

The Seneca Village Council held its regular meeting on May 19, 2009 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council meeting was called to order at 7:00PM

Roll Call: Present: Lamb, Victor, Timmons, Spicer
Absent: Sears

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council appoint Gayla Barla as recording secretary.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the May 5, 2009 Council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

Treasurer's Report:

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the payment of bills and the April Treasurer's report as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Ms. Patti Smith of the Illinois River Area Chamber of Commerce presented the Council with an idea to form a "Seneca Historical Guild" which would be a committee that works to compile Seneca's history, gather historical photos and information in preparation for the 150th year celebration.

Old Business:

Public Property Victor:

Commissioner Victor announced that Village hydrant flushing will occur after flood water dries out and it may produce rust in the water lines.

Village employees will once again be checking for illegal sump pump hook up into sanitary sewer lines. There will be a documentation process and notice given prior to fines being issued.

Comm. Victor also announced that the Community Clean Up days will be June 12th for seniors/disabled, June 13th & 14th at the Olson's Salvage Yard.

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb announced that due to recent Village flooding, future projects have been established and that the Village employees will be working toward solutions as time and resources are available.

Comm. Lamb also announced that he is currently working with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources as well as Comm. Timmons to obtain needed permits necessary to clean up the I & M Canal.

Public Affairs Spicer:

An announcement was made by Mayor Spicer regarding a Public Hearing set for the next Council meeting, June 2, 2009 at 7:00pm for the vacation of West

Street. This meeting was originally set for tonight's meeting, but could not be presented due to newspaper publication error. In addition, the Village will hold its annual appropriation ordinance Public Hearing on that same evening.

Mayor Spicer overviewed the need to re-appoint selected board members as well as appoint new people to vacant positions on both the 911 Board and the Plan Commission.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council appoints Kett Johnson to the Seneca 911 Board with term expiring April, 2011.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council appoints Gary Hamilton to the Seneca 911 Board with term expiring May, 2012.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Lamb, Victor, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council appoints Michelle Balsitis to the Seneca 911 Board with term expiring May, 2010.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Victor, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council re-appoints Jay Harvey to the Seneca Plan Commission with term expiring May, 2014.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lamb, Victor, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council re-appoints Michael Ellis to the Seneca Plan Commission with term expiring May, 2014.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council re-appoints Michael Bordeaux to the Seneca Plan Commission with term expiring May, 2014.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council appoints Gary Hamilton to the Seneca Plan Commission with term expiring April, 2011.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Lamb, Victor, Spicer
Nays: none

Mayor Spicer announced the research was completed by special project attorney David Silverman as well as Village attorney Michael Mason regarding the extension for the Seneca I-80 project special use permit. At this time, Mayor Spicer has been informed by both attorneys that there is no need to have the Village formally extend this special use permit.

Commissioner's Report and New Business:

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb announced that the Village has purchased an additional 24 ton of cold patch to have street employees make necessary repairs to pot holes.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer spoke regarding a revision to the current liquor ordinance. This revision would be to allow the extension of the hours in which to sell liquor. Ordinance will be on file with the Clerk and will be placed on the next Council meeting agenda for passage.

Attorney Mason briefly explained the previously discussed Top Crop windfarm project which is in phase II.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves Ordinance #09-07 an Ordinance amending Ordinances which established and expanded an enterprise zone within the Village of Seneca, Illinois, said enterprise zone encompassing contiguous portions of the City of Ottawa, the County of LaSalle, the County of Grundy, the City of Marseilles and the Village of Seneca.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the Mayor signing an amendment to the Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement relating to the Top Crop Windfarm Project Phase II.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

Mayor Spicer announced a Grundy County E-Waste Recycling Event for June 20, 2009 at the Environtech Landfill in Morris.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor that the May 19, 2009 Council meeting be adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lamb, Victor, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

Recording Secretary, Gayla Barla