

Town of Gouverneur
Regular Board Meeting
April 12th, 2022

The Regular Town Board meeting was held at the Town Offices 1227 USH 11 Gouverneur.
The meeting was open via teleconference and in person.

Attending persons:

In person:

Dave Spilman Jr
Curran Wade
Jay Bowhall
Jaimee McQuade
Sherry Geer
Phylis Shaw
Diane Kelley
Eldon Conklin
Marion Bowhall
David Perrigo
Daniel Moyer
Edward Cardinell
Troy Besaw

Via Teleconference:

Ron McDougall
Rachel Hunter

(1) Meeting called to order at 6:01pm
Pledge of allegiance was recited by all.

(2) Motion to approve minutes from March meeting minutes:
Motion by: Eldon Conklin 2nd motion: Curran Wade
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

(3) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- (A) County Legislature Report. – Report supplied
- (B) Shared Services, Fuel Depot.- no report
- (C) Village recreation. – report received and reviewed by board members.
- (D) Fire Department. – no report
- (E) Rescue Squad- no report. Deputy Supervisor Conklin takes a moment to dictate how thankful and appreciative he is of the job the Gouverneur Rescue Squad does and how fortunate we are to have such a service in this community.
- (F) Any other public participation- none.

(4) OLD BUSINESS

- (A) Community Center – Spilman gives report. No congregated lunches yet. We are losing meals on wheels cook- Paul.
- (B) Shared service - No update

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- (C) Complete streets- No update
- (D) Housing Rehab Grant- selected our first 5 houses. Out to bid soon.
- (E) Solar local law- tabled until next month
- (F) none

(5) COMMITTEE REPORTS- No reports

(6) HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

- (A) Perrigo present, report supplied. Discussion of how many tons of sand and salt budgeted and actual usage.

Budget- ~4,500 yards of sand and ~650 tons of salt.

Actual- ~5,000 yards of sand and ~800 tons of salt.

- (B) Resignation-Shane Blair has supplied the town of with a written letter of resignation. Motion to accept Shane's resignation with regret: Curran Wade 2nd motion: Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to advertise for a part time highway employee: Jay Bowhall 2nd motion: Jaimee McQuade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

- (C) DOT Weldon road- Reduction received. Working on putting up signs etc.

- (D) Back Hoe Sale- Tabled

- (E) CHIPS

Chambers at the county states to everything he's heard that we should get full reimbursement for CHIPS/PAVENY/ Extreme Winter Recovery. Also, a new program called "Pave our pot holes"—more information to come.

(7) DOG CONTROL OFFICER – Present, oral report given

(8) CODE ENFORCEMENT & ASSESSMENT- Robert Wood/ Sherry Geer

- a. Assessor/Data clerk report- Working on the tax roll to be submitted next week.
- b. Solar permit fee schedule – discussion over changing the fees. No decision
- c. Solar decommissioning plans provided to board members- no discussion or decisions.

(9) NEW BUSINESS

- a. Justice Reports.

- i. 91 new cases, \$5,700.00 fines/fees collected

- b. Supervisor communication.

- i. NYPA new program- Blended Power Program- helps municipalities save money on their electric bills.

- ii. Empire Northeast says the A/C unit will be in next week hopefully. Town of Gouverneur does need to upgrade their main electrical entrance to accommodate upgrades- quoted at \$4,750.00

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- c. Fair Housing Resolution- 2022- yearly resolution.
Motion to pass resolution 041222-01 – Eldon Conklin 2nd motion- Jaimee McQuade
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
- d. Resignation of Robert Dier from Planning board- written letter mail to Spilman.
Motion to accept with Regret- Curran Wade 2nd motion: Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
- Motion to appoint Carol Dier to Planning board: Eldon Conklin
2nd motion: Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
- e. Beaver Control
Motion to hire Moyer’s Wildlife Control, operated by Dan and Maria Moyer to control
beaver population in problem areas. Effective immediately. Rate \$300/call site.
Motion to approve contract: Eldon Conklin 2nd motion: Jaimee McQuade
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
- f. Drinking & Waste Water grant program- no discussion just reminding constituents to
apply for grant money to pay back water and sewer bills.
- g. Councilman Conklin would like the Town of Gouverneur Highway loader at the East and
Riverside cemetery on May 7th for cleanup 8a-12p

(10) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-

McDougall- COVID update – today 22 in the hospital, 2nd booster shot available for those 50
years and up.

(11) Motion to pay the bills- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion: Curran Wade
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to adjourn meeting: Curran Wade 2nd motion: Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Meeting closed 7:16pm