# Town of Gouverneur Regular Town Board Meeting October 8th, 2024 6:00pm

The Town of Gouverneur regular town board meeting for October was held on October 8th, 2024 at 6:00pm at the Town of Gouverneur Office Building, 1227 USH 11 Gouverneur NY 13642

Attending:

David Spilman JR

Jay Bowhall Diane Kelley

Curran Wade Michael Wainwright
William Infield Ronald McDougall
Lory Whitton Richard Wood

Marion Bowhall Rachel Hunter

- 1. Meeting called to Order at 6:00pm and the Pledge of Allegiance recited by all.
- Meeting minutes from September Regular board meetings and October 4<sup>th</sup> Special Budget Meeting Motion to approve minutes: Lory Whitton 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jay Bowhall Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

## 3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a. County legislature- none
- b. Shared services, fuel depot- no update
- c. Village Recreation- no representative, no report
- d. Fire department- no representative, no report
- e. Rescue squad- no representative, no report
- f. Any other public participation- none

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Community center- Spilman gives oral update
- b. Housing Grant- Construction continued, the grant is half completed with 6 projects complete. The next 4 (Phase II) are at DANC for review and will be going out for bid approximately 10/17/24.
- c. Any other business from Town Board Member- none
- 5. COMMITTEE REPORTS- none

### 6. HIGHWAY REPORT

a. Wainwright present and report supplied.

Motion to amend resolution on September 10, 2024 to purchase a JOHN DEERE tractor and

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Diamond mower for the price of \$159,860.00 (instead of the New Holland)

Motion: Lory Whitton 2<sup>nd</sup> motion- William Infield

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

- b. Discussion of storm damage report, approximately \$55,000 worth of materials used to repair
- c. Plow Truck- no ETA on delivery to Town of Gouverneur- it has been at Viking in Harrisville since April, 2024.

### 7. DOG CONTROL REPORT

a. none

### 8. CODE ENFORCEMENT

a. Report supplied – Rick Wood present
 17 new permits- 5 in the Township. New software is up and running.

#### 9. ASSESSOR

a. No report, no representative.

### 10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Justice reports- reports supplied- 182 Cases- \$5,610.00 collected.
- b. Supervisor communications
  - i. Letter from our attorney introducing a new company that many municipalities have begun using to self-insure for worker's compensation.
  - ii. Courtesy letter from Hailesboro dam- notice letter of repairs and maintenance.
  - iii. ARC and our IT department went to the court to discuss and review what is needed to digitally scan documents. NYS Archives are available for scanning and document archiving.
- c. Motion to adopt Local Law #1 of 2024- Lory Whitton 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: William Infield

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

- d. Motion to adopt Local Law #2 of 2024- Curran Wade 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Jay Bowhall Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
- e. Microenterprise Naamon Lowry (D&B Masonry)

Motion to approve Microenterprise loan for \$25,000 at a term of 5 years with an interest rate of 4% - William Infield  $2^{nd}$  motion: Jay Bowhall

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

f. Budget review-

Motion to adopt tentative 2025 budget to Preliminary – Lory Whitton 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: William

Infield Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Abstention: 2

Roll Coll Vote:

David Spilman Jr- Abstain Lory Whitton- Aye Jay Bowhall- Abstain Curran Wade- Aye

William Infield- Aye

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g. Motion to set Public Hearing for 2025 Budget November 4<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm- Lory Whitton 2<sup>nd</sup> motion- Jay Bowhall

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Special Districts times specifically:

5:00 Fire

5:10 Sewer

5:20 West Side Water District

5:30 East Side Water District

5:40 2025 General Budget

h. CDBG  $2^{nd}$  housing grant- Motion to set public hearing 5:45pm on November 12- Jay Bowhall  $2^{nd}$  motion: Lory Whitton

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

- i. Any other new business from Town Board Member- Spilman gives update on Breast Cancer Walk, a huge success. Over \$200,000.00 raised. Also working on a cyber security insurance policy.
- 11. Public Participation:
  - a. Ron McDougall gives Village update;
- 12. Paying the bills- Motion to pay the bills: Jay Bowhall 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Lory Whitton Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to adjourn regular board meeting: Curran Wade  $2^{nd}$  motion: Lory Whitton

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Meeting closed 7:01pm