The Seneca Village Council held a Public Hearing on July 20, 2010 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Public Hearing was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Present: Sears, Lamb, Victor, Timmons, Spicer  
Absent: none

Mayor Spicer referred to Attorney Mason for public hearing information. Attorney Mason stated that the reason for the Public Hearing was to discuss the offer from Mr. Carlson of the Seneca BP Amoco, of $5000.00 to purchase a parcel of property to its west, which is an unimproved Street named Jackson Street with approximate dimensions of 311.71’ x 19.03’ which is located south of Jackson Street (U.S. Route 6) and east of West Street. The property presently is vacant and would not be used as a Street in the future development of the Village of Seneca.

No public comments were presented.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the July 20, 2010 Public Hearing is adjourned at 7:04 P.M.

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

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled meeting on July 20, 2010 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M.

Roll Call: Present: Sears, Lamb, Victor, Timmons, Spicer  
Absent: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the July 6, 2010 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Treasurer’s Report:

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the June Treasurer’s Report and payment of bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Timmons, Sears, Spicer  
Nays: none
No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation.

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Mr. Richard Wawerski did not attend the Council meeting.

Old Business:

Public Property Victor:

Comm. Victor stated that recently a portion of the Seneca water system was shut off due to hydrant replacement project. Boil water notices are given after each shut off and asked for residents to understand that this is a protection process. In addition, the Village will again be performing sump pump checks to make certain that homeowners are not running their sump pump drainage into the sanitary sewer system. Any homeowner in violation will receive a letter explaining the timeframe to re-direct their sump pump drainage; he added that the Village Maintenance workers will need to enter resident’s homes in order to determine if they are in compliance, if they are not allowed to enter the homes, then the Seneca Police Department will be contacted to have an officer to witness the situation.

Comm. Victor also stated that anyone disposing trees or brush into the canal is in violation with the State of Illinois. Any Seneca resident wishing to have brush removed may call the Village Hall to have Village workers dispose of it properly.

Accounts & Finance Timmons:

Comm. Timmons stated that the Sea Cadets performed public service projects to Crotty Park including the pouring of two concrete pads for additional bleacher seating for community sporting events. Comm. Timmons thanked not only the Sea Cadets, the Village Staff, River Redi-Mix for discounted concrete as well as Bellettini Foods for a fruit donation.

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb stated that Village workers have started saw cutting on Commerce Street in preparation for D Construction on the 2010 MFT street project. It was commented that the Village employees work has saved the Village considerable money by completing the preliminary work.

The item of vacating a portion of Jackson Street that was previously discussed prior to this Council meeting by Public Hearing. No further comment was presented.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council adopts Ordinance # 10-08, an Ordinance vacating a portion of Jackson Street.
New Business:

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Commissioner Sears announced that the Seneca Police Dept. is hosting the 2nd annual National Night Out event on August 3rd 7:00pm starting with an emergency equipment parade starting at the Seneca Police Department and ending at Crotty Park. Entertainment, food & refreshments will be served at the park after the parade.

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated that the Village attorneys are working with the Seneca I-80 Railport project attorneys to perfect an escrow agreement, a cost participation agreement as well as an agreement between the State of Illinois Department of Transportation and the Village of Seneca for the construction of a 5 lane box culvert on U.S. 6 at Rat Run. The first phase of the project included the preliminary engineering and has been completed. It was noted by Mayor Spicer that the Village will not incur any expenses on this project; it was stated that it will be placed on the next Council agenda.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council enters into executive session to discuss personnel and probable litigation.

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

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

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

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Sears that Vince Pacetti be removed as Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lamb, Spicer
Nays: Timmons, Sears, Victor

Motion not carried

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the July 20, 2010 council meeting is adjourned at 9:00 pm.

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

Theresa Russell, Seneca Village Clerk