

**Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees  
Tuesday, March 25, 2014**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
GAIL TAROLLI**

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The **REGULAR BOARD MEETING** of the **SOLVAY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** was called to order by Mayor Ronald Benedetti at the Town of Geddes Court Room, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209 at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG** Daniel Bellotti

<b>ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:</b>	<b>Trustees</b>	<b>Harry DeCarlo</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>Daniel Bellotti</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>John Fall Sr</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>Derek Baichi</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>John Cregg</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	<b>Thomas Tarolli</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Ronald Benedetti</b>	<b>Present</b>

**PETITIONS:** None at this time

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Mayor Benedetti, Daniel Bellotti and John Fall Sr attended a meeting with Governor Cuomo in Dewitt and he mentioned he will speak to the County Executive Joanne Mahoney regarding for the upcoming projects.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** **Proposed Local Law B of 2014- Zoning to abolish the regulation of political signs**  
Mayor Benedetti opened the Public Hearing. Trustee Tarolli explained the time limits of political signs and they are considered unconstitutional. The committee abolished the section on the time limit for political signs. See Local Law to follow. There were no public comments Motioned to close the Public Hearing:

<b>MOTION:</b>	<b>John Fall Sr</b>		
<b>SECOND:</b>	<b>Daniel Bellotti</b>		
<b>AYES:</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>NAYES:</b>	<b>0</b>

**MOTION CARRIED**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Administrative** *Mayor Benedetti will have a conference call with the County Executive regarding the upcoming projects*

**Legal** *Village Lawyer Kevin Gilligan reported items on the agenda*

**Treasurer** *None at this time*

**Police** *Rick Cox, Chief Police reported 595 calls for February and reported on some of the crimes in the village. The Chief would like to recognize Officer DiFulio and Lt Wood for a life saving award after a fire on Driscoll Street.*

**Electric** *Joe Hawksby, Electric Superintendent reported they were putting together bi-monthly meetings for the CNY Regional Planning and Development Board starting April 17, 2014 for Joe and Dae Au to attend. This is to the "Solar Ready" program to enhance the growth of solar energy use in Upstate NY. This will represent many counties. On Saturday, March 22, 2014, National Grid had an issue on their #18 line out of Gere's Lock station that caused a momentary flicker on our distribution systems. (Solvay Paperboard) -mainly industrial sub (low voltage) There was stray (elevated voltage) testing that began this week and will take months to complete. This is required by NYPA and the PSC. To do 100% of all our assets each year and make necessary repairs when needed. Dave Au will document everything on spread sheets. Third Street and South Avenue jobs are complete.*

**DPW/Highway** *Trustee John Cregg reported for the Highway department that it has been a severe year which is about \$20,000. Also they made significant savings in staying with the county bid instead of going with the state which is a savings of \$7 per ton for an overall savings of approximately \$25,000. The department stayed under the estimated allotment with the county bid which also equates to a \$3.94 per ton savings. They were able to meet all the goals of this department. The Highway Department will map out all areas for storm drain repairs, street repairs and sidewalk repairs created by the very harsh winter. The Woods Road Pavilion structures are in place and additional funding provided by the state to the sum of \$50,000 for picnic tables, paving, bocce ball courts and landscaping to be accomplished in the next fiscal year. The department will be changing over the equipment from the "winter mode to spring mode."*

**Library Elizabeth Loftus, Interim Director reported :**

**Collections and Services**

- We have had many patrons seeking tax forms and referrals to sites offering tax return assistance.
- Due to the severe winter weather, some of our February stats were down. However, other stats increased such as our programs for kids and the number of books downloaded by patrons.

**Personnel and Training**

- Our new hires are working out well and it feels good to be fully staffed again.
- Attended Suburban Library Director’s Meeting on March 4 at Baldwinsville Library. I was asked to speak about the Impact Survey that we asked patrons to complete last fall and what we learned about how patrons use our technology.

**Library Visibility and Community Outreach**

- Visited Learn As You Grow Day Care every Wednesday morning to read to four groups of children ranging in age from 18 months to 4 years old.
- The BASCOL After School Program from Solvay Elementary brought kindergartners and first and second graders to the library for an after school read-aloud on children on February 26, March 5 and 19.
- In cooperation with FOCUS Greater Syracuse we asked patrons to complete their Age –Friendly survey. This survey seeks to learn what the community can do to encourage boomer and older adults to continue to live in Central New York.

**Programs and Meeting Room Use**

- This month we sponsored 5 programs for kids. These included a celebration of Dr. Seuss’s birthday with a program by the Bubbleman, Read Across America Day on March 3, After School Read Aloud to celebrate World Read Aloud Day on March 5 and Cathy McGrath performing Green Teakettle Music of Ireland on March 19. We will have another After School Read Aloud on March 26.
- The Library Social for Adults is featuring the three part Living Well Self-care series. We saw some new faces at the first program on March 13. The second program is this Thursday, March 27.
- We had the third meeting of our Italian conversation group on March 18 and continue to draw new people.
- We have lots of programs coming in April and will be celebrating National Library Week with a Celebrate Reading program on April 16. Jim McCarthy will perform at 3:30 p.m.

**Building**

- We had to close early on March 12 due to the major storm that hit the area.
- After admiring the community signs posted by the Village I contacted Tony Alberti to request some simple signage for the Library bulletin boards.
- This week our new public computers are being installed. These will have printing capabilities and will greatly expand access for patrons including children. We will be asking patrons to take the Impact Survey again during April so that we can retrieve more statistics about how people are using the Library’s computers.

Respectfully submitted by, Elizabeth Loftus, Interim Director

**Codes** Trustee Tarolli reported their next Codes Meeting is on Monday, April 21, 2014.

**Stormwater** None at this time.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the Monday, March 3, 2014 Special Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

**MOTION: Daniel Bellotti**  
**SECOND: Harry DeCarlo**  
**AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED**

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the Monday, March 18, 2014 Special Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**  
**SECOND: Derek Baichi**  
**AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED**

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers **\$10,175.00** for services rendered form 2/1/14 to 2/28/14. (Invoice #0144843, 0145063, 0145061, 0145062, 0145060, 0145065)

**MOTION: Derek Baichi**  
**SECOND: Harry DeCarlo**  
**AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED**

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the Budget Modifications:

**MOTION: John Cregg**  
**SECOND: John Fall Sr**  
**AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED**

**Village of Solvay General Fund**

**Schedule of Proposed Budget Modifications**

**For Approval at the March 2014 Regular Board Meeting**

Account	Title	(as modified ) Current Budget	proposed Budget Mod	newly modified Budget Amount
<b>Revenue</b>				
415200A	Police Fees	2,000	(1,300)	700
415600A	Safety Inspection Fees	1,000	1,133	2,133
415610A	Safety Registration Fees	1,000	280	1,280
424010A	Interest Income on Deposits	800	(293)	507
424400A	Rental - Other	66,042	(12,000)	54,042
424600A	Internet Service Comm	17,000	(4,500)	12,500
426100A	Fines & Forfeited Bail	120,000	(20,000)	100,000
426210A	Seized & Forfeited Property	3,160	8,971	12,131
426650A	Sale of Equipment	6,360	9,600	15,960
426800A	Insurance Recoveries	32,663	7,447	40,110
427700A	Other Authorized Revenues	4,175	555	4,730
430890A	State Aid - Other	1,230	3,282	4,512
	<b>Total</b>	<b>255,430</b>	<b>(6,825)</b>	<b>248,605</b>

**Expenses**

511104A	Police Justice - Other	12,000	2,000	14,000
514204A	Law - Other	50,000	20,000	70,000
516401A	Central Garage - Wages	56,715	(25,000)	31,715
519904A	General - Contingent Account	68,024	19,141	87,165
5312.05A	Police - Fuel	37,566	4,434	42,000
550104A	St. Admin - Other	5,200	400	5,600
551101A	Street Maintenance - Wages	227,766	(10,000)	217,766
551421A	Snow Removal - Wages	106,153	30,000	136,153
551820A	Street Lighting	48,000	(48,000)	0
580900A	Landfill Monitoring Expenses	25,000	(4,800)	20,200
581201A	Sanitary Sewer - Wages	15,724	5,000	20,724
581401A	Storm Sewer - Wages	42,157	(5,000)	37,157
581601A	Refuse Collection - Wages	20,113	5,000	25,113
				0
				0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>714,418</b>	<b>(6,825)</b>	<b>682,480</b>

5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay Costello, Cooney & Fearon, PLLC \$13,795.54 for services rendered for the month of February, 2014.

**MOTION: Daniel Bellotti**  
**SECOND: Derek Baichi**  
**AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED**

6. The following resolution was offered by Trustee Tarolli who moved its adoption, seconded by Trustee Fall to wit:

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law, a proposed local law titled Local Law No. B-2014, to repeal Chapter 165, Section 38.1 of the Code of the Village of Solvay was presented and introduced at a Regular Meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Solvay held on February 25, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held on such proposed local law on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014 by the Village Board of the Village of Solvay and proofs of publication of notices of such public hearings, as required by law, having been submitted and filed, and all persons desiring to be heard in connection with said proposed local law having been heard, and said proposed local law having been in the possession of the members of the Village Board of the Village of Solvay in its final form in the manner required by Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule of the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS**, at its February 25, 2014 meeting this Board determined that the enactment of Proposed Local Law No. B-2014 is an unlisted action that there are no other involved agencies, that this Board will act as lead agency for this application and rendered a negative declaration for purposes of SEQR; and **WHEREAS**, it is in the public interest to enact said Proposed Local Law No. B of 2014. **NOW, THEREFORE**, it is **RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Solvay, Onondaga County, New York, does hereby enact Proposed Local Law B of 2014 as Local Law No. 2 of 2014 as follows:

**VILLAGE OF SOLVAY - LOCAL LAW NO. 2 IN THE YEAR 2014**

**A Local Law Repealing Chapter 165, Section 38.1 of the Village of Solvay Code**

Be it enacted by the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees, that this Local Law amends Chapter 165 of the Code of the Village of Solvay (hereinafter "Code"), titled "Zoning," to abolish the regulation of political signs as follows:

**Section 1.**

So that Chapter 165, Section 38.1 of the Code, titled "Political Signs," which regulated the placement, maintenance, removal and size of political signs, is hereby repealed in its entirety and the regulation of political signs is discontinued.

**Section 2.**

This Local Law shall take effect upon its filing with the New York Secretary of State. The question of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote and, upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

<b>Daniel Bellotti</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Fall, Sr.</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Thomas Tarolli</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Cregg</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Derek Baichi</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Harry DeCarlo</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Ronald Benedetti</b>	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

**DATED: March 25, 2014**

- 7. Amending this Board’s previous resolution in the matter of the West Trunk Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project dated September 24, 2013, to acknowledge and ratify the negative declaration issued at that time pursuant to SEQR, approve the referenced project at a total estimated cost of \$112,000, approve a contract for the project with D. E. Tarolli, Inc. through the Onondaga County Green Infrastructure Bid # 2274, in the total amount of \$82,746.00, including a change order in the amount of \$14,610 and authorizing the Mayor to sign the contract with D. E. Tarolli, Inc. and any other documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

**MOTION: Harry DeCarlo**  
**SECOND: Danny Bellotti**  
**AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED**

- 8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the Highway Department request to place one (1) Miller Mig welder that is a surplus; one (1) back up propane generator; one (1) X-Mark zero turn mower with a 72 in deck; and one (1) Toro zero turn mower with 72 in deck up to auction through Auctions Internationals. These are to be declared surplus and no longer needed by the Village.

**MOTION: John Cregg**  
**SECOND: John Fall Sr**  
**AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED**

- 9. **WHEREAS**, the Village Board of the Village of Solvay, New York, is a municipal member of the Municipal Electric Utilities Association of New York State, and **WHEREAS**, the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Municipal Electric Utilities Association of New York State has been called on April 16 and April 17, 2014 to be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 6646 Old Collamer Rd., East Syracuse, New York, 13057 and,

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the bylaws of the Municipal Electric Utilities Association of New York State, each municipal member may cast one vote on each transaction properly brought before this meeting, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Solvay Electric Superintendent **Joe Hawksby** be and is hereby designated as the accredited delegate for the Village of Solvay, New York.

**MOTION: Daniel Bellotti**  
**SECOND: John Cregg**

<b>Tom Tarolli</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Harry DeCarlo</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Daniel Bellotti</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Fall Sr</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Derek Baichi</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Cregg</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Ronald Benedetti</b>	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

**DATED: March 25, 2014**

**10.** Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the tentative 2014-2015 budget and scheduled a Public Hearing for the 2014-2015 Village Budget on Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town of Geddes Meeting Room, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay New York.

**MOTION: Daniel Bellotti**  
**SECOND: Derek Baichi**  
**AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED**

**11.** Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the submission of a "Project Information Sheet" with respect to the Woods Road Park Improvement Project, and authorizing the Mayor to sign the same on behalf of the Village.

**MOTION: Harry DeCarlo**  
**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**  
**AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

**MOTION: Daniel Bellotti**  
**SECOND: Derek Baichi**  
**AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Gail M Tarolli, Village Clerk