The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on November 1, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call: Present: Applebee, Barla, Olson, Timmons, Spicer
   Absent: none

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council approves the October 18, 2016 council, budget and public hearing meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Barla, Applebee, Timmons, Spicer
   Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the Council approves the payment of bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Olson, Timmons, Applebee, Spicer
   Nays: none

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports & Additional Agenda Items:

1. Bond Ordinance Announcement

Old Business:

Public Property Timmons:

Comm. Timmons reminded everyone there is a vacancy on the park board. In addition, he stated at the corner of North Main (Route 170) and Route 6 there was a scheduled village wide water shut down rescheduled from Monday, October 31st to November 1, 2016 at 10:00pm to relocate two water mains. This action was to move the mains in order to clear room for a Dollar General Store to be built on that location. An announcement was also made by Comm. Timmons that Chamlin & Associates had reviewed the final payout to Michels Corporation for the Valley View Sanitary Sewer Lining Project of 2015 in the amount of $3,828.22.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council approves pay estimate #2 to Michels Corporation in the amount of $3,828.22.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Barla, Applebee, Olson, Spicer
   Nays: none

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson commended employees involved with the 2016 Street Program as well as Council, Village Engineer and the residents for being patient with the process.
Public Health & Safety Applebee:

Comm. Applebee stated the Seneca Fire Department has offered to replace any resident’s smoke or carbon monoxide detector batteries free just by signing up at Village Hall; this event falls on November 9, 2016.

New Business:

Accounts and Finance Barla:

Comm. Barla presented the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association invoice for the 2017 coverage year; no questions were presented.

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves an expenditure to IL Municipal League Risk Management Association in the amount of $97,919.91 broken down as follows: Park Board $3,433.32, Sewer Department $15,294.51, Water Department $17,955.63 and Liability $61,236.45.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Timmons, Olson, Applebee, Spicer
Nays: none

In addition, Comm. Barla presented an ordinance establishing a travel and expense approval policy, no questions were presented and he indicated this would be put on the next agenda for passage.

Public Health and Safety Applebee:

Comm. Applebee stated that recently a tobacco compliance check was done by our police to the retailers in Seneca; no violations were witnessed. An announcement was made regarding the 8th annual “Shop with a Cop” program for needy children for the holiday season.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced he had Chamlin & Associates prepare an estimate for costs relating to water main & sanitary sewer extension in the proposed Graves Park. The extensions would be installed to a point about 500 feet into the park near the location of a future restroom facility. The sanitary sewer would be an 8” line and same for water main. A fire hydrant would be placed at the end of the water main extension to provide fire protection. The estimated cost for construction of the sanitary sewer main is $28,000.00 with design and construction engineering fees of $7,000.00. The estimated cost of the construction of the water main is $37,000.00 with construction engineering fees of $9,400.00. Discussion was held on the village providing funds for this purpose as the grant will not include this type of expenditure. Mayor expressed he wished to utilize the Fire Fund for the water main and fire hydrant expenditure and the sanitary sewer expenditure out of the Sewer Department. Commissioner Barla asked whether the Fire District had been notified of the location of the proposed hydrant, Guy Christensen of Chamlin and Associates indicated no due to the fact this was an initial estimate. Commissioner Timmons will return to Council with funding figures and consensus of Council was to discuss again at future council meeting. Mayor Spicer
stated he was asked by Heritage Corridor whether the Village wished to include an advertisement in the 2017 Annual Visitors Guide; consensus of Council was to proceed with a 1/6 page ad at a cost of $410.00.

Additional Agenda Item:

Commissioner Barla stated that a Parameters Ordinance in relation to the issuance of general obligation bonds not to exceed $300,000.00 for the purpose of financing cost of acquiring land and constructing various public works related facilities for the Village has been given to the clerk for posting and will be acted upon at the November 15, 2016 council meeting.

No public comment was offered

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the November 1, 2016 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Barla, Applebee, Timmons, Spicer
    Nays: nays

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Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk