

Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on September 1, 2020 and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Absent: None

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

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. Victor that the Council approve the August 18, 2020 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Nays: None

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Callahan that the Council approve the payment of bills as presented.

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

Nays: None

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT PRESENTATION:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Old Business/Commissioner Lamb: Discussion regarding dumpster rental for yard waste.

Presentation by Mark Solak of the Grundy County Chamber of Commerce regarding advertising in the Community Guide.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Higgins: A motion was made by Comm. Higgins and seconded by Comm. Victor to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 575, A Resolution Adopting COVID-19 Policy and Procedures.

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

Nays: None

Comm. Higgins advised the council that Clerk Jennifer Peddicord prepared a worksheet regarding the various types of cannabis-based businesses and zoning options. He will be presenting this to the Planning Commission at its next meeting.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT AND NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC PROPERTY, WATER & SEWER:

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the expenditure to Chamlin & Associates in the amount of \$4,259.50 for survey and development of plans and specifications for bidding of the Market Street sanitary sewer extension.

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

Nays: None

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the bid from Opperman Construction Co. in the amount of \$48,926.00 for the Market Street sanitary sewer extension.

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

Nays: None

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE - CALLAHAN:

Following Executive Session: A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Victor to approve the following raises: Full-time employees will receive a \$1.00 per hour raise and part-time employees will receive a \$1.00 per hour raise, effective April 1, 2020.

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

Nays: None

STREETS - LAMB:

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve the contract with Christmas Décor Systems in the amount of \$2,250.00 for holiday lighting. The decorations will cover 15 electric poles.

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

Nays: None

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY - HIGGINS:

None.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS - OLSON:

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor to approve the License Agreement regarding 114 S. Cash Street. Attorney Russo explained that the alley behind Cash Street is almost

completely covered with buildings. With regard to the property at 114 S. Cash Street, part of the garage and porch is on the alleyway. The purpose of the License Agreement is to allow the buildings to stay on the alleyway, but the village maintains ownership of the alleyway.

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

Nays: None

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Victor to approve the expenditure to Grundy County Chamber of Commerce for advertising in the Community Guide in the amount of \$200.00.

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

Nays: None

Mayor Olson advised that the softball field and baseball field at Graves Park are largely completed, with the exception of a few punch list items. The fence still needs to be fixed. Graves Park is coming along nicely.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Victor to enter into executive session at 7:16 p.m. to discuss Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance.

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

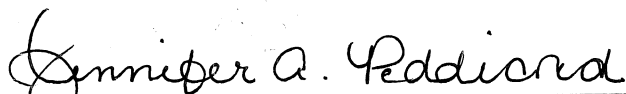
Nays: None

Council returned to regular session at 7:22 p.m.

A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Victor to adjourn the September 1, 2020 council meeting at 7:25 p.m.

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

Nays: None



Jennifer A. Peddicord, Village Clerk

