

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled council meeting on May 18, 2010 at the Seneca Village Hall.

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

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

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves the May 4, 2010 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Treasurer's Report:

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council approves the April Treasurer's Report and the payment of bills as presented.

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation.

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

1. Executive Session cancelled
2. Water shut off announcement
3. Zoning Fee schedule

Mrs. Janet Long, Public Relations Manager of Morris Hospital gave a presentation regarding hospital services offered including the immediate care facilities as well as patient transportation services.

Old Business:

Public Property Victor:

Commissioner Victor announced the June 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Seneca Clean up Days at Olson's Salvage Yard as well as the Village Brush Removal date of Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. Comm. Victor also announced that Rich Applebee of Applebee Computer Services recently updated the Village website.

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb gave an update regarding the Illinois Department of Transportation Route 170 RR Crossing Replacement project. He stated the project would take place the week of September 13, 2010 due to previously scheduled area projects that involve conflicting detour routes. One project being the bridge replacement on Route 6 approximately two miles west of Seneca to start June 28, 2010 with completion August 22, 2010; due to Route 6 being closed during project construction, detour routes of River Road or Morris Blacktop will be utilized. Detour routes for semi traffic will be marked.

Comm. Lamb also stated that the bridge project is at a slow pace due to weather restrictions causing delays.

A street department update was given relating to the hiring of summer temporary help Travis Koetz.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves the hiring of Travis Koetz at a starting wage of \$9.00 per hour for summer employment.

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

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced that at the May 4, 2010 council meeting, Plan Commission member Gary Hamilton presented the Village Council with information relating to the update of the Zoning Fee structure; the changes were also approved previously by zoning officer Vince Pacetti.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council hereby adopts the zoning fee schedule as identified in exhibit A.

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

New Business:

Public Property Victor:

Comm. Victor gave an overview of the current Village Hall fire alarm system. In 2005, when the Village Hall was built, a fire alarm system was also installed in the building, but it was never linked to dispatch. After investigation into the matter, Comm. Victor contacted the firm that originally installed the system as well as another contractor, AAA Fire & Safety; compared quotes for update needed and determined that AAA Fire & Safety was the less expensive of the two.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the Mayor signing an agreement with AAA Fire & Safety Company for \$3249.33 for Village fire alarm system update.

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

Comm. Victor also stated that the Village will be replacing non-functioning hydrants & valves that date back to as early as 1922. This project will take place on June 1, 2010 through June 4, 2010 and also noted that portions of the Village water system will be shut off during that time.

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb indicated that he was presented with a resolution appropriating Motor Fuel Funds for 2010. This is in relation to the Seneca street program and the main repair project will be Commerce Street from Lincoln Street to Scott. Residents were asked to avoid these streets when work is being performed.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council adopts Resolution #469, a Resolution for maintenance of streets which appropriates Motor Fuel Tax funds for the 2010 MFT Street Maintenance Program.

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

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Comm. Sears reminded Seneca property owners about Ordinance 92-14, which states that it is unlawful for property owners to allow the growth of grass or weeds over a height of eight inches. Property owners will receive a notice of violation and if owner does not comply with letter request within three days of receiving said notice, the Village will cut the lawn and property owners will be billed for expense.

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced that Gerard Keating, developer of the Seneca I-80 Railport Project will be in attendance of the next council meeting on June 1, 2010; a reception will follow the council meeting for interested parties to speak with Mr. Keating about the project.

Mayor Spicer announced that the Village routinely adopts the prevailing wage ordinance yearly which provides that the Village pays prevailing wage for contract workers. This item will be placed on the next council meeting agenda.

Mayor Spicer also asked community to attend the upcoming Memorial Day Ceremony taking place May 31, 2010 @ 11:00 am across from the Seneca Library at the Memorial Wall. Senator Gary Dahl will be the guest speaker during the ceremony.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the May 18, 2010 council meeting is adjourned at 7:40 pm.

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

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Theresa Russell, Seneca Village Clerk