

Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees
Tuesday, December 18, 2018

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Today, Tuesday, December 18, 2018 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

Moment of silence for President George HW Bush

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:	Trustees	William McVicker	Present
		Daniel Bellotti	Present
		Thomas Tarolli	Present
		Raymond Fougner	Present
		John Cregg	Late/Present
	Deputy Mayor	John Fall Sr	Present
	Mayor	Derek Baichi	Present

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Baichi wished everyone a Happy Holidays. He recognized that our new County Legislator, Miles Bottrill was in attendance to welcome any questions regarding the County Sales Tax Plan and how it effects the Village. A letter has been sent out to Ryan McMahon requesting a one on one discussion in an effort for the Village to obtain their fair share of sales tax funding. Various comments came from the citizens in attendance regarding this matter.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: Local Law H-2018

Open Public Hearing

MOTION: John Fall Sr.

SECOND: Daniel Bellotti

7-0, Motion Passed

Kevin Gilligan, Village Attorney explained the New York State Statute regarding tax exemption for various business. Various comments came from the citizens and board members.

Close Public Hearing

MOTION: John Fall Sr.

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

7-0, Motion Passed

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administrative	Mayor Derek Baichi – Informed that the Annual Organizational Meeting will take place on January 3, 2019, 6:00 pm, Village Hall Conference Room.
Legal	Kevin Gilligan, Village Attorney - None
Treasurer	Cheryl Visconti, Treasurer – Discussed Budget Modifications include in tonight’s agenda. Resolution #14 was discussed in regard to the PSC.
Police	Allen Wood, Police Chief – Reported 979 calls in November, 40 follow ups, 17 felonies, 43 misdemeanors, 113 Vehicle and Traffic, 1 DWI, 158 Parking Tickets, 9 Car Accidents and no stolen vehicles. Ongoing investigations were briefly discussed and questions were brought up from the citizens.
Electric	John Kurtz, Asst. Electric Superintendent – Reported monthly activity within the Electric Department.
DPW/Highway	Richard Penhall, DPW Superintendent – Reported monthly activity including projects, holiday decorating and various work done at the Village Hall.
Library	Dan Golden, Library Director - Thanked members of the Village Board of Trustees who attended the annual Holiday Party at the Library. Approximately 100 people were there to celebrate and to enjoy a concert by a local performing duo. The Library will be closed December 24 and 25, plus December 31 and January 1, for the Holidays. Described some programs coming up over the next few months: We are still in the process of digitizing the collection of the Solvay Process Room. Our goal is to provide the contents online to our patrons.

Armchair Travel and Coffee-Every first Tuesday of the month at 2p.m. Monthly series of travel programs at the Solvay Public Library. October 18, 2019, 115th anniversary of our building. As always, the Library welcomes suggestions from the public.

- Codes** **Anthony Alberti** – Informed everyone of the recent activity within the codes department which included several fire inspections, rental inspections and winding down for 2018.
- Stormwater Celebrations** **Mark Malley - None**
Mayor Baichi – Thanked all of the committee members and Village Hall staff for making the Village Christmas Tree Lighting a success this year. The event including ice sculpture this year.
- Buildings** **John Fall Sr, Trustee** – Discussed the recent meeting with the committee. Working on securing the additional land owned by WestRock with the GM, Peter Tantalo. The next meeting is January 29, 2019, 5:30 pm, Village Hall.
- Comprehensive Plan** **John Cregg, Trustee** – The next meeting regarding the plan is on January 15, 2019, 6:00 pm, Town of Geddes Community Room. A draft of the plan will be discussed. Citizen from the audience questioned the low attendance to these meetings.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$5400.00 for services rendered from 11/1/18 to 11/30/18. (Total Cost to the Village is: \$3200.00)
Below are the specific projects that will be reimbursed through Grant or the County:
 - Invoice No. 0175920 – Project No. 114.213.001 – I/I Reduction Grant
 - Invoice No. 0175922 – Project No. 114.220.001 – SAM Grant
 - Invoice No. 0175924 – Project No. 114.223.001 – County

MOTION: John Fall Sr
SECOND: Raymond Fournier
AYES: 7 **NAYES: 0** **MOTION CARRIED**
2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay Costello, Cooney & Fearon, PLLC \$12,096.81 for services rendered for the month of November 2018.
 - \$1626.50 is for Electric and \$271.25 is for the PBA.

MOTION: John Cregg
SECOND: William McVicker
AYES: 7 **NAYES: 0** **MOTION CARRIED**
3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the November 27, 2018 Regular Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: Raymond Fournier
SECOND: John Cregg
AYES: 7 **NAYES: 0** **MOTION CARRIED**
4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the December 10, 2018 Special Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: William McVicker
SECOND: Daniel Bellotti
AYES: 7 **NAYES: 0** **MOTION CARRIED**
5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to hire Ms. Isabel Dickinson-Cominolli as a Library Page, 7 hours per week, with a wage of \$10.40/ hour. Her start date is December 22, 2018.

MOTION: Daniel Bellotti
SECOND: Raymond Fournier
AYES: 7 **NAYES: 0** **MOTION CARRIED**
6. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to introduce proposed local law I of 2018, establishing the position of alternate ZBA/Planning Board Members, determining that this legislation is a Type 2 action for purposes of SEQR, thus concluding the environmental review process and scheduling a public hearing to consider this local law on January 22, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the Town of Geddes Town Hall, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY. In accordance with the full resolution circulated to the Village Board.

MOTION: John Fall Sr
SECOND: Daniel Bellotti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the enactment of Local Law 6-2018, titled “A Local Law Providing for the Reduction of the Business Investment Exemption Pursuant to Real Property Tax Law §485-b,” amending Chapter 144 of the Code of the Village of Solvay to include a new Article VIII, titled “Business Investment Exemption,” which shall reduce the per centum of the real property tax law exemption provided for in §485-b, Subdivision 2(a) of the Real Property Tax Law to zero. In accordance with the full resolution which has been circulated to the Board.

MOTION: Daniel Bellotti

SECOND: Thomas Tarolli

Name	Title	Action	Result
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes

8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the 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	29,670	30,000	59,670
	Total	29,670	30,000	59,670
Expenses				
531201 A	Police-Other	1,356,300	30,000	1,386,300
550101 A	Street Administration-Wages	71,000	18,000	89,000
551104 A	Street Maintenance-Other	124,066	(1,110)	122,956
571101 A	Parks-Wages	67,000	2,000	69,000
571204 A	Pool-Other	12,694	120	12,814
581201 A	Sanitary Sewer-Wages	37,000	(20,000)	17,000
581202 A	Sanitary Sewer-Equip	0	990	990
	Total	1,668,060	30,000	1,698,060

MOTION: Daniel Bellotti

SECOND: John Fall Sr

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

9. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the SEQR determination for Proposed Local Law G-2018 with respect to the amendment of the Solvay Code with respect to zoning, adding “convenience stores”, rendering a negative declaration in connection therewith, in accordance with the full resolution that has been circulated to the Village Board

MOTION: Thomas Tarolli

SECOND: Daniel Bellotti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the enactment of Local Law 7-2018, titled “A Local Law Amending Chapter 165 of the Code of the Village of Solvay to Allow Convenience Stores as a Use Permitted in the Commercial Zoning District and to Add a New Section 165-40.1 Regulating Convenience Store Uses,” which shall amend Chapter 165 of the Code to include a new definition for “convenience stores” and to allow convenience stores as a use permitted by

special permit in the Commercial zoning district, subject to specific restrictions. In accordance with the full resolution circulated to the Village Board.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Thomas Tarolli

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes

11. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to increase the hourly rate of Charles Callura to \$15 per hour effective December 22, 2018, up to a max of 20 hours per week.

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: Derek Baichi

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	No
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	No
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes

12. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the execution of a revocable “License, Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement” to allow the following encroachments relative to property situated at 301 Cogswell Avenue, Village of Solvay, Tax Map No. 007.-05-09.0: two (2) concrete planters and an entrance staircase with stairs within the Village street right-of-way on Cogswell Avenue; an open porch, with a roof overhang, at the corner of the residential structure on intersection of Cogswell Avenue and Second Street and continuing within the Village right-of-way along Second Street; and a cellar entry and an iron fence within the Village right-of-way on Second Street; which approval is a Type II action for purposes of SEQRA. In accordance with the full resolution circulated to the Village Board.

MOTION: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: John Cregg

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

13. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to increase the annual compensation of the following Village employees with an effective date of January 5, 2019, as herein set forth:

Position	Annual Pay
Police Chief	\$86,000
Police Lieutenant	\$77,000
Electric Department Superintendent	\$88,000
Assistant Electric Dept. Superintendent	\$77,000
Village Clerk	\$57,000
Village Treasurer	\$68,000

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: Derek Baichi

A vote on the above motion did not take place.

Authorization from the Board of Trustees for a procedural motion to split the vote for the above positions.

MOTION: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: Daniel Bellotti

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	No
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No

14. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to increase the annual compensation for the Police Chief to \$86,000 with an effective date of January, 5 2019.

MOTION: Daniel Bellotti

SECOND: John Cregg

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	No
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes

15. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to increase the annual compensation for the Police Lieutenant to \$77,000 with an effective date of January, 5 2019.

MOTION: Daniel Bellotti

SECOND: William McVicker

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	No
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Abstained
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes

16. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to increase the annual compensation for the Electric Department Superintendent to \$88,000 with an effective date of January, 5 2019.

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	No
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	Yes

Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	No
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes

17. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to increase the annual compensation for the Asst. Electric Department Superintendent to \$77,000 with an effective date of January, 5 2019.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Raymond Fougner

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes

18. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to increase the annual compensation for the Village Clerk to \$57,000 with an effective date of January, 5 2019.

MOTION: Raymond Fougner

SECOND: Daniel Bellotti

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	No
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	No
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes

19. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to increase the annual compensation for the Treasurer to \$68,000 with an effective date of January, 5 2019.

MOTION: William McVicker

SECOND: Daniel Bellotti

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	No
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	No
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes

20. Authorization from the Village Board to purchase a new Freightliner Truck with Terex High Ranger Optima Aerial Device in accordance with Onondaga County Bid number 7823, for the use in the Village Electric Department at a maximum estimated cost of \$230,000 and reauthorizing the issuance of up to \$230,000 serial bonds of the Village to pay the cost thereof, in accordance with the full resolution which has been circulated to the Board.

MOTION: John Cregg

SECOND: Daniel Bellotti

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes

PETITIONS:

Kathy Brouse expressed her discontent with the disrespectful behavior of certain board members. John McPeak asked if the employees would get raises at a later date. Various comments were expressed by the citizens reflecting their displeasure with how the compensation resolutions were handled.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 7:58 pm.

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: Thomas Tarolli

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk