

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council meeting on November 2, 2010 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

Roll Call: Present: Victor, Lamb, Sears, Timmons, Spicer
Absent: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the October 19, 2010 council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Lamb, Sears, Spicer
Nays: none

Treasurer's Report:

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

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Timmons, Sears, Spicer
Nays: none

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Ms. Ana Koval of the Canal Corridor Association gave a presentation on the upcoming I & M Canal National Heritage Corridor Planning Workshops. The purpose of the workshops are to create a plan to preserve and improve the historic I & M area thus creating economic development, recreation and education opportunities for residents and visitors. Various meeting locations and dates are available and the meeting held at Seneca Village Hall was announced to be on November 10, 2010 from 7:00pm – 9:00 pm.

Old Business:

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb announced that with the opening of the new Seneca Bridge over Route 170, all approach ramp work can now be completed. New residential and commercial service roads are being constructed this week. A new south entrance for the Seneca Grade School is being constructed. Demolition preparation on the old bridge is currently being discussed. The paved portion will be removed first with implosion to follow, and the Village does not have a current demolition date to release. A press release will be given regarding an Exelon delivery of a 500 ton transformer to LaSalle

Station. The transformer will be transported to the facility over Route 170 to Grand Ridge Road the west to LaSalle Station.

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Commissioner Sears reminded residents about the free opportunity to have their children participate in the ICHIP program provided by the Illinois Masons and the Village of Seneca Police Department. The children will be fingerprinted, videotaped, photographed and interviewed in the event of their abduction.

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced that the Seneca Historical Guild made a presentation at the October 19, 2010 Council meeting to ask for the use of the Village Hall north office space for their meetings as well as historical memorabilia storage and display purposes. It was announced that the Council felt that the Guild provide their own office supplies and/or meeting needs.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the Seneca Historical Guild using Village Hall space until another location becomes available.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Sears, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

New Business:

Public Property Victor:

Commissioner Victor announced that the Village had received a request from the owners of the Country Acres Trailer Park to purchase the old Village water plant unit for \$50,000; this has been discussed with the Village engineer and Attorney Mason confirmed that since it is non-useable Village property that no bidding process is necessary. It was stipulated that Country Acres would be responsible for the delivery of the unit and it would need to be performed by a licensed, certified company.

Accounts and Finance Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons referred to Attorney Mason for review of the proposed tax levy. Attorney Mason stated there will be less than a 2 % increase due to slight increase to both the Village insurance program as well as the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund and in addition it was stated there would be no increase in discretionary tax line items.

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb spoke about the proposed amendment to the current parking ordinance. The amendment would provide that parking on Main Street from Armour to Scott Street will be limited to two hours from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council adopts Ordinance #10-12, an Ordinance regarding limiting parking time within the Village of Seneca.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lamb, Sears, Timmons, Victor, Spicer
Nays: none

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Commissioner Sears stated that the agenda item listed as impound fee ordinance revision will be tabled until a future date.

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced an upcoming Grundy County E-Waste event scheduled for November 13, 2010; various electronic items as well as white goods will be accepted for recycle.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council enters into Executive Session to discuss personnel.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Sears, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council returns to regular session.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Sears, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council allows the Commissioner of Public Health & Safety to appoint a temporary Zoning Enforcement Officer in the absence of the Zoning Enforcement Officer at the rate of \$100 per week.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Timmons, Sears, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the November 2, 2010 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:45pm.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Timmons, Sears, Lamb, Spicer

Nays: none

Theresa Russell, Seneca Village Clerk