

**Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees
Tuesday, July 24, 2018**

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HARRY DECARLO**

Today, Tuesday, July 24, 2018 the **REGULAR BOARD MEETING** of the **SOLVAY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** was called to order by Mayor Derek Baichi at the Town of Geddes Court Room, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209 at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

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| ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL: | Trustees | William McVicker Daniel Bellotti Thomas Tarolli Raymond Fougner John Cregg | Present Present Excused Present Present |
| | Deputy Mayor | John Fall Sr | Present |
| | Mayor | Derek Baichi | Present |

CORRESPONDENCE:

Jake LaManna of the Celebration Committee updated the Village Board on the progress of the Solvay Summer Festival. The layout, financial reports, security plan and a breakdown of all of the activities taking place were presented. The committee will be in touch with the Electric Department to organize electric drops as well as the DPW for other necessary labor. The festival will take place on Saturday August 11th from 10am-8pm.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Open Public Hearing regarding Moratorium on Convenience Stores

MOTION: John Fall Sr.

SECOND: Daniel Bellotti

6-0, Motion Passed

Discussion took place whether to extend the moratorium of convenience stores for another six months. A resolution to pass the extension is on the agenda for the evening.

Close Public Hearing regarding Moratorium on Convenience Stores

MOTION: John Fall Sr.

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

6-0, Motion Passed

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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| Administrative Legal | Mayor Derek Baichi - None Kevin Gilligan, Village Attorney - None A discussion came up regarding committees and members, MEUA and NYCOM event attendance. |
| Treasurer | Cheryl Visconti, Treasurer reported - No budget modifications for the month. Continuing to work on closing the books for the last fiscal year. The surplus remains at 1.9 million. The increase to the surplus dated 5-31-18 is close to \$200,000. Trustee Fougner questioned village purchases with a focus on the IT department spending. |
| Police | Allen Wood, Police Chief reported - 1227 service calls for June 2018. The department had 49 follow-ups, 1 felony, 60 misdemeanors, 153 Vehicle and Traffic, 2 DWI, no juvenile, 160 parking tickets, 12 accidents and 6 stolen vehicles. Chief gave praise to his officers regarding the detainment of a convicted stalker from 2009 that was just recently released from prison. The individual was seen in the same area as before and was apprehended. |

- Electric** **John Kurtz, Asst. Electric Superintendent reported** - Ridley Electric has about 1-2 weeks of work in order to complete the project on Bridge Street before the Village accepts it as their own. New street lighting is 99% complete and should be done in the next couple of weeks. It will be EV tested before its accepted by the Village. Continue installation of cut outs on all 5 KV transformers. The will be an estimated 2-3 year project. The Substation maintenance has paid off with all the very warm weather we have had no issues. This is money well spend along with our tree trimming on distribution feeders. Trustee Fougner provided an update regarding the Electric charging stations as well.
- DPW/Highway** **Richard Penhall, DPW Superintendent** - Introduced part of his staff that were in the audience, Paul Hoffman and James Dineen. He addressed the work and projects that have taken place throughout the month. They included removal of trees in various areas, trash and brush removal, and work at the Village Hall. The handicapped ramp in front of the Village Hall was improved by removing old carpeting and sanding and staining the floor. Also, security windows, framing and security locks are being done at the Village Hall. Ongoing sewer issues are being addressed. This is the result of older lines. The Solvay Pool is running fine. We are waiting on paving contractor, Suit Kote to begin work in the Village. The weed exterminator company that worked in the Village last year is going to begin work this year using the same solution to dismember the weeds. The old packer truck is in critical condition and extensive repairs have been done to it. A replacement is necessary and quotes are being collected.
- Library** **Dan Golden, Library Director reported** - The summer hours will go into effect from June 17 to September 2nd. Our summer hours will be: Monday-Wednesday 9am-8pm, Thursday and Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm, Sunday we will be closed during the summer. According to Dan, these are the upcoming programs for the 2018 Summer Reading Program: Moreland the Magician- Wednesday July 25 at 10:00 a.m. Moreland the Magician will use a wide variety of magic tricks to celebrate the fun of reading. Dan the Snakeman -Thursday, August 2nd at 10 a.m. Dan Chase, the 'Snakeman,' will present live reptiles to teach about wildlife and the environment. Visit by State Fair Director Troy Waffner Tuesday, August 7, 6:30pm. NY State Fair Director Mr. Troy Waffner will talk about the upcoming the NYS Fair and take your questions. Enjoy the Fair! Reading with Scooch of the Syracuse Sky Chiefs , Tuesday, August 14, 6:30 p.m. Fun evening with Syracuse Chiefs --triple AAA, baseball staff member and Mascot. Featuring a reading and picture session. Our next Report to the Village Trustees will provide more information on our upcoming Summer Reading Program. Stay tuned! As always, the Library welcomes suggestions from the public.
- Codes** **Anthony Alberti reported** - Six unregistered vehicles were sent out, 11 rental inspections were completed, 19 electrical inspections and 7 high grass violations which 4 work orders were created for. A resident questioned what is being done about abandoned buildings. The codes department is working with the county and a letter was drafted by the Mayor to come up with a solution.
- Stormwater Celebrations Buildings** **Mark Malley - None**
Jake LaManna reported during Correspondence
John Fall Sr, Trustee reported - The new village hall was discussed at the July meeting. C&S Engineers drafted a layout and area for construction. The potential for including the police department is still being discussed. The landscaping layout was also addressed. The next meeting is on August 21st at 5:30 at the Village Hall.
- Comprehensive Plan** **John Cregg, Trustee reported** - The meeting last Tuesday took place regarding the plan and positive and negative ideas were discussed. Once the plan is complete, it will be in place for the next 10 years. Continue to check the Comprehensive Plan website for meetings and updates.

7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to increase the hourly rate of Part Time Police Officers to \$20.00 per hour effective August 4, 2018.

MOTION: John Cregg
SECOND: Daniel Bellotti

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| William McVicker | Trustee | Voted | Yes |
| Raymond Fougner | Trustee | Voted | Yes |
| John Cregg | Trustee | Voted | Yes |
| John Fall, Sr. | Trustee | Voted | Yes |
| Daniel Bellotti | Trustee | Voted | Yes |
| Thomas Tarolli | Trustee | Voted | Excused |
| Derek Baichi | Mayor | Voted | Abstained |

8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees Enacting Local Law 4-2018, extending for an Additional Six (6) Months the Moratorium on the Construction, Renovation, Modification, Addition to or Operation of Convenience Stores Within the Village of Solvay, all in accordance with the full resolution in this matter that has been circulated to the Board of Trustees.

MOTION: John Fall Sr
SECOND: Raymond Fougner

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| William McVicker | Trustee | Voted | Yes |
| Raymond Fougner | Trustee | Voted | Yes |
| John Cregg | Trustee | Voted | Yes |
| John Fall, Sr. | Trustee | Voted | Yes |
| Daniel Bellotti | Trustee | Voted | Yes |
| Thomas Tarolli | Trustee | Voted | Excused |
| Derek Baichi | Mayor | Voted | Yes |

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.

| STREET ADDRESS | TAX MAP | NAME OF OWNER |
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| 407 Fourth St. | 008.-01-03.0 | Gennaro Russo |
| 223 William St. | 010.-03-03.0 | Medo Realty Inc. |
| 406 Darrow Ave. | 003.-05-03.0 | James J Buerkle |
| 112 Worth Ave (empty lot) | 005.-07-07.0 | Normandy Mortgage Loan Trust |

MOTION: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: William McVicker

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to implement raises for the Chief of Police and the Lieutenant.

MOTION: Daniel Bellotti

SECOND: None

MOTION FAILED

PETITIONS:

Wanda Edwards of Ministerio Hispano "Casa de Dios UMC" petitioned the Board of Trustees and requested permission to hold a church festival on August 18th. The same type of festival that was held last year. Permission was granted by the Board of Trustees.

A resident who was in attendance with her daughter for her first board meeting, recognized the turmoil among the Village Board. The reason for sitting in on the meeting was to express her concern for the abandoned houses in her neighborhood and the safety of her daughter.

Mayor Baichi closed the meeting with a call for unity among the Village Board. The past is the past and we need to move on from this day forward. We can go back to the original assignments for the committees in an effort to move on. The Mayor approached each Trustee individually and shook their hand and stressed the importance of working together. It is for the people of this Village and they deserve it.

ADJOURNMENT:

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

MOTION: Daniel Bellotti

SECOND: John Fall Sr

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk