

Town of Gouverneur  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
January 11, 2024 6:00pm

January meeting was held on January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 immediately following the organizational meeting at Town of Gouverneur Office Building, 1227 USH 11, Gouverneur.

Attending:

David L Spilman Jr  
Jay Bowhall  
Lory Whitton  
William Infield  
Curran Wade  
Marion Bowhall  
Rick Wood  
Phyllis Shaw  
Sherry Geer  
Diane Kelley  
Michael Wainwright  
Rachel Hunter  
Ronald McDougall

1. Meeting opened by Supervisor Spilman 6:03pm  
Oath of Office given by Supervisor Spilman to William Infield and Jay Bowhall
2. Minute approval of the December 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting, Local Law #2 Public Hearing  
Motion by: Curran Wade      2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Jay Bowhall  
Ayes: 5              Nays: 0
3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
  - a. County Legislature Report - Report supplied
  - b. Shared Services, Fuel Depot - none
  - c. Village recreation-Casey Canell - none
  - d. Fire Department-report - none
  - e. Rescue Squad-report - none
  - f. Any other public participation – none
4. OLD BUSINESS
  - a. Community Center -  
Spilman states busy as always, nothing new to report
  - b. School Shared Service - none
  - c. Complete Streets - none
  - d. Housing Grant – Town of Gouverneur awarded \$400,000.00 for housing rehabilitation grant.
  - e. LSLRP Program – 3 homes need to be re-inspected.
  - f. CSX Feasibility Study - none

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- g. Any other Old Business from any Town Board member- none
5. COMMITTEE REPORTS - none
6. HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
- a. Superintendent Report. -- Wainwright present and report supplied.
  - b. Motion to approve purchase of a two-stage plow blade ~\$13,181.90, up to \$15,000.00  
Motion by: Jay Bowhall      2<sup>nd</sup> motion: William Infield  
Ayes: 5      Nays: 0
  - c. Resolution 01112024-04 Hold Harmless Agreement w/ St Lawrence County Highway Department  
Motion to approve: Jay Bowhall      2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 5      Nays: 0
- Motion to send out Hold Harmless agreements with commonly worked with Municipalities: Jay Bowhall   2<sup>nd</sup> motion: William Infield  
Ayes: 5      Nays: 0
7. DOG CONTROL OFFICER – Dan Moyer
- a. None
8. CODE ENFORCEMENT
- g. Report - Rick Wood present and report supplied.
9. ASSESSMENT
- a. Report  
Sherry Geer and Phylis Shaw present, oral report supplied.
10. NEW BUSINESS
- a. Justice Reports - \$5,276.63 brought in
  - b. None
  - c. Motion to rescind Tax Cap Resolution as we came in under the 2%  
Motion by Jay Bowhall      2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 5      Nays: 0
  - d. No update
  - e. Property Maintenance law- a copy of Hammond's law given out to board members for review.
  - f. County Chargebacks- discussion
  - g. Comprehensive Plans w the County for the Town- discussion

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- h. Motion to approve and sign Gouverneur Rescue Squad \$34,500.00 contract  
Motion by Jay Bowhall 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Lory Whitton  
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
- i. Memorandum of Understanding with Village of Gouverneur in regards to Water Tower study  
Motion to approve: Jay Bowhall 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Lory Whitton  
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
- j. Motion to sign CDBG Contract with Housing Grant: William Infield  
2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Lory Whitton  
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
- k. Any other New Business from any Town Board Member
  - i. Motion to audit court records & docket in accordance with OCA regulations: Lory Whitton 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Ron McDougall gives village update.

12. Paying of the bills.

Motion to pay the bills: Lory Whitton 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to move to executive session to discuss personnel: Jay Bowhall  
2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to close executive session: Lory Whitton 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to reopen regular meeting: Lory Whitton 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Curran Wade  
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to adjourn: Curran Wade 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: William Infield  
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Meeting closed 7:49pm