

The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council Meeting on September 17, 2013 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the September 3, 2013 & September 5, 2013 Council meeting minutes as presented.

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

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council approves the August Treasurer's Report, Payroll & Payment of Bills as presented.

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

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

1. Fire Hydrant Announcement

No Old Business presented

New Business:

Accounts & Finance Timmons:

Comm. Timmons announced the next budget meeting will be October 15, 2013. In addition, he stated the Seneca Historical Guild is working on a historical book and asking for business sponsorships as well as family history submissions. Attorney Mason stated the annual working cash ordinance will be voted on October 1, 2013 and the purpose is to be able to work with a general fund instead of obtaining short term loans.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer announced that two new fire hydrants have been installed on Richards & Union Streets; he thanked residents for their patience during the upgrade.

Under Public Health & Safety Department, in Commissioner Sears' absence, Mayor Spicer stated that resident Ron Meneese donated a wooden sign which has been displayed at the Police Station; he offered his appreciation on behalf of the Village Council to Mr. Meneese. In addition, Mayor Spicer gave an update of the progress of the consolidation to Grundy County Dispatch. Tower installation has been completed, and currently work is being completed on software and programming for the switch to Grundy Dispatch. Mayor Spicer stated the expected go-live date is set for November 4, 2013 pending a positive testing phase completion.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer reviewed a request from the IL Department of Natural Resources for an extension of a license agreement for a parcel of land off Commerce Street at the I & M Canal. The fee for the agreement is \$100.00 per year or a \$500.00 total fee. Consensus of Council was to table this item until the October 1, 2013 Council meeting when other Council are present.

Mayor Spicer stated he had received a letter from the Daughters of the American Revolution asking for him to proclaim September 17 through September 23, 2013 Constitution Week.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council adopts the 2013 Constitution Week Proclamation.

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

Mayor Spicer announced that he would like the Council to consider purchasing a corporate membership for the Village at the Seneca High School to utilize their fitness center. The cost for a SHS Fitness Center Corporate Membership is \$500.00 yearly and covers not only Village employees, Police Department employees, Fire, EMS and all board members; consensus of Council to purchase a yearly membership with cost split between all departments.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the September 17, 2013 Council meeting is adjourned at 7:25pm.

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

Theresa L. Russell,
Seneca Village Clerk