

The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on September 5, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call: Present: Applebee, Barla, Olson, Timmons, Spicer
Absent: none

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the August 15, 2017 council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Timmons, Applebee, Barla, Spicer
Nays: none

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

Roll Call: Ayes: Barla, Olson, Applebee, Timmons, Spicer
Nays: none

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Additional Agenda Item:

1. Cruise Night Announcement

Communications:

Isaiah Swon, Seneca High School student announced that as a FFA project, he is asking the community to help him collect plastic caps that will be converted into a handicapped accessible picnic table and/or bench.

Old Business:

Public Property Timmons:

Comm. Timmons asked Engineer Guy Christensen to give an update to the proposed Union-Lincoln Street sewer tie-in project. Mr. Christensen stated village staff has located water lines in current easement and is checking the existing storm sewer to make certain that location will not be in conflict with proposed project. Mr. Christensen indicated that he would provide a written plan soon. In addition, it was discussed that as far as the Graves Park water & sewer update, consensus of council was to go to bid on the project because Mr. Christensen stated if not, the fear is that it will disrupt park progress. Also stated was the Crotty Park water line repair project and Union-Lincoln Street projects would be bid together.

Accounts and Finance Barla:

Comm. Barla stated he wished to table the easement agreement.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer thanked all volunteers and visitors who attended the 2017 Cruise Night.

New Business:

Public Property Timmons:

Comm. Timmons also stated that a 30 year old pump located in the Valley View subdivision had recently worn out and was replaced; he is looking into whether the old pump could be rebuilt as a future back up pump. No questions were presented.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council approves an expenditure of \$3,100.00 to TH Pumps split out of the Water & Sewer Departments.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Barla, Applebee, Olson, Spicer
Nays: none

Comm. Timmons also stated that at the end of August, extensive root damage was found via jet Vactor at Route 6 and Route 170 by A & E Septic Services. This damage was repaired via specialty Vactor root cutter and no questions were presented.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the Council approves an expenditure of \$4,445.00 to A & E Septic Services out of the Sewer Department.

Roll Call: Ayes: Timmons, Applebee, Olson, Barla, Spicer
Nays: none

Accounts and Finance Barla:

Commissioner Barla reviewed the yearly audit that Mack & Associates prepared with the village council; no questions were presented.

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson thanked both Chamlin & Associates and D Construction for their dedication to the 2017 Street Program. Mr. Christensen indicated that the contractor will return to complete patching and final shoulder stone work in the future.

Public Health and Safety Applebee:

Commissioner Applebee stated that Police Officer Michael Hetelle was one of 25 in the State of Illinois that will be recognized in late September by “Mothers Against Drunk Drivers”.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated that two requests were received for different publications asking for the Village to advertise. After discussion, it was consensus of council to approve \$395.00 for 1.75” x 2” ad size for Town Square Publications and 1/6 page horizontal ad at a cost of \$410.00 to Heritage Corridor. In addition, Mayor announced that North Central Illinois Council of Governments is asking for a \$1,000.00 donation for a matching grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce – Economic Development Administration; consensus of Council was to approve that expenditure as well.

Mayor stated that the old Crotty Park playground equipment has been removed and the groundwork for the new equipment has begun. The new playground equipment will be funded by a private donor and should be erected in spring of 2018.

Executive Session was cancelled.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the September 5, 2017 council meeting is adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Barla, Timmons, Applebee, Spicer
Nays: none

Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk