

Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on February 19, 2019 and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla and Olson

Absent: Commissioner Timmons

Also Present: Village Clerk Jennifer Peddicord, Attorney Bob Russo, and Village Engineer Casey McCollom

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the Council approve the January 2, 2019 Council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the Council approve the January Treasurer's Report, payroll and payment of bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

No Seneca Business Spotlight presented.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

PUBLIC PROPERTY, WATER & SEWER - TIMMONS:

Due to Comm. Timmons' absence, Comm. Barla presented Comm. Timmons' agenda items to the council.

Comm. Barla presented an expenditure to Stott Contracting, LLC in the amount of \$12,907.27 for final payment for sanitary sewer extension for Union Street to Lincoln Street.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Applebee to approve an expenditure to Stott Contracting, LLC in the amount of \$12,907.27 for final payment for sanitary sewer extension – Union Street to Lincoln Street – to be paid out of Sewer.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

Comm. Barla presented an expenditure to Underground Pipe & Valve Co. in the amount of \$1,744.00 for water parts for service lines.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson to approve an expenditure to Underground Pipe & Valve Co. in the amount of \$1,744.00 for water parts for service lines to be paid out of Water.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

Comm. Barla presented an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$3,335.00 for digging b-boxes on Weir Street and N. Main Street.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson to approve an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$3,335.00 for digging b-boxes on Weir Street and N. Main Street to be paid out of Water.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE - BARLA:

Comm. Barla presented Ordinance No. 19-03, An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to the Shipyard Business Development Park Redevelopment Agreement by and Between the Village of Seneca, LaSalle and Grundy Counties, Illinois and Shipyard Industrial Park, Inc., to the council and explained that there had never been any type of payment schedule established to pay the developer back. The principal amount has been paid off this past year and now interest is to be paid. The amended redevelopment agreement establishes a pay schedule to pay the interest owed to the developer back over a five year period. Whatever funds left after that time period can be used on other areas that need work. The agreement is scheduled to expire in 2026.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson to adopt Ordinance No. 19-03, An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to the Shipyard Business Development Park Redevelopment Agreement by and Between the Village of Seneca, LaSalle and Grundy Counties, Illinois and Shipyard Industrial Park, Inc.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson
Nays: None
Absent: Timmons

Comm. Barla presented Resolution No. 553, Authorizing Annual Transfer of Funds from the Video Gaming Fund for Payment of 2016 Bond to the council for approval. Comm. Barla explained that this bond is for the land purchased up at the water tower. There is approximately eight years left on the bond.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Applebee to adopt Resolution No. 553, Authorizing Annual Transfer of Funds from the Video Gaming Fund for Payment of 2016 Bond.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson
Nays: None
Absent: Timmons

Comm. Barla presented Resolution No. 554, Amendment to Resolution No. 529 Authorizing Transfer of Funds from TIF 1 Fund to Windmill Fund for Reimbursement of Costs Advanced in Connection with Road Work at Union and Lincoln Streets, and Shipyard Road. Comm. Barla explained that the windmill fund serves as a savings account for the village.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson to adopt Resolution No. 554, Amendment to Resolution No. 529 Authorizing Transfer of Funds from TIF 1 Fund to Windmill Fund for Reimbursement of Costs Advanced in Connection with Road Work at Union and Lincoln Streets, and Shipyard Road.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson
Nays: None
Absent: Timmons

Comm. Barla announced that Treasurer Nancy Gross has been deputized by the County Clerk's office to act as a voting registrar. Residents can now register to vote at Village Hall during regular business hours.

Comm. Barla announced that it is time to begin working on the 2019-2020 budget and handed out worksheets to the Mayor and Council members.

STREETS - OLSON:

None.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY - APPLEBEE:

None.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS - SPICER:

Mayor Spicer presented the Council with Ordinance No. 19-04, An Ordinance Disconnecting Certain Territory from the Village of Seneca, LaSalle and Grundy Counties, Illinois. Mayor Spicer explained that this is a land owner south of the village which is a combination of timber and farm ground. The property owner wants to allow hunting and shooting on the property. The Village does not want to amend its ordinance to allow hunting and shooting on Village property, accordingly, the village has agreed to allow the land owner to disconnect his property.

