

The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on September 16, 2014.

Village Council meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

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

Absent: Sears

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the September 2, 2014 Council Meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lamb, Timmons, Hamilton, Spicer

Nays: none

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the payment of bills, August Treasurer's Report and payroll as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Lamb, Timmons, Spicer

Nays: none

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

Mr. Frank Hall, Village Zoning Officer gave a presentation regarding a request to the Seneca Plan Commission by Mr. Rodney Engstrom for a simple subdivision of property. Mr. Engstrom's request included the following information: total property in question is 3.529 acres PIN# 24-24-110-012 which consists of lots 1,2,3,4,5 & 6 of Crotty's Fourth Addition on the north side of Highway 6 also known as Jackson Street, requesting to divide property into two sections. After discussion by the Plan Commission on September 10, 2014, Mr. Hall reported the board agreed unanimously to recommend approval of the simple subdivision presented on the final plat and in addition, to exempt the Engstrom simple subdivision from subdivision procedures according to 11-2-3 section D. Mr. Hall read section D as follows: Exemptions to a subdivision procedure may be granted by the Plan Commission for subdivision of one parcel of land into two parcels of land provided that no new streets or public improvements are required and the new lots meet all applicable zoning criteria in section 11-2-6 of the zoning chapter. Consensus of Village Council was to stipulate that the Village will not be required to provide any additional funding for the improvement of East Street and that research will be done on this subject and item will be placed on a subsequent agenda for further discussion.

Resident Mr. Robert Kogler stated he is wishing to make changes regarding his property located in Valley View to the Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Plain map; after discussion on the procedure Engineer Guy Christensen stated he would provide the information to Mr. Kogler to make such changes.

Old Business:

Streets Lamb:

Commissioner Lamb stated at the September 2, 2014 Council meeting, Ordinance 14-05 was passed with the mislabeled street name of Union Street, he added it should have been Old Stage Road from the east city limit line of the Village west to the CSX spur track.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council adopt Ordinance 14-06, regarding speed limits to correct a scrivener's error.

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

Engineer Guy Christensen stated there are two first engineers pay estimates which need approval; the first was for an expenditure of \$280,154.19 to D Construction regarding the Union Street repairs and the second was also to D Construction in the amount of \$29,608.33 regarding the 2014 Motor Fuel Tax project.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the council approve pay estimate #1 with an expenditure of \$280,154.19 to D Construction out of the Union Street Project Fund.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approve pay estimate #1 with an expenditure of \$29,608.33 to D Construction for engineers pay estimate out of the motor fuel fund.

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

New Business:

Mayor Spicer stated the annual working cash fund will be placed on the October 7th agenda for passage; this ordinance allows the Village to levy a tax known as the working cash fund not to exceed .05 percent. Mayor stated that he met with Attorney Robert Russo regarding potentially being hired as municipal attorney; it was consensus of council to invite Mr. Russo to the October 7, 2014 Council meeting. Three announcements were also made firstly, Seneca Lions Club will hold their annual Illinois Candy Day event on October 10, 2014, Spay it Forward will host their Fill the Bag Fundraiser on September 27, 2014 and petition packets will be available starting September 23, 2014 for the positions of Mayor and Commissioner. Mayor Spicer also stated that he met with Mr. Bob Rychlicki of Kane, McKenna and Associates, LB Foster representatives as well as their attorney, Herb Klein to discuss the development of 23 acres within TIF District 1 which is currently under contract by LB Foster. A resolution of inducement recognizes Village support as during the redevelopment process.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council adopt Resolution #507, a resolution of inducement regarding Seneca Shipyard TIF District #1.

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

Discussion was held on the agenda item of Scott Mann Annexation request for property located currently at 2990 N. 26th Road, Morris, IL; his requests include 10 years tax abatement as well as two building permits granted without cost. Mayor Spicer announced that all documents have been prepared regarding this request, and that a public hearing will take place at 6:45pm on October 7, 2014.

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the September 16, 2014 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:34pm.

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

Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk