

**Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees
Tuesday, July 28, 2020**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK
HARRY DECARLO**

Today, Tuesday, July 28, 2020 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 Rd, Solvay, NY 13209.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:	Trustees	Deborah DeGilio	Present
		Raymond Fougner	Present
		William McVicker	Present
		John Cregg	Present
		James Cometti	Present
	Deputy Mayor	John Fall Sr	Present
	Mayor	Derek Baichi	Present

MAYOR'S COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

- Solvay Geddes Community Youth Center update. The Go Fund Me Page is a success.
- Presentation by Kiwanis
- DPW Brush Truck will be discussed during DPW report.
- Court Clerk Position shall be discussed in Executive Session
- Congratulations to New Chief of Geddes, John Fall Jr.
- Police Appreciation and success of recent event.
- Retirement Announcements – Mary Dee Yost and Wendy Pellizzari. They will be truly missed.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administrative	Mayor Derek Baichi – Continue to be safe and social distance.
Legal	Village Attorney – None
Treasurer	Cheryl Visconti, Treasurer – No Budget Modifications, Provided preliminary year-end financial reports to the board, \$109,000 deficit.
Police	Allen Wood, Police Chief – 737 calls for service in June: 16 follow ups, 3 felonies, 27 misdemeanors, 83 vehicle and traffic, 2 DWI, 1 Juvenile arrest, 52 parking, 10 MV and 4 stolen vehicles.
Electric	John Kurtz, Asst Electric Superintendent – Completing yearly inspections of bucket trucks and diggers by vendors. Replaced two poles in different locations due to rotting found while performing EV tests. Continue yearly EV testing, 20% complete. Working on a new answering service and an updated phone vendor. Will need to do some tree trimming in the next couple of months. Will need to start residential meter testing soon, per PSC order.
DPW/Highway	Charles Orr Jr, DPW Superintendent – Discussed several topics including the 347 bulk pick-ups, mattresses, \$3600 in tipping fees, 15 sewer calls, averaging \$900 for brush pick-ups, road repairs, street signs, cleaning and disinfecting the buildings. The brush truck purchase was discussed by the village board. A debate occurred on how to purchase the truck and the current need.
Library	Dan Golden, Library Director - The Solvay Public Library is still offering Library Takeout services. Residents can request materials by placing holds online with their library card number and personal identification number. Until Labor Day, our operating hours will be: 9am to 8pm

Monday-Wednesday, 9am to 5pm Thursday and Friday, and 9am to 1pm Saturday. We are still limited to curbside pickup only. Fortunately, business has been brisk and we continue to be very busy with pickup orders averaging 15-20 takeout's per hour, as well as other deliveries and requests. We are also researching and answering reference questions, continuing to work on the digitization project, offering virtual programs and reorganizing large areas of the collection and storage areas. In the fall season, we are planning to develop and expand our outreach to local schools. Although the building is not yet open to the public, we are still able to provide public programs. On July 9, we presented Moreland the Magician and on July 20, we presented the Zoo to You program as virtual events on Zoom for lively audiences of eleven and five young people respectively. In the coming weeks, we have scheduled more virtual programs that will appear on our website and on our Facebook page. The first will be our weekly story times with Library Trustee Rosemarie Novembrini. Also, on Thursday, August 13th at 10AM, the Museum of Science and Technology will offer a program on unique science experiments for young people.

Codes

Aaron Sauer, Codes Enforcement Officer - Building without a permit: Issued 10; Closed 5; Remaining 15; Repeat 1; 28 so far this year
Long grass: Sent 21 letters; Closed 21; Remaining 6; 132 so far this year; Repeats 12. There are 9 additional violations pending. Storm water: Issued one violation for silt leaching onto road. Trash and debris: Sent 65 letters; Closed 32; Remaining 35; 79 so far this year along with 250 letters issued while pickups were suspended; Repeats 4. There are 21 additional pending violations. Zoning: Issued one violation for a business operating without special permit and operating license. Dumpsters: Sent two violation warning letters for roll-off dumpsters. One dumpster has been removed. Shrubs: Issued 10 violation warnings for overgrown shrubs recently. Have not yet followed up on these. Unregistered rentals: Issued 7; Closed 6; Remaining 6. Yard waste: Issued 2 letters for yard wastes not presented appropriately for pickup; Closed 1; Remaining 1. Fire Code: Issued one violation warning for improper use of a cooking grill and received compliance. Property Maintenance: Issued 9; Closed 2; Remaining 13. Violations include bed bugs, damaged pool fence, missing attic window, collapsing retaining wall, and other general property maintenance issues. Posted three apartments at two properties Unfit for Occupancy due to lack of electrical service. One apartment remains posted. Posted one structure Unsafe to Occupy due to fire damage. Structure remains posted. Posted one structure unsafe due to vehicle damage. Structural repairs are completed.

Stormwater/Montrose Ave

Mark Malley, Village Engineer – Discussed drainage extension on Wycliffe, spray park updates, flex pave going in by the end of the week. The completion date is about two weeks away. The fencing and landscaping will be the final piece to be completed.

Buildings

John Fall Sr, Trustee – Continued discussion with Peter Tantalo of Westrock on acquiring the land.

Cost Cutting

Mayor Derek Baichi – The next meeting TBD.

Additional Resolutions from the Village Board: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Five Minute Time Limit Per Petitioner)

John McPeak, *Village Resident* brought up the recent letter to the editor that was written regarding the village surplus of \$1.4 Million and the fact that taxes should not have been raised. Discussed fund balance numbers for villages and towns. Its defined for schools but not municipalities. Numbers were compared with various state comptrollers.

Vici Sokolov, *Village Resident* brought up the illegal dumping of trash on Heritage Circle and how it becoming an eye sore in the neighborhood. Enforcement needs to be done because the neighbors are updates. Codes has been working on it but still not resolved. Made an official request for cameras in the area.

John Maestri, *Village Resident* wanted an update regarding former Trustee Bellotti and him reimbursing the village for his legal bills. In the February meeting, he stated that he would take care of it. The question was then directed to Village Attorney.

Sal Sciuga, *Village Resident* discussed bonding for the new brush truck. Funds can be used form surplus then bond. Discussed estoppel period and how you can bond but never use it.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$18,710.00 for services rendered from 6/1/20 to 6/30/20. (Total Cost to the Village is: \$8,540.00)
Below are the specific projects that will be reimbursed through Grant or the County:
 - Invoice No. 0188405 – Project No. 114.222.001 – Aquatic Spray Park – Sam Grant
 - Invoice No. 0188406 – Project No. 114.235.001 – Community Development Grant

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: James Cometti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay the Cerio Law Offices \$7,595.00 for services rendered for the month of June 2020. A detailed list of charges has been provided to the Board of Trustees.

MOTION: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: John Cregg

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the June 23, 2020 Regular Village Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: James Cometti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to accept the retirement of Mary Dee Yost effective July 31, 2020 and compensate Mrs. Yost for the 862.50 hours of unused sick time at regular rate of pay.

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve a 2.5% pay rate increase for the following part time positions with an effective date of August 1, 2020:

- Crossing Guard, Janitor, Police Officers, Librarians, Library Clerks, Court Clerks, Court Attendants.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: William McVicker

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

6. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to declare a negative declaration and approve SEQR for extending the drainage system 60 L.F. between Wycliffe and Piercefield by directional drilling within the described signed Easements.

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: John Cregg

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve D.E. Tarolli Inc, 6602 Herman Rd, Warners, NY 13164 for directional drilling on the property between these two streets causing flooding out of the back yard and basement of the home owner on Piercefield Drive for the amount not to exceed \$27,043.67. D.E. Tarolli Inc is on the Onondaga County Bid List #8721.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to call a public hearing on August 25, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. to consider a Local Law amending Solvay Village Code Chapter 120: Nuisances, by striking the entire existing Chapter 120 and replacing it with a new Chapter 120: Nuisances.

MOTION: James Cometti

SECOND: John Fall Sr

No Vote Took Place

MOTION TO TABLE: Deborah DeGilio

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

9. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to vote on new business.

MOTION: Deborah DeGilio

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No
			Motion Carried

10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees purchase a 2021 MV 607 4x2 Brush Truck (\$75,266) and a LB3000 Brush Body with Tarp (\$22,500) from Stadium International Trucks, PO Box 2848, Syracuse, NY 13220. The total delivered price is \$97,766 and is a part of the Onondaga County Contract #8996; funds to be appropriated from the general fund surplus balance.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: William McVicker

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No
			Motion Carried

11. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to vote on new business.

MOTION: Deborah DeGilio

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No
			Motion Carried

12. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to appropriate \$3120 for the ZBA members wages from budget line 510104 A to 580101 A. The new annually salary for the chairman is \$2004 and \$1509 for members. Retroactive wages shall be paid to make up the difference for June and July 2020.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

MOTION TO TABLE: Derek Baichi

SECOND: John Fall Sr

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	No
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	No
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	No
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Failed

MOTION TO BRING RESOLUTION #12 BACK TO THE FLOOR: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No
			Motion Carried

13. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to introduce to add a new resolution.

MOTION: Deborah DeGilio

SECOND: William McVicker

MOTION TO TABLE: Derek Baichi

SECOND: John Fall Sr

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	No
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	No
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	No
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Failed

MOTION TO BRING RESOLUTION #13 BACK TO THE FLOOR: Deborah DeGilio

SECOND: William McVicker

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No
			Motion Carried

14. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to promote Megan Cavaliere to a Full Time Court Clerk with a pay rate of \$15.99 per hour effective August 3, 2020. This position includes full health, dental, vision and life insurance benefits after 90 days.

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

MOTION TO TABLE: Derek Baichi

SECOND: John Fall Sr

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	No
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	No
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	No
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Failed

MOTION TO BRING RESOLUTION #14 BACK TO THE FLOOR: Deborah DeGilio
SECOND: William McVicker

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No
			Motion Carried

15. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to introduce to add a new resolution.
MOTION: Deborah DeGilio
SECOND: Raymond Fournier

MOTION TO TABLE: Derek Baichi
SECOND: John Fall Sr

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	No
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	No
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	No
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Failed

MOTION TO BRING RESOLUTION #15 BACK TO THE FLOOR: Deborah DeGilio
SECOND: William McVicker

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fournier	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No
			Motion Carried

16. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to have the Village Attorney, Tom Cerio investigate the circumstances surrounding the missing code violation inspection reports from 119 Summit Ave. The investigation shall cover the reasons for the power to be shut off, the reason the power was subsequently turned back on, and recovery of the missing violation reports, if possible. A final report of all findings shall be furnished to the board on or before the next board meeting. Expenses not to exceed \$5000.

MOTION: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: John Cregg

MOTION TO TABLE: Derek Baichi

SECOND: John Fall Sr

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	No
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	No
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	No
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Failed

MOTION TO BRING RESOLUTION #16 BACK TO THE FLOOR: Deborah DeGilio

SECOND: William McVicker

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No
			Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 7:35 pm

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk