The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council meeting on April 6, 2010 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council meeting was called to order at 7:00PM

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

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the March 16, 2010 Council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Treasurer’s Report:

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

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight Presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

1. Street Department Updates

Old Business:

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb gave an update regarding the Crotty Creek, Rat Run and I & M Canal Improvement project. Work will resume on clean up and re-seeding weather permitting.

Pot Hole repairs and alley grading work will take place as time permits and the boat ramp drainage project is approximately 90% complete.

Bridge Report given stating steel erection commencing with beams being set weather permitting.

New Business:

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Commissioner Sears stated a two year contract regarding the union police officers is up for passage by Council. The proposal includes three changes to the current contract; one being shift differential increase for afternoon shift from 25 cents to 40 cents and night shift from 35 cents to 75 cents, second is increase of cap on insurance contribution and third is 2010 no increase in wages; but starting April 1, 2011 wage increase will be 60 cents per hour.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the Mayor signing a contract between the Village of Seneca and the Metropolitan Alliance of Police, Seneca Chapter #396

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

Commissioner Lamb informed the Council that he had multiple applicants for the summer help positions, but would recommend two second year employees that are interested in being rehired.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves the hiring of Andrew Applebee for summer employment at an hourly rate of $9.25 per hour.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the hiring of Frank Ryan for summer employment at an hourly rate of $9.25 per hour.

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

Commissioner Lamb proposed that in conjunction with the Village Clean up days set for June 13 & 14th that the Village offers a brush clean up by hiring a tree contractor with grinder attachment to remove and grind small brush from berm; Comm. Lamb to contact local tree services for pricing information.

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer encouraged all residents to comply with sending in their Census forms and offered if anyone had not yet received their form to contact Village Hall or obtain one from the Seneca Library.

An announcement was made regarding a resignation from the Seneca Park Board of Lisa Burger; Ms. Burger relocated due to job change and resigned. Mayor Spicer thanked her for volunteering her time with the Seneca Park Board.

Mayor Spicer stated in January of 2010, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency performed an inspection of well #1 located across from the Seneca Post office on Armour Street; this well was abandoned many years prior and the IEPA has responded with a request to either maintain the well to working capacity or fill in and seal the well. After discussion, it was determined by Council to proceed with Village engineers sending a letter to the IEPA informing them that the Village has chosen to fill in and cap the well. Per Mayor Spicer, Chamlin & Associates will begin the bid process and this topic will be discussed at a future Council meeting.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Sears that the April 6, 2010 Council Meeting is adjourned at 7:31PM.

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

Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk