

***REGULAR BOARD***

MARCH 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 March 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-excused  
Trustee Richard Wood

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

Trustee Wood made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2018 regular board meeting. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried.

Legislator Henry Leader gave the Board an update on what has been going on at the County level.

Tom Conklin Fire Chief gave an update to the Board on the Fire Department activities.

Mark Devers gave an update to the Board on the Fire Department activities.

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 announced that a \$50 bill correction was given to the property owner at 198 & 208 West Main Street on their Snow Removal Administration fees.

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2018  
RESOLUTION  
APRIL 3, 2018**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees held a public hearing on March 20, 2018 on proposed Local Law #1 of 2018 allowing Real Property exemptions for Cold War Veterans in Accordance with the NYS Real Property Tax Law Section 458-b.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees that proposed Local Law #1 of 2018 be adopted as Local Law #1 of 2018.

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

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN  
APPLICATION FOR 2018 FUNDING UNDER THE  
NYS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
BLOCK GRANT FUNDING  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**WHEREAS**, federal and state grants are available through the NYS Office of Community Renewal to support local housing related activities which are undertaken by eligible municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Gouverneur is eligible to apply for such funding in the 2018 application round; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees has determined that such funding should be used to support the local housing rehabilitation program; and

**WHEREAS**, this proposal has been considered at a public hearing that was conducted by the Village Board on March 20, 2018;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Mayor is authorized to sign and submit a grant application for consideration in the competition for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Mayor is authorized to sign all agreements, certifications and other documents required to complete the applications and to accept a grant and administer the program that is proposed for this funding.

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

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR 2018  
HOME FUNDING  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**WHEREAS**, federal grant funding is available through the New York State Office of Community Renewal to support local community development activities which are undertaken by eligible municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Gouverneur is eligible to apply for such funding in the 2018 application round;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees has determined that such funding should be used to support housing rehabilitation;

**WHEREAS**, this proposal has been considered at a public hearing conducted by the Village Board on March 20, 2018;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Mayor is authorized to sign and submit one or more applications for consideration in the 2018 funding competition; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Mayor is authorized to sign all agreements, certifications and other documents required to complete the application and to accept a grant and administer the program which is to be proposed for this funding.

Motion made by Trustee Wood, seconded by Trustee Newvine and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN  
APPLICATION FOR THE BRIDGENY INITIATIVE  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**WHEREAS**, Governor Cuomo has announced the BRIDGE NY Initiative to provide \$200 million in funding over the next two years for local government bridge/culvert projects, and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this program is to provide up to \$1 million for each culvert project to include design/engineering, right of way, construction and construction inspection costs, and

**WHEREAS**, the Village has designated the culvert near NYS Route 58 and Austin Street and qualifies for this initiative, and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board of Trustees deems this funding to be useful and necessary in maintaining the infrastructure for all users of our culvert,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village of Board of Trustees hereby authorizes application to the BRIDGE NY Initiative for the culvert in the Village, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor, Ronald McDougall is hereby authorized and directed to submit the grant application on behalf of the Village of Gouverneur.

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

Trustee Newvine made a motion to hire Bernier Carr & Associates as the Engineering Consultants for the BridgeNY Application. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**CHEMICAL BIDS  
RESOLUTION  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees has solicited chemical bids for this year's chemicals to be used by the Gouverneur Filtration Plant for water treatment purposes, and

**WHEREAS**, the attached sheet marked Exhibit "A" and made part of these minutes indicates the bids received for each chemical;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village of Gouverneur Board of Trustees that the low bid is accepted for each chemical for this year's chemical requirements at the Gouverneur Filtration Plant.

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

Trustee Wood made a motion to renew the Electric Plant Repairs BAN in the amount of \$90,600. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to renew the Plow Truck BAN in the amount of \$121,655.20. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion not to exceed the Tax Cap. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Wood made a motion to schedule a public hearing on April 3, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. on the 2018-2019 Budget. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to schedule a special board meeting on Tuesday, April 3, 2013 immediately following the 2018-2019 Budget public hearing. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to waive the fees in the amount of \$514.13 to the property at 14 Douglas Street. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Wood made a motion to approve Municipal Solution proposal for financial services. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to authorize the Gouverneur Breast Cancer to close off a portion of Church Street on Saturday, May 19, 2018. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to authorize the Gouverneur Hospital Auxiliary to close off a portion of Church Street on Saturday, August 25, 2018. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to authorize the mayor to sign the MOU between the Village and the St. Lawrence County Planning Board for revision to the current zoning regulations. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to accept the Teamsters Agreement effective June 1, 2018-May 31, 2023. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**NYS RETIREMENT  
STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING  
RESOLUTION  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village of Gouverneur/40182 hereby establishes the following standard work days for these titles and will report the officials to the New York State and Local Retirement System based on their record of activities:

| TITLE              | WORK DAY | NAME                   | RECORD OF ACTIVITES |
|--------------------|----------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Mayor              | 8        | Ronald McDougall       | 15.66               |
| Deputy Mayor       | 8        | Charles Newvine        | .81                 |
| Trustee            | 8        | Shelly Simons-Washburn | .81                 |
| Trustee            | 8        | Richard Wood           | .81                 |
| Clerk Treasurer    | 8        | Barbara Finnie         |                     |
| Deputy Clerk/Treas | 8        | Kristina Ayen          |                     |
| Tax Collector      | 8        | Rachel Wainwright      |                     |

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

Trustee Newvine made a motion to accept Donna Lawrence resignation from the Zoning Board. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried. Trustee Lawrence abstained.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to Karl Bender to fill Donna Lawrence's unexpired term on the Zoning Board. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to authorize the advertise for Lawn Care and Mowing. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**GENERAL FUND  
BUDGET AMENDMENT  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**WHEREAS**, the Village needs to amend the budget for the General Fund to reflect an increase in the amount of \$45,644.69 in Estimated Revenues A510 and Appropriations A960 by the same amount due to the use of Police Apparatus Reserve Fund monies.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board authorizes the Clerk/Treasurer to increase subsidiary revenue accounts A2801 Interfund Revenue – PA Reserve by \$45,644.69 and an increase in subsidiary appropriation account A3120.210 Police Car-Equipment by \$45,644.69.

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

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**GENERAL FUND  
BUDGET AMENDMENT  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**WHEREAS**, the Village needs to amend the budget for the General Fund to reflect an increase in the amount of \$1,500 in Estimated Revenues A510 and Appropriations A960 by the same amount due to the increase in revenue from the Sewer Fund for payment of the BAN..

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board authorizes the Clerk/Treasurer to increase subsidiary revenue account A5031.01 - Interfund Transfer-Sewer BAN by \$1,500.00 and an increase in subsidiary appropriation accounts A9730.610 – Principal – Sewer BAN by \$1,500.

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

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**WATER FUND  
BUDGET AMENDMENT  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**WHEREAS**, the Village needs to amend the budget for the Water Fund to reflect an increase in the amount of \$14,250 in Estimated Revenues A510 and Appropriations A960 by the same amount due to the use of Filtration Plant Reserve monies.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board authorizes the Clerk/Treasurer to increase subsidiary revenue accounts F2801.1- FPI Reserve Fund by \$14,250 and an increase in subsidiary appropriation accounts F8320.210 – Supply, Power , Pump FPI Reserve by \$14,250..

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

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**WATER FUND  
BUDGET AMENDMENT  
MARCH 20, 2018**

**WHEREAS**, the Village needs to amend the budget for the Water Fund to reflect an increase in the amount of \$34,000 in Estimated Revenues A510 and Appropriations A960 by the same amount due to the use of Water Line Reserve monies.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board authorizes the Clerk/Treasurer to increase subsidiary revenue accounts F2801.2 - WLE Reserve Fund by \$34,000 and an increase in subsidiary appropriation accounts F8340.210 – Transmission & Distribution-WLE Reserve Fund by \$34,000.

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



Mayor McDougall read the following budget transfers:

VILLAGE OF GOUVERNEUR  
BUDGET TRANSFERS  
March 20, 2018

| FUND    | ACCOUNT      | AMOUNT    |
|---------|--------------|-----------|
|         | NUMBER       |           |
| GENERAL |              |           |
|         | FROM A1620.1 | 600.00    |
|         | A1680.410    | 1,500.00  |
|         | A3120.107    | 7,000.00  |
|         | A3320.100    | 100.00    |
|         | A5110.100    | 3,000.00  |
|         | A5142.100    | 23,000.00 |
|         | A5182.400    | 10,000.00 |
|         | A8010.100    | 500.00    |
|         | A8010.410    | 500.00    |
|         | A8170.100    | 2,000.00  |
|         | A9010.800    | 1,462.59  |
|         | A9730.730    | 30,000.00 |
|         | A9730.740    | 2,708.62  |
|         | A1990.400    | 12,525.40 |
|         | TOTAL        | 94,896.61 |
|         | TO A1440.400 | 22,518.49 |
|         | A1620.110    | 600.00    |
|         | A1620.200    | 11,175.00 |
|         | A1680.400    | 1,000.00  |
|         | A3120.106    | 1,150.00  |
|         | A3120.108    | 4,000.00  |
|         | A3120.109    | 425.00    |
|         | A3120.200    | 704.06    |
|         | A3320.110    | 100.00    |
|         | A3650.400    | 10,717.00 |
|         | A5110.110    | 3,000.00  |
|         | A5142.110    | 17,115.67 |
|         | A5142.200    | 3,950.00  |

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|-----------|-----------|
| A5142.400 | 110.00    |
| A5142.401 | 1,001.97  |
| A7140.100 | 2,030.75  |
| A7140.110 | 257.79    |
| A8020.400 | 4,500.00  |
| A8170.110 | 200.00    |
| A8560.110 | 100.00    |
| A8989.400 | 642.50    |
| A9040.800 | 9,598.38  |
| TOTAL     | 94,896.61 |

WATER

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| FROM F8320.100 | 5,000.00  |
| F8320.401      | 10,000.00 |
| F8340.100      | 12,051.47 |
| F9950.910      | 9,000.00  |

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| TOTAL | 36,051.47 |
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|--------------|-----------|
| TO F1440.400 | 4,892.08  |
| F1650.400    | 2,000.00  |
| F1680.400    | 2,000.00  |
| F8320.110    | 12,000.00 |
| F8320.200    | 611.57    |
| F8340.110    | 8,500.00  |
| F9040.800    | 6,047.82  |
| TOTAL        | 36,051.47 |

SEWER

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| FROM G1680.410 | 1,500.00  |
| G1990.400      | 45,411.03 |
| G8120.100      | 8,047.82  |
| TOTAL          | 54,958.85 |

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|--------------|-----------|
| TO G1680.400 | 1,500.00  |
| G8120.400    | 45,411.03 |
| G8130.402    | 2,000.00  |
| G9040.800    | 6,047.82  |
| TOTAL        | 54,958.85 |

|                 |             |                  |                  |
|-----------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>ELECTRIC</b> | <b>FROM</b> | <b>E8710.100</b> | <b>10,000.00</b> |
|                 |             | <b>E1990.400</b> | <b>24,504.56</b> |
|                 |             | <b>E1910.400</b> | <b>1,374.57</b>  |
|                 |             | <b>E8510.100</b> | <b>3,000.00</b>  |
|                 |             | <b>TOTAL</b>     | <b>38,879.13</b> |
|                 | <b>TO</b>   | <b>E1440.400</b> | <b>15,248.94</b> |
|                 |             | <b>E8510.110</b> | <b>6,000.00</b>  |
|                 |             | <b>E8510.200</b> | <b>130.19</b>    |
|                 |             | <b>G8710.110</b> | <b>5,500.00</b>  |
|                 |             | <b>E8710.400</b> | <b>12,000.00</b> |
|                 |             | <b>TOTAL</b>     | <b>38,879.13</b> |

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

Trustee Wood made a motion to authorize payment of all the March audited bills in the amount of: General Fund - 129,105.59, Water Fund - \$38,013.14, Sewer Fund - \$24,753.97, Capital Projects Fund - \$64,071.55, Trust Fund - \$4,318.50. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following Announcements:

The Village Clerk' Office and the Department of Public Works will be closed on Friday, March 30, 2018 in observance of Good Friday.

The next scheduled Regular Village Board Meeting will be held on April 17, 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 Wood made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:17 p.m. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

  
VILLAGE CLERK