

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

April 17, 2017

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 17, 2017.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor D'Onofrio at 7:01P.M.

Members present were:

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

Also present were:

Village Clerk, Regina M. Taylor
Chief WWTP Operator, John Jones
Chief Water Plant Operator, Kevin Hurst
Fire Chief, Erik Smith
Orange County Legislator, James DiSalvo
Camera Operator, Sean Lackhan
News of the Highlands Editor, Mary Jane Pitt
Approximately 13 community members

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

Trustee Livsey motioned to enter executive session for a personnel matter to discuss employment history of a particular person or corporation.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

The Board entered executive session at 7:01P.M.

Trustee Livsey motioned to re-enter the regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus and unanimously carried.

The Regular meeting reconvened at 7:41P.M.

Mayor D'Onofrio set a public hearing to be held at the next Village Board meeting on May 1st at 7:00P.M.in Town Hall to receive comments on the Dissolution of the Police Commission.

Trustee Murphy motioned to open Reorganization of the Village. The motion was seconded by Trustee Livsey and unanimously carried.

Reorganization opened at 7:42P.M.

Mayor D'Onofrio made the following appointments: See attached.

Trustee Livsey motioned to close reorganization. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus and unanimously carried.

Reorganization closed at 7:52P.M.

Mayor D'Onofrio welcomed guests and residents to the meeting. Mayor D'Onofrio updated the community regarding the fuel spill that occurred last week that threatened the Village water supply. Mayor D'Onofrio thanked all local, county and state agencies that responded.

Mayor D'Onofrio read a statement forming a Village Beautification Committee. Mayor D'Onofrio announced upcoming events and stated the Police Department will soon have walking patrols. Mayor D'Onofrio reported that he held a meeting with local leaders and local enforcement agencies to discuss the local drug situation.

Police, Fire and Water Department reports were presented to the Village Board.

Chief Water Plant Operator Kevin Hurst emphasized that the water is safe to drink and that water is being supplied by an alternate stream right now and that clean up could take approximately five weeks.

Trustee Livsey motioned to approve the request from the Fire Chief for permission to take one engine to the Orange County Training Center on May 6th to support the Firefighter 1 class which our department has two participants in.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to approve the request from the Fire Chief for permission to apply for a grant to fund the purchase of wildland firefighting boots, acknowledging a 50% match.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus and unanimously carried.

Trustee Ramus updated the Village Board on the status of the Developers Agreement with the Old Guard Project. Trustee Ramus reported that the Old Guard has gotten approval from the Planning Board and a Developers Agreement had been signed, however, when the Old Guard came back, for a new approval, before the Planning Board with a change to their plan, this negated the previous Developers Agreement. The Old Guard must come before the current Board to renegotiate the Developers Agreement if they do not agree to the terms in the Agreement before them.

Trustee Livsey motioned to approve the below listed minutes as follows:

- a) Regular Meeting- April 3, 2017

The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to approve the below listed minutes as follows:

- a) Budget Meeting- April 11, 2017

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

3 Ayes 0 Nays 2 Abstain (Ramus/Aylward)

motion carried.

Trustee Livsey motioned the following:

Resolution
Village of Highland Falls Board of Trustees
Supporting and Concurring in the
Orange County Community Development
Block Grant Program FY-2018 Funding Application
Municipal Grant Program

The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus 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 Livsey motioned to authorize Mayor D'Onofrio to sign the DASNY Grant Disbursement Agreement for the Renovations to the Senior Citizen Center project.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee Livsey motioned to authorize Trustee Ramus (Deputy Mayor) to be the signor of the County of Orange for SLETPP FY 16 contracts.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee Livsey motioned to authorize Mayor D'Onofrio to sign the Special Event Permit Application Landlord Authorization Form for the Answer to Cancer Fundraiser Event to have a beer and wine tent for participants only.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Aylward and unanimously carried.

Trustee Livsey motioned to establish the Trustees of the LOSAP (Length of Service Award Program) to be Regina Taylor, Village Clerk, Ana Sierra, Deputy Village Clerk and Village Trustee James Ramus.

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

3 Ayes 0 Nays 2 Abstain (Murphy/D'Onofrio)

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

Trustee Livsey motioned to transfer \$25,0000.00 from G8130.0200 (Sewer Plant Equipment) to G8130.0400 (Sewer Plant Contractual) to cover contractual expenses of the Sewer Plant until the end of the fiscal year.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to transfer \$1,300.00 from A1345.0200 (Purchasing Equipment) to A1680.0400 (Technical Support Contractual) to cover website upgrade.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Livsey and unanimously carried.

Trustee Murphy motioned to transfer \$1,600.00 from A1450.0400 (Elections) to A1680.0400 (Technical Support Contractual) to cover website upgrade.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Livsey and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Livsey to approve the bills and claims for \$33,520.19 from the following listed funds:

FY 16-17	General Fund	\$ 24,547.31
	Water Fund	\$ 925.45
	Sewer Fund	\$ 8,047.43

The motion was seconded by Trustee Ramus and unanimously carried.

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

The meeting closed at 9:37P.M.

Regina M. Taylor, Village Clerk