

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

April 16, 2018

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 April 16, 2018.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor D’Onofrio at 7:00 P.M.

Members present were:

Mayor Joseph E. D’Onofrio
Trustee Brian Aylward
Trustee Mervin R. Livsey, Jr.
Trustee Barbara Murphy
Trustee James Ramus

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
Village Attorney, Alyse Terhune
Town Councilman, Richard Parry
Camera Operator, Sean Lackhan
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Approximately 7 Community residents

Mayor D’Onofrio opened the meeting with a moment of silence for all our fallen soldiers and community members since the last meeting.

Mayor D’Onofrio presented the First Community Spirit Award to Philip Galu (FuFu) for his continued support of the Christmas floats and the 4th of July floats.

Trustee Ramus presented fishing poles to local children who participated in a coloring book contest.

Trustee Livsey motioned to approve the following minutes as written:

Special Meeting, April 2, 2018 Tentative Budget Hearing
Special Meeting, April 2, 2018 Reorganization
Regular Meeting, April 2, 2018

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

A Public Hearing, as duly advertised, on the submission of the CDBG 2019 Grant Application was opened by Mayor D’Onofrio at 7:14pm. Mayor D’Onofrio reported that the hearing had been properly noticed and indicated what kind of projects could be done. No public comment was heard. Mayor D’Onofrio closed the public hearing at 7:15pm.

Trustee Murphy motioned the following:

Resolution
Village of Highland Falls Board of Trustees
Supporting and Concurring in the
Orange County Community Development
Block Grant Program FY-2019 Funding Application
Municipal Grant Program

The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus and on a roll call vote, of 5 Ayes 0 Nays, the results which follow:

	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NOE</u>
Mayor Joseph E. D’Onofrio	<u> x </u>	_____
Trustee Brian Aylward	<u> x </u>	_____
Trustee Mervin R Livsey, Jr.	<u> x </u>	_____
Trustee Barbara Murphy	<u> x </u>	_____
Trustee James Ramus	<u> x </u>	_____

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

Trustee Aylward motioned the following:

Resolution to Relevy
Unpaid Water Bills
For: May & November 2017

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

5 Ayes 0 Nays

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

Trustee Livsey motioned to approve the request from the Rolling Thunder Annual NY Chapter 3 to honor Veterans in Memorial Park from noon to 12:30pm, Sunday, June 10, 2018.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

Trustee Livsey motioned to accept the resignation of Full Time Dispatcher Gwen Specht, effective April 5, 2018.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to set a special meeting for Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 6:00pm the purpose which is to adopt the FY 2018-2019 budget.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Livsey to approve the bills and claims for \$49,025.79 from the following listed funds:

FY 17-18	General Fund	\$28,621.46
	Water Fund	\$10,817.37
	Sewer Fund	<u>\$ 9,586.96</u>
		\$49,025.79

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy presented the Building Department Report for March 2018. Trustee Murphy reported on a property on Muller Avenue that she believes poses a danger in the neighborhood. The Village Attorney advised that the Building Inspector has the authority to determine if a property is an imminent threat and danger to others.

Discussion was held on property maintenance issues.

Trustee Murphy motioned that the Village Board of Trustees finds and determines that the property location known as 10 Muller Avenue is an imminent danger and threat to the safety and welfare of the Village residents and therefore the Village Board of Trustees directs the Building Inspector to cause the building to be secured.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Livsey and unanimously carried.

Trustee Ramus presented the Wastewater Treatment Plant Report for March 2018.

Trustee Livsey reminded residents with the rainy season upon us, those that pump out should not pump into the sewers.

Trustee Aylward commented that people who have a quality of life concern should voice their concerns to the Village Board. Trustee Aylward thanked those who helped in putting the military banners up and reminded residents that volunteers are always needed in the community.

Jim Modlin, 40 Webb Lane, thanked all those who supported the military banners program and thanked the Village Board and DPW for their support in getting the banners hung.

Trustee Livsey motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

The meeting closed at 7:53 P.M.

Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk