

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

October 25, 2011

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 October 25, 2011.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor D’Onofrio at 8:00 A.M.

Members present were:

Mayor Joseph E. D’Onofrio
Trustee Harold Brown
Trustee James DiSalvo
Trustee Joseph McCormick
Trustee June L. Gunza

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Chief Water Plant Operator, Kevin Hurst
Village Residents— Gus Koutsourades – West Point Motel- 156 Main St., Ray Deveraux – 20 Ondaora Pkwy, Bobbie Fallon -25 Main St, Eleanor & Kevin Lavelle,-11. Main St, Konstantinos Fatsis – 2 Cooks Lane, Pat Flynn -1 Muller Ave.
Town Residents – Sal Fiducia, James Grant

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss water rates for the November water billing and to address any other items that might come before the Board.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to enter executive session to discuss a personnel matter of two specific employees. The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried. The Board entered executive session at 8:00am.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned out of executive session at 8:19am. The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried. The special meeting reconvened at 8:19am.

The Mayor informed the public that the Village would move forward in creating a local law to address the “pants too low” issue that has everyone concerned about the “quality of life” in the community. He also reported that Schneider Ave would be paved from top to bottom starting today and tomorrow, weather permitting, Mountain Avenue paving work will begin. The Mayor reported that a traffic mirror will be placed at the top of Drew Avenue.

Trustee Gunza motioned to renew the Service Agreement with FLC Computers for technology support for fiscal year 2011-2012, for the same services and rates as last year, and authorize the Mayor to sign it.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve the low bidders of the specific sidewalk repair projects, as recommended by the Village Engineer.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.(a copy of the bids is appended to these minutes.)

A brief discussion was held on the water rates for the November billing. Trustee McCormick supported a 15% increase of the additional gallons over 5000, from \$3.97 to \$4.57. Trustee DiSalvo supported a \$10.00 increase in the base amount only from \$68.80 to \$78.80. Trustee Gunza favored Trustee DiSalvo’s suggestion.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to increase the base rate on water from \$68.80 to \$78.80 for the November billing, and leave the additional usage over 5000 gallons rate at \$3.97 per thousand gallons.

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

3 Ayes 2 Nays

Mayor D’Onofrio	Nay
Trustee Brown	Aye
Trustee DiSalvo	Aye

Trustee Gunza Aye
Trustee McCormick Nay

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee DiSalvo to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried.

The meeting closed at 8:50 a.m.

Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk