

REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF HIGHLAND FALLS
December 5, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Highland Falls was held in the Village Hall, 303 Main Street, Highland Falls, New York on December 5, 2022.

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

Members present were:

Mayor Joseph E. D'Onofrio
Trustee Brian Aylward
Trustee James DiSalvo
Trustee Melanie Guerrero
Trustee Gary C. Phillips

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
Village Attorney, Alyse Terhune, Esq. (7:06pm)
Village Labor Attorney, Bryan Goldberger, Esq.
Camera Operator, Sean Lackhan
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Town of Highlands Supervisor, Bob Livsey
Town of Highlands Councilperson, Joseph DeWitt
Members of the Village Police Department
Water Maintenance Worker, Pablo Pulido
DPW Maintenance Worker, Qudel Washington
Approximately 9 Community Residents

Mayor D'Onofrio opened the meeting and remembered our service members and Community members who have passed away since the last meeting. The meeting was held under the CDC and Orange County Department of Health recommendations.

Mayor D'Onofrio recognized Town Supervisor Bob Livsey and Town Councilperson Joseph DeWitt in attendance.

Trustee Phillips motioned to enter executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular person. The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried. Mayor D'Onofrio invited the Village Labor Attorney into the session.

The Board entered executive session at 7:02P.M.

Trustee Phillips motioned to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Guerrero.

The Board re-entered the regular meeting at 7:45P.M.

Trustee Aylward motioned to appoint John Jones provisionally to the position of Village Public Works Superintendent, subject to modification of job description in a form acceptable to the Village and approved by O.C. Civil Service based on the needs of the Village, at the salary he is currently making, including stipend, effective 12/8/2022.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and discussion followed. Following discussion, Mayor D'Onofrio asked for a roll call on the motion, the results which follow:

4 Ayes (Aylward, DiSalvo, Phillips, D'Onofrio) 1 Nay (Guerrero) motion carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to enter executive session for Article 14 of the Civil Service Law. The motion was seconded by Trustee Phillips and unanimously carried. Mayor D'Onofrio invited the Village Labor Attorney into the session.

The Board entered executive session at 7:59P.M.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Phillips and unanimously carried.

The Board re-entered the regular meeting at 8:21P.M.

A motion was made by Trustee Aylward to approve the bills and claims for \$1,192,598.42 from the following listed funds:

FY22-23:	General Fund	\$270,755.84
	Section 8	\$ 67,003.00
	Water Fund	\$ 69,145.32
	Sewer Fund	\$ 40,522.78
	Capital Fund	<u>\$745,171.48</u>
		\$1,192,598.42

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee Aylward motioned to approve the following minutes as written:

Regular Meeting November 21, 2022

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to approve the training request for Police Officer Frank A. Lilos to attend Breath Analysis Operator (BAO) training, January 23-25, 2023 from 0800-1600hrs in Middletown, NY.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

Trustee Phillips motioned to approve the salary adjustments of Traffic Enforcement Officer Gary Wojchowski and Street Crossing Guard Alfonso Baker to \$15.00/hr effective December 8, 2022.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee Guerrero motioned to cancel the December 19, 2022 meeting and the January 2, 2023 meeting and schedule the first meeting to Monday, January 9, 2023 at 7:00pm in Village Hall, due to the holidays.

The motion was seconded by Trustee DiSalvo and unanimously carried.

Trustee DiSalvo motioned to ratify the MOA contracts signed November 29, 2022 for Full-time Police Officers, Part-time Police Officers and Full-time Dispatchers of the PBA and authorize Mayor D'Onofrio to execute a collective bargaining agreement incorporating the terms of the MOA's in a form acceptable to counsel of the Village.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Phillips and after discussion Mayor D'Onofrio asked for a roll call vote, the results which follow: 4 Ayes (Aylward, DiSalvo, Phillips, D'Onofrio) 1 Nay (Guerrero) motion carried.

Trustee Guerrero motioned to appoint Pablo Pulido to the position of DPW Supervisor. There was no second on the motion.

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

The meeting closed at 9:28P.M.

Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk