

Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees
Tuesday, September 22, 2020

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Today, Tuesday, September 22, 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 at 6:00 pm.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

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

MAYOR’S COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank you to SGN/Mark Buselli for livestreaming village board meeting. Earth Day 2.0 is this Saturday throughout the village.

PUBLIC HEARING:

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administrative	Mayor Derek Baichi – Administrative Meeting took place yesterday discussing the Master Plan which is paving from Cogswell Ave to Camillus line. The surplus was also discussed.
Legal	Village Attorney – Question from audience regarding a former village officer investigation – waiting on files from previous village attorney.
Treasurer	Cheryl Visconti, Treasurer – Budget modifications were explained including a decrease in CHIPS, increase in OCCRA and decrease in health insurance.
Police	Allen Wood, Police Chief – 931 Calls for the month of August: 24 follow up investigations, 13 felonies, 90 misdemeanors, 164 traffic, 2 DWI, 42 parking, 10 motor vehicle and 3 stolen vehicles.
Electric	John Kurtz, Asst. Electric Superintendent – Continue tree trimming in various locations. Removing old primary conductor from Belle Isle Rd to Bridge St (10 sections) and taking to scrap. Repair gang operated switch on Milton Ave due to animal caused outage and damage. Looking at software to replace existing for meter reading. Our current version will not work at the end of 2021.
DPW/Highway	Charles Orr Jr, DPW Superintendent – Continued bulk, brush pickups and sewer calls. Delays for getting concrete, backhoe/surplus, tree removal and moveouts were discussed. Five Year Plan for DPW equipment was suggested by Trustee Fall. Continued sign replacement and sidewalk removal was addressed as well.
Library	Dan Golden, Library Director - We are now accepting limited in-building appointments Monday-Friday, 1pm-4:45pm. Similarly, 45-minute appointments on Saturdays will begin at 10am and continue until 12:45pm. Patrons can come in under the following conditions: 1) there are fewer than 8 patrons in the building 2) they have proper ID, 3) are wearing a mask that covers their nose and mouth, and 4) they use hand

sanitizer as they enter the building. At the same time, we still offer Library Takeout services. Residents can request materials by placing holds online with their library card number and personal identification number. For now, our operating hours will be: 9am to 8pm Monday-Wednesday, 9am to 5pm Thursday and Friday, and 9am to 1pm Saturday. 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. 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. Later this fall season, I will present a series of programs on the job search, including: preparing a job application, designing a resume, and handling a job interview.

Codes

Aaron Sauer, Codes Enforcement Officer - Village Code Violations: Long grass: 2 new, 139 YTD. Junk and debris: 80 new, 170 YTD This takes up a good portion of my time, and we are looking at options to improve bulk pickups in The Village. Shrubs: 1 new, 14 YTD. Building without a permit: 3 new, 33 YTD. Unregistered rental: 2 new, 27 YTD. Dumpster: 2 new. Streets and sidewalks: 6 new. Yard waste: 3 new. State Code Violations: One Unsafe structure, Four Property Maintenance Violations. Issued two work orders for long grass, and one for trash. The following revenue has been generated fiscal YTD: Registration and Inspection fees: \$2960, Permits: \$940, Other: \$250. There was other revenue generated during this period that has not yet been posted to the ledger. The Village previously enacted a Vacant Property Registry ordinance but a fee schedule was never adopted. I will be presenting a proposal for the adoption of a fee schedule at next month's Regular Board Meeting.

Stormwater/Montrose Ave

Mark Malley, Village Engineer – The MS4 inspection is coming up. Update provided on West End Lighting Project. The splash pad has been tested and everything passed.

Buildings

John Fall Sr, Trustee – No Report

Cost Cutting

Mayor Derek Baichi – Meeting in August was discussed. Future plans are being addressed.

Additional Resolutions from the Village Board:

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to rescind the purchase a facial recognition time clock or comparable system for an amount not to exceed \$5000 and to resume the use of regular time clocks.

MOTION: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: James Cometti

AYES: 6

NAYES: 1 (Baichi)

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Five Minute Time Limit Per Petitioner)

John McPeak – Offered his opinion on the unrestricted fund balance and reinstating the contingency line item in the village budget. Suggested having a rainy-day fund.

Vici Sokolav – Brought up the event coming up on Saturday for the school and national honor society. Would like to bring back the Farmers market to the village. This can be done through co-ops and the Department of Agriculture.

RESOLUTIONS:

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$15,705.00 for services rendered from 8/1/20 to 8/31/20. (Total Cost to the Village is: \$9,360.00)

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

- Invoice No. 0189509 – Project No. 114.222.001 – Aquatic Spray Park – Sam Grant
- Invoice No. 0189516 – Project No. 114.235.001 – Community Development Grant

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay the Cerio Law Offices \$7951.50 for services rendered for the month of August 2020. A detailed list of charges has been provided to the Board of Trustees.

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: John Fall Sr

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the August 25, 2020 Regular Village Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: Raymond Fournier

SECOND: John Cregg

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the September 14, 2020 Special/Administrative Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: James Cometti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

6. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the September 17, 2020 Special Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: James Cometti

SECOND: John Fall Sr

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to call a public hearing on October 27, 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: Deborah DeGilio

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the Solvay Public Library to post the position of a Part Time Library Clerk for 10 days to work nineteen hours per week, at a rate of \$12.10 per hour. This is a replacement position for two clerks who changed their status to substitutes in June 2020.

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: James Cometti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

9. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to send the 2015 Kobelco SK85CS-3, Model #SK85CS-3E, Serial #LF08-05724 to Auctions International, 11167 Big Tree Rd, East Aurora, NY 14052. It is considered surplus and no longer needed by the DPW.

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: Raymond Fournier

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to place a handicapped sign at 401 First Street.

MOTION: Raymond Fournier

SECOND: John Cregg

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

11. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to place a handicapped sign at 2301 Milton Ave (West End of Building).
MOTION: William McVicker
SECOND: John Cregg
AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

12. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approved the following budget modifications:
Village of Solvay General Fund

Account	Title	(as modified) Current Budget	Proposed Budget Mod	Newly Modified Budget Amount
Revenues				
435010 A	State Aid-CHIPS	168,048	(33,610)	134,438
	Total	168,048	(33,610)	134,438
Expenses				
551122 A	Street Maintenance-CHIPS	168,048	(33,610)	134,438
581604 A	Refuse-Other	475,000	10,000	485,000
581704 A	Street Cleaning-Other	5,000	20,500	25,500
590608 A	Health Insurance	603,142	(30,500)	572,642
	Total	1,251,190	(33,610)	1,217,580

- MOTION: John Cregg**
SECOND: Raymond Fournier
AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

13. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve CHA (Clough Harbor Associates), 111 Winners Circle, PO Box 5269, Albany, NY 12205-0269 to perform the following for the Electric Department: Project setup for \$5,000, field survey for \$25,000, data collection and web GIS application development for \$25,000, Feeder maps \$10,000 and hosting web GIS application for \$5,000 per year. The Village of Solvay Procurement Policy requirements have been met.
MOTION: John Cregg
SECOND: Rayond Fournier
AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that this Board of Trustees move into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter at 7:22 p.m.

- MOTION: James Cometti**
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 7:56 p.m.

- MOTION: William McVicker**
SECOND: James Cometti
AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

No action was taken at the Executive session meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 7:57 pm.

- MOTION: James Cometti**
SECOND: John Fall Sr
AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk