

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

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

Absent: Mayor Jeff Olson

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

Due to Mayor Olson's absence, Commissioner Brennan Callahan acted as mayor *pro tem*.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the June 15, 2021 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

**BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT PRESENTATION:**

None.

**COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:**

**COMMISSIONER VICTOR: NEW BUSINESS:** Thank yous for work at I&M Canal and Crotty Creek, and Graves Park.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**COMMISSIONER HIGGINS:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Higgins and seconded by Commissioner Victor to approve the adoption of Ordinance No. 21-23, Ordinance Amending the Zoning District Map and Approving a Minor Subdivision with Respect to Property Located on East 2350<sup>th</sup> Road.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

A motion was made by Commissioner Higgins and seconded by Commissioner Victor to approve the adoption of Ordinance No. 21-24, Ordinance Amending the Zoning District Map with Respect to Property Located on East 2350<sup>th</sup> Road.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PUBLIC PROPERTY, WATER & SEWER – VICTOR:**

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to Olson's in the amount of \$7,000.00 for dumpsters for clean-up days.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to Hawkins, Inc. in the amount of \$2,163.79 for new pump.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Weber to approve an expenditure to Hawkins, Inc. in the amount of \$2,520.00 for parts for pumps at water plant.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$1,880.00 for vacuum at Weir Street lift station.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Weber to approve an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$5,820.00 for cleanout of digester at sewer plant.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$4,190.00 for water breaks on East Lincoln Street.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in the amount of \$5,000.00 for annual NPDES fee, which is our sludge permit.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

Commissioner Victor thanked Scott, Jimmy, Matt and Conlan for all of their work on the I&M Canal and Crotty Creek. They did an excellent job.

Commissioner Victor also thanked the Park Board for the wonderful dedication of Graves Park. It was a great ceremony and well attended. The park looks beautiful.

**ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE - CALLAHAN:**

None.

**STREETS - WEBER:**

Village Engineer Casey McCollom spoke about two proposed resolutions, which are required by IDOT in order to use the Motor Fuel Tax funds and Rebuild Illinois funds for our annual street program. In the past, IDOT only required one resolution, but is now requiring two separate resolutions.

A motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 585, Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code (Motor Fuel Tax Funds).

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

A motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Victor to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 586, Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code (Rebuild Illinois Funds).

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY - HIGGINS:**

Commissioner Higgins advised that the police department received a grant through Illinois Law Enforcement for body cameras and squad cars in the amount of \$10,390.00. He thanked Nancy Gross and Mark Razny for their work on the grant.

#### **PUBLIC AFFAIRS:**

*Following Executive Session:* A motion was made by Commissioner Victor and seconded by Commissioner Higgins to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 587, Resolution Releasing Executive Session Minutes.

Roll Call: Ayes: Callahan, Higgins and Victor

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson and Commissioner Weber

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Higgins to enter into executive session at 6:13 p.m. to discuss semi-annual review of executive session minutes.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson

Commissioner Weber did not participate in the executive session and excused himself from the remainder of the council meeting.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Weber to adjourn the July 6, 2021 council meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Roll Call: Ayes: Callahan, Higgins and Victor

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Olson and Commissioner Weber

  
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