The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on May 2, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call: Present: Applebee, Timmons, Olson, Barla, Spicer
Absent: none

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the Council approves the April 18, 2017 budget and council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Olson, Timmons, Applebee, Spicer
Nays: none

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

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Barla, Timmons, Applebee, Spicer
Nays: none

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Additional Agenda Items:

1. Flooding Announcement

Old Business:

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson stated the village will provide pick up to any senior citizens and/or disabled residents on Friday, June 9th during the Village Clean up Event.

New Business:

Public Property Timmons:

Comm. Timmons stated that staff has recently investigated a report of raw sewage transmitting through Rat Run Creek by a residential line on West Union Street. Engineer Guy Christiansen has indicated that easements will need to be obtained from the property owner as well as contiguous West Lincoln Street property owners who are currently on septic systems to tie all into the main.
Accounts and Finance Barla:

Comm. Barla stated there is a need to purchase fire proof filing cabinets for Village Hall records as well as two upsized computer monitors.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the council approves the purchase of three fire proof cabinets and two new computer monitors at a cost not to exceed $9,000.00 out of Accounts and Finance Department.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Olson, Applebee, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

Comm. Barla also stated there are three transfer motions that were produced after the April 18, 2017 budget meeting; no questions were presented.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the council approves the transfer of $42,629.94 from Illinois Funds to Streets-general checking and $6,215.22 to Accounts and Finance – general checking and $28,845.18 to Public Health & Safety – General Checking.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Applebee, Timmons, Olson, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the council approves the transfer of $77,690.34 from Illinois Funds to Investments for the “extra” revenue received in the prior fiscal year.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Applebee, Timmons, Olson, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the council approves the transfer of $48,628.82 from Sewer general checking to Water general checking for sewer’s proportionate share of the new radio read meters.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Timmons, Applebee, Olson, Spicer
Nays: none

The item of approval of employee raises will be tabled until after executive session.

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson stated that a resolution was created to notify Illinois Department of Transportation that the village wishes to use Motor Fuel Tax funds for the 2017 street program.
A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council adopts resolution #538, appropriating Motor Fuel Tax funds.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Barla, Applebee, Timmons, Spicer 
Nays: none

In addition, Comm. Olson stated that he wished to commend EMA Coordinator Kathy Haralson, Matt Stitcha, Jim Applebee, Scott Holman, Therese Russell, Police Department as well as councilmen who all contributed to flood relief efforts from the April 29, 2017 storm. Commissioner Barla asked that residents do not throw their grass clippings to the street in future; Comm. Timmons commended a young family who filled sandbags and Mayor Spicer stated that the village street employees did a great job of removing debris from catch basins located throughout the village prior to the storm occurring.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated the playground equipment located at Crotty Park has been deemed unsafe and Park Board has decided to remove the equipment as the bid received to make necessary repairs totaled over $5,700.00. Consensus of council was to rope off area until equipment demolition takes place.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the council enters into executive session to discuss personnel.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Timmons, Olson, Applebee, Spicer 
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council returns to regular session.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Barla, Applebee, Timmons, Spicer 
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the council approves an hourly raise of .70 to all full time non-union employees listed: Cindy Meglan, Ray Meglan, James Applebee, Matt Stitcha, Nancy Gross, Theresa Russell, Scott Holman and Harry Kosters retroactive to April 1, 2017.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Olson, Timmons, Applebee, Spicer 
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the council approves an hourly raise to John West of .50 cents retroactive to April 1, 2017.
Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Timmons, Applebee, Olson, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the council approves an hourly raise to Ingrid Ziemann of .50 cents retroactive to April 1, 2017.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Olson, Applebee, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the Council approves an hourly raise to John Williams of .25 cents as of May 17, 2017.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Olson, Applebee, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the May 2, 2017 council meeting is adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Applebee, Timmons, Barla, Spicer
Nays: none

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Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk