

**MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE 6:00 P.M.
PUBLIC HEARINGS**

These are the proceedings of the special board meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Gouverneur held Monday, April 4, 2016, in the Courtroom of the Municipal Building.

PRESENT:

Mayor Ronald McDougall	
Deputy Mayor Charles Newvine	Trustee Nelson Lawrence
Trustee Shelly Simons-Washburn	Trustee Richard Wood

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Finnie
Keyboard Specialist/Tax Collector Kristina Ayen
Henry Leader, Village Attorney

Mayor McDougall called the meeting to order at 6:14 p.m. with the pledge and a moment of silence. Mayor McDougall also confirmed that the press had been notified of the meeting via email to Kathy Moses - Tribune and Sue Mende – Watertown Times.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to appoint Barbara A. Finnie as Clerk/Treasurer effective April 4, 2016 at a pay rate of \$22.59/hr with term to expire December 4, 2017. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to appoint Kristina L. Ayen as Deputy Clerk/Treasurer effective April 4, 2016 at a pay rate of \$15.90/hr with term to expire December 4, 2017. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to advertise for a Tax Collector/PT Keyboard Specialist position in the Village Clerk's Office. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougal read the following resolution:

**2016-2017
BUDGET ADOPTION
APRIL 4, 2016**

WHEREAS, the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees conducted a public hearing on the tentative budget on April 4, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building on the tentative/preliminary budget and heard all persons desiring to be heard thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees that the tentative/preliminary budget is hereby adopted and that the amounts are to be stated in column titled Final Budget and hereby are appropriated for the objects and purposes specified and therein effective June 1, 2016.

Trustee Newvine made the motion to approve the above resolution. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**WATER & SEWER USE RATES
RESOLUTION
APRIL 4, 2016**

WHEREAS, the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees conducted a public hearing on April 4, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building on the Water and Sewer Use Rates and heard all persons desiring to be heard thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees that the proposed water use rate increase of 2.45% and the proposed sewer use rate increase of \$2.45% be adopted and to be effective May 1, 2016.

Trustee Newvine made the motion to approve the above resolution. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**MUNICIPAL BUILDING
RESERVE FUND
RESOLUTION
APRIL 4, 2016**

WHEREAS, the Village of Gouverneur has established several reserve funds over the years, and

WHEREAS, the cash balance in the reserve fund as of March 31, 2016 is \$14,638.65, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Board to authorize the expenditure of monies from reserve funds, and

WHEREAS, the Village needs to approve an expenditure for repair to the concrete handicap ramp and for carpet in the Court Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees that the expenditure from the Reserve Fund be approved not to exceed \$7,250.00

Motion made by Trustee Wood, seconded by Trustee Lawrence and carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to grant permission to Terry Simmons to extend his vacation to July 31, 2016. Trustee Lawrence seconded and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to accept the General Construction with Perras Excavating in the amount of \$684,000 and the Electrical Contract with Collins-Hammond Electrical in the amount of \$34,000 pending attorney approval. Trustee Lawrence seconded it and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to approve the Teamsters Contract. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried. Shelly Simons-Washburn abstained.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to adjourn at 6:41 p.m. and Trustee Wood seconded it and it was carried.

VILLAGE CLERK