

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2018

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

These are the proceedings of the Regular Board meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Gouverneur held Tuesday, evening, on February 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Court Room of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT:

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

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

Trustee Newvine made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2018 regular board meeting. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to appoint Donna Lawrence to the vacant Trustee position. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall gave a plaque presentation to the GHS 2017 Football Season Champs. Sean Devlin was present along with a few of the members of the team to accept the plaque.

Mayor McDougall gave the Board and public an update on what is going on in the Village.

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

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**HOLDING HARMLESS
THE COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE
FOR PROVIDING SERVICE
FOR VILLAGE OF GOUVERNEUR**

WHEREAS, the Village of Gouverneur is desirous of St. Lawrence County Department of Highways providing shared services such as paving, shoulder widening, signage, road stripping, blasting and other routine maintenance activities to the Village, and

WHEREAS, both the Village of Gouverneur and the County of St. Lawrence are desirous of promoting partnering efforts for the safety of the traveling public in St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, in this joint cooperative endeavor, the Village of Gouverneur and the County of St. Lawrence desires to be reimbursed for their expenditures, and

WHEREAS, the Village is aware that the County may incur liability in the providing of the services and wished to indemnify the County in this regard,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Gouverneur hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County of St. Lawrence from and against liability, loss, damage, claim or action resulting from the work performed by St. Lawrence County Department of Highways. The Village of Gouverneur does not indemnify and hold harmless the County for any liability, loss, damage, claim, or action which arises during the actual performance of services by the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways. Said St. Lawrence County Department of Highways and the County of St. Lawrence assumes the liability for losses, damages and claims for the actual physical performance of the work, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following request for General Liability (GL) coverage is as follows:

General Liability Insurance

On an "Occurrence" basis, with the following limits:

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence

\$3,000,000 General Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Products Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Personal Injury

\$ 50,000 Fire Damage Legal Liability

\$ 5,000 Medical Payment Expense

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that St. Lawrence County shall be an additional insured on the GL Policy, via ISO endorsement CG 2026.

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

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to authorizing the Mayor to sign the amended engineering agreement for the Manhole & Catch Basin Project. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to schedule a public hearing on March 20, 2018 at 6:40 p.m. on the Cold War Exemption. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Wood made a motion to schedule a public hearing on March 20, 2018 at 6:45 p.m. on a CDBG grant application. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to schedule a public hearing on March 20, 2018 at 6:50 p.m. on a HOME grant application. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to schedule a public hearing on March 20, 2018 at 6:55 p.m. on a BRIDGE NY application. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to hire WCP Consultants to proceed with the BRIDGE NY grant application. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Wood made a motion to authorize a loan in the amount of \$30,000 from the UDAG to the Community Center for the patio. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to authorize the Rt 58 & Rock Island Street bid approval from J&L Excavation pending review and approval from Bernier Carr & Associates and the Village Attorney. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee made a motion to table action on an outside water user bill. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to schedule a budget workshop on Monday, February 26, 2018 at 6 p.m. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Wood made a motion authorize payment of the February 2018 audited bills in the amount of: General Fund – \$35,459.58, Electric Fund - \$3,494.96, Water Fund - \$32,565.60, Sewer Fund - \$30,580.50, Capital Projects Fund - \$24,673.44, Trust Fund – \$3,427.50. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following Announcements:

St. Lawrence County Mayor’s Meeting will be held on March 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in Ogdensburg.

The next scheduled Regular Village Board Meeting will be held on March 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Effective November 15, 2017 thru April 15, 2018 there will be a parking ban on all village streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

This is a reminder to all residents, merchants and landowners to please remove the snow from all sidewalks in a timely basis in order to protect our pedestrians.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:07 p.m. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.


VILLAGE CLERK