The Seneca Village Council held a Public Hearing on November 4, 2008 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Public Hearing was called to order at 6:45 P.M.

Roll Call: Present: Victor, Lamb, Hamilton, Timmons, Spicer

Absent: none

A truth and taxation hearing is required due to the fact that the taxes are estimated to increase over 5%. Attorney Mason indicated the main reason for the increase is the added ambulance levy, which would generate an additional levy of $48,000.00.

Mayor Spicer asked if public would like to address the Council.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Public Hearing of November 4, 2008 is adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Hamilton, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer

Nays: none

The Seneca Village Council held its regular meeting on November 4, 2008 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Present: Victor, Lamb, Hamilton, Timmons, Spicer

Absent: none

A motion made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the October 21, 2008 minutes as amended.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Timmons, Hamilton, Spicer

Nays: none

Treasurer’s Report:

A motion made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approves the payment of bills as amended to include a check made to Doug Pfaff in the amount of $200.00 out of the Park Board fund.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Hamilton, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer

Nays: none

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Commissioner Hamilton presented the Bellettini and Ellis families with plaques on behalf of the Council in recognition of the Village Center Halloween event held over 30 years for the families of Seneca.

Old Business:
Public Health & Safety Hamilton:

Comm. Hamilton reviewed the Emergency Management Department updates, including the Council decision to replace the current EMA employees.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the termination of the following Emergency Management employees: Deborah Rasch and Samantha Bruce.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Lamb, Victor, Timmons, Spicer

Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the appointment of Ms. Kathleen Angelakos to the Emergency Management Coordinator position to fill the May, 2011 term.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Timmons, Victor, Lamb, Spicer

Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the appointment of Mr. Jude Domanski to the Emergency Management Assistant Coordinator position to fill the May, 2011 term.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Timmons, Lamb, Victor, Spicer

Nays: none

Comm. Hamilton stated the updated police policy book has been available for Council review and he proposed to move forward with approval.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the updated Seneca Police Department Policy book.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Lamb, Victor, Timmons, Spicer

Nays: none

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb gave a brief bridge update covering the lane shift and new location of the school crossing that was an Illinois Department of Transportation decision for the safety of the school children.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer gave a brief overview of the storm sewer upgrade project, specifically involving the gas main. The Village proposed a pre-project meeting including the contractor, Village and school officials to discuss options for a successful completion.

Mayor Spicer also spoke of an agreement between the Village and the Seneca Port District on a potential TIF 4 involving the Orica property. The Port Dist. authorizes to finance the creation of TIF 4 and that the Port Dist. would be the first reimbursable.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council authorizes the Mayor to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Seneca Regional Port District and the Village of Seneca on a potential TIF 4.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Hamilton, Spicer

Nays: none

Abstain: Lamb

Commissioner’s Report and New Business:

Public Property Victor:

Comm. Victor asked the Council to consider a proposal from the Sterling Codifier Company to provide Internet code placement on the Seneca Village website. This item will be placed on the next Council meeting agenda.
Public Health & Safety Hamilton:

Comm. Hamilton will be making a recommendation to the Seneca Plan Commission to review the current building codes.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced the Village of Seneca and the Seneca Rural Fire Protection District have agreed that the Seneca Rural Fire Protection District will extend their boundaries to include the Village of Seneca for both fire and ambulance coverage. This merger brings the two entities together for a common good and is financially beneficial for both Districts.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council supports the extension of the Seneca Rural Fire Protection District boundaries to include the Village of Seneca for both fire and ambulance.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Hamilton, Timmons, Spicer

Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the

November 4, 2008 Council meeting be adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Lamb, Hamilton, Spicer

Nays: none

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Village Clerk