

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

February 6, 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 February 6, 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 Harold Brown
Trustee James DiSalvo
Trustee Joseph McCormick
Trustee Richard Parry

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Police Sergeant, Ken Scott
2nd Asst Fire Chief, John Rush
Town Supervisor – Bob Livsey
Village Residents – Norman DeYoung –11 Walker Rd, Paula Brannigan – 2 Walker Rd, Ray Deveraux- 20 Ondaora Pkwy, Pat Flynn – 1 Muller Ave, Gus Koutsourades – 156 Main St.(WP Motel), Laura & Ian Milsom – 105 Center Street

The Mayor recognized and welcomed the Town Supervisor, Bob Livsey to the meeting and updated the public on a productive meeting recently held to discuss development of a Master Water Plan for the communities. Mr. Livsey stated his door is always open to anyone to talk about any issue. He stated he looks forward to working with the Village to see where there may be areas to save.

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

a) Regular Meeting – January 17, 2012

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

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

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to accept the resignation of Part Time Police Officer Michael R Lewis. The motion was seconded by Trustee McCormick, with regret and unanimously carried.

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

Trustee McCormick motioned to approve an engine going to the Fire Training Center on March 18th to support a firefighter 1 class and also a pumper, Chief's car and rescue, to the Fire Training Center on March 20th for a live fire training.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Parry and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned the following:

Resolution
Village of Highland Falls Board of Trustees
2011-2012 Budget Transfer

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

4 ayes 1 nay (McCormick)

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

Trustee DiSalvo motioned the following:

Resolution
Village of Highland Falls Board of Trustees
Denial of DPWEA/Hurst Grievance

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

4 ayes 1 nay (McCormick)

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

Trustee Parry motioned to approve the Fort Montgomery Elementary School's request for the use of Roe Park for a Field Day on Friday, June 1st from 8:00am to 11:30am pending the necessary paperwork being turned into the Village Clerk before the event.

The motion was seconded by Trustee McCormick and unanimously carried.

Trustee McCormick motioned to accept the quote from McCarthy Carpentry, LLC of \$1,750.00 for replacing windows and repairing hole in the ceiling of the DPW Garage.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to schedule the next Village Board meeting on Tuesday, February 21st at 7:00pm due to the President's Day holiday.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Brown to approve the bills and claims for \$101, 000.73 from the following listed funds:

FY 11-12	General Fund	\$29,129.68
	Section 8	\$61,628.50
	Water Fund	\$ 4,901.30
	Sewer Fund	\$ 4,955.94
	Capital Fund	\$ 385.31

The motion was seconded by Trustee Parry and unanimously carried.

Mayor updates included the announcement that Mrs. Stella Bailey, Town and Village Historian will be the recipient of the "Martha Washington Woman of History Award" next month. A very prestigious honor for those in her field. He also offered congratulations to Mrs. Bailey, on behalf of the Village Board.

Trustee McCormick read the water report for January and reported that 911 was moving along. He had some concern about a wall by 4 West Street that holds up part of the road, needing to be looked at.

Trustee DiSalvo praised the efforts of the Street Superintendent and his department for cleaning up the DPW area and recycling the scrape metal to help offset the cost of the window and ceiling repairs being done. Trustee DiSalvo also said the third camera should be operational now and will follow up on any delays.

Mr. Ray Deveraux voiced concerns over the Village Board not moving to televise meetings and suggested the Village use the equipment in Town Hall and hold their meetings there.

Mrs. Laura Milsom asked why the meeting about water was not open to the public. Trustee McCormick responded that a quorum of Board members was not present, therefore it did not need to be a posted meeting and it was a preliminary discussion between the Village and Town water departments. Mrs. Milsom also asked about televising meetings. The Mayor responded the Board has already budgeted some funds, however, it is very expensive for the equipment needed and the Board will discuss it further at budget workshop meetings. Mrs. Milsom brought up some property maintenance concerns. The Mayor responded that she should go to the Town Board meetings if she doesn't think the building department is doing enough about these concerns.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to enter executive session to discuss a specific individual personnel matter.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried. The Board entered executive session at 7:50pm.

Trustee McCormick motioned to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:40pm.

Trustee McCormick motioned to approve the Village Treasurer obtaining a Village of Highland Falls business credit card, to be used with discretion and approval through the Village Clerk or Village Treasurer and monitored and secured in the Village Clerk's office.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee McCormick motioned to approve the Mayor to sign paperwork to process a \$10,000 Legislative Initiative Grant to be used for costs associated with the revitalization of Main Street.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Parry and unanimously carried.

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

The meeting closed at 8:45pm.

Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk