

**Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees
Tuesday, December 17, 2019**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK
HARRY DECARLO**

Today, Tuesday, December 17, 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

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

MAYOR’S COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE: Moment of Silence for the passing of Nancy Fall. Solvay Football Team Presentation with the team and coaches present. The Annual Organizational Meeting will be held at 6:00 pm on January 7, 2020 in the Town of Geddes Community Room. Letter regarding Village Justice was addressed and the need for an additional Court Clerk. The winner of the holiday decorating contest is Christina DiGirio. A compliment was given to Anthony Alberti and the Police department. The Annual Tree Lighting was a success this year. Thank you to all those who helped out.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Local Law F

Open Public Hearing

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: William McVicker

4-0, Motion Carried

A discussion was led by Kevin Gilligan, Village Attorney regarding the vacant building registry within the Village of Solvay. Various questions came out including the land bank, foreclosure, zombie law and the State Building Code. A breakdown of the fines associated with the registry were elaborated on. These shall be enforced by the Codes department.

Close Public Hearing

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

4-0, Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administrative

Mayor Derek Baichi - None

Legal

Kevin Gilligan, Village Attorney – All items are on the agenda.

Treasurer

Cheryl Visconti, Treasurer – No Report for the month.

Police

Allen Wood, Police Chief – 884 Calls for the month of November: including 12 follow up investigations, 8 felonies, 46 misdemeanors, 174 traffic, 3 DWI’s, 7 Juvenile, 72 parking, 9 motor vehicle and 3 stolen vehicles. Recent break ins were addressed including Heritage Circle area.

Electric

John Kurtz, Asst. Electric Superintendent – We wish Tom Tarolli and Dan Bellotti well and are grateful for their help in the electric department. The broken pole on 12-11-19 was caused by a sleeve splice to fail on the Lakeland Substation. This prevented us from isolating the broken pole and picking up most customers. Work has begun on the retaining wall project at 507 Charles Ave. The water heater pilot program will start sometime in January for anyone interested. We will select 10 residential customers. Happy Holidays to all!

DPW/Highway

Charles Orr Jr, DPW Superintendent – Reported 107 pick-ups for the month and 9 sewer calls. Brought up the issue of parking when plowing. The other issue of people taking salt from the DPW was addressed. The mattress resolution was also debated.

- Library** **Dan Golden, Library Director** - We thank members of the Village Board of Trustees who attended the Friends' Holiday Party at the Library. Approximately 75 people were there to celebrate and receive prizes from the Friends raffle. The Library will be closed December 24 and 25, plus December 31 and January 1, for the Holidays. Here are some upcoming programs: Bells and Motley- Saturday, February 15, 2020, 2 p.m. Bells and Motley is a folk duo that will celebrate Valentine's Day with English and French traditional folk music. Irish Dance with Rince Na Sonas- Saturday, March 7, 2p.m. An afternoon of traditional Irish dance and folk music. Easter Egg Hunt and Party-Saturday, April 11, 1 p.m. Party and Easter Egg hunt sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Light of the World Ballet- Saturday, April 4, 2p.m. Light of the World Ballet is a full-time professional ballet company which performs locally, state-wide, and tours nationally and internationally. As always, the Library welcomes suggestions from the public.
- Codes** **Anthony Alberti** – Reported 16 complaints, 21 electrical inspections, 2 rental inspections, 6 trash and 2 snow. Unlicensed vehicles are being addressed as well.
- Stormwater/Montrose Ave** **Mark Malley, Village Engineer** – Out of town on business. Mayor Baichi discussed Milton and Montrose projects.
- Celebrations** **Mayor Derek Baichi** - None
- Buildings** **John Fall Sr, Trustee** - None
- Friends of Charles Ave Park** **Residents Report** - None
- Cost Cutting** **Mayor Derek Baichi** – Resuming in January 2020.

Additional Resolutions from the Village Board: None

PETITIONS:

(Five Minute Time Limit Per Petitioner)

John Maestri, Village Resident questioned the itemized breakdown of the Village legal bills for the month of October. Suggested having all activity go through the Mayor and Village Clerk for monthly savings. Also, brought up the employee handbook

Joe Britton, Village Resident brought up the Solvay Little League winter clinic, Condolences to the Fall Family for the loss of Nancy Fall. Good luck to D. DiGilio and J. Cometti. Also, resolution #13 and the hiring of the Police Chiefs son. Questioned if the resolution was legal and how it effects the nepotism clause.

James Baleno, Village Resident questioned the recent investigation without conclusions. Also questioned the negative legal effects of resolution #13 being passed.

Jeff Smith, Village Resident reported on the Neighborhood Watch and the need for fund from the Village. A request for \$1200 was made and approved by the Mayor. Involvement with the police was brought up and working with the Village Clerk to add additional information to the Village Website.

Ed Weber, Deputy Town Supervisor discussed the tree that came down on State Fair Blvd effected the electric and how efficient our electric department was. The lights came back on 3 hours later.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$21,320.00 for services rendered from 11/1/19 to 11/30/19. (Total Cost to the Village is: \$17,165.00)

Below are the specific projects that will be reimbursed through Grant or the County:

- Invoice No. 0183619 – Project No. 114.222.001 – Aquatic Spray Park – Sam Grant
- Invoice No. 0183620 – Project No. 114.224.001 – Gere Lock Rd. Culvert Replacement – Belle-Isle Tree Replacement Grant
- Invoice No. 0183622 – Project No. 114.229.001 – Boyd Park Improvements - Community Development Grant
- Invoice No. 0183624 – Project No. 114.232.001 – Montrose Avenue Drainage Phase II
- Invoice No. 0183625 – Project No. 114.233.001 – Electric Department
- Invoice No. 0183626 – Project No. 114.235.001 – West End Lighting Phase I - Community Development Grant

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay Costello, Cooney & Fearon, PLLC \$12,235.25 for services rendered for the month of November 2019. A detailed list of charges has been provided to the Board of Trustees.

MOTION: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: John Cregg

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the November 26, 2019 Regular Village Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: John Cregg

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the Mayor's execution of the "Restated Agreement," a joint service agreement which amends an agreement entered into by and among various municipalities and public authorities who participate in the "Onondaga County Municipal Employee Benefits Agreement," which authorization is a Type II action for purposes of SEQRA.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to adopt the revised version of the Village of Solvay Employee Handbook.

MOTION: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: John Cregg

No Vote Took Place

Motion to Table

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

AYES: 3

NAYES: 1

MOTION FAILED

Resolution # 5

MOTION: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: John Cregg

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Absent
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Excused
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	No
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Excused
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No
			Motion Failed

6. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to have Joe Johnson Equipment repair the Sweeper for the DPW at a cost of \$7,863.35. This quote meets the requirements of the Village Procurement Policy.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- 7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to accept the Board of Elections constituting the County Board of Canvassers in and for the County of Onondaga, having canvassed the votes on the 26th day of November, 2019, in the several election districts of said County at the General Election held on the 5th day of November, 2019, do hereby certify, determine and declare that the hereafter named persons were duly elected to the respective offices hereafter set opposite their names in and for the Village of Solvay by the greatest number of votes:

Village Trustee 1st Ward	James Cometti 220 Draper Avenue Syracuse, NY 13219
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Village Trustee 2nd Ward	John R Fall Sr 103 Smith Street Syracuse, NY 13209
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Village Trustee 3rd Ward	Deborah M Degilio 213 Power Street Solvay, NY 13209
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MOTION: William McVicker
SECOND: John Cregg
AYES: 4 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

- 8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to make Greg Campagnoni an Assistant Electric Maintenance Worker at a pay rate of \$32.77 per hour. This position will have an effective date of December 21, 2019.

MOTION: Raymond Fougner
SECOND: John Cregg
AYES: 4 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

- 9. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the Standard Work Day and Reporting for Elected and Appointed Officials required by the New York State and Local Retirement System for Derek Baichi (Mayor). 6 hrs. Standard Work Day.

MOTION: John Cregg
SECOND: William McVicker
AYES: 4 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

- 10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to acknowledge the receipt of County Executive Ryan McMahon’s letter of December 3, 2019 providing lead agency notice with respect to Sanitary Sewer Consolidation and concurring with the County assuming lead agency status for purposes of SEQR review related to same.

MOTION: William McVicker
SECOND: Raymond Fougner
AYES: 4 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

- 11. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to increase the pay rate of existing and new part time police officers to \$25 per hour plus one complete uniform.

MOTION: William McVicker
SECOND: John Cregg
 No Vote Took Place

Motion to Table
MOTION: William McVicker
SECOND: Raymond Fougner
AYES: 4 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

- 12. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to discontinue the pick-up of mattresses and box springs by the DPW effective December 2, 2019. This is due to new \$15 fee per mattress and box spring being charged by OCCRA.

MOTION: Raymond Fougner
SECOND: John Cregg
 No Vote Took Place

Motion to Table

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

13. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to hire Allen Wood II as a Full Time Police Officer on a provisional basis. Successful completion of the police academy and field training is required. Salary is based on the Union contract and the effective start date is January 18, 2020.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

No Vote Took Place

Motion to Table until Executive Session

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

14. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the enactment of Local Law F-2019, as Local Law No. 7 of 2019, creating a new Chapter 159A in the Code of the Village of Solvay to establish a vacant building registry and maintenance obligations, the Board of Trustees having rendered a negative declaration on November 26, 2019 for purposes of SEQR, and having held a public hearing to consider such Local Law on December 17, 2019. All in accordance with the full resolution circulated to the Village Board.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Absent
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Excused
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Excused
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Carried

15. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the adoption of the “Village of Solvay Annual Vacant Building Registration Fee Schedule”, in accordance with the full resolution which has been circulated to the Mayor and Board of Trustees.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

16. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the issuance of a Resolution/Order reducing the speed limit on Fourth Street, west from Woods Road for a distance of 1,320 feet to the entrance of the Solvay High School, and on Gertrude Street, south from Third Street for a distance of 1,320 feet to the entrance of the Solvay High School, to 20 miles per hour. All in accordance with the full resolution circulated to the Village Board.

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that this Board of Trustees move into Executive Session to discuss a contract and personnel matter at 7:35 p.m.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that the Executive Session be closed and that this Board return to the regular meeting at 8:30 p.m.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: William McVicker

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

No action was taken at the Executive session meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to amend Resolution #13 to be tabled until January 7, 2020.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Absent
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Excused
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Excused
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No Motion Failed

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to withdraw Resolution #13.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Absent
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Excused
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Excused
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No Motion Failed

ADJOURNMENT:

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk