

Regular Town Board Meeting
December 14th, 2021 6:00pm

The Regular Town Board of Gouverneur November meeting was held on December 14th at 6:00pm at The Town of Gouverneur office building.

Attending:

Dave Spilman JR
Eldon Conklin
Jay Bowhall
David Perrigo
Diane Kelley

Rachel Hunter
Marion Bowhall
Curran Wade
Ronald McDougall
Jaimee McQuade

1. **Meeting called to order** by Supervisor Spilman at 6:00pm. The pledge of allegiance was recited and all participated.
2. **Minutes:**
Councilman Conklin notes that on page one, Highway report should say **paved** not plowed. Motion to approve November Regular meeting with correction: Eldon Conklin
2nd motion: Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
3. **Public Participation**
 - a. **County Legislature** none
 - b. **Shares Services, Fuel Depot** None
 - c. **Village Recreation**-None
 - d. **Fire Department**- None
 - e. **Rescue Squad**-None
 - f. **Public Participation**- none
4. **Old Business**
 - a. **Community Center**, Celebration of lives. Spilman reads a letter from Senator Ritchie thanking the community center for a successful Drug Take Back event at the center.
 - b. **Shared services**, none
 - c. **Complete streets**- none
 - d. **Any other old business from any Town Board Member**- none
5. **Committee reports**- none.
6. **Highway Department** – Perrigo Present, report supplied. Regular truck maintenance and highway duties performed.
7. **Dog Control Office**- none

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8. **CEO/Assessor-** Report supplied, McQuade absent.

9. **New Business**

a. **Justice reports-** 110 new cases and about \$4,000.00 in collections.

b. **Supervisor Communications:**

i. Budget review from Harry Smithers supplied.

ii. Motion to pass Resolution 12142021 in support of reconsideration of Ogdensburg Correctional Facility closure

Motion by: Eldon Conklin 2nd motion: Jaimee McQuade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

iii. Remote monitoring of the water CDBG funds completed with small adjustments, completed, and corrected to compliance.

c. **Water inspection** by NYS DOH 10/13/21- passed.

d. **Chargebacks-** letter from Bruce Green, St Lawrence County Real Property stating Town's Chargebacks. We get charges \$5.95/parcel – 3008 parcels. The county charges to manually input changes into the tax roll.

e. **Website Administrator-** Our adobe-based website will change to WIX. A charge to due so is \$410.00 licensing fee: annual fee of \$200.00 after that. TO migrate info from adobe to WIX \$1,000.00 charge.

Motion to approve the \$410 charge to transfer to WIX: Jay Bowhall

2nd motion: Curran Wade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

f. **Building upgrades:**

Motion to approve Empire Northeast for new HVAC contingent upon requote being same as current, expired quote: Eldon Conklin

2nd motion: Jaimee McQuade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to approve Northern Tier Contracting for handicap accessible door contingent upon requote being same as current, expire quote: Jaimee McQuade

2nd motion: Curran Wade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

g. **CEO Appointment-** Conklin and Bowhall interviewed 3 candidates for the CEO position.

Motion to nominate Rick Wood for CEO position: Jay Bowhall

2nd motion: Curran Wade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

h. **End of the Year Meeting-** December 28th at Noon, Town Office.

i. **Organizational meeting:** January 11th, 2022, at 5:30pm, Town Office

j. **Christmas Eve-** closed 12/24 and **New Year's Eve-** closed 12/31

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k. **New information from any board member:**

- i. Conklin states that the court received unofficial notice of JCAP grant to be granted to the Town Court
- ii. County will supply new AED device for us.
- iii. Survey Maps were returned to Town from Ramshorn Surveying. Available for inspection.

10. Public Participation-

McDougal- COVID update supplied. Town of Gouverneur- 1,353 cases since the beginning of the pandemic.

11. Motion to Pay the Bills-

Motion by Eldon Conklin 2nd motion- Jamiee McQuade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to adjourn meeting: Curran Wade 2nd motion: Jamiee McQuade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned. 6:49pm