

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council meeting on December 21, 2010 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

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

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council approves the December 7, 2010 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 and 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:

1. Coat Collection Announcement
2. American Disabled Veterans Announcement
3. Animal Fines Ordinance
4. Amending Curfew Fines Ordinance
5. Commissioner Sears Announcement

Mayor Spicer announced that the employees of Exelon have once again donated children's coats, hats, gloves and scarves. Any needy family can pick up a free coat for their children during regular business hours at the Seneca Village Hall. In addition, Mayor asked for Council's approval to allow the American Disabled Veterans permission to conduct their 2011 fundraising on April 29 & 30.

Old Business:

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb announced that there was an implosion today for the bridge piers. This will provide that the underwater obstructions will be removed and he also announced that the concrete will be crushed and recycled in the spring. Commissioner Lamb also stated that he would like to establish a snow removal plan that call outs are

limited to 2” of snow and above and for snowfall that is below 2” the call out time will be 4:00 am. If either south or north hills require salting this would be at the digression of the police officer on duty to call out for that purpose.

Attorney Mason spoke about the impound ordinance revision. He stated that the ordinance deletes the section dealing with if the vehicle seized is not exclusively owned by the offender, then the police shall contact the registered owner for pick up and the penalty provision shall not apply.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council adopts Ordinance #10-16, an Ordinance amending impounding vehicles in the Village of Seneca.

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

Attorney Mason also spoke about the Ordinance adopting hiring standards for part-time police officers. Ordinance #10-17 states that the Village of Seneca pursuant to the Illinois Compiled Statutes Chapter 65, Section 5/3.1-30-21 ordains to adopt hiring standards for part-time police officers.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council adopt Ordinance #10-17, an Ordinance adopting hiring standards for part-time police officers in Seneca.

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

Public Affairs Spicer

Mayor Spicer announced that the Citizen Participation Ordinance was up for vote. This Ordinance will govern the public’s right to speak before the Council or any of the subsidiary Boards.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council adopt Ordinance #10-18, an Ordinance amending the citizen participation at Council meetings.

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

Mayor Spicer also stated that there are two additional Ordinances that have been given to all Council members for review and will be placed on the next Council meeting agenda. One is relating to the curfew penalties, and the other is regarding animal fines.

New Business:

Public Property Victor:

Comm. Victor stated that the Village will once again be holding a Christmas tree disposal for the community; trees will be collected by the south side of Village Hall. Comm. Victor also commended Paul Rivett, Jim Applebee and Scott Holman on how they have handled the snow removal for the Village.

Mayor Spicer wished the community happy holidays from the Village of Seneca.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council enters into executive session to discuss the sale of lease of real estate.

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

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

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

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the December 21, 2010 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:38pm.

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

Theresa Russell, Seneca Village Clerk