

Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on June 1, 2021 and the meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Olson and Commissioners Callahan, Higgins, Victor and Weber (via telephone)

Also Present: Village Attorney Robert Russo 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. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the May 18, 2021 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Nays: None

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

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

Nays: None

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT PRESENTATION:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

MAYOR OLSON: A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Victor to approve the adoption of Ordinance 21-20, An Ordinance Adopting a Social Media Policy.

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

Nays: None

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT AND NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC PROPERTY, WATER & SEWER:

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to Automatic Door Authority in the amount of \$2,600.00 for installation of Crotty Park bathroom locks.

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

Nays: None

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve an expenditure to Holler Tree Service in an amount not to exceed \$5,700.00 for tree removal at boat launch and Claggett tree line, with work to be completed by July 15, 2021. The contractor we had previously approved to clear the area for the dog park at the boat launch and the tree line next to Claggett's property is unable to complete the project. The bid was for \$2,000.00 for the Claggett tree line and \$2,700.00 for the dog park, but we are seeking \$5,700.00 in case there are any problems.

At this point in the meeting, Commissioner Weber became absent at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan and Victor

Nays: None

Abstain: Higgins

Absent: Weber

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to PlaqueMaker.com in the amount of \$2,000.90 for Graves Park tree plaques. This is for the tree plaques to be placed in front of the donated trees at Graves Park. This expense is completely covered by donations.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Weber

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve an expenditure to Diversified Sheet Metal in the amount of \$1,500.00 for metal caps for softball dugouts at Graves Park.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Weber

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to Boomin' Vinyl in the amount of \$1,615.00 for sponsorship banners for Graves Park. This is the second batch of banners to be hung at Graves Park. The banners were completely funded by the sponsorship fees.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Weber

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to Underground Pipe & Valve Co. in the amount of \$1,810.00 for buffalo boxes and valves.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Weber

Comm. Victor announced that on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 10:00 p.m., we will be shutting off the water to the entire town for approximately four hours. The purpose of the shutoff is to replace the pressure reducing valves located on the north hill, just south of the water plant. Once the water is turned back on, we will be under a boil order, pending test results. Residents are asked to follow the Village's Facebook page and web page for updates.

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE - CALLAHAN:

Comm. Callahan presented the annual appropriation ordinance for review. This will be brought back at the next council meeting for approval.

STREETS - WEBER:

Due to Comm. Weber's absence, Mayor Olson advised that the canal clean-up project is on target to begin next week. The machine was delivered ahead of time, but the work will not start until the week of June 7.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY - HIGGINS:

A motion was made by Comm. Higgins and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve an expenditure to Lexipol in the amount of \$5,568.00 for annual law enforcement policy manual and bulletins.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Weber

PUBLIC AFFAIRS - OLSON:

Mayor Olson advised that he has talked to the City of Streator regarding their clean-up program. He intends to talk to Chief Lamboley about enforcement of ordinance violations regarding property. There will be posts on social media regarding expectations. Letters regarding tall grass violations have been sent out.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve an expenditure to Dr. Megabyte in the amount of \$2,708.73 for EMA laptops.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Weber

A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Victor to approve the appointment of Darin Crask to the Seneca Park Board for a term to expire in April 2025.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Weber

Mayor Olson thanked the Park Board, the Beautification Committee and the sorority for their work on planting flowers and their work around town. They have done a beautiful job.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

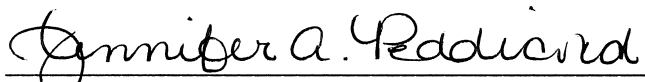
None.

A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Higgins to adjourn the June 1, 2021 council meeting at 6:15 p.m.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Weber



Jennifer A. Peddicord, Village Clerk