

Town of Gouverneur
Regular Board Meeting
June 10th, 2025 – 6:00pm

The Town of Gouverneur Regular Board Meeting for June was held on June 10th, 2025 at 6:00pm on the Town of Gouverneur Office Building, 1227 USH 11 Gouverneur.

Attending:

David L Spilman Jr	Thomas Haynes- GFD Chief	Harry Smithers
Jay Bowhall	Rachel Hunter	Ronald McDougall
William Infield	Marion Bowhall	Dan Moyer
Lory Whitton	Diane Kelley	Sherry Geer
Curran Wade	Michael Wainwright	Donna Besaw

1. Meeting opened at 6:00pm by Supervisor Spilman.
2. Minutes of the May regular and May Economic development meeting approval-
Motion to approve as presented- Curran Wade 2nd motion- Lory Whitton
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
3. Public Participation
 - a. County Legislature report- Harry Smithers present- oral report given.
 - b. Shared services, Fuel Depot. – No Update.
 - c. Village Recreation- No report
 - d. Fire Department- newly elected chief Thomas Haynes present, report supplied.
Calles YTD- 172 calls – 44 (26%) Town of Gouverneur.
Expresses frustration of non-emergent calls; it takes out members away from instances they may be needed in a real emergency.
Current member count is 38.
Fireworks are July 3rd at dusk.
 - e. Rescue squad- no report
 - f. Public Participation-
 - i. Donna Besaw- Herme Town Road- requesting dredging of ditches to allow water to flow more freely, current experiences flooding of her office quite often when the rain is heavy.
4. Old Business
 - a. Community Center- David Spilman gives update
 - b. Housing grant- 2 more out to contract now. A total of 12 projects this round of funding
 - c. Any other old business- none
5. Committee Reports- none
6. Highway department
 - a. Wainwright present with oral & written report supplied
 - b. FEMA Meeting 6/11 at 2pm

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- c. Motion to authorize Spilman to spend up to \$120,000.00 on a used truck presented by Spilman to the board. Motion by Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- William Infield
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
 - d. No hot mix quotes on paving yet. Cold mix paving beginning Monday- June 16th.
7. Dog Control- Moyer present. Oral report supplied; inspected by the state today. Total 35 dogs taken into control this year.
8. Code enforcement- Rick Wood absent. Report supplied
9. Assessment- Sherry Geer present
- a. Oral report. BAR – Grievance Day over. 5 people physically at meeting; 8 complaints.
10. New Business
- a. Justice reports- 214 new cases; \$5,277 collected in fines & fees.
 - b. Supervisor communications-
 - i. ARMY bring Battalion Commander for community outreach. Setting up a time to meet with local municipalities.
 - ii. Chamber of Commerce letter about Flag Day parade.
 - c. Employee Health insurance- Leader's final word is it's just a resolution passed by the board to allow board members to take part in health insurance. Tabled.
 - d. Sewer repairs- Final reports finally sent to the USDA; this needed to be sent to get our part of the reimbursement from the Government.
 - e. Building move in progress- Moving possible Monday (16th) or Tuesday (17th) next week.

NY Forward public hearing and online survey- Public hearing Monday, June 16th, 5-7pm at the Community Center.

Village of Gouverneur Republican Caucus June 12st, 9 AM at the Community Center

11. Public Participation-
- a. McDougall gives Village of Gouverneur update.
12. Motion to pay the bills- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion- Lory Whitton
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Motion to adjourn- Jay Bowhall 2nd motion – Lory Whitton

Meeting adjourned 7:18pm

The next Regular Town Board meeting is July 8th, 2025 at 6 PM- Town office Building

The next Economic Development meeting, June 27th, 2025 at 12:00pm.