

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

August 18, 2015

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

These are the proceedings of the Regular Board meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Gouverneur held Tuesday, evening, on August 18, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Court Room of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT:

Mayor Ronald McDougall
Trustee Charles Newvine
Trustee Nelson Lawrence
Trustee Roger LaPierre
Trustee Shelly Simons-Washburn

Village Clerk/Treasurer, Jennifer Link
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, Barbara Finnie
Superintendent of Public Works, Danny Forbes
Chief of Police, Laurina Greenhill
Code Enforcement Officer, Michael McQuade
Recreation Director, Casey Canell

Trustee Newvine made a motion to approve July board meetings minutes. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Old Business

Mayor McDougall announced that August 12, 2015 was Proclaimed as Steve Moses Day and presented Kathy Moses with the Proclamation.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to approve the Gouverneur Fire Department Contract with revisions advised by the Village's Attorney, Henry Leader. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

New Business

Trustee Newvine made a motion to table action on the appointment of LeRoy Blair as crewleader. Trustee LaPierre seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to accept Donna Sawyer's resignation with regret effective July 30, 2015 from the Planning Board. Trustee Lawrence seconded and it was carried.

The Board discussed the Planning Board meeting that was held on August 13, 2015 and the Village Attorney Henry Leader stated that the meeting will have to be re-scheduled and the action taken on August 13, 2015 was not valid.

Trustee LaPierre made a motion to authorize a \$2 seconded notice fee on the Village Taxes. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to accept Leslie Turner resignation with regret from the Gouverneur Recreation Center effective August 14, 2015. Trustee Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to appoint Kristina Ayen to the position of Tax Collector/Part-time Keyboard Specialist position effective August 19, 2015. The appointment is a temporary/provisional until December 7, 2015 at a pay rate of \$13.40 per hour. Trustee LaPierre seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to accept Jennifer Link's resignation with regret effective August 21, 2015. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to approve the change order request from Collins Hammond for the Electrical work to be performed at the Water Tank in conjunction with the Water Filtration Plant Improvement Project. Trustee LaPierre seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion authorize payment of the August 2015 audited bills in the amount of: General Fund – 40,163.72, Water Fund - \$30,650.77, Electric Fund - \$3,005.30, Sewer Fund - \$42,967.54 and Capital Projects - \$211,568.84. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried. Trustee LaPierre abstained.

Announcements

The Village Offices and Department of Public Works will be closed on September 7, 2015 in observance of Labor Day.

Effective August 31, 2015, the Village Clerks Office hours will be 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

The next scheduled Regular Village Board Meeting will be held on September 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. for personnel. Trustee LaPierre seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee LaPierre made a motion to reconvene the regular Board Meeting at 8:45 p.m. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried.

St. Lawrence County Legislator Travis Dann gave a brief update to the board.

Mayor McDougall announced the following motion made in Executive Session:

Trustee Newvine made a motion to advertise for the position of Village Clerk/Treasurer. Trustee Washburn seconded it and it was carried.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried.

DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK