

**Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees  
Tuesday, March 26, 2019**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
HARRY DECARLO**

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Today, Tuesday, March 26, 2019 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**

<b>ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:</b>	<b>Trustees</b>	<b>William McVicker</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>Daniel Bellotti</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>Thomas Tarolli</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>Raymond Fougner</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>John Cregg</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	<b>John Fall Sr</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Derek Baichi</b>	<b>Present</b>

**MAYORS MESSAGE/COMMENTS:**

The Solvay High School performed "Grease". Library awareness month is coming up in April. Comprehensive Plan discussed and provided the Mayors position. A review of the corridor issue and concern for mixed use of both residential and commercial should be considered. New Ward Law Proposal was brought up and should be considered by this board. By eliminating the ward system, you can have at large elections and have more potential candidates. This would have to be put to referendum to go forward. Solvay Field Days is back in will be on August 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. The fire department has committed to be a part of the event. St. Cecilia's Church, the Town of Geddes and various bands will also be a part of this event. It will be the Village of Solvay's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Charles Ave Park improvement plan was discussed. Funding will be through seeking grants and fundraisers. Mr. Ekstrand expressed his concern for the safety of children in the park. Passed out pictures of troubled areas of the park. He would like to start a committee to assist going forward. Volleyball Court is being donated to the Village from Bridge Street Tavern. It will be a 50 x 80 ft and in-kind services from DPW will assist in the installation. Miles Bottrill was in attendance and discussed the most recent information on the AIM funding for towns and villages. As of right now, the state has cut this funding for municipalities. This is around a \$175k loss of funds for the village. The state budget is on the calendar to be passed on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Letters in support of reinstating the funding has been sent by various politicians including Assemblymen Magnarelli.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS: None**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

<b>Administrative</b>	<b>Mayor Derek Baichi</b> – Actively looking around to make the village a better place and staying on top of the updates regarding AIM funding being reinstated.
<b>Legal</b>	<b>Kevin Gilligan, Village Attorney</b> – Questioned if Codes Department and future plans will be addressed this evening. A decision to work with the town is being considered. This will be through the end of the calendar year. The agreement will be the same as in the past plus a 3% administrative fee.
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Cheryl Visconti, Treasurer</b> – The budget modifications on the agenda were explained.
<b>Police</b>	<b>Allen Wood, Police Chief</b> – 862 calls in February: 33 follow ups, 6 felonies, 34 misdemeanors, 133 traffic, 3 DWI's, 151 parking, 5 motor vehicle and 2 stolen vehicles.
<b>Electric</b>	<b>Joe Hawksby, Electric Superintendent</b> – The repair and replacement of regulators 4-2 at Mathews Ave will be turned over to our insurance company. We have been reviewing and updating the civil service specifications of the Electric Maintenance Worker position. NYAPP, MEUA, NYPA Hydro contract extension for the next 15 years and until 2040 is in the works with more details

- DPW/Highway** **Richard Penhall, DPW Superintendent** – An update on plowing and salting was addressed. Successful work with the Town was brought up. Broken concrete removal and picking out the worst roads for paving is being working on.
- Library** **Dan Golden, Library Director** - Thank you to Mayor Derek Baichi for declaring Library Awareness Month, and supporting our Library. We are still working on a delivery service for homebound residents, to be called Words on Wheels. Library staff-members and volunteers will coordinate this program with Meals on Wheels and other local agencies. We are planning an upgrade of our Website, Solvaylibrary.org. The scanning and digitization of the Solvay Process Collection is rapidly progressing. We are hoping to provide digital copies of our collection via the library’s website in the coming weeks. Dan Golden described some programs coming up over the next few months: Welcome Wednesdays- Starting again on January 30. Every Wednesday at 4pm. Weekly get-together, crafts and events for teens and tweens. Easter Egg Hunt and Party-Saturday, April 20, 1 p.m. Party and Easter Egg hunt sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Annual Friends of the Library Booksale, May 17-19, 2018. Our annual Book and Bake Sale, held at the Solvay Fire Department. Superhero Costume Party—Kickoff of the Summer Reading Program, Friday, July 12, 2 p.m. Party in superhero costume for young people of all ages. 115th anniversary of our building- October 18, 2019.
- Codes** **Anthony Alberti** – Continued rental and electrical inspections are taking place. The Spring and Summer challenges are ahead. Byrne Dairy was discussed. Trustee Tarolli addressed the resolution affecting codes on the agenda. The next Codes Meeting in on April 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30.
- Stormwater** **Mark Malley** – The annual MS4 report is coming due. A public hearing will take place next month.
- Celebrations** **Mayor Derek Baichi** – The Solvay Field Days is coming, stay tuned.
- Buildings** **John Fall Sr, Trustee** – C&S Engineers sent updated plans to WestRock. Gaining the property WestRock owns gains the village 99 parking spots. The plans for the new building are moving forward. The next meeting is on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:00, Solvay Fire Department.
- Comprehensive Plan** **John Cregg, Trustee** – Last night was the final meeting before the draft plan. Updates are on both the village and town website will be available on Friday.
- Fire Department** **Tony Modafferri** – 105 emergency calls, 13 drills/training and 43 stand byes. A smoker will take place on June 14<sup>th</sup> at Station 1 – NYS Fire Chiefs event. The FD has voted to be apart of the Solvay Field Days this year. Bunk ins and Live ins were addressed and their importance to our fire department.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$13,070.00 for services rendered from 2/1/19 to 2/28/19. (Total Cost to the Village is: \$7,065.00)  
Below are the specific projects that will be reimbursed through Grant or the County:
  - Invoice No. 0177840 – Project No. 114.213.001 – I/I Reduction Grant
  - Invoice No. 0177842 – Project No. 114.217.001 – Montrose Avenue USDARD
  - Invoice No. 0177860 – Project No. 114.222.001 – Aquatic Spray Park – Grant
  - Invoice No. 0177861 – Project No. 114.229.001 – Community Development Grant**MOTION: John Fall Sr**  
**SECOND: Thomas Tarolli**  
**AYES: 7** **NAYES: 0** **MOTION CARRIED**
  
2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for David Bosco and Thomas Devereaux to become permanent Line Leaders for the Solvay Electric Department effective immediately. This is a result of successful civil service testing.  
**MOTION: William McVicker**  
**SECOND: John Fall Sr**  
**AYES: 7** **NAYES: 0** **MOTION CARRIED**

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2019 Special Board/Budget Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

**MOTION: Raymond Fougner**

**SECOND: John Fall Sr**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to introduce proposed Local Law A of 2019 titled 'A Local Law to Amend Chapter 56 of the Code of the Village of Solvay To Revise the Procedure for Abating Brush, Grass and Weeds Violations' declaring that there are no other involved agencies, that this board shall act as lead agency in this matter, determining that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) shall not be required, rendering a negative declaration for purposes of SEQR and scheduling a public hearing to be held to consider this legislation at the April 23, 2019 meeting of this Board, to be held at 6:00 pm, or as soon thereafter as this matter can be reached, at the Geddes Town Hall meeting room, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY., all in accordance with the full resolution in this regard that has been circulated to the Village Board of Trustees.

**MOTION: John Cregg**

**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

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

**Village of Solvay General Fund**

<b>Account</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>(as modified) Current Budget</b>	<b>Proposed Budget Mod</b>	<b>Newly Modified Budget Amount</b>
<b>Revenues</b>				
424020 A	Interest Income - CD	0	2,000	2,000
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
512104 A	Mayor - Other	3,000	2,000	5,000
516404 A	Central Garage - Other	45,000	5,000	50,000
581404 A	Storm Sewer - Other	17,387	(5,000)	12,387
	<b>Total</b>	<b>65,387</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>67,387</b>

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: Thomas Tarolli**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PETITIONS:**

Various residents who live on Hardwick Drive expressed their discontent with the new Byrne Dairy going into the old Westvale Gardens on 2400 West Genesee Street. Such concerns include being open 24/7, increase in crime and entering and exiting the facility. A letter was read by Mrs. Tuccirone which reflected concerns and lack of knowledge of the meeting. Mayor Baichi accepted full responsibility regarding any notice issue. Trustee Cregg is in the process of arranging an informational meeting with a Byrne Dairy representative.

Mike Maloney and the Solvay Tigers Baseball/Softball program is in need of players. Opening Day is scheduled for May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Resolved that this Board of Trustees move into Executive Session to discuss a contract matter at 7:55 p.m.

**MOTION: John Cregg**

**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 at 8:05 p.m.

**MOTION: William McVicker**

**SECOND: Raymond Fougner**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**No action was taken at the Executive session meeting.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to settle the Tax Certiorari matter initiated by DMI Acquisitions Syracuse, LLC against the Village, with no refunds due to DMI, in accordance with the letter submitted to the Village Board by Village Counsel, John R. Langey, dated March 25, 2019.

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: William McVicker**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

**MOTION: Daniel Bellotti**

**SECOND: John Cregg**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk