

Mayor O'Neil offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**R-07-42
RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL SPECIAL COUNSEL
COLLINS, VELLA & CASELLO, LLC**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands has a need for professional special counsel services to assist the Governing Body for various planning issues; and

WHEREAS, such professional legal services can only be provided by licensed professionals and the firm of Collins, Vella & Casello, LLC, 1451 Route 34 South, Suite 303, Farmingdale, N.J. 07727 is so recognized; and

WHEREAS, this contract is to be awarded for an amount not to exceed \$5,000 plus reimbursable expenses for professional special counsel services provided to the Borough of Highlands for the period February 7, 2007 through June 30, 2007, and

WHEREAS, certification of availability of funds is hereby provided by the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Highlands as follows :

I hereby certify funds are available as follows:

Current Fund: Legal

Stephen Pfeffer, 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 Council of the Borough of Highlands as follows:

1. The firm of Collins, Vella & Casello LLC are hereby retained to provide professional special counsel services as described above for an amount not to exceed \$5,000 plus reimbursable expenses.
2. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "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.
3. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the contract.
4. A copy of the Resolution as well as the contract shall be placed on file with the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highlands.
5. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to publish notice of this award as required by law.

Seconded by Miss Thomas and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Miss Thomas, Mr. Caizza, Mayor O'Neil

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Mr. Nolan

ABSTAIN: Mr. Urbanski

Date: February 21, 2007

NINA LIGHT FLANNERY, BOROUGH CLERK

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands at a meeting held February 21, 2007.

BOROUGH CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK