

The Seneca Village Council held a quarterly budget meeting on February 4, 2014 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Budget meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

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

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Commissioner Hamilton that the Council appoints Gayla Barla as recording secretary.

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

Village Treasurer Gayla Barla provided council budget reports as of January 31, 2014, indicating the percentage remaining in each department's budget for the fiscal year.

Commissioner Sears arrived at 6:10pm

Also discussed were possible transfer options that should take place in March to balance the budget, Treasurer Barla was directed to provide information in mid-March to direct Council what transfers will be necessary. Village Clerk Therese Russell presented information on employee Darin Crask relating to his eligibility for Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund enrollment; Mayor Spicer indicated that he had been directed by Attorney Mason to enroll this employee at this time; it was the consensus of Council to proceed with enrollment. The topic of computer software upgrade was tabled until after 2014-15 budget is finalized and consensus of council was to split cost between all departments. Commissioner Sears indicated the need for purchase of a police vehicle; after discussion, it was indicated that the consensus of Council was to allow expenditure out of the DUI/DRUG/WARRANT/IMPOUND/POLICE VEHICLE fund. Treasurer Barla directed to release fund balance information and this item will be discussed at a later date after balance indicated.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the February 4, 2014 budget meeting is adjourned at 6:30pm.

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

The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council Meeting on February 4, 2014 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 6:31pm

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the January 7, 2014 Council meeting minutes as presented.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves the December Treasurer's Report, payroll and payment of bills as presented.

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

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

1. Street Crew Announcement

Old Business:

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer reviewed the current burn ordinance with the Council; asking for their thoughts about changes including whether to completely ban or regulate burning and also creating a leaf collection schedule for the newly purchased equipment.

New Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton stated that the Park Board approved hiring TESKA Associates, Inc. as planning and design consultants for the Westside Park, Crotty Park, Boat Ramp and West Campus facility.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves an expenditure to TESKA for \$16,760.00 to be taken out of the Park Board Funds.

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

Streets Lamb:

Mayor Spicer included an additional agenda item of expressing his appreciation to the Village maintenance crew for the fine job they have done during the excessive winter weather this year.

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Commissioner Sears stated the need for hiring an additional part-time police officer; Chief provided information on Mr. Daniel Budde.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves hiring Daniel Budde as part-time police officer at a rate of \$18.01 per hour out of Public Health & Safety Department.

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

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated the agenda item of release of executive session minutes will take place after discussion held in executive session. In addition, Mayor stated the Memorial Day Ceremony and Cruise Night Resolutions are to be approved to allow for IDOT to approve the Route 170 road closure.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council adopt Resolution #498 regarding the 2014 Memorial Day Ceremony.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council adopts Resolution #499, regarding the 2014 Seneca Cruise Night event.

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

Mayor Spicer read an announcement by the American Disabled Veterans Chapter 86 that they would like to hold their annual fundraiser campaign on May 9th & 10th this year; clerk instructed to inform chapter commander to allow this event.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council adjourns to Executive Session to discuss personnel and release of executive session minutes.

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

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

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Sears that the Council adopts Resolution #497, releasing certain executive session minutes.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the February 4, 2014 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:01 pm.

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

Theresa L. Russell,
Seneca Village Clerk