

Town of Gouverneur
October 11, 2022 6:00pm
Regular Board Meeting

The Town of Gouverneur September regular board meeting was held at the town offices, 1227 USH 11 Gouverneur, via teleconference (ZOOM) and in person.

Attending persons:

David Spilman JR
Jaimee McQuade
Jay Bowhall
Robert Ritchie
Curran Wade
Richard Wood
Rachel Hunter
Ronald McDougall
Troy Besaw
Marion Bowhall
Diane Kelley
Sherry Geer

1. Called to order Pledge of allegiance recited by all.
2. Motion to approve September minutes –by Curran Wade 2nd motion Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
3. Public Participation
 - a. County Legislature Report- none
 - b. Shared services, fuel depot- none
 - c. Village recreation- Supplied and read out loud by Spilman.
 - d. Fire department- none.
 - e. Rescue squad- none
 - f. Any other public participation- Mayor McDougall reports on village.
4. Old Business
 - a. Community Center- Senior Citizens meeting and congregate lunches resume.
 - b. School shared service- no update
 - c. Complete Streets-none
 - d. Housing Grant- Phase II-bids awarded.
 - e. Roof quote- RSI will complete project this year.
 - f. Blended power- tabled.
5. Committee Reports- none
6. Highway Department
 - a. Perrigo present- report supplied.

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- b. Culvert policy- Perrigo requests an amendment in wording. Doesn't want the Town to be liable for "maintaining" the driveways as written.
Motion to amend policy- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- Robert Ritchie
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

- 7. DCO Report-
 - a. No report, Moyer not present.

- 8. Code & Assessor report.
 - a. Code- CEO Wood present- report supplied. 14 new permits,
 - b. Assessor- Sherry Geer present- Working on exemption paper works and answering phone calls. Phyllis still entering data.

- 9. New Business
 - a. Justice reports- no reports submitted.
 - b. Supervisor Communication
 - i. Amish individual requests speed reduction by school house on County Route 11- we sent up to the County as it is a county road.
 - c. Sewer pumping station- Motion to award Link Electric @ \$9,200.00 to repair 2 pumping stations – Robert Ritchie 2nd motion Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
 - d. Smoking policy- Spilman would like to introduce a tobacco policy on Town property. To reach out to Seaway valley prevention and get a sample policy.
 - e. Motion to approve tentative 2023 budget and make preliminary: Jay Bowhall
2nd motion- Curran Wade Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
Motion to advertise Preliminary Budget hearing for 5pm November 8th-
Robert Ritchie 2nd motion Curran Wade
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
 - f. CSX Contacted Spilman for a 1-year lease on the train station. This would give us time to find funding to move the building. McDougall suggests doing a joint lease and joint application for funding.

- 10. Public Participation- none

- 11. Motion to pay the bills: Curran Wade 2nd motion- Robert Ritchie
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to recess- Robert Ritchie 2nd motion- Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to move to executive session: Jay Bowhall 2nd motion: Curran Wade
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
Superintendent David Perrigo is invited to executive session.

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Motion to close executive session: Curran Wade 2nd motion: Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to reopen regular meeting: Robert Ritchie 2nd motion: Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to hire applicant Highway Superintendent choses- Curran Wade
2nd motion Jay Bowhall

The next meeting will be Economic Development meeting if needed on October 28th at
Noon

Regular meeting November 8th at 6 pm with the Public Hearing for Preliminary 2023
budget scheduled for 5pm.

Motion to adjourn- Curran Wade 2nd motion: Robert Ritchie
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
Meeting closed. 7:21pm