

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

April 15, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Highland Falls was held in the Senior Center, 15 Drew Avenue, Highland Falls, New York on April 15, 2019.

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 James DiSalvo
Trustee Mervin R. Livsey, Jr.
Trustee James Ramus

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
Village Attorney, Alyse Terhune
Police Chief, Kenneth Scott
Camera Operator, Sean Lackhan
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Town Councilman, Richard Sullivan
Approximately 3 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.

A Public Hearing, as duly advertised, for comments regarding the Community Development Block Grant 2020 Funding, was opened by Mayor D'Onofrio at 7:00pm.

Mayor D'Onofrio asked for any suggestions or comments on eligible projects the Village might want to apply for.

Receiving no comments or questions, Mayor D'Onofrio closed the public hearing at 7:01pm.

Trustee Aylward motioned to approve the following minutes:

Regular Meeting- March 18, 2019

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

3 Ayes 0 Nays 2 Abstain (Ramus, DiSalvo) motion carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve the following minutes:

Regular Meeting- April 1, 2019

The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus and unanimously carried.

Trustee Livsey motioned to approve the following minutes:

Special Meeting- April 1, 2019 (Tentative Budget public hearing)

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

Trustee Aylward motioned to approve the following minutes:

Special Meeting- April 1, 2019 (Reorganization)

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

4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Abstain (Livsey) motion carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve the following minutes:

Special Meeting- April 9, 2019 (Budget)

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

5 Ayes 0 Nays motion carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned the following:

Village of Highland Falls
Resolution
Adoption of The Budget
Fiscal Year 2019-2020

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 the resolution is appended to these minutes)

Trustee DiSalvo moved the following:

REFUNDING BOND RESOLUION OF THE VILLAGE OF HIGHLAND FALLS, NEW YORK,
ADOPTED APRIL 15, 2019, AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDING OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING
BONDS OF SAID VILLAGE , STATING THE PLAN OF REFUNDING, APPROPRIATING AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,900,000 FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE
OF REFUNDING BONDS IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$2,900,000 TO
FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION, AND MAKING CERTAIN OTHER DETERMINATIONS
RELATIVE THERETO

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

5 Ayes 0 Nays the resolution was declared adopted.

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

Trustee Livsey motioned to appoint Qudel Washington, FT Laborer, effective May 2, 2019 at the rate of \$14.00 /hr and with maximum probation of 52 weeks, per the recommendation of the Interim Street Superintendent, John Jones.

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

4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Abstain (D'Onofrio) motion carried.

Trustee Aylward motioned to complete the probation of FT Police Officer Robert Ruger.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to authorize Mayor D'Onofrio to sign the agreement with Firthcliff Technologies, Inc. for IT services for the period August 2019 to August 2020.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to authorize Mayor D'Onofrio to sign the Municipal Advisor Services Agreement between the Village of Highland Falls and Munistat Services for the inclusive fee of \$1,250.00.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

Trustee Livsey authorized the Village Engineer to put the bid out for the North End Sidewalk project (Type II SEQR action) upon approval of the review of the specs and design by the Mayor and Village Board.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee Aylward authorized the Village Engineer to put the bid out for the WWTP Fire Damage Phase 1 project (Type II SEQR action) upon approval of the review of the specs and design by the Mayor and Village Board.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve the TOH Baseball/Softball Opening Day Parade, Saturday, April 27, 2019, 9:30am -11:00am (raindate-April 28th) from Municipal lot#2 to the Little League Field.

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

4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Abstain (Livsey) motion carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve the bid of \$250.00 from Chris Slapp for the Vendor Spot#2 in Municipal Lot#2 upon all the necessary paperwork being turned into the Village Clerk.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Livsey to approve the bills and claims for \$90,185.09 from the following listed funds:

General Fund	\$50,809.19
Water Fund	\$ 2,745.63
Sewer Fund	\$ 18,162.77
Capital Fund	<u>\$ 18,467.50</u>
	\$ 90,185.09

The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus and unanimously carried.

Mayor D'Onofrio reported that the Village was notified this week that the Appellate Court ruled in favor of the Village in regards to the Article 78 case by upholding the decision of the lower court and that the Board considers this case to be closed at this time. Mayor D'Onofrio thanked the Village Attorney for her work in winning this case. Mayor D'Onofrio reported that he met this week with Central Hudson regarding coordinating paving Village roads in conjunction with Central Hudson replacing gas mains. Mayor D'Onofrio reported that the contract with Rondout Consulting would terminate May 9th and that recent vandalism at Roe Park had been addressed.

Trustee Aylward thanked everyone for supporting the book giveaway at The Center last week and the Highland Falls News for covering the event.

Trustee Livsey congratulated Trustee Aylward on his re-election and Trustee DiSalvo on his election to the Village Board and reminded everyone to slow down on the roads with the nice weather coming and more people out and about.

Trustee DiSalvo reported that the Adopted Budget came in under the tax cap. Trustee DiSalvo reported that he was working with Community Development regarding eligibility requirements for funding opportunities.

Trustee Ramus reminded everyone that April is dig safely month, that May 4th is I love my park day, and reported how kids can learn about conservation by going on the DEC website for information.

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

The meeting closed at 7:41P.M.

Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk