

**Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees
Tuesday, March 25, 2025**

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HARRY DECARLO**

Today, Tuesday, March 25, 2025 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	Theresa Wheatley Salvatore Sciuga Jr William McVicker Brian Worrall Joseph Miczan	Excused Present Present Present Present
	Deputy Mayor Mayor	John Fall Sr Derek Baichi	Present Present

MAYOR’S COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank you, board, for working together. Earth Day is coming up soon

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

*Trustee Fall – DPW is working on patching holes and we are surveying roads to be paved in the Summer.
Trustee Miczan – Working on mental health resource options and planning safety committee meeting.
Trustee Sciuga – April 7th will be the next Codes Committee meeting. Trustee Worrall – A Mountain Top Park grant update was provided as well as DASNY update for Charles Ave Park Project, Phase II.*

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Storm Water and MS4 Report
OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: Miczan
SECOND: Sciuga
6-0 vote, motion carried

Mark Malley, Village Engineer led the discussion explain the change of procedure made by the DEC. Everything at this point is done online. The prepared reports have been reviewed. Trustee Worrall asked for an update on Montrose Ave and if the flooding issue is still being addressed.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: Sciuga
SECOND: Worrall
6-0 vote, motion carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administrative	Derek Baichi, Mayor – No Report
Legal	Village Attorney – No Report
Finance	Derek Baichi, Mayor - Special/Budget Meeting will take place on Monday, March 31st at 5:30 pm. Will continue with budget workshop for the upcoming budget.
Police	Derek Osbeck, Chief – February calls for service: 837 including 23 follow ups, 3 felony arrest, 61 tickets and 36 accidents.
Electric	No Report
DPW/Highway	Andrew Burke, DPW Superintendent – Continued basin repairs throughout the village. April 21st, brush pick up will start up again for the season.

- Library** **Brian Rowlands, Library Manager** – Project update including the inside lighting is complete. Various programs coming up for the Spring.
- Codes** **Mark Lepetich, Code Enforcer** – The new program is working well. Various new permits are being issued including three new houses.
- Stormwater** **Mark Malley, Village Engineer** – No Report
- Parks** **Brian Worrall, Trustee** – Updates regarding Mountain Top Park and Charles Ave Park Phase II provided.

Additional Resolutions from the Village Board:

Add the following resolution to the agenda:

Authorization from the Board of Trustees to hold a public hearing on April 22nd regarding adding two handicapped signs on the odd and even side of the 300 block of First Street.

Motion: Worrall

Second: Sciuga

6-0 vote, motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Maestri, village resident asked for an explanation of Resolution #10 in regard to the Erie Canal Trail/Belle Isle Road.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$34,213.68 for services rendered from 2/1/25 to 2/28/25. (Total Cost to the Village is: \$11,012.50)

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

- 20250218_est44_Invoice No. 011321263 – Project No. 114.240.001 –Milton Avenue Paving Project – Reimbursable Grant
- 20250318_est45_Invoice No. 01132169 – Project No. 114.240.001 –Milton Avenue Paving Project – Reimbursable Grant
- 20250318_est10_Invoice No. 01132162 – Project No. 114.244.001 –Cogswell Avenue Pedestrian Enhancement – Reimbursable Grant
- Invoice No. 01132164 – Project No. 114.246.001 – Erie Canal Tree Planting III – US Fish & Wildlife Grant – Reimbursable Grant
- Invoice No. 01132165 – Project No. 114.247.001 – Carnegie Public Library Renovations – DASNY Grant
- Invoice No. 01132166 – Project No. 114.248.001 – Charles Park Phase II – DASNY Grant

MOTION: McVicker

SECOND: Miczan

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay the Cerio Law Offices \$5,229.25 for services rendered for the month of February 2025. A detailed list of charges has been provided to the Board of Trustees.

MOTION: Fall

SECOND: Sciuga

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the February 25, 2025 Regular Village Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: Miczan

SECOND: Worrall

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- 4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the March 13, 2025 Special/Budget Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: Sciuga

SECOND: Miczan

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- 5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the March 19, 2025 Special Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

MOTION: Worrall

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- 6. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to conduct a Public Hearing on April 22, 2025, concerning the proposed Village of Solvay's Community Development 5-year plan and funding application for the 2025 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: McVicker

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- 7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the advertising for Seasonal Laborers for the DPW

MOTION: Fall

SECOND: McVicker

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- 8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees approve the advertising for Life Guards for the Solvay Pool.

MOTION: Miczan

SECOND: Worrall

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- 9. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to have the Mayor sign the 2025 Annual NYSDEC MS4 Report and submit the Report to the NYS DEC MS4 Permit Coordinator, Division of Water 4th Floor 625 Broadway, Albany New York 12233-3505.

MOTION: Sciuga

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- 10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve:

The Village of Solvay EMPIRE STATE TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS AND BELLE ISLE RD REPAIR RESOLUTION NUMBER: 6 Authorizing the implementation, and funding in the first instance 100% of the federal-aid and State "Marchiselli" Program-aid eligible costs, of a transportation federal-aid project, and appropriating funds therefore.

WHEREAS, a Project for the TAP 2023 VILLAGE OF SOLVAY EMPIRE STATE TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS ANDBELLE ISLE RD REPAIR, P.I.N. 395087 (the Project") is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-federal funds; and WHEREAS, the Village of Solvay desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the non-federal share of the costs of Engineering, ROW and Construction.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Village of Solvay Board, duly convened does hereby

RESOLVE, that the Village of Solvay Board hereby approves the above-subject project; and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Solvay Board hereby authorizes the Village of Solvay to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of Engineering, ROW and Construction work for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$1,004,872 is hereby appropriated from the General Fund or, appropriated pursuant to a Bond Anticipation Note and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phase of the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Village of Solvay Board shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the Village Clerk/Treasurer thereof, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the Village of Solvay be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or Marchiselli Aid on behalf of the Village of Solvay with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible, and it is further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project. and it is further

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION: Worrall

SECOND: Miczan

Joseph Miczan	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Brian Worrall	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Salvatore Sciuga Jr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Theresa Wheatley	Trustee	Voted	Exc.
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Carried

Resolved that this Board of Trustees move into Executive Session to discuss four personnel matters at 6:35 p.m.

MOTION: Miczan

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolved that the Executive Session be closed and that this Board return to the regular meeting at 7:29 p.m.

MOTION: McVicker

SECOND: Fall

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

No action was taken at the Executive session meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

- 11. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to hold a public hearing on April 22nd regarding adding two handicapped signs on the odd and even side of the 300 block of First Street.

MOTION: Worrall

SECOND: Miczan

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- 12. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to hire Jacob Schnur as a Full Time Police Officer contingent on a complete background investigation and polygraph. He will start at Academy Level Pay (\$56,099.00) and will begin on April 7th, 2025, Oswego County Police Academy.

MOTION: McVicker

SECOND: Sciuga

Joseph Miczan	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Brian Worrall	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Salvatore Sciuga Jr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Theresa Wheatley	Trustee	Voted	Exc.
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Carried

- 13. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to promote Larry Mazinski to the position of Assistant Electric Maintenance Worker at the Union Rate and a start date of March 31, 2025.

MOTION: McVicker

SECOND: Miczan

Joseph Miczan	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Brian Worrall	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Salvatore Sciuga Jr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Theresa Wheatley	Trustee	Voted	Exc.
John Fall Sr	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	Yes
			Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 7:34 pm

MOTION: Sciuga

SECOND: Miczan

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk