

***REGULAR BOARD
NOVEMBER 15, 2016***

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 November 15, 2016 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 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
Code Enforcement Officer, Michael McQuade
Recreation Director, Casey Canell
Village Attorney, Henry Leader

Trustee Newvine made a motion to approve the minutes as amended from the October 18, 2016 Regular Board meeting and the October 31, 2016 Special Board meeting. Trustee Lawrence seconded the motion and it was carried.

Presentations

Casey Canell presented the Gouverneur Central School District a plaque of appreciation for the joint endeavors that have been undertaken with the Recreation Department and the School District for the Before School and After School programs and other Recreational activities.

Ian Coryea of Burham Benefit Advisors gave the board an update on the insurance plans for the 2017 year.

Carrie Tuttle representing DANC gave a presentation on Local Government Efficency grant with regards to dissolving the Village.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to appoint Joseph Whitmarsh to the position of part-time dispatcher effective November 16, 2016 and to waive the pre-employment physical. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Newvine made a motion to waive the recreation center building use fee to the parents of Julie's Journey of Gymnastics for occasional meetings. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to approve Daniel Fifield's snow removal bid in the amount of \$1.00 per linear foot. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Simons-Washburn made a motion to approve the Gouverneur Chamber of Commerce's request to close off Church Street for the annual Christmas parade on December 2, 2016. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following resolution:

**MANHOLE & CATCH BASIN PROJECT
RESOLUTION
NOVEMBER 15, 2016**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Gouverneur declares itself to be the lead agency pursuant to notice issued in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617 to other interested agencies - for the Manhole & Catch Basin Project; and

RESOLVED, the Village of Gouverneur will take all reasonable efforts to complete an Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) in accordance with the law.

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

Trustee Newvine made a motion to authorize Burnham Benefit Advisors to change the current Humana Plan for Medicare eligible retirees to the Excellus Blue Cross Plan effective January 1, 2016. Trustee Wood seconded the motion and it was carried.

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

Trustee Lawrence made a motion authorize payment of the November 2016 audited bills in the amount of: General Fund – \$306,669.18 Community Development - \$3,759.65, Electric Fund - \$8,252.40, Water Fund - \$51,158.66, Sewer Fund - \$56,815.02, Capital Projects - \$668,308.59 and UDAG-\$664.50. Trustee Simons-Washburn seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mayor McDougall read the following Announcements:

Effective November 15, 2016 thru April 15, 2017 there will be a parking ban on all village streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

The Village Offices and Department of Public Works will be closed on Thursday, November 24, 2016 and Friday, November 25, 2016 in observance of Thanksgiving.

The First United Methodist Church of Gouverneur will be serving a free Community Wide Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 24, 2016 starting at 12:00 p.m. To reserve take-outs, call 287-2440 by Monday, November 21, 2016.

Chamber Christmas Parade-December 2, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The Annual Board Meeting will be held on December 5, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

The next scheduled Regular Village Board Meeting will be held on December 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Lawrence made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 9:22 p.m. Trustee Newvine seconded the motion and it was carried.



VILLAGE CLERK