

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved in its adoption:

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING PLANNING BOARD ATTORNEY FOR THE  
CALENDAR YEAR 2016 &  
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON FAIR & OPEN CONTRACT FOR  
PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Highlands has a need for professional legal services to be provided to the Planning Board for the calendar year 2016 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

**WHEREAS**, such professional engineering services can only be provided by licensed professionals and Jack Serpico, Esq. is so recognized;

**WHEREAS**, Jack Serpico, Esq. has submitted that attached contract for Professional legal services for the calendar year 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board has reviewed attached contract for Professional legal Services for 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, certification of the availability of funds is hereby provided by the Chief Financial Officer contingent upon the adoption of the 2016 Budget.

Planning Board Budget  
For the Period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016

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Patrick DeBlasio, Chief Financial Officer

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. seq. requires that notice with respect to contracts for professional services awarded without competitive bids must be publicly advertised;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough of Highlands Planning Board as follows:

1. Jack Serpico, Esq. of the law office of Jack Serpico, Esq. is hereby appointed as Planning Board Attorney for the calendar 2016 and is awarded a professional service contract for an amount \$8,000.00 for professional legal services provided for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.
2. The attached Professional legal services Contract is hereby approved and the Board Chairman and Secretary are hereby authorized to sign the contract.

3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as “Professional Service” in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) because it is for services performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

4. A copy of the Resolution as well as the contract shall be placed on file with the Board Secretary.

5. The Board Secretary is hereby directed to publish notice of this award as required by law.

Seconded by Mr. Colby and adopted on the following roll call vote:

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES: Mayor Nolan, Mr. Colby, Mr. Card, Mr. Francy, Mr. Wells, Mr. Stockton**

**NAYES: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**DATE: January 14, 2016**

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**CAROLYN CUMMINS, Board Secretary**

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Borough of Highlands Planning Board on January 14, 2016.

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**BOARD SECRETARY**