

Town of Gouverneur
Regular Board Meeting
October 14th, 2025 – 6:00pm

The Town of Gouverneur Regular Board Meeting for October was held on October 14th, 2025 at 6:00pm on the Town of Gouverneur Office Building, 1227 USH 11 Gouverneur.

Attending:

David Spilman Jr
Jay Bowhall (6:07pm)
William Infield
Lory Whitton
Curran Wade
Marion Bowhall
Rachel Hunter

Diane Kelley
Michael Wainwright
Sherry Geer
Ronald McDougall
Harry Smithers

1. Meeting opened at 6:00pm by Supervisor Spilman.
A moment of silence was held in remembrance of September 11th.
2. Minutes of the September regular meeting approval-
Motion to approve as presented- William Infield 2nd motion- Curran Wade
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0
3. Public Participation
 - a. County Legislature report- Smithers present, oral report. Discussion between Wainwright about radio towers.
 - b. Shared services, Fuel Depot. – No Update.
 - c. Village Recreation Report- not present
 - d. Fire Department – no report, no representative
 - e. Rescue squad- no report
 - f. Public Participation- none
4. Old Business
 - a. Community Center- David Spilman gives update- Halloween dance 10/24 and ARC Dance 10/25.
 - b. Housing grant- New grant has been submitted. Expected to hear if awarded November or December.
 - c. Other old business- none
5. Committee Reports- none
6. Highway department
 - a. Wainwright present with oral & written report supplied
 - b. FEMA no updates, still working on it.
 - c. Used truck- no update.

Motion to declare truck #59 surplus- Curran Wade 2nd motion- William Infield
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

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Motion to establish a minimum value for truck #59 \$22,500- Lory Whitton

2nd motion- Jay Bowhall

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to declare 2001 tractor as surplus- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- Curran Wade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to declare minimum value for tractor at \$2,500- Lory Whitton 2nd motion- Curran Wade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

7. Dog Control- no reports.

8. Code enforcement- Rick Wood present, oral report supplied. 5 new permits, none for the town.

9. Assessment- Sherry Geer present with oral report.

Motion to accept Sherry Geer's resignation as assessor effective October 31,2025 with regret- Lory Whitton 2nd motion Jay Bowhall Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

10. New Business

a. Justice reports- 153 new cases \$5,882.00 collected in fines and fees.

b. Supervisor communications-

Dash cam discussion

-Discussion with Brant from Canton Department of Health regarding qualifying men for certified water operator.

-NYMIR certification of master disconnects signed by Wainwright and Spilman. Required on all heavy equipment.

c. Discussion on tax override local law- no decision.

d. Motion to move tentative budget to preliminary budget- Jay Bowhall

2nd motion- William Infield Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

e. Set public hearing and advertise for Preliminary Budget Public hearing to

November 5th at 5:30pm- Motion by Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- William Infield
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

f. Dog seminar regarding the newest regulations- October 28th at Plattsburgh.

g. Harassment Policy- Motion to update- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- Curran Wade
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

h. Other new business- building is moving tomorrow onto the pad.

11. Public Participation- Ronald McDougall gives village update.

12. Motion to pay the bills- Jay Bowhall

2nd motion – Lory Whitton

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

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Motion to suspend regular session: Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- Curran Wade
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to end executive session for personnel issues with no decisions being made after
the return- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- William Infield
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 6:59pm

Motion to re-open regular session: Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- Lory Whitton
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 7:29pm

Motion to adjourn- Curran Wade 2nd motion – Lory Whitton
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned 7:30pm