The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on January 16, 2018 at 6:54 pm.

Roll Call: Present: Applebee, Barla, Olson, Spicer
   Absent: Timmons

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council approves the January 2, 2018 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the Council approves the December treasurer’s report, payroll and payment of bills as presented.

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Additional Agenda Item:

1. Update on 605 N. Main Street Demolition Project

Communications:

Mr. James Hammar, Nania Energy Advisor stated the existing aggregation program agreement will expire May, 2018. It was stated that electricity rates have been elevated due to recent cold temperatures across the country and the energy demand is at a high level currently. At the recommendation of Nania Energy Advisors, the council agreed to wait for market conditions to become more favorable before making a decision on future aggregation agreement. Mayor Spicer added he would like to have flexibility when making decision on which rate to lock in for future agreement. Commissioner Barla asked if a typical contract is on a one year basis and Mayor Spicer answered in the past a multiple year contract had proven to not be beneficial for the village.

Old Business:

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson stated sealed bids were accepted on a 2000 International Dump Truck and high bidder was Manlius Township Road District at $21,101.00.
A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the council adopts ordinance #18-02, authorizing the sale of certain property owned by the village of Seneca.

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

New Business:

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson presented a resolution for the 2018 Homecoming Parade event which will fall on September 18, 2018. No questions were presented.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council adopts resolution # 543, regarding the 2018 Homecoming Parade.

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

Public Health & Safety Applebee:

Comm. Applebee reviewed a detailed report of Seneca Police Department which included statistics for the calendar year 2017; he indicated that overall total incidents are down 15%. No questions were asked.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated that pay estimate #1 to Stott Contracting is up for approval. This expenditure is in relation to the Graves Family Park project and the amount is for $153,103.05. Guy Christensen, Village Engineer stated that the contractor utilized a GPS system for accuracy with project grading and final drawings will be provided by Chamlin in the future. No questions were presented.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council approve pay estimate #1 to Stott Contracting in the amount of $153,103.05 out of the Park Board Fund.

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

Mayor Spicer announced a Park Board resignation by member John Lamb thus creating an opportunity for residents to volunteer for the board. In addition, a resolution was presented for approval of the 2018-19 Seneca Festival Committee members; a confirmation of the dates for the summer festival of June 20th – 23rd 2018 was given.
A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the council adopts resolution #544, regarding the 2018-19 Seneca Festival Committee.

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

Public Comment:

An unidentified woman present in the audience commended the Seneca Police Department for the reduced crime rate for the Village of Seneca.

Casey McCollom, engineer with Chamlin & Associates stated a change order was presented for the 605 N. Main Street home demolition project. No questions were presented.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the January 16, 2018 council meeting is adjourned at 7:15 pm.

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

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Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk