

The Seneca Village Council held its regularly scheduled Council Meeting on September 4, 2012 at Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Roll Call: Present: Hamilton, Lamb, Sears, Timmons, Spicer  
Absent: None

A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves the August 21, 2012 council meeting minutes as presented.

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

Treasurer's Report:

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

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

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

Mr. Michael Ellis, Chairman of the Seneca Festival Committee gave a presentation of the 2012 Seneca Summer Festival. Michael stated that this year's festival was one of the most successful to date, and that the festival committee has already begun to plan for the 2015 Sesquicentennial Celebration.

Old Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Commissioner Hamilton announced that the work has begun to the Crotty Park outfield and asked that residents stay off of the area due to the recent seeding that had taken place. In addition, he thanked the entire Cruise Night committee for a successful 2012 Seneca Cruise Night event.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated the yearly working cash fund ordinance ensures sufficient funds at all times to meet demands for necessary expenditures.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council adopts Ordinance # 12-15, an Ordinance regarding the 2012-13 Working Cash Fund.

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

New Business:

Public Property Hamilton:

Comm. Hamilton announced two upcoming community events; first one is the 2012 Bass Tournament which is slated for Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at the Seneca LST Memorial Boat Launch and second is the 2012 National Day of Service and Remembrance at the Seneca Grade School on September 11, 2012.

Streets Lamb:

Comm. Lamb stated he would like Council approval for an expenditure to Varland Sandblasting and Refinishing of Morris for \$3,670.00 to blast, epoxy, and repaint the lower frame of snow removal trucks to prepare for the 2012-13 winter snow season.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves an expenditure of \$3,670.00 to Varland Sandblasting to be taken 1/3 out of water department, 1/3 out of streets department and the remaining 1/3 out of sewer department.

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

Public Health & Safety Sears:

Comm. Sears stated there is a need for an update to the existing phone service at the new Police Department addition to provide for a phone in the atrium which is unmanned after hours; the phone would allow for the public to reach a dispatch employee after hours.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council allows an expenditure of \$1,745.00 to Ficek Electric for upgrade of phone system to be taken out of Public Health & Safety Department.

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

Comm. Sears also stated he is in support of the A T & T “No Text on Board Pledge Day” which has been set for September 19, 2012. He read the entire proclamation to the Council asking for their support on the initiative.

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the “No Text on Board” Proclamation.

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

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer reviewed the request from North Central Illinois Council of Governments for donation of \$1,000.00 toward the Annual Planning Grant of \$57,000.00 from the U.S. Department of Commerce – Economic Development Administration.

A motion was made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council approves a donation of \$1,000.00 to North Central Illinois Council of Governments towards the Annual Planning Grant through the U.S. Department of Commerce to be taken ½ out of Public Affairs and ½ out of Zoning.

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

The item of executive session collective bargaining has been tabled until September 18, 2012.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Sears that the Council enters into executive session to discuss personnel.

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

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

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

A motion was made by Comm. Sears and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the September 4, 2012 Council Meeting is adjourned at 8:10 pm.

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

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Theresa L. Russell, Seneca Village Clerk