The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled council meeting on June 15, 2010 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the June 1, 2010 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Treasurer’s Report:

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the May Treasurer’s report and the 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:

Dr. David Prator along with Mr. Carlos Quiroga of the Active Life Institute stated that recently they have purchased property located at 409 South Main Street and plan to make it into a complete health care center with a variety of orthopedic related services.

Mayor Spicer presented a community service award on behalf of the Seneca Village Council to Vince & Margaret Grober for their many years of volunteerism within the Village of Seneca.

Mrs. Judy Yost of 709 Forrest Drive attended the meeting to discuss an on-going problem regarding sewage disposal discharge in the Hunter’s Ridge Subdivision. Engineer Guy Christensen visited her property and explained by letter that the Village has no authority in permitting, installing or monitoring of residential sewage systems; that responsibility and authority belongs only to the LaSalle County Health Department. Mayor Spicer encouraged the homeowner to contact the LaSalle County Board.

Old Business:

Public Property Victor:
Commissioner Victor expressed his appreciation for the work completed during the 2010 Village clean up days. Jim & Jeff Olson of the Olson’s Salvage Yard, Paul Rivett, Jim Applebee, Travis Koetz and Andy Applebee were acknowledged. Also noted was the efficiency and outstanding work provided by Commissioner Lamb, Paul Rivett, Scott Holman and Jim Applebee for the recent valve replacement project. The next phase of this water system update is the replacement of hydrants which will begin next week. The June 5, 2010 brush clean up day provided service for approximately 25 residents. Commissioner Victor also commended employee Jim Applebee for the work done on mowing the Seneca creek areas.

It was stated by Comm. Victor that the current fire alarm installed in Village Hall was found to be prioritized. It was previously stated that the Village would hire AAA Fire services to connect the system to the Village dispatch in the event of an emergency; due to the prioritization, the Village had to remain with CES Alarm Company, update the panel and batteries and connect the system by radio dispatch through the Alarm Detection Systems, Inc. Company.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the Mayor signing a contract with Alarm Detection Systems, Inc. for radio dispatch services on the Village Hall fire alarm system.

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

Comm. Victor also stated that the Manlius Township donated an antenna tower to be used for ham radio service for the Emergency Management Department. Comm. Victor asked the Council for their opinion on where this tower should be placed and stated he would like to have it installed and working prior to the July EMA exercise.

Accounts & Finance Timmons:

Comm. Timmons stated that the Sea Cadets will arrive in Seneca toward the end of June and early July and will supply public service projects; he asked the community for their support with this program.

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb announced that Commerce Street will be closed in the future from Lincoln to Scott to dig out pot holes and prepare for new pavement. Also, the IDOT Route 6 bridge replacement project is scheduled to begin June 28, 2010 through August.

New Business:

Streets Lamb:
Comm. Lamb stated he is aware of standing water on the Village streets and due to other Village related projects the normal street work will resume when the manpower is available.

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Comm. Sears indicated that Emergency Management Coordinator Kathy Angelakos has provided additional hours in preparation for the upcoming July exercise as well as extra traffic control when asked; full Council concurred that she is deserving of a pay raise.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council approves a pay increase for Kathy Angelakos, EMA Coordinator to $250.00 monthly.

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

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced that the Seneca High School is sponsoring a homecoming parade on September 26, 2010 at 2:00pm.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council adopts Resolution #470, allowing the 2010 Seneca Homecoming Parade.

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

Mayor Spicer announced that currently 72% of Seneca households have participated in the 2010 Census by mail; he encourages residents to comply by mailing in their census forms. Mayor Spicer also announced that the 2010 Seneca Cruise night will take place in August, separate from the June Seneca Festival this year. It was determined that in order to fall under the Village insurance coverage, the Village must host the cruise night committee.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council adopts Resolution $471, a Resolution of support to the Seneca Cruise Night Committee.

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

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

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Victor, Lamb, Sears, Spicer
Nays: none
A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council returns to regular session.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves a pay raise for James Applebee; setting his wage to $21.44 per hour.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Sears that the June 15, 2010 council meeting is adjourned at 8:52 pm.

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

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Theresa Russell, Seneca Village Clerk