

TOWN BOARD

The Town Board, Town of Highlands, held a special meeting on Thursday, August 19, 2010 at Town Hall, 254 Main St, Highland Falls, NY 10928 at 7:30pm.

PRESENT: Edward Magryta ---- Supervisor
 William Edsall ---- Council Member
 Holly Gokey ---- Council Member
 Mervin R. Livsey, Jr. ---- Council Member
 Justin Rider ---- Counsel
 June Patterson ---- Town Clerk

ABSENT: Laurie R. Tautel ---- Council Member

Supervisor Magryta opened the Special Meeting at 7:35pm.

Supervisor Magryta said that approximately 15 municipalities are participating or considering participating in joining Nassau in the MTA Lawsuit. The Supervisor would like to Board's opinion about joining the lawsuit and about placing a cap on the expenditures for the Town.

Justin Rider explained that if the Board decided to join the lawsuit, the Town would be considered an intervener.

Supervisor Magryta was informed by the Comptroller that the Town pays \$3,700 towards the MTA tax annually.

Council Member Livsey agrees with the Supervisor.

Council Member Edsall agrees with the Supervisor about joining the lawsuit and also placing a cap on the expenses incurred by the Town.

Supervisor Magryta would like to see the cap for the initial services to be set at \$3,000. The Supervisor would also like to present the resolution at the next Town Board meeting when Council Member Tautel will be present.

Council Member Gokey brought up the issue of terminating EMT Partington.

Supervisor Magryta said the Capt. Stroppel has sent EMT Partington a certified letter with no response. Capt. Stroppel has requested that EMT Partington be terminated.

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Council Member Edsall made a motion seconded by Council Member Gokey to terminate EMT Joseph Partington.

MOTION CARRIED: 4-eyes (Magryta, Gokey, Edsall, Livsey)
0-nays
1-absent (Tautel)

Council Member Edsall said that the contract with the company that takes our sludge is due to expire. He has asked the Town Clerk to provide him with a copy of the contract.

Supervisor Magryta said that he spoke to Doug Willis and a resolution will need to be passed on Monday in order to stay with the current company.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Richard Sullivan asked what the Town pays for the MTA tax.

Supervisor Magryta said the Town pays \$3,700 annually.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Member Livsey made a motion seconded by Council Member Gokey to go into Executive Session to discuss: 1) proposed, pending or current litigation; 2) the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. The Board went into executive session at 8:05pm.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-eyes (Magryta, Gokey, Edsall, Livsey)
0-nays
1-absent (Tautel)

Council Member Livsey made a motion seconded by Council Member Edsall to close the executive session. Executive session closed at 9:58pm

MOTION CARRIED: 5-eyes (Magryta, Gokey, Edsall, Livsey)
0-nays
1-absent (Tautel)

Council Member Edsall made a motion seconded by Council Member Livsey to adjourn the Special Meeting. Special meeting adjourned at 9:59pm.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-eyes (Magryta, Gokey, Edsall, Livsey)
0-nays
1-absent (Tautel)