Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on July 16, 2019 and the meeting was called to order at 6:55 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Mayor Olson, Commissioners Callahan, Higgins, Lamb and Timmons

Also Present: Village Clerk Jennifer Peddicord and Attorney Bob Russo

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approve the July 2, 2019 Council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, Lamb and Timmons

Nays: None

A motion was made by Comm. Higgins and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approve the June treasurer's report, payroll and the payment of bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, Lamb and Timmons

Nays: None

# **BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT PRESENTATION:**

None.

## **COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:**

Becky Thompson from Nania Energy Advisors gave a presentation to the Mayor and Council regarding the electrical aggregation program.

Lori Pope from Mack & Associates reviewed the annual audit for fiscal year ending March 31, 2019.

Attorney Russo addressed the Council regarding nuisances. He has been working with Chief Lamboley on abandoned vehicles and problem properties. The ordinance regarding nuisances is very archaic, especially with regard to premises liability and includes language regarding conducting hearings on nuisance matters. Attorney Russo has reviewed the ordinance and suggests cleaning it up over time and to remove the need for a hearing.

Mayor Olson thanked Chief Lamboley and everyone working on cleaning up the abandoned vehicles and problem properties.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **Commissioner Higgins:**

Comm. Higgins presented Ordinance No. 19-12, An Ordinance Amending the Zoning District Map with Respect to Property Located at 413-425 Main Street, to the Council for a vote. He spoke with Planning Commission Chairman Tom Justice and Zoning Enforcement Officer Les Goslin regarding this and recommended that this zoning request be approved.

A motion was made by Comm. Higgins and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve the adoption of Ordinance No. 19-12, An Ordinance Amending the Zoning District Map with Respect to Property Located at 413 – 425 Main Street.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, Lamb and Timmons

Nays: None

### **Mayor Olson:**

Mayor Olson presented an expenditure to Green-Up for installation of playground equipment at Crotty Park in the amount of \$6,950.00 for discussion. George Lamb was at the meeting to answer any questions regarding the proposed zip line to be installed. George Lamb advised the council that he had researched having a rubber under-mat and the cost would be approximately \$25,000.00. Comm. Lamb had questions with regard to how the zip line retracts. George Lamb advised that the zip line would only require annual maintenance which can be performed by the Public Works employees. The zip line should take approximately 4-6 weeks to arrive.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Callahan to approve the expenditure to Green-Up for installation of playground equipment at Crotty Park in the amount of \$6,950.00 to be taken out of Public Benefit.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, Lamb and Timmons

Nays: None

## **COMMISSIONER'S REPORT AND NEW BUSINESS:**

## **PUBLIC PROPERTY, WATER & SEWER - TIMMONS:**

Comm. Timmons presented a bid from DePue Mechanical, Inc. for clarifier weir replacements at the wastewater treatment plant. The wastewater treatment plant has two tank clarifiers and has had a mechanical failure. Casey McCollom went out for bids on the replacement of the clarifier weirs and the proposal is to do one tank this year and the other tank next year.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the expenditure to DePue Mechanical, Inc. in the amount of \$111,098.00 for clarifier weir replacements at the wastewater treatment plant to be taken out of Sewer.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, Lamb and Timmons

Nays: None

Comm. Timmons presented an expenditure to Franklin Miller, Inc. for replacement of sewage grinder. Comm. Timmons advised that there had been a failure in the head works of the wastewater treatment facility where the sewage grinder has gone bad. In 2013 the sewage grinder was repaired. To repair it again would cost \$10,000 - \$15,000. After speaking with James Applebee, Comm. Higgins recommends that we replace it before we have a mass failure. Mr. Applebee researched sewage grinders and has determined that this particular grinder is the best.

A motion was made by Comm. Timmons and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the expenditure to Franklin Miller, Inc. in the amount of \$34,917.00 for replacement of sewage grinder to be taken out of Sewer.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, Lamb and Timmons

Nays: None

#### **ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE - CALLAHAN:**

Comm. Callahan presented an expenditure to Seneca Ace Hardware in the amount of \$1,616.20 for miscellaneous department expenditures for approval. A motion was made by Comm. Callahan and seconded by Comm. Higgins to approve the expenditure to Seneca Ace Hardware in the amount of \$1,616.20 for miscellaneous department expenditures to be taken out of the following:

Boat Launch:	\$33.39	Water:	\$15.97
Public Property:	\$230.72	Special Tool Fund:	\$162.93
Streets:	\$241.88	Summerfest:	\$218.41
Sewer:	\$584.02	PHS:	\$89.99
Downtown Fund:	\$16.99	Park:	\$21.90

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, Lamb and Timmons

Nays: None

## **STREETS - LAMB:**

None.

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY - HIGGINS:**

Comm. Higgins requested approval of the hiring Ronald Webb, Jr. as a part-time police officer. Chief Lamboley advised that Mr. Webb has two months' experience, is a graduate of Seneca High School, and will be attending the part-time class and will make a good addition to the department.

A motion was made by Comm. Higgins and seconded by Comm. Lamb to approve the hiring of Ronald Webb, Jr. as a part-time police officer at the hourly rate of \$20.74.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, Lamb and Timmons

Nays: None

#### **PUBLIC AFFAIRS - OLSON:**

Mayor Olson presented the Aggregation Program Agreement with Dynegy Energy Services for approval. A motion was made by Comm. Lamb and seconded by Comm. Timmons to approve the Aggregation Program Agreement with Dynegy Energy Services.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Callahan, Higgins, Lamb and Timmons

Nays: None

Mayor Olson thanked the Summer Festival Commission for all of their work on Shipyard Days, as it was another successful festival this year.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Jennifer A. Peddicord, Village Clerk