

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

September 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 September 3, 2013.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Patrick Flynn at 7:05 P.M.

Members present were:

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

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Police Chief , Kenneth Scott
Kevin Coffey, TV Camera Operator
Village Attorney, Ben Gailey (7:30pm)
Approximately 6 Community Residents

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

Trustee Brown read the Water Department report for the month of August 2013.

Trustee Murphy presented the Chief's report for August 2013 and thanked the Village Board and the community for their support during the annual carnival held on Fickens Field.

Trustee DiSalvo reported that he had spoken with the Building Inspector, John Hager about cutting down the cycle time between violation notices and remedial action. Trustee DiSalvo reported that Mr. Hager will present the Village Board with some suggestions.

Mayor Flynn thanked Roy Hannawalt for work he performed on the fountain across from Sacred Heart . Mayor Flynn asked the Board to give the Treasurer feedback on selection of an audit firm and reported that specific items were being collected by the American Legion Auxiliary on behalf of Veterans in Orange County, and that a basket has been placed in Village Hall for collection and information on the items needed.

A discussion was held on setting a transfer threshold as recommended by the Village Treasurer. A recommendation for \$500.00 was asked. Trustee DiSalvo responded that he felt in order for the Treasurer to have more flexibility and not to hamper day to day operations of the Village, that maybe the threshold should be increased to \$1000.00. The Mayor commented that \$500.00 was a number that might help for budgeting purposes also. No action was taken at this time.

Mayor Flynn thanked Pat Rose and the Knights of Columbus for securing an appraisal firm at a more reasonable cost of \$850.00, to be borne by the Knights, that will allow for the process of the acquisition of the Knights of Columbus Hall to continue.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve Ronald McInerney Jr., of Domus Appraisals to conduct the appraisal of the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 15 Drew Avenue, Section 103 Block 16 Lot 26 and provide an appraisal report prepared in compliance with HUD regulations & the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee DiSalvo to approve the below listed minutes:

a) Regular Meeting – August 19, 2013

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

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

a) Special Meeting – August 27, 2013

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to approve the HFFD's request to hang a banner across Main Street to announce the OCVFA Parade on September 28, 2013.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve the HFFD's request to have the Local Burn Fund collect funds with donation barrels during the OCVFA Parade to be held on September 28, 2013.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to renew the Firthcliffe Technology Agreement for technology support from September 2013 through September 2014.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Trustee Brown motioned to approve the request from the HFFMCS D PTSC to hold a homecoming parade down Main Street and a Raider Rally in municipal lot #2, on Sunday, October 20, 2013 from 3:30pm to 6:30pm.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned the following:

Resolution for Final Notice and
Termination of Service for Unpaid Water Bills
For May 2013

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

5 Ayes 0 Noes

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

A motion was made by Trustee Murphy to approve the bills and claims for \$124,275.72 from the listed funds:

FY 13-14	General Fund	\$49,554.62
	Section 8	\$59,179.00
	Water Fund	\$ 7,910.58
	Sewer Fund	\$ 6,406.52
	Capital Fund	\$ 1,225.00

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

Mayor Flynn motioned to enter into executive session to discuss specific individuals in personnel matters.

Motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried. The Board entered into executive session at 7:25 P.M.

Trustee Murphy motioned to come out of executive session at 7:48 P.M. The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried. The regular meeting reconvened at 7:48 P.M.

Discussion was held on the 5th Water Supply Agreement.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to amend the 5th Water Supply Agreement as recommended by the Village Attorney to exclude the reference to the second 25,000 gallons per day; revise pg 2 para 3a to state the Village shall be responsible for maintenance and supplies related to the meter and chlorination monitor at Town expense; and that final language is subject to the Mayor and Village Attorney's approval.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried.

Discussion was held on a title for Mr. John Dodson who is a volunteer liason to the Village regarding the WWTP and future consolidation projects. The Village Board asked the Village Attorney to provide a resolution that could satisfy these requirements.

Trustee Murphy motioned to enter into executive session to discuss the employment history of a corporation leading to the appointment or dismissal of the corporation.

Motion was seconded by Trustee Mellon and unanimously carried. The Board entered into executive session at 8:12 P.M.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to come out of executive session at 8:50 P.M. The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:50 P.M.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve Chief Scott's recommendation for Head Dispatcher Borra and Detective Kuhn to attend the IMPACT software training in Saratoga Springs, NY from September 16th through September 18th at the cost of \$324.00.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and on a vote of 4 Ayes 1 Nay (Flynn) motion carried.

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

The meeting closed at 9:02 P.M.