

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council Meeting on June 5, 2012 at Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

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

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the May 15, 2012 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Treasurer's Report:

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

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports, Additional Agenda Items & Public Comments:

Additional Agenda Items:

1. New Squad Car Information

Commissioner Sears announced that the Police Department has obtained their new 2013 police expedition vehicle.

Old Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton stated that the Village is offering the yearly brush removal day and clean up day on Saturday, June 9th. In addition, Park Board has approved two expenses at Crotty Park, one is to All Types Fence, Inc. for the purchase of a shed and the other is for concrete work to be done by Muffler Concrete.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves an expenditure of \$2253.50 to All Types Fence, Inc. for the purchase of a shed at Crotty Park to be taken out of Park Board funds.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Sears, Lamb, Timmons, Spicer

Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves an expenditure of \$5961.00 to Muffler Concrete, Inc. for concrete work to Crotty Park to be taken out of Park Board funds.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Lamb, Timmons, Sears, Spicer

Nays: none

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Comm. Sears stated the part-time officer hiring standards ordinance has been updated to include a description of the qualifications one must possess to become a part-time officer and a statement that a number of hours a part-time officer may work within a calendar year are restricted.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council adopt Ordinance #12-10, an Ordinance amending Ordinance 10-17, adopting hiring standards for part-time police officers.

Roll Call: Ayes: Sears, Lamb, Timmons, Hamilton, Spicer

Nays: none

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced that he wishes to table the agenda item of Plan Commission Appointment until the June 19, 2012 meeting.

New Business:

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb announced that over 40 dead trees are located along River Road; Village will be checking right-of-way, marking trees and in the future will be going out to bid for removal of trees. The I & M Canal as well as the Crotty Creek currently have sand bars and will be cleaned at a later date. Comm. Lamb also announced a requirement that the Village need to adopt a resolution relating to the appropriating Motor Fuel Tax funds for the 2012 Street Maintenance Program.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council adopt Resolution #485 appropriating Motor Fuel Tax to be used for the 2012 Street Maintenance Program.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lamb, Sears, Timmons, Hamilton, Spicer

Nays: none

Guy Christensen gave an overview on the possibility of approximately 2900 ft. of road repair to Shipyard Road. To date, 11 borings have been obtained by a soil company in various locations of the road and the same company provided a detailed design report on resurfacing required to withstand truck traffic and create an 80,000 lb. roadway with asphalt and complete shoulder work. A partial grant has been obtained from the state for \$72,000.00; as well as partial funding from the Shipyard Industrial Park. According to Mr. Christensen, a bid letting will be scheduled between July 1st and July 15th and project will need to be completed prior to July 1, 2013 per grant requirements.

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Commissioner Sears asked the Council to allow his department to design & purchase yearly golf cart stickers; it was consensus of Council to allow this action.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated that the annual Prevailing Wage Ordinance is required by the State of Illinois; it states that the Village of Seneca will follow the prevailing wages set by the Department of Labor.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council adopts Ordinance #12-11, the Prevailing Wage Ordinance.

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

Mayor announced that the current Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance needs revision due to the completion of the Grundy County floodplain maps.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council adopts Ordinance #12-12, the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.

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

Mayor Spicer stated that the Illinois Valley Building and Construction Trades Council will once again be holding their annual fundraiser for Dollars Against Diabetes on Saturday, June 16th at designated intersections and businesses within the Village of Seneca. Mayor Spicer also stated that recently the State of Illinois has passed the Illinois Video Gaming Act regulating video gaming within the State of Illinois and any non-home rule municipality may allow video gaming and charge a licensing fee pursuant to the Illinois Video Gaming Act. This subject will be discussed at a later meeting date.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council enters into executive session to discuss appointment or removal of Public Officers and Collective Bargaining.

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

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

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the June 5, 2012 Council Meeting is adjourned at 8:25 pm.

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

Theresa L. Russell, Seneca Village Clerk