The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on October 21, 2014.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves the October 7, 2014 Council Meeting minutes as presented.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approves the Payment of Bills, September Treasurer’s Report and Payroll as presented.

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

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

Additional Agenda items included two announcements by Mayor Spicer. Seneca High School is hosting a Veteran’s Day event to honor all Seneca Veterans, and First Midwest Bank is taking a collection to be donated to active military.

Old Business:

Accounts and Finance Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons asked Village Attorney Russo to cover his agenda item of the yearly tax levy; Attorney Russo stated that the amount of the levy is approximately 1% less than last year’s levy.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council adopts Ordinance #14-11, yearly tax levy ordinance.

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

Streets Lamb:

In Commissioner Lamb’s absence, Engineer Guy Christensen stated that there is a second and final pay out request in relation to the Union Street Project to D. Construction; he recommended approval and also stated there would be a one year guarantee on completed work from date of approval.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approves Engineer’s Final Pay Out to D. Construction in the amount of $23,720.71 out of the Union Street improvement fund.
Roll Call: Ayes: Sears, Hamilton, Timmons, Spicer
   Nays: none

New Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton stated the need to update several meters that were purchased by a manufacturer that is no longer in business and therefore no parts are available for repairs and in addition, converting the rest of the meters to a radio read capability. After discussion, Mayor Spicer asked Commissioner Hamilton to obtain bids and return with that information at a subsequent council meeting.

Accounts and Finance Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons stated that he approves of the current auditor and would like to move forward on approval of an agreement with Mack & Associates; Mayor Spicer stated he would like to propose only one year at this time.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Sears that the Council approves a contractual agreement with Mack & Associates for one year at a cost of $8750.00.

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

Public Health and Safety Sears:

Commissioner Sears asked the Council to review a proposed ordinance regarding the regulation of overweight trucks; after discussion, Clerk instructed to amend ordinance to exclude east South Street, West Williams and West Union Streets. Comm. Sears also announced the annual Halloween costume contest will be at Ace Hardware starting at 4:30pm October 31, 2014 just before trick-or-treat hours.

Public Affairs Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced a request has been made by the Grundy County Emergency Management Agency for donations to purchase a Mobile Command Center Vehicle; Comm. Sears stated he would ask the Seneca Fire Protection District Board for a donation toward this request and return with that information at a subsequent Council meeting thus, this item was tabled.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the October 21, 2014 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:43pm.

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

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Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk