

November 11th, 2025 – 6:00pm

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

Attending:

David Spilman Jr
Jay Bowhall
William Infield
Lory Whitton
Curran Wade
Marion Bowhall

Rachel Hunter
Diane Kelley
Michael Wainwright
Ronald McDougall

1. Meeting opened at 6:00pm by Supervisor Spilman.
Pledge Recited by all, moment of silence for Veteran's Day.
2. Minutes of the October regular meeting approval-
Motion to approve as presented- Jay Bowhall
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
2nd motion- Lory Whitton
3. Public Participation
 - a. County Legislature report- No report
 - b. Shared services, Fuel Depot. – No Update.
 - c. Village Recreation Report- Report supplied
 - d. Fire Department – no report, no representative
 - e. Rescue squad- no report, no representative
 - f. Public Participation- none
4. Old Business
 - a. Community Center- David Spilman gives update-
 - b. Housing grant- No update, Grant has been submitted. Expected to hear if awarded November or December.
 - c. Other old business-
Lory Whitton asks for update on truck radios discussed at the last meeting.
Wainwright answers that the new tower could be online in 3 years.
Lory Whitton asks for update on surplus equipment.
5. Committee Reports- none
6. Highway department
 - a. Wainwright present with oral & written report supplied
 - i. Surplus truck – Town of Lyden has given verbal offer of \$15,000.00
Motion to counter offer to Town of Lyden \$17,500 one lump sum or
\$20,000 if they can pay \$15,000 now and \$5,000 by February 28,2026.

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Motion- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- Lory Whitton
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- b. FEMA no updates, still working on it.
 - c. County road plowing- new agreement with Towns & County to 2026–2027-year contract is \$79,581.00
 - d. DEC inspection of our fuel tank- it is recommended to replace.
7. Dog Control- no reports.
8. Code enforcement- Rick Wood present, oral report supplied.
- a. 11 new permits, none for the town.
 - b. 5 new complaints, 2 new violations
 - c. 2025- 88 permits total, 68 Village, 20 Town.
 - d. Looking to set up a bi-annual meetings with both village and town zoning and planning committee.
9. Assessment- no update
10. New Business
- a. Justice reports- no report
 - b. Supervisor communications- none
 - c. Relevy-
 - Motion to relevy- \$1,215 *ad valorem* and \$12,024.10 in sewer rents
 - Motion by: Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- Curran wade
 - Roll Call Vote:
 - David Spilman Jr- Yes
 - Jay Bowhall – Yes
 - Curran Wade- Yes
 - Lory Whitton- Yes
 - William Infield- Yes
- Water Relevy-
- Motion to approve relevy of East Side- \$18,742.33 and West Side- \$23,924.90 total \$42,667.23 – Motion by Lory Whitton 2nd motion- William Infield
 - Roll Call Vote:
 - David Spilman Jr- Yes
 - Jay Bowhall – Yes
 - Curran Wade- Yes
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 - William Infield- Yes

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- d. Motion to approve 2026 budget as presented- Lory Whitton 2nd motion William Infield

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Abstentions- Jay Bowhall

Motion to include board members in the health insurance portion of employee manual- Lory Whitton 2nd motion- Jay Bowhall

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

- e. Windows 10 no longer being supported. We received a quote from Steel Potter's company (currently using for IT) for 3 new desktops, install and update 9 units- \$4,545.00

Tabled, no decision.

- f. Jury Duty- Motion to update employee manual with NYS guidelines for time off for jury duty- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- Curran Wade

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

- g. New business- none

11. Public Participation- Ronald McDougall gives village update.

12. Motion to pay the bills- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion – Lory Whitton

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to adjourn meeting- Curran Wade 2nd motion- Lory Whitton

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned 7:16pm