

Town of Gouverneur
April 8th, 2025
Regular Board Meeting

The April Regular Board Meeting was held on April 08th, 2025, at the Town of Gouverneur offices at 1227 USH 11 Gouverneur.

Attendees:

David Spilman Jr
Jay Bowhall
William Infield
Curran Wade
Lory Whitton
Marion Bowhall

Diane Kelley
Rachel Hunter
Sherry Geer
Worth Hurlbut
Michael Wainwright
Harry Smithers

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00pm. Pledge of Allegiance recited by all
2. Approval of March 11th public hearing, March 11th regular meetings, and March 28th public hearing minutes as represented- motion by Curran Wade
2nd motion- Lory Whitton Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
3. Public Participation
 - a. County legislature report- Harry Smithers present, oral report – the SLC waste transfer station will be closed for approximately 2 weeks starting April 14th. Probation officers will now be required to be armed.
 - b. Shared Services, Fuel Depot- no report
 - c. Village recreation- report supplied
 - d. Fire Department- no report however, Spilman announces that Tom Conklin resigns as chief and new chief is Thomas Haynes.
 - e. Rescue Squad- no report
 - f. Any other public participation- McDougall gives village update, mainly discussing 1.4 million street project for Wilson Street replacement. Also discusses 4.5-million-dollar NYForward Grant.
4. Old Business
 - a. Community Center- Spilman gives oral update, Easter Egg hunt this weekend. In May the Chamber of Commerce will be honoring the Community Center with the Award of Merit.
 - b. Housing Grant- 6 completed- no update.
 - c. Any other old business from Town Board Member- None
5. Committee Report- none

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6. Highway Department
 - a. Mike Wainwright present and report supplied; discussion of paving.
 - b. FEMA meeting 04/10/25- cost evaluation of raising the pump station going to be discussed.
 - c. New truck- both chassis at Viking for plow equipment- new delivery date of January 2026 and 2028.
 - d. Highway road tour- April 15, 2025 5:30pm

7. Dog Control – Moyer absent, no report

8. Code Enforcement – Wood absent, report supplied.

9. Assessors-
 - a. Sherry present and oral report supplied.
Grievance day is May 27th.

10. New Business
 - a. Justice reports- Report supplied, 207 cases; 7,130.00
 - b. Supervisor communications-
 - i. none
 - c. Employee Health Insurance- no discussion
 - d. Resolution 04082025-01 Fair Housing Month resolution
Motion to approve- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- William Infield
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
 - e. Rescue Squad contract- no decision.
 - f. New business- Clerk Bowhall states the state has mandated new website domain-
.gov. Changes to website coming soon.

11. Public participation-

Rachel Hunter inquires about loaning the Town of Gouverneur Highways' loader for cemetery clean up, first Saturday in May. The Town will be.

Spilman discusses the brush piles at the cemeteries and control burn with GFD

12. Motion to pay the bills- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- William Infield
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

- Motion to close meeting- Lory Whitton 2nd motion- Curran Wade
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

Meeting Closed.