

TOWN BOARD

The Town Board, Town of Highlands, held a special meeting on Saturday, November 23, 2013 at Town Hall, 254 Main St, Highland Falls, NY at 9:00am.

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

ABSENT: James Stradley ---- Council Member

Supervisor Livsey opened the special meeting at 9:10am.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Member Edsall made a motion seconded by Council Member Gunza to go into executive session for a personnel matter. Board went into executive session at 9:11am.

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

Council Member Edsall made a motion seconded by Council Member Gokey to close the executive session. Executive session closed at 11:05am.

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

REGULAR MEETING

GENERAL BUSINESS

Resolution Public Hearing Town Hall Repair Reserve Fund:

Supervisor Livsey said there were five (5) contractors called to install an awning above the back door of the Town Hall and only one (1) was able to do it. The Supervisor said the company that is willing to do the work is Awnings FX out of New Windsor.

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NOVEMBER 23, 2013

Council Member Gunza made a motion seconded by Council Member Gokey to introduce and schedule a public hearing to receive comments on a proposed expenditure from the Town Hall Repair Reserve fund on December 9, 2013 at 7:00pm.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED: 4-eyes (Livsey, Edsall, Gunza, Gokey)
0-nays
1-absent (Stradley)

******RESOLUTON ATTACHED******

Resolution to Relevy 2013 Sewer Charges:

Council Member Edsall made a motion seconded by Council Member Gokey to adopt the resolution to relevy the 2013 sewer charges.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED: 4-eyes (Livsey, Edsall, Gunza, Gokey)
0-nays
1-absent (Stradley)

******RESOLUTON ATTACHED******

Highway Superintendent Resignation:

Supervisor Livsey said he has Mr. Squicciarini's resignation and it will be effective November 30, 2013.

Highway Superintendent Hiring:

Council Member Gunza made a motion seconded by Council Member Edsall to hire Pat Patterson as the new Highway Superintendent with a start date of December 9 at a salary of \$69,000 which will include 1 week of sick time, and an additional \$4,000 when he obtains his water license.

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

Value Payments:

Supervisor Livsey said the Town Clerk has requested that a contract be signed with Value Payments which will allow the Town to accept credit/debit card payments.

Council Member Gunza made a motion seconded by Council Member Gokey to authorize Supervisor Livsey to sign the agreement with Value Payments on the recommendation of the Comptroller.

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

Meeting - Homeland Towers:

Supervisor Livsey said he has a meeting with Homeland Security on Monday at 8:00am to discuss the Town Garage site. The Supervisor said if anyone is interested they are more than welcome to attend and he asked the Town Clerk to let Mr. Patterson know so he could attend. The Supervisor said he is looking at possibly charging \$2,000 a month for rent and a stipend on each antenna.

Miscellaneous:

Supervisor Livsey asked Council Member Elect Voltaire what her availability is.

Ms. Voltaire said weekends and evenings are best, but she can take calls during her work hours.

Supervisor Livsey said the Swearing In Ceremony will be on January 1 at 1pm. The Supervisor asked Council Member Edsall if he would ask Assemblyman Skoufis if he would do the swearing in.

Mayor Flynn

Mayor Flynn said he just heard that Mr. Patterson will be leaving the Village. The Mayor said the Village will not be replacing him and would like to consolidate as soon as possible. The Mayor will look into how this can be done.

Council Member Gokey believes that the department was set up with a Local Law and it can probably be dissolved.

Council Member Edsall asked if the Village was going to hire someone part-time for the winter.

Mayor Flynn said Mr. Boyce has enquired about coming back part-time for the winter. The Mayor said he would like to move forward quickly.

ADJOURN

Council Member Edsall made a motion seconded by Council Member Gokey to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 11:30am.

**MOTION CARRIED: 4-eyes (Livsey, Edsall, Gunza, Gokey)
0-nays
1-absent (Stradley)**

Attest,

RESOLUTION
OF
NOVEMBER 23 2013

A RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE AND
SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE
PUBLIC COMMENTS CONCERNING A
PROPOSED EXPENDITURE FROM THE
TOWN HALL REPAIR
RESERVE FUND:
AWNING OVER BACK DOOR OF TOWN HALL

Council Member **Gunza** moved the following resolution which was seconded by Council Member **Gokey**.

BE IT RESOLVED, that a public hearing shall be held to receive comments concerning the expenditure of funds from the Town Hall Repair Reserve Fund to wit: (i) the sum of up to Two Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Five (\$2,225.00) Dollars related to installing awning over the back door of the Town Hall.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing shall be held on December 9, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall located at 254 Main Street, Highland Falls, New York, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk give notice of such public hearing specifying the time when and the place where such public hearing will be held by publication and posting in accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Law and General Municipal Law.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

James Stradley, Councilman	voting	Absent
June Gunza, Councilwoman	voting	Aye
Holly Gokey, Councilwoman	voting	Aye
William Edsall, Councilman	voting	Aye
Mervin R. Livsey, Supervisor	voting	Aye

The foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution duly made, seconded and adopted at a Meeting of the Town Board, Town of Highlands, on November 23, 2013.

June Patterson, Town Clerk

**RESOLUTION
OF
November 23, 2013**

RESOLUTION TO RELEVY 2013 SEWER CHARGES

WHEREAS, the Town of Highlands levied a Sewer Charge for 2013 payable semi-annually in January and July 2013.

WHEREAS, certain said charges remain unpaid although the time for their payment has passed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Highlands Town Board requests the Orange County Legislature relevy and include within its Warrant to the Receiver of Taxes of the Town of Highlands for the County and Town Taxes, the 2013 unpaid sewer charges of the Fort Montgomery Sewer Improvement Area as set forth in the list annexed hereto and certified as true and correct.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

William Edsall, Council Member	voting: Aye
Holly Gokey, Council Member	voting: Aye
June Gunza, Council Member	voting: Aye
James Stradley, Council Member	voting: Absent
Mervin R. Livsey, Supervisor	voting: Aye

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June Patterson, Town Clerk