

**Special Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees
Monday, November 2, 2020**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK
HARRY DECARLO**

Today, Monday, November 2, 2020 the **SPECIAL BOARD MEETING of the SOLVAY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** was called to order by Mayor Derek Baichi in the Town of Geddes Court Room, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209 and via Zoom 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
		*via Zoom	

MAYOR'S COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Trustee Cregg read a letter addressing discontent with Mayor Baichi by himself and select board members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administrative	Mayor Derek Baichi – Called for a Special Board Meeting to discuss the upcoming budget and master plan on November 18 th at 5:30 pm
Legal	David Herkala, Village Attorney – No Report
Treasurer	Cheryl Visconti, Treasurer – Excused from the meeting
Police	Trustee Cometti – Calls for service in September were 967 including: 10 follow up investigations, 3 felony arrests, 28 misdemeanors and other arrests, 148 vehicle and traffic tickets, 2 DWI arrest, 90 parking tickets, 4 motor vehicle accidents and 2 stolen vehicles. Please check out the new Solvay Police Facebook page.
Electric	Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk – Scheduled for damaged transformer pick up on 10/29/2020. Apartments on Third Street energized two weeks ago. Continue to work on Boyd Ave feeder relief. Make ready work for body coat in Dwight park (2 poles/1 anchor). Will be EV testing all metal street light poles in November in the evening.
DPW/Highway	Trustee Fall – Provided statistics for the month including pickups, sewer calls and etc.
Library	Trustee DeGilio – Library is closed for two weeks but virtual programs are being offered. Updates will be posted as they become available.
Codes	Aaron Sauer, Codes Enforcement Officer – Reminded everyone to turn the clocks back and change the batteries in smoke alarms. Provided various statistics for the month including 159 junk and debris violations and 1 zoning issue.
Stormwater/Montrose Ave	Mark Malley, Village Engineer – Referenced Resolution #5 regarding stormwater MS4 report public hearing. Provided updates for the pool and the contracts.
Buildings	John Fall Sr, Trustee – No Report

Cost Cutting

Mayor Derek Baichi – On Hold

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Five Minute Time Limit Per Petitioner)

Kathy Brouse, Village Resident elaborated in inappropriate decorum at the last board meeting. Reminded the crowd of our 20 years of service to the village and we are all public servants and our duty is to the people.

John McPeak, Village Resident is continuing to look for a Motion to secure a reasonable fund balance. With the tax rate too high a compromise and number must be established.

Joe Britton, Village Resident referenced the cost cutting committee and why the current legal bill with Cerio Law is \$15,000 for the month. The walk out by select Trustees was unacceptable to the village tax payers. Also expressed his discontent with Trustee Cregg and how he addressed the budget modifications with our Treasurer.

Tom Capetta, Village Resident started with an apology to Trustee DeGilio. Referenced the Bills of Rights and importance of everyone working together. Stated how the current administration looks like a “bunch of clowns”. With the increase in taxes, why can’t the money be used to assist families in need being affected by Covid-19. The operational costs must be reduced going forward.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$14,690.00 for services rendered from 9/1/20 to 9/30/20. (Total Cost to the Village is: \$7,340.00)

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

- Invoice No. 0190232 – Project No. 114.224.001 – Gere Lock Rd. – Belle-Isle – Tree Replacement – Grant
- Invoice No. 0190235 – Project No. 114.232.001 – Montrose Avenue Drainage Phase II – FEMA Grant
- Invoice No. 0190237 – Project No. 114.235.001 – West End Lighting Phase I - Community Development Grant
- Invoice No. 0190238 – Project No. 114.239.001 – FEMA BRIC Funding – FEMA Grant

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: William McVicker

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay the Cerio Law Offices \$15,004.00 for services rendered for the month of September 2020. A detailed list of charges has been provided to the Board of Trustees.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: James Cometti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the October 19, 2020 Special Village Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: James Cometti

SECOND: John Fall Sr

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to hire Mr. Philip Leach as a Part Time Library Clerk at a rate of \$12.10 per hour, effective November 2, 2020, for the Solvay Public Library. This position fills a vacancy and does not affect the budget of the Solvay Public Library. The hours shall not exceed 20 hours per week.

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: James Cometti

No Vote Took Place

MOTION TO TABLE: Deborah DeGilio

SECOND: John Cregg

Member	Title	Voted	Result
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

MOTION TO REMOVE TABLE: Derek Baichi

SECOND: John Fall Sr

No Vote Took Place

5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to give public notice and advertise the Public Hearing to be held on November 24, 2020, at the regularly scheduled Village of Solvay Board Meeting located at the Geddes Town Hall, to discuss the Village of Solvay's NYSDEC Semi-Annual MS4 2020 Report.

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

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

Account	Title	(as modified) Current Budget	Proposed Budget Mod	Newly Modified Budget Amount
Revenues				
426800 A	Insurance Recovery	0	36,634	36,634
	Total	0	36,634	36,634
Expenses				
531201 A	Police - Wages	1,356,600	36,634	1,393,234
516404 A	Central Garage-Other	48,000	(5,000)	43,000
581204 A	Sanitary Sewer-Other	70,000	(20,000)	50,000
581404 A	Storm Sewer-Other	10,000	20,000	30,000
581704 A	Street Cleaning-Other	25,500	5,000	30,500
	Total	1,510,100	36,634	1,546,734

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: William McVicker

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to amend the local law of the Village of Solvay Code, Chapter 120, by striking the existing Chapter 120 in its entirety and replacing it with a new Chapter 120 entitled "Village of Solvay Nuisance Abatement Law". This is all in accordance with the full resolution circulated to the Village Board.

MOTION: Deborah DeGilio

SECOND: James Cometti

No Vote Took Place

MOTION TO TABLE: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: John Cregg

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

8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the Mayor to sign the Salting Agreement between the Village of Solvay and the Solvay Fire Department, Inc.

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: William McVicker

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

9. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the new title and pay rates for the following:

- Thomas Spaeth 10/24/2020 title upgrade to Line Worker II with a pay rate of \$39.59
- Justin Mersfelder 10/17/2020 title upgrade to Line Worker I with a pay rate of \$35.29
- Justin Morgan 10/2/2020 title upgrade to Line Worker Trainee II with a pay rate of \$27.71

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: John Fall SR

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Carried

Resolved that this Board of Trustees move into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter at 7:11 p.m.

MOTION: Deborah DeGilio

SECOND: John Cregg

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that the Executive Session be closed and that this Board return to the regular meeting 7:30 p.m.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: James Cometti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

No action was taken at the Executive session meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

The special meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 7:30 pm

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: John Cregg

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk