

**Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees
Tuesday, July 26, 2011**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK/TREASURER
MICHAEL FECCO**

The **REGULAR BOARD MEETING of the SOLVAY BOARD OF TRUSTEES** at the Solvay Village Library, 615 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209 at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Ronald Benedetti

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:

Trustees:	Jamie Colucci	Present
	Ronald Benedetti	Present
	Daniel Bellotti	Present
	Thomas Tarolli	Present
	John Fall, Sr.	Present
Deputy Mayor	John McPeak	Present
Mayor	Kathleen Marinelli	Present

PROCLAMATION was presented to Hilltop Social Club in care of Robert Picciott and Anthony Cardosa. August 13, 2011 was declared Hilltop Social Club Day

PETITIONS: A letter was handed to the Mayor and Board of Trustees from John Nozynski of 303 Stanton Ave and the Mayor referred it to our Village Attorney, Kevin Gilligan

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administrative: None

Legal: On agenda

Treasurer: Mike Fecco reported that the bottom line results for the year ending May 31, 2011 shows an increase of expenditures over revenues by \$5,525.00. We are carrying a surplus of \$125,000 going into next year. Mark Cazzolli, Mark Malley, John Fall, Tony Alberti and myself had a meeting with FEMA. We have reported a \$2.3 million loss. If we receive the full amount, our contributory share would be 13.5% or \$275,000. This can be bonded out for five years. The State Comptroller's office will be coming for approximately two months. Any audit is welcomed by the village as they keep us "in shape."

Police:

Police Chief Cox reported:

58	follow up investigations;
5	felony arrests,
54	misdemeanors and other arrests,
97	vehicle traffic tickets,
1	DWI,
2	juvenile arrests,
39	parking tickets issued
19	investigated car accidents and
1440	business checks

927 Total calls for month of: June 2011

Chief Cox reported on many complaints and arrests in the Village.

Electric

The Electric Department had an unexpected power outage on a feeder circuit from Mathews substation Tuesday, July 26, 2011. This was caused by equipment failure at two locations. The first one was behind Pass and Seymour on a pole mounted switch, which burned, causing the main breaker to open at Mathews substation. It took two hours to repair the pole switch through a rain storm which created un-safe conditions for the men.

Then at the substation, we had mechanical problems with the breaker, which also had age related causes. We ended up using an alternative position in the switch gear at the substation. Mathews Ave is starting to really show its age. These type of outages can be avoided with new equipment in place. We will also be able to cut the outage time with much safer equipment to work with. The MEUA Annual Conference will be held September 13, 14, 15, 16, 2011 at Saratoga Springs, NY this year.

DPW/Highway: Solvay pool attendance is up, which means increased revenue. We are getting revenue from the new ID system. Our pool is running good with less workers. The summer help are doing their jobs well and with more responsibilities. We only have two summer highway guys.

Gertrude park: We have had three rentals up there and cleaned up the grass. The ball park at Woods Rd. is looking good and we are keeping the sod watered and cut. The field will be secured especially for the field days. We will have police officers on watch to keep people off of it.

A promise was made from the Solvay Geddes Tiger Youth Center organization to the village regarding a donation of \$8000 for the ball park. A letter will be sent out reminding them of the "promise."

July 22, 2011 was movie night and it was great and well attended. The Mayor announced that there wouldn't be any smoking or riding bikes on the Woods Road field during the movie.

Sidewalks have been completed on Second Street and the sidewalks will continue to be patched up. Roads are being prepared that need to be resurfaced.

FEMA kick off meeting took place. They looked over the village and hopefully will do an assessment. We need our representative from FEMA before we can touch the catch basins and sink holes.

We have a proposal from Tony Callisto regarding a homecoming weekend. He wants to host a parade and a bon fire on school property on September 30, 2011. It will take place at Hazard Street and School Road parking lot. The kids will need tickets to attend. The bon fire will not be huge and the wood that will be used must be clean wood. Mark Cazzolli and Anthony Albert will supervise.

Library: *Cara Burton excused*

Codes: Code Enforcement Officer Taggart reported the office has started scheduling rental inspections for the other half of the Village (west side). Code Enforcement Officer, Jim Stever will start on August 2, and work until the money budgeted for this year expires.

The Code Dept. has issued quite a few new tickets along with the five open court cases. One of those cases received a \$100.00 fine. The Board asked about Heritage Cir, Charles Ave, Third St. and Barclay Rd., to see if the banks could clean these properties up. The Health Dept. has already been contacted about the water in the in-ground for the pool at Heritage. Trustee Benedetti said he would contact that bank about that property.

Stormwater: Village of Solvay July 26, 2011 Regular Board Meeting Stormwater Report

CNYRPDB Stormwater Education Insert

The second of three Green CNY pieces (article/advertisement) was published in the July 19th Post Standard. Twenty copies have been provided to the Library for their use and distribution.

CNY Intermunicipal Stormwater Coalition – Amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)

□ Agenda item to allow the Village to continue its participation in the Stormwater Coalition and authorizing the Mayor to sign said Amendment:

No comments after the review by Stormwater Committee and Village Attorney.

As I mentioned at last month's meeting, the amended MOA now includes the Coalition's bylaws.

There are no additional costs associated with signing the amended MOA.

The Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board (CNYRPDB) will serve as Stormwater Coalition Treasurer and will remain on the Coalition as a non-voting member. As Treasurer, the CNYRPDB will maintain responsibility for the current EPF grant, administer any future contracts that may be executed on behalf of the Coalition, and provide quarterly financial reports to the Coalition as appropriate.

A financial officer will be elected by the Coalition and will be responsible for reviewing the financial reports and documentation provided by the CNYRPDB.

Additional organizations such as the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation and Soil and Water Conservation Districts are invited to serve on the Stormwater Coalition as non-voting members.

Agreement for Services with Onondaga County Soil & Water Conservation District

Agenda item to allow the Village to take advantage of technical and engineering services related to stormwater issues at a cost of \$55.00 per hour. The major items would be review of SWPPPs and construction and post-construction inspection of stormwater facilities. These costs will be reimbursable for projects implemented by private developers through review fees charged by the Village.

Mathews Avenue Phosphorus Removal & Stormwater Filtration System Project

Required documents were submitted to the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation on July 15th.

2010 NYS Dishwasher Detergent & Nutrient Runoff Law

□ Recently received a letter from the NYSDEC Division of Water concerning provisions that become effective January 1, 2012:

With limited exceptions, prohibits the use of a fertilizer containing phosphorous on non-agricultural lawns and turf.

Prohibits application of any fertilizer for non-farm use between December 1st and April 1st.

With limited exceptions, restricts the application of any fertilizer within 20 feet of a water body or on paved surfaces.

Requires that retailers display phosphorous-containing fertilizers separately and post an educational sign concerning the law and their use.

□ Per the Village's MS4 Annual Report, we do not apply any fertilizer on our municipal grounds.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Authorization from the Board to approve the minutes from the June 28, 2011 Regular Board Meeting be accepted and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: John McPeak
SECOND: Ron Benedetti
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay Costello, Cooney & Fearon, PLLC \$13,061.80 for services rendered for the month of June, 2011.

MOTION: John McPeak
SECOND: Ron Benedetti
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay WM Engineers, P.C. \$5,922.10 for services rendered for the month of June, 2011.

MOTION: Ron Benedetti
SECOND: John Fall Sr
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the Amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement for the Central New York Stormwater Coalition and authorize the Mayor to execute said Amendment. Village Engineer, Anthony DeStefano, will remain as the Village's representative to the Coalition.

MOTION: John McPeak
SECOND: Daniel Bellotti
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

- 5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the open enrollment for our health insurance to the month of _____ of each year.

Authorization from the Board of Trustees to table Resolution 5 until next month

MOTION: Ron Benedetti
SECOND: John Fall Sr
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

- 6. Authorization from the Board to Trustees to approve to pay the village contribution of \$2600 for individual and \$5200 for family for employees who enroll in Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield High Deductible Health insurance.

MOTION: John Fall Sr
SECOND: John McPeak
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

- 7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to apply for the annual Justice Court Assistance Program Grant for 2011-2012. In the past, the Court has applied for and been awarded funding for the renovation of the court office. In the 2011-2012 application, a request will be made for funding for a desk, two desk chairs and miscellaneous computer equipment.

MOTION: Jamie Colucci
SECOND: John Fall Sr
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

Amendment to SPDES Legislation

- 8. Introducing Proposed Local Law D, 2011, titled "A Local Law Amending Chapter 134 (Stormwater Management) of the Village of Solvay Code" to modify the enforcement provisions of the stormwater management law to include a provision whereby, if owners of stormwater facilities fail to maintain and properly operate same, the Village can undertake such actions as are necessary to do so and place the costs on the owner's tax bill."

Authorization from the Board of Trustees to table Resolution 8 until further notice.

MOTION: John McPeak
SECOND: Ron Benedetti
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

- 9. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve

WHEREAS, the property described by the following tax map number(s) and located at the following address(s) is/are in the Village of Solvay, is/are owned by the following owner(s); and

WHEREAS, as the aforesaid property owner(s) allows the property to accumulate high weeds, brush, grass, trash, debris, or other matter, in a manner that is unhealthy, hazardous, or dangerous and in violation of Chapter 56; and

WHEREAS, the owner(s) was notified by certified mail and/or posted on site and a follow up revealed the violation still exists

NOW, be it resolved that the Village of Solvay Board shall authorize the property to be cut, trimmed, and removed by the Village Representatives, and all actual costs of work or services rendered at the direction of the Village Board, shall be assessed and collected in the same manner and time as the taxes levied on the premises.

113 Charles Ave	010.-09-09.0	Patrick LeBlanc
433 Chemung St	011.-10-01.0	John Delfavero (yard waste/rocks)
407 Montrose Ave	015.-06-09.0	Anna Met
210 Williams St	010.-02-16.1	Alfonso Pestillo (yard waste)

MOTION: Jamie Colucci
SECOND: John Fall Sr
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve an Agreement for Services with the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District to provide engineering and technical services related to stormwater issues and authorizing the Mayor to sign said agreement.

MOTION: John McPeak
SECOND: Ron Benedetti
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that this Board move into Executive Session to discuss a contract and personnel matter.
Time 7:39 p.m.

MOTION: John McPeak
SECOND: John Fall Sr
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that the Executive Session be closed and that this Board return to the regular meeting.
Time 8:17 p.m.

MOTION: John McPeak
SECOND: John Fall Sr
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

No action was taken in executive meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

MOTION: John Fall Sr
SECOND: Ron Benedetti
AYES: 7 NAYES 0 MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Fecco, Treasurer/Village Clerk