

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

February 27, 2013

A special 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 27, 2013.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor D'Onofrio at 6:00 P.M.

Members present were:

Mayor Joseph E. D'Onofrio
Trustee Harold Brown
Trustee James DiSalvo
Trustee Patrick Flynn
Trustee Joseph McCormick

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
Treasurer, Ralph J. Walters
Village Street Superintendent, James Patterson
Chief WWTP Operator, John Jones
TOH Ambulance Captain, William Stroppel
Planning Board Chairman, James Ramus (6:30pm)
Village Resident: Gus Koutsourades – 156 Main Street (West Point Motel)

Village Street Superintendent, James Patterson presented his 2013-2014 Requested Budget to the Board for review. The Village Treasurer, Ralph Walters, explained that he calculates the salary numbers based on negotiated union contracts. The contract is not settled, but calls for an automatic 2% increase until it is.

Mr. Patterson highlighted a few increases, such as, a part-time secretary and turning a current part time laborer position into a full-time position. Mr. Walters responded that he did include numbers for these positions in the salary lines. He did not however, put in for two part-time positions. Mr. Patterson responded that he would still like to fill the part-time position even if the current part-time laborer becomes full-time. Mr. Patterson also asked for a new mower to replace a very old tractor mower. Mr. Patterson commented that he did include a quote with his budget for maintenance work, i.e. staining and painting, that should be done on the Pavillion at Roe Park to preserve the asset that it is. Mr. Patterson also presented the Board with a long range Road Preservation Plan with his budget.

The Village Board thanked Mr. Patterson for his work on this budget. No action taken.

Mr. James Ramus, Chairman of the Planning Board, presented the 2013-2014 Requested Budget for the Planning Board. Mr. Ramus pointed out that he again has presented a requested budget that is less than the adopted current budget. He commented that most of the expense is for attorney and engineer expenses that are not applicant reimbursable. Mr. Ramus also pointed out a slight increase for training.

Discussion was held on the training requirements of the Planning Board members. Mr. Ramus assured the Board that Planning Board members are made aware of this requirement.

The Village Board thanked Mr. Ramus for his work on this budget. No action taken.

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

The meeting closed at 6:51P.M.

Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk