

**Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees  
Tuesday, February 23, 2021**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
HARRY DECARLO**

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Today, Tuesday, February 23, 2021 the **REGULAR BOARD MEETING** of the **SOLVAY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** was called to order by Mayor Derek Baichi via Zoom Webinar at 6:00 pm.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

<b>ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:</b>	<b>Trustees</b>	<b>Deborah DeGilio</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>Raymond Fougner</b>	<b>Excused</b>
		<b>William McVicker</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>John Cregg</b>	<b>Present</b>
		<b>James Cometti</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>

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Introduction of new Acting Village Justice, Kara LaSorsa
- Presentation of David Bosco Memorial Plaque
- Village Budget Update – Workshops being scheduled for March 2021

**PUBLIC HEARING: None**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

<b>Administrative</b>	<b>Derek Baichi, Mayor - None</b>
<b>Legal</b>	<b>David Herkala, Village Attorney</b> – Response from WestRock has been received regarding land acquisition for new Village Hall.
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Cheryl Visconti, Treasurer</b> – No budget modifications this month. The focus has been on the upcoming budget.
<b>Police</b>	<b>James Cometti, Trustee</b> – Provided statistics for the month of January which included a total of 735 calls. The new Part Time Police Officer, Dustin White has been making great strides as a new member of the team. Our new Part Time Dispatcher, Mary Anne Calagero has been a great addition to the team as well.
<b>Electric</b>	<b>William McVicker, Trustee</b> - Starting on Monday 3/1 there will be a new phone number to report an outage or electric issue after hrs. please dial 315-468-6229 and follow the new prompts. The old 315-433-6061 number will no longer be working for the elect. Dept. We will provide more info as we get it. The elect. Dept will need to purchase new software and meter reading equip. Due to the existing becoming obsolete. The cost will be somewhere around 25,000. Lakeland sub. Transformer issue was addressed a few weeks ago and all seems to be normal. The issue was discovered by our substations person who started the job 1 yr. ago. This was a great catch on his part. Snow plowing and trying to keep up with the weather. We had no outages during the cold snap a few weeks ago which proves our Maintenance Plan is working.
<b>DPW/Highway</b>	<b>Chuck Orr, DPW Superintendent</b> – A State truck on loan from Camillus to assist with daily workload. The new brush truck is out and being used. Various sewer calls in digs throughout the month. Continued snow removal as we get through the Winter season. Drug and Alcohol testing for CDL drivers was discussed.
<b>Library</b>	<b>Dan Golden, Library Director</b> - Due to the various closures of the Library caused by the coronavirus crisis, checkouts of eBooks from our Overdrive system have increased considerably. From June 2019-January 2020, the library checked out 2,327 downloads; from June 2020-January 2021, we checked out 6,807. We have also noted a large increase in requests for information from the digital scans of the Solvay Process

Collection, and we have expanded the number of our virtual programs for the public. Overall, the global coronavirus emergency has greatly accelerated the development of our electronic services. With regard to electronics, now that the project of scanning the files of the Solvay Process Collection is largely completed, we are developing a plan to scan the extensive collection of artwork, photos and maps in our historical collection. This plan will include scanning books in this collection that are 96 years old or older and have therefore passed into the public domain. In January and February, business for the library takeout service continued to be very popular with our patrons. Throughout this holiday period, pickup orders still averaged 15-20 takeouts per hour, and we continued to receive deliveries, place orders for new materials, and take requests from the public. We are continuing to present virtual programs on our website and on our Facebook page; including our weekly storytimes with Library Trustee Rosemarie Novembrini and regular Crafting with Carolyn programs with our own Carolyn Patapow.

- Codes** **Aaron Sauer, Code Enforcement** - Village Code Violations: 27 Junk and Debris, 2 Unlicensed junk vehicles, 2 zoning and 1 dumpster. State Code Violations: 4 Property maintenance codes and 3 unsafe structures (2 fire).
- Stormwater/Montrose Ave** **Mark Malley, Village Engineer** – Addressed the upcoming Garbage Contract and Bid selection process. Drafts have been given to board and attorneys to review before final goes out. Community Development has additional funding available. A potential for 150k. Mayor would like to go over list of projects to be submitted including new concession stand.
- Buildings** **John Fall Sr, Trustee - None**  
**Cost Cutting** **Derek Baichi, Mayor – None**

The Village Hall will be reopening on Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Trustee Cregg discussed brush truck past resolution and allocations of the payment.

**Additional Resolutions from the Village Board: None**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*Kim Pomeroy, Village Resident* discussed the deer issue in the village and suggested culling. A significant issue with deer ticks is on the rise and need to be addressed. Mayor has been in contact with DEC for a solution.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$11,660.00 for services rendered from 1/1/21 to 1/31/21.  
**MOTION: John Fall Sr**  
**SECOND: William McVicker**  
**AYES: 6** **NAYES: 0** **MOTION CARRIED**
2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay the Cerio Law Offices \$8,014.80 for services rendered for the month of January 2021. A detailed list of charges has been provided to the Board of Trustees.  
**MOTION: William McVicker**  
**SECOND: John Cregg**  
**AYES: 6** **NAYES: 0** **MOTION CARRIED**
3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the January 26, 2021 Regular Village Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.  
**MOTION: William McVicker**  
**SECOND: John Fall Sr**  
**AYES: 6** **NAYES: 0** **MOTION CARRIED**

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the January 29, 2021 Special/Emergency Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: John Cregg**

**AYES: 6**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to amend this resolution.

**MOTION: William McVicker**

**SECOND: John Fall Sr**

**AYES: 6**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Authorization from the Board of Trustees to purchase Five (5) 2021 Ford Utility Police Interceptor AWD Police Vehicles for \$46,809.35 each from Van Bortel Ford, 71 Marsh Rd, East Rochester, NY 14445, Quote # 31748, Onondaga County Bid 87712021. The payment of the \$50,000 per year over a 5-year period shall come out of the police budget/general fund.

**MOTION: William McVicker**

**SECOND: John Cregg**

**AYES: 6**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

6. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to promote Emanuel Falcone to Line Leader for the Solvay Electric Department with a pay rate according to the Union Contract. The start date is February 27, 2021.

**MOTION: John Cregg**

**SECOND: James Cometti**

<b>Deborah DeGilio</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Raymond Fougner</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Exc.</b>
<b>William McVicker</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Cregg</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>James Cometti</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Fall Sr</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Derek Baichi</b>	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
			<b>Motion Carried</b>

7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to Call, notice and advertise a public hearing to be held on March 23, 2020 at the regularly scheduled Village of Solvay Board Meeting via Zoom Webinar to consider a Local Law amending 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 Local Law circulated to the Village Board.

**MOTION: John Cregg**

**SECOND: James Cometti**

<b>Deborah DeGilio</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Raymond Fougner</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Exc.</b>
<b>William McVicker</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>John Cregg</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>James Cometti</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Fall Sr</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Derek Baichi</b>	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
			<b>Motion Failed</b>

8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to amend this resolution.

**MOTION: John Cregg**

**SECOND: William McVicker**

**AYES: 6**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Authorization from the Board of Trustees give public notice and advertise the Public Hearing to be held on March 23, 2021, at the regularly scheduled Village of Solvay Board Meeting via Zoom Webinar to consider a local law amending Village Code Section 160-73.1 by making the 100 block of Fourth Street between Stanton and Woods a "Odd/Even" zone.

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: John Cregg**

<b>Deborah DeGilio</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Raymond Fougner</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Exc.</b>
<b>William McVicker</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Cregg</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>James Cometti</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Fall Sr</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Derek Baichi</b>	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
			<b>Motion Carried</b>

9. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to amend this resolution.

**MOTION: John Cregg**

**SECOND: James Cometti**

**AYES: 6**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Authorization from the Board of Trustees to give public notice and advertise the Public Hearing to be held on March 23, 2020, at the regularly scheduled Village of Solvay Board Meeting via Zoom Webinar to consider a Local Law amending Village Code Section 35 by adding thereto a new Section 35-2 enacting a Trustee or any board member attendance and compensation policy.

**MOTION: William McVicker**

**SECOND: James Cometti**

<b>Deborah DeGilio</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Raymond Fougner</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Exc.</b>
<b>William McVicker</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>John Cregg</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>James Cometti</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Fall Sr</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Derek Baichi</b>	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
			<b>Motion Failed</b>

10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the Intermunicipal Wastewater Agreement with the Onondaga County Department of Water and Environmental Protection for sewer maintenance services. The service maintenance rates are listed in Exhibit B-Sewer Maintenance Rates SCHEDULE 1 attached document.

**MOTION: John Cregg**

**SECOND: James Cometti**

**AYES: 6**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

February 23, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

**NEW BUSINESS: None**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 8:00 pm.

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: John Cregg**

**AYES: 6**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk