

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

June 3, 2013

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 June 3, 2013.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Patrick Flynn at 7:00 P.M.

Members present were:

Mayor Patrick Flynn
Trustee Harold Brown
Trustee James DiSalvo
Trustee Robert Mellon
Trustee Barbara Murphy

Also present were:

Deputy Clerk, Ana I. Sierra
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Fire Captain, John Rush
THAC Captain, William Stroppel
Chief Water Treatment Plant Operator, Kevin Hurst
Town Supervisor, Robert Livsey
TV Camera Operator, Kevin Coffey
Approximately 12 Community Residents

Mayor Flynn opened the meeting with a moment of silence for all of our fallen soldiers and the passing of two local residents Shirley Vanzetta and Margaret Monahan.

Mayor Flynn announced the upcoming events in the community and encouraged the residents in attendance to purchase the local paper as it is filled with great information.

Mayor Flynn reminded residents of our Historical Society and asked residents to stop in and visit with Mrs. Stella Bailey. Mayor would like residents to know more about our local history as well as seeing all the interesting items she has on display.

Mayor Flynn thanked Col Rideout for speaking at the Memorial Day ceremony as well as everyone who attended. He also thanked everyone who attended the Bullying Conference held at the Highland Falls Library.

Trustee Murphy motioned to approve the numbering, by and at the expense of, the Ambulance Corps, the sidewalks on the North end for designating vendor spots during street festivals.
The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

The Police Department Report for May 2013 was presented to the Board for review.

The Water Department Report for May 2013 was presented to the Board for review.

A motion was made by Trustee Mellon to approve the below listed minutes as follows:

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The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy, at the recommendation of the Fire Chief, motioned to approve Kristi Pendergraft as a new member of the Highland Falls Fire Department.
The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee Mellon motioned to approve the Fourth Amendment to the Water Supply Agreement with the Town of Highlands, allowing for PVC pipe with the expansion of the Water District II, and authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement.

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

5 Ayes 0 Nays

motion carried.

Trustee Disalvo motioned to accept the recommendations of the Chief Water Plant Operator, Mr. Kevin Hurst for the chemical bids for FY 2013-2014.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried

Trustee Brown motioned to approve the change order request of \$30,000.00, for additional floor coating that will add fifteen plus years to the expanded life of the tank, from Pittsburgh Tank, as recommended from the Village Engineer and Chief Water Plant Operator Kevin Hurst.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Brown to approve the bills and claims for \$162,076.30 from the listed funds:

FY 12-13	General Fund	6,893.73
	Water Fund	488.42
	Sewer Fund	4,528.92
FY 13-14	General Fund	57,448.70
	Section 8	59,207.00
	Water Fund	1,708.65
	Sewer Fund	31,800.88

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Mayor Flynn revisited the discussion of yearly parking stickers. He feels this will alleviate the burden of the Police Department having to empty meters and Village would receive monies up front. Mayor Flynn suggested a fee of possibly \$50.00 for residents per year and \$75.00 for non-residents. Mayor Flynn added that the option to pay meters would still be available, however, he would like to see the Village phase out meters.

Mayor Flynn reported that he spoke with Col Rideout about the form needed by local businesses in order to deliver to West Point. Mayor Flynn would like to see this process eliminated.

Mayor Flynn asked the residents for help to make our community look good. He will push for fines for any resident not taking care of their lawns. The Mayor also stated that if ignored he will use the Village to clean up the property and charge the homeowner. Mayor Flynn would like to see a switch from plastic bags to paper yard waste bags as they are biodegradable.

Mayor Flynn praised Vision and all their accomplishments over the years he would like to see younger families join the group.

Trustee Murphy thanked everyone who attended the Friends of the Library Fundraiser and stated that it was a huge success.

Public Comments:

Mr. Ray Deveraux, 48 Ondaora Pkwy-commented on the new class coming into West Point and he would like to see the Village welcome them and their families possibly with some signs.

Mrs. Laura Milson, 105 Center St. – wanted to let the public know that 4 Paws Humane Society has many kittens and cats for adoption if anyone is interested. She also wanted to ask about the hours on the Center Street Park as she has had to call the Police on several occasions because of adults hanging out using vulgar language and making noise after dark. Mayor Flynn advised her that he would discuss the situation with the Police.

Mr. Aylward, 13 Church St. – stated that he would like to see the Village offer some type of Domestic Violence training for anyone who may need help in this community. Mayor Flynn advised him that he has scheduled a mandatory training for all Village employees on June 11, 2013.

Sal Fiducia, Town Resident – asked the Mayor why the youth drummers were not allowed to participate at the Memorial Day Ceremony. Mayor Flynn advised him that after some confusion with the group not being on the agenda they were allowed to play.

Mayor Flynn motioned to enter into executive session to discuss a specific individual in a personnel matter. Motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

The Board entered into executive session at 8:30 P.M.

Trustee Brown motioned to come out of executive session at 9:20 P.M. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

The regular meeting reconvened at 9:20 P.M.

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

The meeting closed at 9:20 P.M.