

**Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees
Tuesday, April 26, 2022**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK
HARRY DECARLO**

Today, Tuesday, April 26, 2022 the **REGULAR BOARD MEETING of the SOLVAY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** was called to order by Mayor Derek Baichi at the Town of Geddes Court Room, 1000 Woods Rd, Solvay, NY 13209 at 6:00 pm.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:	Trustees	Deborah DeGilio	Present
		Salvatore Sciuga Jr	Present
		William McVicker	Present
		Brian Worrall	Present
		James Cometti	Present
	Deputy Mayor	John Fall Sr	Present
	Mayor	Derek Baichi	Present

MAYOR’S COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Baichi drafted a letter of support for the recent grant submitted for the police department. A resolution to schedule the public hearing for the 5-year plan needs to be approved this evening. The public hearing shall take place on May 24th.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administrative	Derek Baichi, Mayor – Update provided regarding the recent interviews for the Assistance Electric Superintendent position.
Legal	Village Attorney - None
Finance	Derek Baichi, Mayor – Continue to hold monthly finance meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for May 17 th . Proud of the hard work crafting a line-item budget. A resolution is on the agenda this evening to approve the 2022-23 village budget with a .50% reduction in taxes.
Police	Derek Osbeck, Chief – 1004 calls for the month including 33 follow up investigations, 8 felonies, 40 misdemeanors, 3 DWI’s, 173 traffic tickets and 8 accidents. The department has been very busy the last four weeks. An update on the AED purchase was provided by Sgt. Niedzialek.
Electric	Salvatore Giordano, Electric Superintendent – 32 work orders for the month including repairing a neutral, new service install at Pope’s Grove golf course, voltage checks, assist the Town of Geddes with install of new electric charging stations and emergency disconnects.
DPW/Highway	Andrew Burke, DPW Superintendent – Paving quotes are being collected. A 5–10-year plan for streets and sidewalks is being drafted by the department. Bulk pick ups shall resume on May 2 nd . 90 properties on the list so far for Monday.
Library	Dan Golden, Library Director - This past Saturday, Brian Rowlands hosted a very lively Easter Party and Egg Hunt here at the library, for a total of 54 children plus parents. Because of cold and rainy conditions outside, we held the event in the Community Room and throughout the downstairs Children’s areas. Because covid cases seem to be stabilizing, we have scheduled new weekly programs for the library. Starting every Friday at 10AM on May 20, the library will host a series of career seminars for job seekers over 50; and on Saturdays at 10AM, we will host a Chess Club for all ages. For now, we are planning to host the first in-person programs for Summer Reading since 2019: the Museum of Science and Technology, Zoo to You and Dan the Snakeman. As always, this will depend on local cases staying low. This is our current schedule of weekly public programs: Children’s Storytime, every Tuesday morning at 10:15am, Free Movie Night, every second and fourth Wednesday at 5:30pm,

Gaming and Streaming with Brian, every Thursday afternoon at 4pm and crafting with Carolyn, every Friday at 2pm, Chair Yoga with Carrie Frank, every Sunday at 2pm. Plans are also underway for the Library Business Information Center. The Center will include a designated computer offering several business and financial databases, a special business collection, and a series of speakers on various topics of interest to local entrepreneurs. We are also planning another Open House/Mixer for local business in September this year.

Codes

Aaron Sauer, Code Enforcement – 16 fire safety violations for the month, 1 unit unfit for occupancy. The nuisance properties were discussed and steps that can be taken to clean up the village.

Stormwater/Montrose Ave

Mark Malley, Village Engineer - DOT update – areas getting catch basins replaced. Crews are working in the evening. A Deer culling update was provided by Trustee Cometti.

Parks

Brian Worrall, Trustee – All equipment for the Boyd Park playground update will arrive in September.

Comprehensive Plan

Marty Kelley, Geddes Councilor – Provided on grant funding for Westvale Plaza. The town would like the village to contribute \$109K. The question of who will maintain the property came up. The sidewalks and landscaping were discussed as well.

Additional Resolutions from the Village Board:

Authorization from the Board of Trustees to add a resolution to schedule a public hearing for May 24, 2022 for the Village of Solvay Five Year Plan.

MOTION: John Fall Sr

SECOND: James Cometti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Five Minute Time Limit Per Petitioner)

John Maestri, Village Resident questioned resolution #8 regarding enrolled with NYCLASS

Mike Maloney, Geddes Resident Opening Day for the Solvay Tigers little league is planned for May 7th at Lakeland Park. A great job was done on the new bathrooms.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$25,667.50 for services rendered from 3/1/22 to 3/31/22. (Total Cost to the Village is: \$21,220.00)

Below are the specific projects that will be reimbursed through Grant or the County:

- Invoice No. 01102026 – Project No. 114.224.001 – Tree Grant
- Invoice No. 01102028 – Project No. 114.229.001 - Community Development Grant
- Invoice No. 01102030 – Project No. 114.240.001 – Milton Avenue Paving Project Reimbursable Grant

MOTION: McVicker

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay the Cerio Law Offices \$10,250.50 for services rendered for the month of March 2022. A detailed list of charges has been provided to the Board of Trustees.

MOTION: Fall

SECOND: Worrall

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the March 22, 2022 Regular Village Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: Cometti

SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the March 29, 2022 Special Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: Sciuga

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2022 Special Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: Worrall

SECOND: McVicker

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

6. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the 2022-23 Village Budget with a .50% tax decrease.

MOTION: Fall

SECOND: Cometti

Deborah DeGilio	Trustee	Voted	No
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	No
James Cometti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Salvatore Sciuga Jr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Brian Worrall	Trustee	Voted	No
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Carried

7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve Salvatore Giordano as primary delegate, the Assistant Electric Superintendent as secondary delegate and Greg Lowe as an alternate delegate for all of the 2022 MEUA and NYMPA events and conferences.

MOTION: McVicker

SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the following:

WHEREAS, New York General Municipal Law, Article 5-G, Section 119-o empowers municipal corporations (defined in Article 5-G, Section 119-n to include school districts, board of cooperative educational services, counties, cities, towns and villages, and districts) to enter into, amend, cancel and terminate agreements for the performance among themselves (or one for the other) of their respective functions, powers and duties on cooperative or contract basis;

WHEREAS the Village of Solvay wishes to invest portions of its available investment funds in cooperation with other corporations and/or districts pursuant to the NYCLASS Municipal Cooperation Agreement Amended and Restated as of March 29, 2019;

WHEREAS the Village of Solvay wishes to satisfy the safety and liquidity needs of their funds; Now therefore, it is hereby resolved as follows: That Derek Baichi, Village Mayor of the Village of Solvay is hereby authorized to participate in the NYCLASS program under the terms of the NYCLASS Municipal Cooperation Agreement Amended and Restated as of March 28, 2019.

MOTION: DeGilio

SECOND: Worrall

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

9. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to conduct a Public Hearing on May 24, 2022, with respect to the proposed Village of Solvay's Community Development 5-year plan and application(s) for the 2023 Onondaga County Community Development funding cycle. The Grant amounts are \$50,000.00 to \$150,000.00 for the awarded project. It is required that the municipality provide a portion of the project costs which can be actual dollars, other grants, or in-kind services. A rule of thumb is 25% of the total project cost.

MOTION: Sciuga

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that this Board of Trustees move into Executive Session to discuss a contract matter at 7:05 p.m.

MOTION: Fall

SECOND: Cometti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that the Executive Session be closed and that this Board return to the regular meeting at 7:53 p.m.

MOTION: Cometti

SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

No action was taken at the Executive session meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to declare the 2010 Ford F-250 (VIN #1FTNF2B55AEB37934) from the police department surplus and send to Auctions International.

MOTION: Sciuga

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 7:58 pm

MOTION: Fall

SECOND: Cometti

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk