The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on January 3, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the December 20, 2016 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

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

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports & Additional Agenda Items:

1. CSX Sign Announcement

Old Business:

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson stated that the Street Department has provided signs located on Main Street at the CSX railroad crossing indicating information on how to lodge a complaint.

Public Health and Safety Applebee:

Commissioner Applebee stated a revised animals at large ordinance has been shared with the Council for their review, it specifically includes public areas such as boat launch and/or Crotty Park. Comm. Applebee stated there was no prior feedback from the Park Board on the ordinance.

A motion was made by Comm. Applebee and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council adopts ordinance #17-01 an ordinance regarding animals running at large.

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

Mayor announced that Tom Justice, Plan Commission Chairman attended last council meeting and stated that there were three ordinances referred to council; two relating to zoning changes and one regarding a variance request for 120 South Main Street.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council adopts ordinance #17-02 granting a variance at the request of Robert J. Hum relating to property located at 120 S. Main Street.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Applebee and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council adopts ordinance #17-03 amending the zoning district map with respect to 210-270 E. Jackson Street.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Applebee and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council adopts ordinance #17-04 amending the zoning district map with respect to 123 E. Birchlawn and 478 Crotty Avenue.

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

New Business:

Public Property Timmons:

Comm. Timmons stated that currently two out of three blowers are being utilized at the sewer plant for normal operation; the third blower system is in need of rebuilding. Village employees will remove the blower and transport it for this purpose thus saving the village approximately $2,000.00.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council approves an expenditure of up to $15,000.00 to Berryman Equipment out of the sewer department.

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

Comm. Timmons also stated that the on-going meter replacement to upgrade village to radio read meters continues; an expenditure of $8,330.00 was made to Ferguson Enterprises for this purpose.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the council approves an expenditure out of the water department to Ferguson Enterprises for $8,330.00.
Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Applebee, Olson, Barla, Spicer
   Nays: none

A reminder was made by Comm. Timmons that the Village will accept live Christmas trees for proper disposal in the lot behind Village Hall.

Accounts and Finance:

Commissioner Barla stated a quarterly budget meeting will take place at 6:45pm on January 17, 2017.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated he had been approached by tavern owners regarding a proposed change in hours on Sundays for both package liquor and open liquor sales to start at 6:00 am. Discussion was held by Council and village clerk was instructed to place this item on next agenda.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council enters into executive session to discuss personnel.

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

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

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

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the January 3, 2017 council meeting is adjourned at 7:41 pm.

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

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Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk