

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

May 2, 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 May 2, 2013.

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

Members present were:

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

Member absent was:

Trustee Harold Brown

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
Fire Chief, John Rush
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
TV Camera Operator, Kevin Coffey
Approximately 6 Community Residents

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

- a) Special Meeting – April 10, 2013 budget workshop
- b) Regular Meeting- April 15, 2013
- c) Special Meeting-April 16,2013 budget workshop
- d) Special Meeting-April 29, 2013 budget workshop

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

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

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to accept the resignation of Part Time Dispatcher Domenico Seminelli, effective April 25, 2013.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

The Fire Department Report for April 2013 was presented to the Board for review. Chief Rush reported that the recruiting drive held the past weekend brought in four new applications.

Trustee Murphy motioned to accept Jared Davis as a member of the Highland Falls Fire Department contingent upon the necessary paperwork being turned into the Village Clerk.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to appoint Angelo Tosolini, Randy Meche, James Ramus, William Baran, Fred Herman and David McCutcheon as Volunteer Bog Meadow Caretakers and to issue them a key, free of charge and identification tags.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve the Village Street Superintendent, Pat Patterson, to attend the 2013 Highway School from June 3rd through June 5th in Ithaca, NY at a cost of \$532.00 to include registration and hotel for three nights and that actual and necessary expenses be approved.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee Mellon motioned to approve that parking spaces in municipal parking lot# 2 be made available for approximately 60-70 cars on June 1st, 2013 from 5:45pm to 9:30pm to accommodate a fundraising event being held by the Friends of the Highland Falls Library at 27 Webb Lane.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to accept the low bid of \$10,477.00 from Neighbors Landscaping and Design, for the grass cutting services for Fiscal Year June 1, 2013- May 31, 2014.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned the following:

Resolution
Vehicle & Traffic
Village of Highland Falls

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

4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Brown)

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

An update to the Mearns/Oak/Berry Ave project was provided by the Village Engineer, Todd Atkinson, PE. Mr. Atkinson reported that the project construction schedule was pushed from 2013 to 2015 by the NYSDOT. The project engineer report needs to be finalized with the NYSDOT to move to design phase. The engineer is waiting for Board approval to move the design forward.

The Mayor reported that he would discuss the urgency for the design, if the project can't begin until 2015, with the Village Engineer.

The Village Engineer reminded the Board that it is time to review and update the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Board needs to decide if they want to spend the money to get this update done now.

The Mayor reported that he would speak to the Village Engineer about the plan and if the Village and the Town might be able to have a joint plan in place.

The Mayor updated the Board on the Association of Defense Communities membership application. The Mayor explained that membership could provide for possible grant opportunities and would provide for networking with other communities that share the common bond of being located outside Military Installations and the challenges that these communities face. The cost of membership is two hundred dollars (\$200.00) annually.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve spending \$200.00 for a membership with the Association of Defense Communities.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Marty Byrnes, the organizer for the Fall Foliage Festival, sponsored by the Town of Highlands Ambulance Corp, came before the Board to request that the sidewalks and road be permanently marked for the vendor spots used during the festival. She explained that every year, having to mark the spots, is dangerous and leaves unsightly tape residue behind. Mrs. Byrnes provided the Board with a map of the areas that are needed and explained that Ambulance Corp would donate the labor and materials needed to do this.

The Board thanked Mrs. Byrnes for her time and presentation and told her they would follow up with this request at the next Village Board meeting.

A motion was made by Trustee DiSalvo to approve the bills and claims for \$86,524.54 from the following listed funds:

General Fund	\$14,729.87
CD Section 8	\$62,778.00
Water Fund	\$5,797.41
Sewer Fund	\$3,169.90
Capital Fund	\$49.36

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to enter executive session to discuss specific individuals in personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

The Board entered Executive Session at 8:00pm.

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

The Regular meeting reconvened at 9:31pm.

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

The meeting closed at 9:31pm.

Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk