

The Seneca Village Council held a quarterly budget Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on July 21, 2015 at 6:45pm.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council appoints Nancy Spampanato as recording secretary.

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

Comm. Barla reviewed the quarterly budget packet information with the Council; he stated numbers appear on target, Mayor voiced concern over projected sales tax revenues being down due to recent boat launch closures.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the July 21, 2015 Council Budget meeting is adjourned at 6:55pm.

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on July 21, 2015 at 6:56pm.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council approves the July 7, 2015 Council Meeting minutes as presented.

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

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

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

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Additional Agenda Item:

1. School Crossing Grant Announcement
2. Seneca High School Fees Announcement
3. Larvicide Mosquito Abatement Update
4. Personnel under Executive Session

Comm. Olson announced that the Village will be working with the Seneca Grade School on a crossing light grant that had been approved.

Mayor Spicer stated that the Village has received a letter from the Seneca High School announcing that the board has approved the waiving of the annual Park Board fee of \$3500.00 for use of SHS facilities.

Commissioner Timmons announced that employee Scott Holman has received additional Larvicide for village mosquito abatement from LaSalle County.

Old Business:

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson announced that the Village will be hosting a tire recycling event at Olson's Recycling center on August 14 & 15th from 8-4pm, this event was provided by funds received from the Grundy County EDPRenewable Wind Farm Top Crop.

New Business:

Public Property Timmons:

Comm. Timmons stated Crotty Park walk path asphalt work has been completed; after review, additional work is necessary to repair a portion and contractor has been notified. Comm. Timmons has opted to approve majority of billing and hold \$500.00 back until completion.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council approves an expenditure of \$1770.00 to Universal Asphalt & Excavating out of Park Board Funds.

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

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson stated that Crotty Creek is in need of excavating due to silt build up over the years; his hope it to alleviate flooding in the surrounding area. He would like to secure renting an excavator machine and utilize an independent contractor to complete the work at a rate of \$70.00 per hour. It was stated the work is estimated to be under twenty hours total.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the Council approves an expenditure of \$2125.00 to IL Truck & Equipment out of the Public Benefit Fund.

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

Public Health and Safety Applebee:

Comm. Applebee stated there is a need for an additional part-time police officer to staff the police department.

A motion was made by Comm. Applebee and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council approves hiring George Shugart at a rate of \$18.37 as part-time police officer out of Public Health and Safety Department.

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

Comm. Applebee stated negotiations have been completed between the Village and the Metropolitan Alliance of Police regarding the 2015-2018 police contract. Comm. Timmons verified that the wage increase would be retroactive to April 1, 2015 and Comm. Applebee agreed. Attorney Russo stated he had neglected to review Exhibit A prior to the meeting; and opted to change the motion to recommend verification prior to the Mayor signing the document.

A motion was made by Comm. Applebee and seconded by Comm. Olson that the Council approves the Mayor signing an agreement between the Village and Metropolitan Alliance of Police from April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2018, subject to verification of Exhibit A.

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

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated the previous Council declined paying annual membership dues to North Central Illinois Council of Governments; after discussion, it was consensus of Council to proceed with submitting payment for July 1, 2015- June 30, 2016 annual contribution.

Mayor Spicer indicated that although executive session was originally called for the purpose of collective bargaining; council wishes to decline that subject and add on the subject of personnel.

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

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

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

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

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Olson that the July 21, 2015 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:38 pm.

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

Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk