The Seneca Village Council held a Public Hearing on May 15, 2012 at Seneca Village Hall.

Public Hearing was called to order at 6:45pm

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

Discussion Held on the yearly Appropriation Ordinance, Attorney Mason stated that the ordinance is a requirement that gives the Village authorization to set limits on spending funds. There was no public present.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the May 15, 2012 Public Hearing is adjourned at 6:58 pm.

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

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council meeting on May 15, 2012 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves the May 1, 2012 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Treasurer’s Report:

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the April Treasurer’s Report and the payment of bills as amended to include payment of $3630.00 to Durdan Electric for pump repair at the Armour Street well house.

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. Storm Sewer Updates

Old Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton stated that previously an announcement was made regarding a vacancy in the Park Board; three applicants were interviewed and a recommendation was made that Michael Sheedy be appointed to the board.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Village appoints Mike Sheedy to the Seneca Park Board with term expiring May, 2016.

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

Commissioner Hamilton stated that as requested, the Seneca Plan Commission reviewed proposed changes to the Contractor Registration Ordinance and it was determined to decline any changes to the Ordinance.

Accounts & Finances Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons stated that the yearly Appropriation Ordinance is up for passage.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council adopts Ordinance #12-08, the Appropriation Ordinance.

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

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb stated that a final payout request has come in regarding the 2011 fall project of fiber asphalt work which was deferred until spring due to the wet pavement conditions last fall.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves an expenditure of $15,840.00 to SKC Construction for fiber asphalt work to be taken out of the Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

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

Public Health & Safety Sears:
Commissioner Sears stated that revisions were necessary regarding the vehicle impoundment ordinance; changes were produced by the State of Illinois allowing the local police departments to have higher authority regarding this subject.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council adopts Ordinance #12-09 an Ordinance revising Chapter 8 the seizure and impoundment of vehicles.

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

New Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton stated that the Crotty Park dugout which was destroyed by fire will soon be rebuilt by Dave Stuedemann Construction and the kitchen has recently been remodeled. Bids were accepted for construction work to the dugout and fence repair work to the baseball field fencing.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves an expenditure of $1897.63 to Marchio Fence Co, Inc. for repairs to baseball area at Crotty Park to be taken out of Park Board funds.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves an expenditure of $5900.00 to Stuedemann Construction for repairs of the baseball dugout at Crotty Park to be taken out of Park Board funds.

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

Further Crotty Park improvements will take place after bids are received for concrete work and storage building, this item will be placed on the next agenda. A thank you was given to Comm. Lamb for the storm sewer repair work being completed this week at Crotty Park. Comm. Hamilton also stated that if approved, a new GPS system will be utilized by Chamlin & Associates employee to perform location of sewer and water systems throughout the Village within 1 foot digitized for future reference.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves an expenditure of $3,690.00 to Chamlin and Associates for reimbursement of a Sidwell GPS Unit to be taken out of the water and sewer funds.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Village authorizes the hiring of Chamlin & Associates, Inc. to secure location data on Village utilities for an amount not to exceed $8,500.00.

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

Accounts & Finance Timmons:

Comm. Timmons stated that the 2011-12 Village audit has been completed by Mack & Associates; he requested a special meeting of the Council to discuss the auditor recommendations on June 19th 6:30pm just prior to Council meeting.

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb stated that he has several projects pending including the updating of storm sewers within the Village.

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Commissioner Sears reviewed the part-time officer ordinance regarding adopting hiring standards; Attorney Mason asked that it be deferred to the June 5, 2012 Council meeting.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced the resignation of Village Zoning Officer Ron Ott and offered his appreciation on behalf of the Council. Mayor Spicer also stated he contacted Frank Hall, Plan Commission member and verified that he would act as interim Zoning Officer.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council appoints Frank Hall as interim Zoning Enforcement Officer at a rate of $500.00 monthly with term expiring May, 2015.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Village appoints Frank Hall to the Seneca Plan Commission with term expiring May, 2014.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Sears, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none
Currently, there are two additional vacancies on the Plan Commission. Mayor Spicer presented a motion regarding Steven Parrish being appointed to one of the vacant positions.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and due to lack of a second, motion died.

Mayor Spicer stated that the 911 Board re-appointment of Gary Hamilton is up for review.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Village appoints Gary Hamilton to the Seneca 911 Board with term expiring May, 2015.

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

Mayor Spicer referred to the Village Clerk to explain the Intergovernmental Agreement with CMS. Central Management Service is a division with the State of Illinois regarding the local government health care and the yearly agreement sets the premium rates from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Village of Seneca enters into an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the State of Illinois Department of Central Management Services.

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

Mayor Spicer commended the Grundy Economic Development Council for their work to attract and retain business and industry to Grundy County. He stated the GEDC has asked for a donation to update their strategic plan.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves a donation of $500.00 to Grundy Economic Development Council.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the May 15, 2012 Council Meeting is adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Roll Call: Ayes: Sears, Timmons, Lamb, Hamilton, Spicer
Nays: none
Theresa L. Russell, Seneca Village Clerk