

The Seneca Village Council held its routinely scheduled Council meeting on June 16, 2009 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council meeting was called to order at 7:00PM

Roll Call: Present: Lamb, Sears, Victor, Timmons, Spicer
Absent: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the June 2, 2009 Council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Lamb, Sears, 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 May Treasurer's Report as presented.

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

Seneca Business Spotlight Presentation

Mr. Derek Buckley of the Hair Studio gave a brief presentation on his new Seneca business. According to Mr. Buckley, the hair salon offers many personal services as well as product sales. A July promotion was set for anyone who mentioned his appearance at the Council meeting would receive a hair cut for \$10.00.

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Additional Agenda items:

1. Mr. George Seul Flood Presentation
2. Crotty Park Announcement
3. Salt Barn Project
4. Clean Up Days Announcement
5. Sea Cadet Announcement

Mr. George Seul, Seneca resident expressed gratitude on behalf of his family in relation to the Village establishing the Seneca Flood Committee and their dedication to correct flooding problems within our community.

Old Business:

Public Property Victor:

Commissioner Victor announced the 2009 Seneca Clean up Days were successful due to the combined help of the following individuals: Jim Olson, Jeff Olson, Matt Olson, Scott Holman, Paul Rivett, Andrew Applebee, Frank Ryan and the Seneca FFA. A total of eighteen dumpsters were filled during the event.

Public Health and Safety Sears:

Comm. Sears stated that one of the new Police vehicles have been prepared and is being utilized.

Accounts and Finance Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons stated that the Sea Cadets would be arriving in Seneca toward the end of June through the first week of July. The Sea Cadet program is designed to provide free labor for small building projects which in turn provides them training opportunities. Comm. Timmons asked the Seneca residents to consider utilizing the free labor the Sea Cadet program offers.

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb stated that contractor Ruiz Construction is currently working on sidewalk repairs within the Village.

Comm. Lamb also announced that blockages were found within the storm sewer system during a telescopic inspection performed on today's date. Blockages were found on Union, Walnut and Richards Street that will be excavated & repaired in the future.

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer reviewed the previous meeting's public hearing proceedings regarding the vacating of West Street. The piece of land is 60'x200' which will be utilized for the expansion of the Seneca BP Amoco business.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council adopts Ordinance # 09-11, an Ordinance vacating West Street.

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

Mayor Spicer spoke regarding a letter drafted in support of the Seneca I-80 Railport project to the Village of Seneca and the surrounding residents. The letter overviewed the project and gave information on the completion goals.

Commissioner's Report and New Business:

Public Property Victor:

Comm. Victor stated he has currently started research regarding the purchase of a salt barn structure which would be located behind the Seneca waste water plant building. During the research process, it was determined that if purchased through one of the companies listed, there would be a substantial discount if the transaction was completed within the month of June. Due to the fact that this is the last Council meeting in June, he stated there was a necessity to approve the waiving of normal bid requirement.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council approves the waiving of the bid requirement for the storage building construction with cost not to exceed \$15,000.

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

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced that the Village has an anonymous donor providing \$1000.00 reward toward the apprehension of the person or persons who are responsible for the damages to Seneca's Crotty Park.

Mr. Guy Christensen of Chamlin and Associates spoke regarding the storm drainage problem that exists on South Street. Currently, Chamlin and Associates are working with school officials to obtain approval to install two catch basins on either side of the road at the entrance of the boat launch. Village employees would perform the work associated with this project and it would ultimately eliminate the current standing water problem.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council enters into executive session to discuss personnel and the purchase or lease of real estate.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council returns to regular session.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the June 16, 2009 Council meeting be adjourned at 8:15 PM.

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

Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk