

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council meeting on December 15, 2009 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council meeting was called to order at 7:00PM

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

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council approves the December 1, 2009 Council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Treasurer's Report:

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the November treasurer's report & the payment of bills as presented.

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight Presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Additional Agenda items:

1. Coat Announcement
2. RR Crossing Announcement

Mayor Spicer stated that the Seneca Police Department announced a donation from Exelon employees of children's hats, gloves and coats these can be picked up at the Seneca Village Hall for anyone in need.

Old Business:

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb announced the Crotty Creek excavation work is currently on hold due to mud-related problems. Stott Contractor indicated the work will resume when weather permits.

Comm. Lamb reviewed the Village snow removal protocol as well as the chain of command when dispatching snow plow drivers. The Village priority is to clear the school routes first, then streets and intersections as well as alleys consisting of approximately 13 miles. Lastly, the downtown sidewalks are cleared.

New Business:

Public Property Victor:

Commissioner Victor reminded residents to take preventative measures to ensure that water pipes will not freeze in the dropping winter temperatures.

Accounts & Finance Timmons:

In Commissioner Timmons' absence, attorney Mason reviewed the ABCD Bond Ordinance as well as the 911 Bond Ordinances. With a general obligation bond, the Village receives better terms and interest rates. It was explained that the 911 Bond utilizes the \$2.00 surcharge on each telephone bill, which helps to avoid a raise in resident taxes.

Public Health & Safety Sears:

In Commissioner Sears' absence, Mayor Spicer stated that the Police Department had notified the Village with the subject of hiring a new part-time police officer, Mr. Ronald Radnovich.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council approves the hiring of Mr. Ronald Radnovich to the position of part-time police officer starting wage at \$15.63 per hour.

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

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb announced that the Route 170 Railroad Crossing will be replaced in 2010. More details will follow.

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated the need for the Village to update the current Freedom of Information Ordinance to correspond with State law. These changes will be reflected in a new ordinance that will be discussed at the next Council meeting.

Mayor Spicer wished the Seneca community happy holidays from the Village of Seneca and asked all who could to support the Seneca Food Pantry.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the December 15, 2009 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:25 PM.

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

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Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk