

Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on April 5, 2022 and the meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Absent: Commissioner Victor

Also Present: Attorney Robert Russo, Engineer Casey McCollom and Village Clerk Jennifer Peddicord; John Kinsella for public hearing

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

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing on declaring 149 Birchlawn Avenue a public nuisance was opened by Attorney Russo. The property owners were sent notice by certified mail and proof of delivery was tendered to the Village Clerk for filing. A memo and photos were prepared by Zoning Enforcement Officer Les Goslin and given to all of the council members for review. Attorney Russo advised there is enough evidence to declare the property a public nuisance. John Kinsella was present and spoke. He advised he would like to get rid of the property and has met with a realtor. A neighboring property owner, Taylor Poyner, was present and indicated he would be interested in purchasing the property. Mr. Kinsella does not dispute that the property is in disrepair. He indicated he is now retired and has time to work on it. He confirmed that the property has been vacant for 20 years. Bob Lee, a neighboring property owner, addressed the council and advised the property has been in a state of disrepair for many years and there has been no upkeep. Mr. Kinsella indicated he would like to work this out with the council.

Council agreed to allow Mr. Kinsella 14 days, until the next council meeting, to bring a plan back to the council or a signed real estate contract. This matter was deferred for action at the April 19, 2022 council meeting.

A motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the March 15, 2022 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Victor

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Victor

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT PRESENTATION:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

Chief Lamboley announced that Chloe Thompson was the winner of the Park Board's contest to name the new dog park. The official, winning name is the Seneca Bark Park. There will be a grand opening of the Seneca Bark Park later this year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Victor. Due to Commissioner Victor's absence, Commissioner Weber announced that the docks at the public boat launch are in the process of being repaired. Weather permitting, the docks will be put in in mid-April.

Commissioner Weber gave an update on the River Road replacement project. The final pour was done last Friday (April 1). The concrete must cure for 14 days, if the weather is dry. Once the concrete is cured, the guardrails will be installed. The goal is to be done by May 1, 2022, weather permitting.

Comm. Weber also advised that potholes are being filled, but cannot be done when it is raining or cold. If the public knows of a pothole that needs to be filled, they can contact village hall.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT AND NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC PROPERTY, WATER & SEWER - VICTOR:

Due to the absence of Commissioner Victor, Commissioner Weber presented his agenda items.

A motion was made by Comm. Higgins and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve an expenditure to Vortex Technologies in the amount of \$1,950.00 for calibration of waste water treatment plant meters. This is done yearly.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Victor

A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve an expenditure to Revize in the amount of \$6,100.00 for building new village website. The new website will replace the current website with more modern features.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Victor

A motion was made by Comm. Higgins and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$3,500.00 for cleaning of clarifier at waste water treatment plant. This is done every year.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins and Weber
Nays: None
Absent: Victor

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE - CALLAHAN:

None.

STREETS - WEBER:

A motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve an expenditure to Tobey's Construction & Cartage in the amount of \$78,900.84 for River Road Bridge Replacement payment #1.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins and Weber
Nays: None
Absent: Victor

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY - HIGGINS:

A motion was made by Comm. Higgins and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve the hiring of Luther Harper as a part-time police officer at the rate of \$22.62.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins and Weber
Nays: None
Absent: Victor

PUBLIC AFFAIRS - OLSON:

A motion was made by Comm. Higgins and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 598, Appointment of 2022 Seneca Festival Commission. This is done yearly.

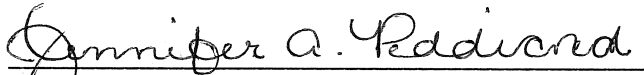
Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins and Weber
Nays: None
Absent: Victor

A motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 599, 2022 Seneca American Legion Memorial Day Ceremony. This is done yearly to close the road.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Weber to adjourn the April 5, 2022 council meeting. A voice vote was held. All ayes. No nays. The council meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer A. Peddicord". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Jennifer A. Peddicord, Village Clerk