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The Seneca Village Council held its regular meeting on November 18, 2008 at the Seneca Village Hall.

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

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

Absent: Victor

A motion made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the November 4, 2008 minutes as presented.

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

Nays: none

Treasurer's Report:

A motion made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the payment of bills and the October Treasurer's Report as presented.

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

Nays: none

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Mr. Ryan Gust of the Rainbow Council #702, Boy Scouts of America gave a presentation relating to the desire to begin a Cub Scout pack in Seneca. Clerk was instructed to put an announcement on the Seneca website regarding his request for volunteers.

Mrs. Lenore Erickson of the Seneca Park Board thanked the many volunteers involved with making the Fall Festival a success. In addition, she reviewed several upcoming events and asked that anyone wishing to share ideas attend a Park Board meeting.

Mr. Bill Whitlock, Development Director of the Horizon Wind Energy Company reviewed the proposed expansion of the enterprise zone to include Phase I & II. The project includes .482 Sq. miles expansion to include 207 turbines in both Grundy and LaSalle counties.

Old Business:

Attorney Mason presented the annual Tax Levy to the Council for approval, he added the document is created to levy taxes in order for the Village to pay expenses.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council adopts the annual Tax Levy Ordinance #08-24 for fiscal year April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009.

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

Nays: none

Attorney Mason stated the Route 170 Storm Sewer project was previously approved for the amount of \$285,570.00 by the Seneca Port District Intergovernmental Agreement on August 5, 2008. Due to the increased amount needed for this project, the Port District extended the amount to \$300,000.00 to include engineers fees.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves an amendment to the August 5, 2008

intergovernmental agreement between the Village of Seneca and the Seneca Port District to increase the amount from \$285,570.00 to \$300,000.00.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Timmons, Spicer

Nays: none

Abstain: Lamb

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb gave an update on the Route 170 Storm Sewer upgrade, project documents have been received and signed as of November 18, 2008 and project will be moving forward. A pre-job meeting with school officials, village maintenance employees, Illinois Dept. of Transportation staff and Village officials will take place sometime next week.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer spoke of a way to enhance the Seneca web site to include the linking of the Village code online. The initial fee is \$1000.00 with a yearly fee of \$500.00, this amount would cover the installation of the code on the internet, provide a fully searchable and printable program to work with, create a link for the Seneca web site and maintain and updating with new Ordinances.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the Sterling Codifiers, Inc. fees associated with the placing of the Seneca code on the Internet.

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

Nays: none

Mayor Spicer asked the residents to consider volunteering on the Seneca Park Board. Anyone interested in being appointed to the board is to contact Village Hall.

Commissioner's Report and New Business:

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb reminded residents that the Illinois Department of Transportation installed speed signs on Main Street and South of town in order to slow traffic down during bridge construction. In addition, a stoplight will be placed at the South end of the bridge for safety reasons.

Public Health and Safety Hamilton:

Comm. Hamilton stated the Village was notified by the State Fire Marshal's office last week regarding registering what current code the Village of Seneca had adopted. Clerk to follow up with sending a letter to that office regarding the request.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced the Seneca Plan Commission Public Hearing to take place on November 19, 2008 @ 7PM regarding the Seneca Comprehensive Plan.

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

November 18, 2008 Council meeting be adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

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

Nays: none

Village Clerk