The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on August 15, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call: Present: Applebee, Barla, Olson, Timmons, Spicer
Absent: none

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the Council approves the August 1, 2017 council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Applebee, Timmons, Barla, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the Council approves the July Treasurer’s report, payroll & payment of bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Applebee, Olson, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Mr. Austin Taylor of North Central Illinois Council of Governments gave a presentation in which he reviewed the services they provide to municipalities. Mayor Spicer requested a meeting with them regarding potential flooding grants and Commissioner Barla asked for more information regarding a hazard mitigation grant.

Old Business:

Public Property Timmons:

Comm. Timmons asked Engineer Guy Christensen to give an update to the proposed Union-Lincoln Street sewer tie-in project. Mr. Christensen stated he has spoken to current property owner, Ms. Peg Berta twice; she has requested that the council contact her directly. Mr. Christensen stated he would provide a written plan after Council speaks to Ms. Berta. Council intention is to bid this project in conjunction with the sewer extension to the Graves Park.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated two individuals applied for an opening on the Plan Commission. Both attended the last Plan Commission meeting and were interviewed and after a resignation was submitted by Frank Hall from the Plan Commission, both were recommended to fill the positions. It was stated that Mr. Hall will remain as the village Zoning Officer. No questions were asked.
A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the council appoints Jeff Lamb to the Plan Commission with a term ending April 30, 2020.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Timmons, Applebee, Barla, Spicer
   Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council appoints Tyler Shanks to the Plan Commission with a term ending May, 2019.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Timmons, Applebee, Barla, Spicer
   Nays: none

New Business:

Public Property Timmons:

Comm. Timmons also stated that the water meter replacement program is continuing; an order including extra meters was recently placed and approval is needed.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council approves an expenditure of $20,925.18 to Ferguson Enterprises split out of the water and sewer departments.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Barla, Olson, Applebee, Spicer
   Nays: none

In addition, Comm. Timmons stated a bill from Hawkins, Inc. needs approval; this was for purchase of chemicals for the water plant. No questions were presented.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council approves an expenditure of $4,108.32 to Hawkins, Inc. out of the Water Department.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Barla, Olson, Applebee, Spicer
   Nays: none

Accounts and Finance Barla:

Commissioner Barla stated the quarterly budget meeting will be delayed until second meeting in October; yearly audit was received and is being reviewed.

Public Health and Safety Applebee:

Commissioner Applebee stated the part-time roster has been reviewed and an additional two employees have submitted their employment applications.
A motion was made by Comm. Applebee and seconded by Comm. Olson that the council appoints Nicholas “Joe” Frederick as part-time police officer at an hourly rate of $19.59 out of the Public Health & Safety Department.

Roll Call: Ayes: Applebee, Olson, Barla, Timmons, Spicer  
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Applebee and seconded by Timmons that the Council appoints Kevin Grajewski as part-time police officer at an hourly rate of $19.59 out of the Public Health & Safety Department.

Roll Call: Ayes: Applebee, Timmons, Barla, Olson, Spicer  
Nays: none

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated that all required surveys, etc. have been received regarding the Graves property; there were minimal revisions that were required to the grading of Graves Park. Park Board has asked for permission to proceed with bidding procedures; consensus of council was to proceed with moving forward.

Commissioner Barla asked to have a moment of silence for Mary Ellen Beck whom recently passed away.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the August 15, 2017 council meeting is adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Timmons, Barla, Applebee, Spicer  
Nays: none

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Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk