Regular Town Board Meeting October 12th, 2021 6:00pm

The regular town board meeting was held on October 12th at 6:00pm at The Town of Gouverneur office building.

Attending:

Dave Spilman JR

Eldon Conklin

Marion Bowhall

Jay Bowhall

Michael McQuade

Jaimee McQuade

David Perrigo

Rachel Hunter

Marion Bowhall

Curran Wade

Harry Smithers

Ronald McDougall

- 1. **Meeting called to order** by Supervisor Spilman at 6:00pm. The pledge of allegiance was recited and all participated.
- 2. **Minutes:** Motion to approve the September regular, September economic development and October special budget meeting minutes was made by Curran Wade 2nd motion: Jay Bowhall

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

3. Public Participation

- a. County Legislature Harry Smithers present and oral report given. SLC legislatures are still working on the budget and still working with Ogdensburg, has been a challenge on the sales tax. Sales tax revenue was higher than expected.
 - Internet broadband and lack of has been brought to the forefront with the COVID pandemic showing that ~5,000 homes do not have access to internet.
 - The opioid treatment center should have been up and running by now but there has been some stalling and some reconsideration to the size necessary for a stationary building and the introduction of a possible mobile unit.
- b. None
- c. None
- d. None
- e. None
- f. None

4. Old Business

- a. Community Center, no updates.
- b. Shared services, none
- c. Complete streets- none
- d. Any other old business from any Town Board Member
 - i. Spilman states that we received notice of WGS appraisal we contracted for- final opinions value was \$2.4 million figured on the 2016 income/value. It is currently assessed for only \$1.9 million.
- 5. **Committee reports** none to report
- 6. Highway Department
 - a. Perrigo present and report supplied
 - b. Surplus bids-
 - Motion to accept Arnie Robert's bid for 3pt hole digger if he still wants it: Eldon Conklin

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2nd motion: Eldon Conklin Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

7. DCO Report- no report given

8. CEO/Assessor Report

a. McQuade present and report supplied. 12 new permits issued primarily for exterior work given the cooperating weather. Major permit issued to Woodcreek Village (AKA Larch Circle) moving to low income housing so they need to revamp almost all of their units.

9. New Business

- a. Justice reports- 72 new cases. \$6,496.00 in revenue
- b. Supervisor communications
 - i. A letter from Macomb supervisor looking for support for a local law for preservation of the 2nd amendment. Conklin suggests we do nothing now and bring it up to association a of towns and make an impact as a larger group.
 - ii. Volunteer Transportation Center Inc. has 250 volunteers transporting people to medical treatments, etc. Requesting a 2022 donation of \$1,521.00 to help pay for volunteers' mileage. Spilman gives us a break down of the mileage Town of Gouverneur residents have used in comparison to other local towns in 2020

Town of Gouverneur- 60,490 miles, 1227 rides, \$26,918 mileage reimbursement
Town of Canton- 30, 104 miles 670 rides \$13,396.00 mileage reimbursement
There is no action taken.

c. Motion to designate certifying officer as David Spilman Jr: Jay Bowhall

2nd motion: Curran Wade Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 d. Weldon Rd Speed Limit

Motion to pass resolution 101221-1 Jones/Weldon Road Speed Limit reduction request to 40mph-

Motion to pass resolution: Jay Bowhall 2nd motion: Jaimee McQuade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

e. Motion to approve tentative budget as written with changes: Jay Bowhall

2nd motion: Curran Wade Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

f. Motion to pass resolution for direct expenditures and contingency money for the East Side Water Line project: Eldon Conklin 2nd motion: Jaimee McQuade

Aves: 5 Navs: 0

Motion to pass resolution for direct expenditures and contingency money for the West Side water line project: Jaimee McQuade 2nd motion: Jay Bowhall

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

g. Motion to approve pay applications and form E's for East Side water project: Jay Bowhall 2nd motion: Eldon Conklin

Aves: 5 Navs: 0

Motion to approve pay applications and form E's for West Side water project: Jaimee McQuade

2nd motion: Curran Wade Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

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h. Public hearing date for Liberty Utilities Franchise agreement:

Motion to set public hearing date for October 22nd at 12 immediately preceding the Economic Development meeting: Jaimee McQuade 2nd motion: Jay Bowhall

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

i. Motion to set Budget Public Hearing for preliminary budget to November 4th at 5:00pm Motion by: Jaimee McQuade 2nd motion: Eldon Conklin

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

j. New business from board member: Spilman states that he's investigated the cost of new sewer pumping station, the cost is estimated to be \$5-700,000.00 for all 4 stations. No discussion, no decisions.

10. Public Participation

McDougall gives COVID update of 247 cases in SLC in the past 4 days. 13 of them in Gouverneur.

Motion to adjourn regular session meeting: Jaimee McQuade 2nd motion: Eldon Conklin

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters: Eldon Conklin 2nd Curran Wade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to end executive section session, with no decisions, motions or actions taken: Curran Wade

2nd motion: Jaimee McQuade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to reconvene regular session board meeting: Eldon Conklin 2nd motion: Jaimee McQuade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

11. **Motion to pay the bills:** Curran Wade 2nd motion: Jaimee McQuade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to close the October regular session meeting: Curran Wade 2nd motion: Jay Bowhall

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Meeting closed 7:35pm