Perkins Tower. The cost of moving this equipment will be \$450.00. This work will improve radio signal and provide a better environment for the equipment by moving it to a climate controlled room.

Motion to approve was made by Trustee Brown. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gunza and unanimously carried.

Mayor D'Onofrio read second request from Police Officer Kenneth Scott requesting the replacement of the Police Department's computer server. Preliminary cost of \$4694.71 + 2880.00=\$7574.71 however with monies reallocated from the Live Scan Grant in the amount of \$2,245.00 the final cost would be \$5,329.71.

Motion to approve was made by Trustee DiSalvo. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gunza and unanimously carried.

The Children's Angel Network requested use of Municipal Lot #2 on August 3, 2010 to hold the 2nd annual National Night Out.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to reject request at this time as the necessary paperwork was not submitted.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Gunza and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Brown to approve the bills and claims for \$94,111.80 from the following listed funds:

FY 10-11	General Fund	\$ 29,135.29
	Community Development	\$ 59,989.90
	Water Fund	\$ 82.03
	Sewer Fund	\$ 7,529.58
	Capital Fund	\$ 375.00

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Discussion was held to correct violations due to inspection on June 26, 2010 Village Hall. Trustee Gunza advised that Village Board that these violations had to be corrected for the safety of the employees and the building.

Motion to accept the lowest bid of \$1,900.00 by R. J. Mellon Electric made by Trustee Brown. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gunza and unanimously carried.

The Mayor wanted to remind everyone that the water supply is at 81% capacity and although he wouldn't be alarmed until it reached 75% he wanted to suggest that everyone cut down usage. He will look at this problem on a week to week basis.

The Mayor mentioned the 702 calls to Police Department and the amount of mileage driven for the month of June and thought that maybe it should be reported differently as most of the calls made were not crime related. He does not want residents to be concerned. He also noted that the amount of mileage (4400 miles) is not a lot as it is two cars for each shift.

Mayor feels that the Police Department is unduly criticized and wanted to take a moment to make everyone aware that he and the Village Board are very pleased with the Police Department. Overall the Village Board is pleased with all the Departments.

Mayor D'Onofrio had some aerial maps to show which streets would have some paving done. Streets include Walnut Ave, Hickory St., Maple Ave., Catherine St., Sweezy Ave., and possibly McCullums Lane. He advised that he didn't know if every part of those streets would be done. Mayor D'Onofrio noted that the Village was going to use the county bid for this paving.

Resident James Titolo came before the board with several issues including individuals walking around with their underwear showing, property maintenance, speeding and parking, consolidation of the Town and Village, and the processes taken in the opening of new businesses in the Village.

Resident James Ramus asked the Village Board if there was anything that could be done to make the intersection of Hilltop and Mountain Avenue safer, by maybe making it a one way or add a sidewalk for pedestrians. Mayor D'Onofrio advised Mr. Ramus that the funds are not available for the sidewalk but that he would contact Chief Peter Miller into other options for safety.

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

Meeting Closed at 8:40 P.M.

Ana I. Sierra, Deputy Clerk