

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

October 20, 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 October 20, 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

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, Barbara Finnie
Tax Collector/PT Keyboard Specialist, Kristina Ayen
Interim Superintendent of Public Works, Terry Simmons
Chief of Police, Laurina Greenhill
Code Enforcement Officer, Michael McQuade
Recreation Director, Casey Canell
Village Attorney, Henry Leader

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to approve the September 15, 2015 board meeting minutes. Trustee LaPierre seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall presented Roger LaPierre a clock on behalf of the Mayor and Board of Trustees for his years of service as Trustee and to the residents of the Village of Gouverneur.

Burnham Benefit Advisors gave a presentation on Health Insurance.

County Legislator, Travis Dann gave an update to the Board and public.

Gouverneur Fire Department - Tom Conklin was present and gave a monthly report.

New Business

Trustee LaPierre made a motion authorize the return of unpaid taxes to the County and to authorize the signing the affidavit. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2015
RESOLUTION
OCTOBER 20, 2015**

WHEREAS, the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees held a public hearing on October 20, 2015 on proposed Local Law #1 of 2015 amending the Handicapped Parking Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees that proposed Local Law #1 of 2015 be adopted as Local Law #1 of 2015.

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

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #2 OF 2015
RESOLUTION
OCTOBER 20, 2015**

WHEREAS, the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees held a public hearing on October 20, 2015 on proposed Local Law #2 of 2015 providing the same individual to hold the office of Deputy Clerk and Deputy Treasurer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees that proposed Local Law #2 of 2015 be adopted as Local Law #2 of 2015.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to approve the above resolution. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried. Trustee LaPierre stated that this is in the absence of the Village Clerk/Treasurer and that the Village is intending to fill the position.

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**GENERAL FUND
BUDGET AMENDMENT
OCTOBER 20, 2015**

WHEREAS, the Village needs to increase the General Fund payroll expenditure budget - A5110.1 in the amount of \$1,500.00 and decrease A1990.4 - Contingent account by \$1,500.00 for the purpose of adding the night shift in the Department of Public Works

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes the Deputy Treasurer to amend the General Fund budget.

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

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**WATER FUND
BUDGET AMENDMENT
OCTOBER 20, 2015**

WHEREAS, the Village needs to increase the Water Fund payroll expenditure budget - F8340.1 in the amount of \$1,500.00 and decrease F1990.4 - Contingent account by \$1,500.00 for the purpose of adding the night shift in the Department of Public Works

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes the Deputy Treasurer to amend the Water Fund budget.

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

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**SEWER FUND
BUDGET AMENDMENT
OCTOBER 20, 2015**

WHEREAS, the Village needs to increase the Sewer Fund payroll expenditure budget - G8120.1 in the amount of \$1,500.00 and decrease G1990.4 - Contingent account by \$1,500.00 for the purpose of adding the night shift in the Department of Public Works

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes the Deputy Treasurer to amend the Sewer Fund budget.

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

Trustee Newvine made a motion authorize the notice to be advertise for contracting out the service for sidewalk snow removal. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**SEQR – EAF
INFLUENT PUMP STATION
RESOLUTION
OCTOBER 20, 2015**

WHEREAS, the Village Board, as Lead Agency, determined that the proposed action, namely the improvements to the Village of Gouverneur WWTF Influent Pump Station was an unlisted action pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b) and (c) of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and has caused the preparation of a long form environmental assessment form (EAF) resulting in the determination that the improvements of the Village of Gouverneur will not have any significant adverse impacts upon the environment (Negative Declaration) and therefore, that no environmental impact statement needed be prepared and the process required by SEQRA may be deemed complete;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Gouverneur hereby reaffirms the proposed action, namely the WWTF Influent Pump Station will not directly result in any significant adverse impacts on the environment.

BE IT RESOLVED that the aforementioned EAF and Negative Declaration are hereby reaffirmed and the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all appropriate documents in connection therewith.

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

5 - ayes

0 - nays

0 - absent

Mayor McDougall gave the Department Heads the opportunity to report to the Board and the public on the monthly activities in there department.

Trustee Newvine made a motion authorize payment of the October 2015 audited bills in the amount of: General Fund – 170,136.35, Community Development Fund - \$277,277.57, Electric Fund - \$1,489.90, Water Fund - \$47,788.46, Sewer Fund - \$31,273.76 and Capital Projects - \$82,980.56. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to have Dawn McCollum and Terry Simmons review the current Local Law with regards to new water and sewer hookups and offer a recommendation to the board to amend said Local Law. Trustee LaPierre seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following Announcements:

Halloween – October 31, 2015 – 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Vote November 3rd

The Department of Public Works will be closed on November 3, 2015.

The Village Office and Department of Public Works will be closed on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 in observance of Veterans Day.

The next scheduled Village Board Meeting will be held on November 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 9:25 p.m. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK