The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council Meeting on November 20, 2012 at Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Roll Call: Present: Hamilton, Lamb, Timmons, Spicer
Absent: Sears

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council appoints Gayla Barla as recording secretary.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Lamb, Hamilton, Spicer
Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the November 6, 2012 council meeting minutes and the November 15, 2012 special meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Lamb, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

Treasurer’s Report:

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approves the October treasurer’s report, payroll and the payment of bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Hamilton, Lamb, Spicer
Nays: none

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports, Additional Agenda Items & Public Comments:

Ms. Nora Fesco-Ballerine of the North Central Illinois Council of Governments gave a presentation on the services provided by NCICG, programs and projects that they would potentially work with the Village on obtaining grant money. Mr. Bill Steep, Chairman of the Seneca Port Authority commended Ms. Fesco-Ballerine for previous grant work that NCICG has provided and Mr. Fran Kasten, Chairman of the Seneca Park Board commented on behalf of the Seneca Park Board he would like the Council to consider working with NCICG to provide grants relating to Park Board facilities. It was the consensus of the council to allow Mr. Kasten to proceed on behalf of the Park Board to research grant opportunities.

Old Business:
Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton stated that bids were accepted on the installation of two Clow fire hydrants to be installed on E. Union Street. The low bidder, Illinois Valley Excavating, Inc. was reviewed by Comm. Hamilton to the Council.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approved an expenditure of $11,788.00 to Illinois Valley Excavating, Inc. to install two fire hydrants on Union Street to be taking out of the fire fund.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lamb, Hamilton, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

Accounts & Finance Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons stated that Village Clerk Russell has been tasked with obtaining bids for Village property/liability insurance. Currently, Village is contracted with IMLRMA, which is a division of the Illinois Municipal League; and a 6 month partial payment for 2013 was recently released. After bids are collected, Clerk Russell will proceed with providing information to Council for their consensus.

Under old business, the agenda item of an ordinance adding to the existing ordinance pertaining to prohibiting parking was tabled in Commissioner Sear’s absence.

New Business:

Accounts & Finance Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons referred to Attorney Mason on the subject of the ABCD Abating Bond Ordinance; he stated with a general obligation bond, the Village receives better terms and interest rates. This Ordinance will be up for passage at the December 4, 2012 Council Meeting.

Public Health & Safety Sears:

In Commissioner Sears’ absence, Attorney Mason spoke of the subject of consolidating the Seneca dispatch services with Grundy County Dispatch. Mr. Mason stated the Council met in a November 15th special meeting of the Council with Grundy County as well as members of the Seneca 911 Board. After review, it was determined that the Village place the first addendum to the Intergovernmental Agreement for Consolidated 911 Emergency Communication Services adding the Seneca ETSB and the Village of Seneca to Grundy County ETSB.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council authorizes the Mayor to sign the first addendum to intergovernmental agreement for
consolidated 911 Emergency Communication Services adding Seneca E.T.S.B. and Village of Seneca to Grundy County E.T.S.B.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lamb, Timmons, Hamilton, Spicer  
Nays: none

Public Affairs Spicer

Mayor Spicer stated that a billing was received from Grundy County Chamber of Commerce for an annual membership of $100.00. It was the consensus of Council to proceed with voting on payment.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council renew Grundy County Chamber membership at a cost of $100.00.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Lamb, Timmons, Spicer  
Nays: None

The agenda item of Personnel in Executive Session was cancelled for this meeting.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the November 20, 2012 council meeting is adjourned at 7:40pm.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Timmons, Lamb, Spicer  
Nays: none

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Gayla Barla, Recording Secretary