

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council meeting on March 1, 2011 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

Roll Call: Present: Sears, Lamb, Victor, Timmons
Absent: Spicer

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves the February 15, 2011 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Treasurer's Report:

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

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

Seneca Business Spotlight presentation: Glory Land Child Care Center on agenda; did not show. Mayor Pro Tem Timmons commented on the following new businesses opening soon within our Village: Active Life Institute, Glory Land Child Care Center, Dr. Peter Pullara dentist, Floral Gems and CaFaye sandwich shop.

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

1. Seneca High School Musical Announcement
2. Toilet Rebate Program
3. Shannon Family Benefit
4. Condolence Announcement

Commissioner Victor stated that the high school musical "Little Shop of Horrors" will be held on March 11, 2011 and March 12, 2011.

Mayor Pro Tem Timmons announced the Village Council's condolences to the Herb Johnson family, the Marseilles Fire Chief passed away last week. In addition, an announcement was made regarding the Shannon family benefit which is set for March 27, 2011 in Ransom; the Shannon children were orphaned after their parents passed away in an accident early December.

No public comment presented.

Communications: Mr. Gary Hamilton of the Seneca Plan Commission reviewed a request by the Federal Emergency Management Agency relating to the Village of Seneca adopting a floodplain Ordinance. Prior to July 18, 2011, the Village is required as a condition of continued eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to adopt the floodplain management regulations that meet the standards of the NFIP regulations. At this time, the Plan Commission had reviewed the Ordinance and Mr. Hamilton presented it to the Village Council to be placed on the next agenda.

Old Business:

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb stated he has received questions from the public regarding snow removal costs. He stated that the Village staff is currently creating a report with figures that will be presented at the next Council meeting. Also, pothole repairs will begin when weather permits and catch basin cleaning has already started; he asked the public to be aware of workers and equipment for safety purposes.

New Business:

Accounts and Finance Timmons:

Mayor Pro Tem Timmons announced to the Council that he is researching a toilet rebate program that has been offered by other cities; he gave an overview of the program and asked the Council to evaluate it. Also presented was a request from the Seneca Historical Guild for donations of office supplies as well as office furniture and file cabinets; next Historical Guild meeting is set for March 17, 2011 at the Seneca Village Hall.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council enters into executive session to discuss release of executive session minutes.

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

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

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

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Sears that the March 1, 2011 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:37pm.

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

Theresa Russell, Seneca Village Clerk