A motion was made by Comm. Applebee and seconded by Comm. Olson to adopt Ordinance No. 19-04, An Ordinance Disconnecting Certain Territory from the Village of Seneca, LaSalle and Grundy Counties, Illinois.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson
 Nays: None
 Absent: Timmons

Mayor Spicer presented the Council with an expenditure for advertising in the LaSalle County Visitor's Guide. The council agreed to have the same 1/6 page vertical ad as previously.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Applebee to approve the expenditure for advertising in the LaSalle County Visitor's Guide in the amount of \$397.00.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson
 Nays: None
 Absent: Timmons

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT AND NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC PROPERTY, WATER & SEWER - TIMMONS:

Comm. Barla presented the Council with Commercial Electronic Systems, Inc.'s Fire Alarm Test & Inspection Agreement for approval. This agreement is renewed every three years and requires a \$580.00 payment annually in advance.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson to approve the Commercial Electronic Systems, Inc. Fire Alarm Test and Inspection Agreement.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

Comm. Barla presented for approval a quotation proposal from Hawkins, Inc. for CL2 gas chlorination equipment in the amount of \$6,599.00. This will replace the gas chlorination equipment that is now too old to rebuild.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Applebee to approve the Hawkins, Inc. quotation proposal for CL2 gas chlorination equipment in the amount of \$6,599.00 to be split equally between Water and Sewer.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE - BARLA:

Comm. Barla requested approval of a transfer of \$24,478.18 from TIF1 to Windmill for repayment of the Village's portion of Shipyard Road reconstruction. This transfer will pay the Shipyard Road reconstruction in full.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson to approve the transfer of \$24,478.18 from TIF1 to Windmill for repayment of the Village's portion of Shipyard Road reconstruction.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

Comm. Barla requested approval of a transfer of \$49,000.00 from Motor Fuel Tax Money Market to Motor Fuel Tax General Fund for partial payment of 2018-2019 street program. Comm. Barla explained that the motor fuel tax funds are based on census results. The village currently receives \$60,000.00 to \$70,000.00 annually.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson to approve the transfer of \$49,000.00 from Motor Fuel Tax Money Market to Motor Fuel Tax General Fund for partial payment of 2018-2019 street program.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson
Nays: None
Absent: Timmons

STREETS - OLSON:

None.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY - APPLEBEE:

Comm. Applebee presented a request to the Council to hire a part-time police officer. Currently there are seven to eight part-time officers and the department is always looking for quality part-time officers.

A motion was made by Comm. Applebee and seconded by Comm. Olson to approve the hiring of Marc Stanek as a part-time police officer at the rate of \$20.14 per hour.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson
Nays: None
Absent: Timmons

Comm. Applebee advised the council that Village code 1-6-2 is very outdated and he provided a list of talking points. Discussion was held regarding changes that need to be made. Specifically, the section regarding dispatchers should be removed, as there are no longer any dispatchers employed by the Village. There are a number of obsolete sections and redundancies. There were several questions for the attorney and it was agreed that the changes should be made.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS - SPICER:

Mayor Spicer presented Resolution No. 556, 2019 Seneca American Legion Memorial Day Ceremony, for approval. This is passed annually, as it is needed by IDOT to close 170 during the ceremony.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 556, 2019 Seneca American Legion Memorial Day Ceremony.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson
Nays: None
Absent: Timmons

Mayor Spicer presented Resolution No. 557, 2019 Seneca Cruise Night, for approval. This is another resolution that is passed annually, as IDOT requires it to re-route traffic during the event.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Applebee to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 557, 2019 Seneca Cruise Night.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

Mayor Spicer advised the council that Diane Till has resigned as the Village's census liaison. Mayor Spicer advised the council and the Village residents that the Village is looking for a census liaison at the rate of \$12.00 per hour. This position is vital because the census data directly affects the motor fuel tax the Village receives.

Mayor Spicer advised the council that the Plan Commission has recommended the council approve a special use permit for Renewable Energy Group. Discussion was held regarding setting a permit fee. The Village Engineer will provide information to the council from other communities. The matter was tabled until the next council meeting with regard to the permit fee amount. The ordinance approving the special use permit will be adopted at the next council meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

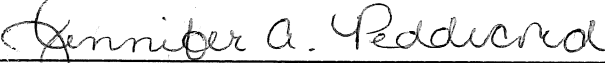
A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson to adjourn the council meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Spicer, Commissioners Applebee, Barla, and Olson

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.



Jennifer A. Peddicord, Village Clerk