

Town of Gouverneur  
Regular Board Meeting  
March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 6:00pm

The regular town board meeting was held on March 9th, 2021 at 6:00pm in person and via teleconference.

Attending persons:  
David L Spilman Jr  
Eldon Conklin  
Jay Bowhall  
Curran Wade  
Marion Bowhall  
Diane Kelley  
David Perrigo

Teleconference Attendees:  
Rachel Hunter  
Michael McQuade  
Ronald McDougall  
Karen Charlton

1. Meeting called to order by Supervisor Spilman at 6:00pm
2. February 9<sup>th</sup> regular and February 26<sup>th</sup> economic development meeting minutes approved as written. Motion by Eldon Conklin                      2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Jay Bowhall  
Ayes: 4              Nays: 0
3. Public Participation
  - a. None
  - b. None
  - c. None
  - d. None
  - e. None
  - f. Ronald McDougall- Covid Update: 14 new cases today in SLC, 10 yesterday.  
Gouverneur total 601 cases- 33 currently active.  
Town of Fowler – 161 cases.

Karen Charlton- discussed the new water bill. Is there a way to grieve? It is almost doubled.

Discussion with Karen over the number of breaks and things we have had with the old line. – 97 breaks since 2014, 50 on the west side and 47 on the east.

Karen to come in to discuss with Diane about combining properties and such to

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reduce the amount of water debt redemption.

4. Old Business

- a. Community center- COVID vaccine Thursday, from 10am-6pm, hoping to do approximately 325 vaccinations.
- b. None
- c. None
- d. Emergency health policy- no changes.  
Motion to adopt as written: Jay Bowhall      2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 4      Nays: 0
- e. DC Associates tax assessment-  
Housing on Pooler Street, current taxed assessment ~2,500,012.00 current  
Agreement to reduce tax assessment to \$2,000,000 until 2024, to be reassessed  
then. Clause in agreement to prevent going back 5 years on prior assessments.

Motion to approve agreement with DC Associates: Eldon Conklin  
2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Jay Bowhall  
Ayes: 4      Nays: 0

5. Committee Reports- none

6. Highway department:

- a. Perrigo present- report given.
- b. Motion to authorize Perrigo to purchase “Sand/Salt Saver” retroactive to February 10<sup>th</sup>- Eldon Conklin      2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 4      Nays: 0

7. Dog Control- absent, no report

8. Code/ Assessor – report supplied, McQuade teleconferenced. Quick overview of report given.

9. New Business

- a. Justice reports- 102 new cases. \$7,032.00
- b. Supervisor communications- none
- c. IT Services-  
Motion to advertise for IT services & phone, requirements to include a site visit to both places and purpose to attempt to use equipment we have.  
Ability to pass a background check. Bids to be returned for Economic Development meeting March 26<sup>th</sup> - Curran Wade

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2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Jay Bowhall

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- d. ZOOM- discussion over the cost and abilities of ZOOM for videoconferencing meetings in the future. Discussion tabled.
- e. Motion to pass resolution 03092021 and adopt LGS retention schedule for record maintenance – Jay Bowhall  
2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 4      Nays: 0
- f. SOLAR Pilot Resolution counter offer, \$3,850/mgwt.  
Discussion tabled to March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- g. Local Solar Law committee- no action taken.  
Topic belongs with Planning Board.
- h. Engineer Amendment #4 – Cushman is out clearing and cleaning brush/ etc.  
Motion to authorize Amendment #4 for West Side Water District- Eldon Conklin  
2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 4      Nays: 0

10. Public Participation- none

11. Motion to pay the bills – Eldon Conklin      2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 4      Nays: 0

Motion to close the meeting: Curran Wade      2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Jay Bowhall  
Ayes: 4      Nays: 0

Meeting closed 7:00pm