

**Annual Organizational Meeting of the
Village of Solvay Board of Trustees
Monday, January 5, 2026**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK
HARRY DECARLO**

The **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING** of the **SOLVAY BOARD OF TRUSTEES** was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Derek Baichi at the Town of Geddes Community Room, 1000 Woods Rd, Solvay, NY 13209.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:

Mayor	Derek Baichi	Present
Deputy Mayor	John Fall Sr	Present
Trustees	Kathy Brouse	Present
	John Clegg	Present
	Joseph Miczan	Present
	Salvatore Sciuga Jr	Present
	Theresa Wheatley	Present

All Newly Elected Officials were sworn in.

Name	Newly Elected Positions	Year Expires	No. Term
Derek Baichi	Village Mayor	2030	4 year term
John Clegg	1st Ward Trustee	2030	4 year term
Salvatore Sciuga Jr	2nd Ward Trustee	2030	4 year term
Kathleen Brouse	3rd Ward Trustee	2030	4 year term
Daniel Mathews III	Village Justice	2030	4 year term

Mayor Baichi makes the following Appointments:

Appointed Positions			
John Fall Sr	Deputy Mayor	2027	1 yr term
Kara LaSorsa	Associate Village Justice	2027	1 yr term
Joseph Dattellas	Auditor	2027	1 yr term
Andrew Burke	DPW Superintendent	2027	1 yr term
Village Engineers	C&S Engineers	2027	1 yr term
Village CPA Firm	Dannible & McKee	2027	1 yr term
Alexis Kelley	Full Time Court Clerk	2027	1 yr term
Alexandra Cox	Full Time Court Clerk	2027	1 yr term
James Cometti	ZBA Chair	2027	1 yr term

1. That the Board of Trustees approve Mayor Baichi's Appointments.

MOTION: Fall

SECOND: Miczan

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2. That the Board of Trustees approve Mayor Baichi's Appointments of the Standing Committees and Sub-Committees:

Administration:	Chair: Members:	Mayor: Trustees:	Derek Baichi John Clegg Joseph Miczan John Fall Sr. Salvatore Sciuga Jr Theresa Wheatley Kathy Brouse
Public Works:	Chair: Members:		John Fall Sr Joseph Miczan Kathy Brouse
Police:	Chair: Members:		Kathy Brouse Derek Baichi Salvatore Sciuga Jr

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Parks:	Chair: Members:	Kathy Brouse Derek Baichi John Fall Sr
Library:	Chair: Alternate:	Joseph Miczan Theresa Wheatley
Codes:	Chair: Members:	Salvatore Sciuga Jr John Clegg Theresa Wheatley Community Members: Gary Accione, John D'Eredita, Terry Bradley, James Cometti, Victor Brouse, Bill McVicker
Electric:	Co-Chair: Co-Chair:	Salvatore Sciuga Jr John Fall Sr
Finance:	Chair: Members:	Derek Baichi Salvatore Sciuga Jr Joseph Miczan John Fall Sr. John Clegg Theresa Wheatley Kathy Brouse
Insurance:	Chair:	Derek Baichi
Stormwater:	Chair: Members:	John Clegg Joseph Miczan Salvatore Sciuga Jr
Town Liasson Comprehensive Plan		Salvatore Sciuga Jr
Tree and Deer Management		Theresa Wheatley
School Liasson/Community Coordinator:		Joseph Miczan
Safety/Risk Management	Chair: Members:	Joseph Miczan Salvatore Sciuga John Clegg Department Heads
Senior Citizen Outreach		Kathy Brouse
Charles Ave Park Community Volunteer		Brian Worrall
Buildings:	Co-Chair: Co-Chair:	John Fall Sr Salvatore Sciuga Jr
Grants:	Chair: Members:	Theresa Wheatley Joseph Miczan John Clegg
Field Days Liasson		Lori Volski

Seating Facing Podium – Left to Right: Joe Miczan, John Fall Sr, Mayor Baichi, Kathy Brouse, Salvatore Sciuga Jr, John Clegg, Theresa Wheatley

MOTION: Miczan

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

3. That the Board of Trustees designated the fourth Tuesday of each month as the Regular Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees, such meetings are to be held at the Town of Geddes Court Room, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209 at 6:00 p.m., local time.

MOTION: Miczan

SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

4. That the Board of Trustees continues to follow the procurement policy in accordance with Chapter 29 of the Village Code.

MOTION: Fall

SECOND: Miczan

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

5. That the Board of Trustees authorize for all periods commencing January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026 the Mayor, all Trustees, Village Officers, Department Heads, to attend meetings, seminars, and schools, from time to time, and to authorize expenses incurred thereby. Such meetings would include those convened by the MEUA, NYPA, the Conference of Mayors and Municipal Officials, Department of Audit and Control, Clerk's Meetings and any other meetings convened, that relate to the business of the Village of Solvay, pursuant to Chapter 26 of the Village Code.

MOTION: Brouse

SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

6. That the Board of Trustees designate Solvay Bank as the Official Depository for the Village of Solvay.

MOTION: Sciuga

SECOND: Clegg

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

7. That the Board of Trustees designate the Post Standard as the official newspaper for the Village of Solvay.

MOTION: Clegg

SECOND: Brouse

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

8. **WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees has determined to pay a fixed rate for mileage as reimbursement to officers and employees of the Village of Solvay.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

Section 1. That the Board of Trustees shall approve reimbursement of such officers and employees at the rate of - \$.70/mile. (2026 rates are not available yet)

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect January 1, 2025. If a Village vehicle is available the employee will use the Village vehicle and not receive mileage.

MOTION: Wheatley

SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

9. That the Board of Trustees authorize that the next Annual Organizational Meeting will take place on January 4, 2027 at the Geddes Town Hall, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209.

MOTION: Miczan

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

10. Authorizing the approval of a blanket insurance policy covering all Village employees as required by Section 3-306 of the Village Law and specifically covering the Village Justices and personnel as required by Public Officers Law, Section 11(2).

MOTION: Fall

SECOND: Brouse

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

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11. Authorizing the approval of hourly rates for Dannible & McKee, LLP:

- \$75 per hour for Accounting Services Senior
- \$150 per hour for Partner

MOTION: Brouse

SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

12. Authorizing the approval of the hourly rate of \$225 per hour for Cerio Law Offices.

MOTION: Sciuga

SECOND: Clegg

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

13. Authorizing the approval for Peter Reap, Electric Superintendent as primary delegate, Chris Germain, Electric Commission Chair as secondary delegate and Phil Leach Sr, Electric Commission Member as third delegate for all 2026 MEUA and NYMPA meetings and events.

MOTION: Clegg

SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

14. Authorizing the approval for the hourly rate for Tony Modaferri, Electric Consultant of \$50 per hour.

MOTION: Wheatley

SECOND: Brouse

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

PETITIONS:

Patty Rathburn, village resident thanked the mayor.

New County Legislator came to support the newly elected.

ADJOURNMENT:

That the Special Board/Organizational Meeting be adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

MOTION: Fall

SECOND: Miczan

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk-Treasurer
Village of Solvay