

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council meeting on April 2, 2013 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

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

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves the March 19, 2013 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Treasurer's Report:

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the payment of bills as presented.

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports, Additional Agenda Items & Public Comments

1. Shipyard Road Update

Old Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton stated previously that the Seneca Park Board has approved condemnation proceedings on property from Douglas Street to Williams relating to an old railroad spur; he noted that the current owner of record is a corporation that does not exist at this time. An announcement was made that if any Council members had questions relating to this Ordinance, that he would entertain them, and none were asked.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council adopts Ordinance #13-03, an Ordinance authorizing the taking of private property by condemnation.

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

Accounts and Finance Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons announced that a change has been made regarding the next budget meeting; said meeting will be held on May 7, 2013 at 6:00pm prior to the regularly scheduled Council meeting.

Street Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb referred to Mr. Guy Christensen regarding an update on the Shipyard Road project; Mr. Christensen stated that to his knowledge the work will begin sometime early June, weather permitting.

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Commissioner Sears stated at last Council meeting that an agreement was received by Sungard Public Sector Inc., relating to a software license and maintenance agreement needed to facilitate dispatch consolidation with Grundy County. After review of both documents from Council as well as Village Attorney Mason, the Village Clerk was instructed to place both agreement documents on this agenda for vote.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council authorizes Mayor Spicer to sign a software license agreement with SunGard Public Sector, Inc. at a cost of \$29,780.00 to be taken out of Grundy County Consolidation Fund.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council authorizes Mayor Spicer to sign a software maintenance agreement with SunGard Public Sector, Inc.

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

New Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton stated he has been working with Festival Chairman Michael Ellis as well as ComEd to make changes to provide electrical service for the festival between Main street and North side of Williams as well as Main Street and South side of Williams Street; changes would include hiring of a contractor to provide two 200 amp services mounted on two new utility poles with 30 space breaker cabinets and 8 20 amp circuits per service which would be mounted in weather proof boxes. After discussion by Council, it was determined that this expenditure would be voted on with the exception of not to exceed a cost of \$6000.00.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approve an expenditure not to exceed \$6000.00 for electrical work for festival to be taken out of the Public Property Department.

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

Accounts & Finance Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons stated that the yearly Appropriation Ordinance has been prepared and provided to the Village Council for their review by Attorney Mason. The Ordinance is a requirement that gives the Village authorization to set limits on spending funds. This item will be placed on an upcoming agenda for vote. Commissioner Timmons informed the Council that repair work had been completed to approximately ten office chairs by an anonymous person who asked that the Village make a donation to the Seneca Food Pantry in lieu of compensation; after discussion, it was determined by consensus of Council to proceed with not only a donation to the Seneca Food Pantry but also a Seneca BP gas card for the person who provided the repair work.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approves an expenditure of \$100.00 to be donated to the Seneca Food Pantry.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approves an expenditure of \$50.00 for the purchase of a BP gas card.

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

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Comm. Sears gave an announcement regarding an event that the Seneca Police Department is hosting with Grundy County in which residents of both LaSalle and Grundy County will be allowed to drop electronic items at the Seneca Police Station for recycling disposal on Saturday, April 6, 2013 from 10am-2pm.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated he received a request from the "A Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education" or A.B.A.T.E. asking for the Village to proclaim the month of May as "Motorcycle Awareness Month".

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Village Council proclaims the month of May, 2013 as Motorcycle Awareness Month.

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

Mayor Spicer also announced that the requirements of the State of Illinois, Open Meetings Act relating to destruction of Executive Session recordings state that said recordings may be destroyed no less than 18 months after created and only after the Village Council approves the minutes and gives Village Clerk approval to destroy recordings.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council adopts Resolution #494, allowing the destruction of Executive Session recordings.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the council enters into executive session to discuss personnel and Collective Bargaining.

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

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

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

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the April 2, 2013 council meeting is adjourned at 8:21 pm.

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

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Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk