Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees Tuesday, January 23, 2024

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Today, <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 23</u>, <u>2024</u> the <u>REGULAR BOARD MEETING</u> of the <u>SOLVAY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES</u> 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 **Theresa Wheatley Present** Salvatore Sciuga Jr **Present** William McVicker **Present Brian Worrall Present** Joseph Miczan Present **Deputy Mayor John Fall Sr** Present Mayor Derek Baichi **Present**

MAYOR'S COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

- Thank you to Phil Leach for 39 years of service with the Solvay Electric Department. Honored with plaque presented by the mayor.
- Electric Commission Consultant, Neighborhood Watch and LED Sign

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

- Trustee Fall DPW meeting tomorrow to discuss streets, sidewalks and LED signage.
- Trustee Miczan Update on community coordination including Solvay schools and DPW.
- Trustee Sciuga Update on codes meeting last night and Union meeting today.
- Trustee Wheatley Update on communication initiatives including TextMyGov, village newsletter and Village Facebook page. Plan for Neighborhood watch and Milton Ave redevelopment.
- Trustee Worrall Update on Charles Ave Park playground

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

 Local Law No. 3 of 2023 amending the Village Code by adding thereto a new Chapter 127a entitled "Short Term Rentals"

ADJOURN UNTIL MARCH MEETING: Sciuga

SECOND: Wheatley 7-0 vote, motion carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administrative Derek Baichi, Mayor – Administrative Meeting on February 20th at 6

pm.

Legal Village Attorney – No Report

Finance Peggy Rowe, CPA – General Fund Reports provided to village board

including Profit/Loss, Balance Sheet and Budget Modifications. Discussed contingency funds and well as DPW budget to date (56%).

Police Derek Osbeck, Chief – Update on grants was provided as well as

monthly statistics. The annual police meeting took place.

Electric William McVicker, Trustee – The grid is running well and the fleet is

running sufficiently.

DPW/Highway Andrew Burke, DPW Superintendent – Continued plowing and salting

even though winter has been light. Also, building maintenance being

done. LED sign update provided to the village board.

Library Brian Rowlands, Library Manager – Update on building/lighting project.

Also, Magnarelli grant for new HVAC and Mannion LoCap grant was

brought up. Monthly events were presented.

Codes Mark Lepetich, Code Enforcer – Update on Rental Registry for 2024 as

well as Business Licenses was provided. Provided breakdown of options

for new computer program for the department.

Stormwater Mark Malley, Village Engineer – NYS DEC MS4 Report update provided

including new requirements. Noted that NOI has been filed.

Parks Brian Worrall, Trustee – No Report

Additional Resolutions from the Village Board:

Authorization from the Board of Trustees to add the following resolution:

To approve the Codes Department to order the Compliance Engine program to keep track of fire and safety reports per business. There is no cost to the village for this program.

MOTION: Sciuga SECOND: Miczan

7-0 Vote, motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chuck Orr, Village Employee asked if the new LED sign is full reimbursable including concrete pad.

Table Resolution 9
MOTION: Worrall
SECOND: Miczan

7-0 vote, motion carried

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$14610.00 for services rendered from 12/1/23 to 12/31/23. (Total Cost to the Village is: \$8930.00)

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

- Invoice No. 01118858 Project No. 114.240.001 Milton Avenue Pavement Project Reimbursable Grant
- Invoice No. 01118859 Project No. 114.241.001 Gertrude Pool Liner & Cover Retrofit
 America Rescue Plan Reimbursable Grant
- Invoice No. 01118861 Project No. 114.243.001 Cogswell Ave. Pedestrian Enhancement
- Invoice No. 01118863 Project No. 114.246.001 Erie Canal Trail Tree Planting III Reimbursable Grant

MOTION: McVicker SECOND: Fall

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay the Cerio Law Offices \$6708.00 for services rendered for the month of December 2023. A detailed list of charges has been provided to the Board of Trustees.

MOTION: Fall SECOND: McVicker

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the December 18, 2023 Regular Village Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: Miczan SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the January 2, 2024 Organizational Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: Sciuga SECOND: Wheatley

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to hire Alexandra Cox as a Clerk to the Village Justice with a rate of pay of \$21.42 per hour and a start date of January 16, 2024.

MOTION: Wheatley SECOND: Fall

Joseph Miczan	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Brian Worrall	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Salvatore Sciuga Jr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Theresa Wheatley	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes Motion Carried

6. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to refer the WestRock site plan for a water treatment plant to the ZBA Board.

MOTION: Worrall SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to create an electric commission position entitled "Technical Consultant to the Electric Commission." The position will be filed by an appointment of the Mayor subject to approval of the Board of Trustees, shall be compensated at the same rate as electric commissioners, and shall carry on one year term. As with electric commissioners, persons appointed as the Technical Consultant shall not be deemed an employee of the Village of Solvay.

MOTION: McVicker SECOND: Wheatley

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees approving the Mayor's appointment of Anthony Modafferi as the Technical Consultant to the electric commission with a one-year term expiring January 23, 2025

MOTION: Fall SECOND: Wheatley

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

- 9. **(TABLED)** Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve Mayor Baichi's appointment of John Maestri to the Ethics Committee.
- 10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the budget modifications provided to the village board.

MOTION: Miczan SECOND: Worrall

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

11. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the standard work day of .62 for Christopher Germain, Electric Commission Chair.

MOTION: Sciuga SECOND: Fall

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

12. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to have the Mayor sign Supplemental Agreement No.1 for the Milton Avenue Paving Project PIN 3756.86.

MOTION: Wheatley SECOND: Fall

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

13. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to have the Mayor sign the Gere Lock Road Geddes Brook Culvert Replacement Agreement (P.I.N. 375741) with the NYS DOT. The Project is eligible for reimbursement of qualified costs from Bridge NY funding that calls for the post-reimbursement apportionment of the qualified costs to be borne at the ratio of 100%. The total cost of the Project is \$1,330,480.

MOTION: Worrall SECOND: Wheatley

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

14. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the payment of C&S Engineers Invoice #01118952 for Cogswell Ave Pedestrian Enhancements. A minimum of 80% of the cost is reimbursable.

MOTION: McVicker SECOND: Wheatley

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

15. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the TextMyGov Proposal with a first-year fee not to exceed \$5200.

MOTION: Fall SECOND: Worrall

AYES: 6 NAYES: 1 (McVicker) MOTION CARRIED

16. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the Codes Department to order the Compliance Engine program to keep track of fire and safety reports per business. There is no cost to the village for this program.

MOTION: Miczan SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that this Board of Trustees move into Executive Session to discuss a contract and personnel matter at 7:13 p.m.

MOTION: Wheatley SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that the Executive Session be closed and that this Board return to the regular meeting at 8:24 p.m.

MOTION: Sciuga SECOND: Fall

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 8:25 pm

MOTION: Fall SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk