

The Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on April 18, 2017 at 7:00 pm

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

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the Council approves the April 4, 2017 council meeting minutes as presented

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

A motion was made by Comm. Barla and seconded by Comm. Olson that the Council approves the March treasurer's report, payroll & payment of bills as presented.

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

No Seneca Business Spotlight presentation

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Mr. Mark Solak, Grundy Co. Chamber of Commerce Sales Manager gave a presentation regarding the 2017 Grundy Co. Resource Guide. Advertising information was also provided, council opted to discuss decision later in the meeting.

Additional Agenda Items:

1. Water Plant Aerator Update
2. Grundy County Resource Guide Advertising Discussion

Old Business:

Public Property Timmons:

Commissioner Timmons stated that the update to the existing water main project went well; he commended employee Jim Applebee who was in charge of bringing water pressure up slowly and purging lines properly. Comm. Timmons asked Guy Christensen for an update of the north property land survey which was partially acquired recently. Mr. Christensen stated due to the additional contiguous property being purchased by village on April 27, 2017, he would complete the survey after all property is acquired. It was also stated that Jim Applebee is working with Mazon village to arrange for the dismantling and removal of the old water plant aerator system.

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson stated that Scott Holman chose Sean Baker out of the applicants who applied for summer employment. No questions were presented.

A motion was made by Olson and seconded by Comm. Applebee that the council hires Sean Baker for temporary summer employment out of the Street Department at an hourly rate of \$10.50.

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

Public Health & Safety Applebee:

Comm. Applebee stated that the BASSET trainings have started with Lt. Harry Kosters. He commended Lt. Kosters and stated the program has received excellent feedback thus far. In addition, he stated that a police vehicle was purchased for the midnight employee use.

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated that the yearly prevailing wage ordinance is required by law and up for a vote; no questions were asked.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council adopts ordinance #17-11, yearly prevailing wage ordinance.

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

New Business:

Public Property Timmons:

Comm. Timmons stated that as a part of the on-going meter replacement project, an expenditure for purchase of water meters is necessary.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council approves an expenditure of \$21,285.69 to Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. out of the Water Department.

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

Comm. Timmons stated that reservations are currently being taken for Crotty Park; a new fee structure has also been established. Due to a resident incurring chronic sewer back up on East Lincoln Street, an investigation ensued. It was determined that previously, NICOR was responsible for boring into the sewer line when Lincoln Street was repaved in 2016. Additional damages were discovered to 90 degree elbow for sewer line in north side of street thus creating the back up. Employees utilized the village Vactor truck and also hired A & E Septic Services to use camera to determine the issue, excavate the broken pipe, repair and back fill. Comm. Timmons stated that there were equipment needs for the replacement scale that was purchased recently for the sewer plant. Commissioner Timmons corrected the original motion stating the expenditure should be taken out of Water Department only.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Barla that the Council approves an expenditure of \$1,603.00 to Hawkins, Inc. out of the Water Department.

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

Commissioner Timmons stated that Berryman Equipment Co. provided repair work to a Sewer Plant air blower; no questions were asked.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Olson that the council approves an expenditure of \$11,896.95 to Berryman Equipment, Inc. out of the Sewer Department.

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

Streets Olson:

Commissioner Olson announced that the 2017 village clean up event will be held on June 9th and 10th at Olson's Salvage Yard. Senior Citizen pick up details will be announced at a later date.

Public Health & Safety Applebee:

Comm. Applebee stated that a yearly fee for enhanced NIXLE services needs council approval. NIXLE is a communication service in which the police department connects with residents.

A motion was made by Comm. Applebee and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council approves an expenditure of \$3,000.00 to Everbridge, Inc. out of Public Health and Safety Department.

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

Public Affairs Mayor Spicer:

Mayor Spicer stated that a resolution was created to protect the village which defines responsible bidders. No questions were asked.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Barla that the council adopts resolution #537, the responsible bidder resolution.

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

Mayor Spicer asked council whether they wished to participate in the 2017 Grundy County Chamber Community Guide. Consensus of council was to purchase a 1/8 page advertisement at a cost of \$200.00.

A motion was made by Comm. Olson and seconded by Comm. Timmons that the April 18, 2017 council meeting is adjourned at 7:29 pm.

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

Theresa L. Russell, Village Clerk