The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on Tuesday March 17, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

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

A motion was made by Hamilton and seconded by Sears to approve the minutes from the March 3, 2015 council meeting as presented.

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

A motion was made by Hamilton and seconded by Timmons to approve the February Treasurer’s report, Payroll and payment of bills as amended to split Port Authority billing between water and sewer capital accounts.

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

Communications, Petitions, Reports, Additional Agenda Items and Public Comments:
Additional Agenda Item:

1. Discussion on transfer of funds
2. Discussion of Fireworks Exclusion on Village Insurance Policy
3. Announcement of Tobacco Compliance Event Results

Old Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton stated the Ordinance for cross-connection control is up for passage; the Ordinance specifically prevents contaminated water from non-potable sources i.e. boiler from backing up into the Village water system. No questions were asked.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council adopts Ordinance #15-03, Ordinance for cross-connection control.

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

Accounts and Finance Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons referred to Kathleen Haralson for an update on the Village badge program; she thanked Mr. Ron Witaika of CF Industries for the $1000 donation toward the $1874 machine and also indicated it should be arriving this week.

Commissioner Timmons stated due to the deficit balance in the Public Health and Safety Department the Village should have a shortfall of approximately $150,000 at the end of the fiscal year and therefore
he would like to utilize any funds available in the Working Cash Fund to cover the shortfall; because this was not an agenda item, no further action was taken.

Commissioner Timmons stated Thursday, March 19, 2015 6:00pm is the Seneca Historical Guild meeting and that the proof copy of the Seneca historical book will be available for viewing.

Public Health and Safety Sears:

Commissioner Sears stated the Village had received information relating to the Fireworks Liability Exclusion from IMLRMA (Village insurance company) he indicated if the festival committee were to have a firework show, that Village should add the liability endorsement for the event. Village Clerk stated she had spoken to the festival committee and they are aware of the subject.

New Business:

Public Property Hamilton

Commissioner Hamilton stated the need to replace a 31 year old effluent flow monitor; lowest bid received was from Vortex Technologies for $4988.25.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves an expenditure of $4988.25 to Vortex Technologies for the purchase and installation of an effluent flow meter out of the sewer capital fund.

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

Comm. Hamilton stated the Village Vector truck is currently experiencing mechanical issues; he is researching with Standard Equipment whether the repair work needed will be covered by warranty. Clerk instructed to include this item under next agenda for expense approval. In addition, Comm. Hamilton stated the need for televising sewer lines in the Valley View subdivision due to infiltrating storm water into the system; prior to televising, line jetting needs to occur and if the Vector is fixed the total expense will be decreased.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves an expenditure of $4110.00 to televising sewer lines in the Valley View subdivision out of the sewer capital fund.

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

Commissioner Hamilton stated the need to revise the telephone system adding that the switch to allow calls to be forwarded is no longer being produced. Currently, he is looking into switching current system to a VOIP system; voice, fax, SMS over internet rather than via the public telephone switched network.

Public Health and Safety Sears:
Commissioner Sears stated during a recent tobacco retailer check, all were 100% compliant with the law by not selling to minors.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated he was asked by Mr. Christopher Jackson, athletic trainer at Seneca High School to consider proclaiming March to be the National Athletic Training Month. In addition, he was also approached by Ms. Nora Kleckner of ABATE to do the same for the month of May as Motorcycle Awareness Month.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approves the Mayor signing a proclamation for National Athletic Training month.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approves the Mayor signing a proclamation for Motorcycle Awareness Month.

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

Mayor Spicer also announced that Seneca EMA is partnering with the Seneca High School to bring to the community a severe weather presentation by Danny Neal and Adam Lucio from Northern Illinois Storm Chasers on March 26, 2015 at 6:00pm.

A motion was made by Hamilton and seconded by Lamb that the March 17, 2015 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:43 pm.

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

Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk