

Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on August 20, 2019 and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Olson, Commissioners Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

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. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Higgins that the Council approve the August 6, 2019 Council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

A motion was made by Comm. Higgins and seconded by Comm. Callahan that the Council approve the July treasurer's report, payroll and the payment of bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT PRESENTATION:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT AND NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC PROPERTY, WATER & SEWER - TIMMONS:

In Comm. Timmons' absence, Comm. Callahan presented an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$2,400.00 for vacuum and clean west clarifier. This is prep work for the clarifier weir replacement to be done by DePue Mechanical. A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Lamb to approve the expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$2,400.00 for vacuum and clean west clarifier to be taken out of Sewer.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$2,400.00 for vacuum and clean west aeration tank to be taken out of Sewer.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Lamb to approve an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$2,400.00 for vacuum and clean west mixing tank, contact tank and excess flow tanker to be taken out of Sewer.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

Comm. Callahan gave an update regarding the waste water treatment plant on behalf of Comm. Timmons. He advised that while the tanks were being cleaned in preparation for the clarifier weir replacement, it was noted that the troughs that run around the top of the tank were damaged. The damage had been hidden prior to being cleaned, but it was noted that the damage is to such an extent that it is only a matter of time before failure. At this time, we are waiting for an estimate to fix the damage by DePue Mechanical. This would be additional work following the clarifier weir replacement.

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE - CALLAHAN:

Comm. Callahan presented for approval an expenditure to Seneca Ace Hardware in the amount of \$1,565.50 for miscellaneous department expenditures. A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Lamb in the amount of \$1,565.50 for miscellaneous department expenditures to be taken out of the following:

Public Property:	\$205.62	Public Health & Safety:	\$62.98
Streets:	\$137.97	Park:	\$61.19
Sewer:	\$1,097.74		

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

Comm. Callahan presented for approval an expenditure to First Midwest Bank in the amount of \$1,894.13 for miscellaneous department expenditures. A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Lamb in the amount of \$1,894.13 for miscellaneous department expenditures to be taken out of the following:

Public Health & Safety:	\$92.60	Park Credit:	\$4.78
Public Affairs:	\$890.98	Cruise Night:	\$620.30
Micro Food Pantry:	\$295.03		

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

STREETS - LAMB:

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to River Redi-Mix, Inc. in the amount of \$1,692.00 for concrete for sidewalks and flowable fill for River Road Bridge to be taken out of Streets.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY - HIGGINS:

Comm. Higgins commended Officer Mark Stanek for his work in apprehending the juveniles that vandalized Crotty Park. The individuals responsible for the damage are performing community service for the Park Board.

Chief Lamboley delivered a back to school message.

Comm. Higgins initiated discussion with regard to Springbrook Park Phase III. The developer has not completed his responsibilities with regard to the development of the subdivision, specifically roadways and street lighting. Accordingly, building permits have not been issued for the lots by the village. Attorney Russo has been researching how the village can attach a disclaimer to the property and believes that we can record a document against each property stating that the village is not responsible for incomplete street lights and roadways. The village does plow snow in this area. It was agreed that we will not issue building permits for houses that are on roads that are not blacktopped. Attorney Russo will do further research and talk to Plan Commissioner Chairman Tom Justice about how to proceed. Further action may be taken at the next council meeting.

Comm. Higgins deferred approval of the hiring of a police secretary until a future council meeting.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS - OLSON:

Mayor Olson presented Ordinance 19-14, Ordinance Imposing a Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax, for adoption. This ordinance allows the Village to impose a three percent tax on any retail cannabis sales, in the event the Village decides to allow the sale of cannabis within village limits. A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the adoption of Ordinance 19-14, Ordinance Imposing a Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

Mayor Olson opened discussion regarding passing an ordinance amending the number of class "A" liquor licenses issued by the village. The current number of class "A" liquor licenses allowed are 11 and Mayor Olson suggests we increase that number to 12. Liquor licenses are in much higher demand because of video gaming. This ordinance will be put on the agenda for approval at the next council meeting.

Mayor Olson presented an ordinance regarding the regulation of mobile food service establishments for review by council. More mobile food trucks have been seen in the area and having an ordinance would allow the village to regulate the mobile food trucks that operate within the village. This ordinance will be put on the agenda for approval at the next council meeting.

Mayor Olson gave a report regarding 2019 Cruise Night. He commended all those involved with cruise night for the great work they did.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

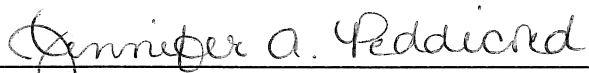
A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Higgins to adjourn the council meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, and Lamb

Nays: None

Absent: Timmons

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.



Jennifer A. Peddicord, Village Clerk