

Seneca Village Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting at Seneca Village Hall on July 19, 2022 and the meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Jeff Olson, Commissioners Victor, Wood, and Weber

Absent: Commissioner Higgins

Also Present: Engineer Casey McCollom, Attorney Robert Russo and Village Clerk Jennifer Peddicord

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

A motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Victor to approve the June 29, 2022 special council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

A motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Victor to approve the July 5, 2022 council meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Wood to approve the Treasurer's Report, payroll and payment of bills as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT PRESENTATION:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

Becky Thompson of Nania Energy gave a presentation regarding electrical aggregation. She will return to our August 4 meeting to present a proposed agreement.

Additional Agenda Item:

Old Business: Mayor Olson announcement regarding mural funding.

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Mayor Olson announced that with the conclusion of the golf outing on July 18, the mural has been fully funded. He thanked everyone involved in fundraising for the mural and advised the mural should be installed by Spring.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT AND NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC PROPERTY, WATER & SEWER - VICTOR:

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Weber to approve an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$3,735.00 for cleaning out west clarifier tanker.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Wood to approve an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$2,697.50 for cleaning out aeration tank.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Weber to approve an expenditure to A&E Septic Services in the amount of \$3,942.50 for cleaning out excess flow tank.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Weber to approve the hiring of Aiden Wood as a part-time seasonal Parks employee at the rate of \$12.00 per hour. Aiden will be working primarily at Graves Park doing weed whacking, field maintenance, and mowing. This will assist Ingrid. This is Aiden's second summer helping with the ball fields.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, and Weber

Nays: None

Abstain: Wood

Absent: Higgins

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Wood to approve the hiring of Paul Fosen as a full-time Public Works employee at the rate of \$24.00 per hour. He will begin working August 1, 2022, and will start taking CDL classes on August 8 for three weeks at IVCC.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Wood to approve the Training Cost Reimbursement with Paul Fosen and authorizes Mayor Olson to execute same. The terms of the agreement provide that Paul must work for the village for two years, or he will be required to pay the village back for the cost of his training.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Weber to approve an expenditure to Illinois Valley Community College in the amount of \$3,972.00 for truck driving school for new Public Works employee.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Weber to approve an expenditure to Plaquemaker in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00 for plaques for trees at Graves Park.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE - WEBER:

A motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Victor to approve an expenditure to First Midwest Bank in the amount of \$4,825.39 for credit card expenses. Comm. Weber advised that there were numerous charges for \$30.00 each, which are for required training for the head of the Streets Department. There will be additional charges on next month's bill as well.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

A motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Wood to approve an expenditure to Wex Bank in the amount of \$4,222.22 for fuel expenses.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

STREETS - WOOD:

None.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY - HIGGINS:

Due to the absence of Comm. Higgins, Mayor Olson presented his agenda items.

Mayor Olson presented for discussion An Ordinance Granting a Variance Relating to Property Located at 357 East Union Street. The homeowner requested a variance to allow for a garage 10 feet higher than the code allows. The variance was recommended by the Planning Commission. The ordinance will be approved at the next meeting.

Chief Lamboley announced National Night Out will take place on Tuesday, August 2 at 5:00 p.m. at Graves Park.

Following executive session, Mayor Olson advised that no action will be taken with regard to the Collective Bargaining Agreement at this time.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS – OLSON:

Following executive session, a motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Wood to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 603, Semi-Annual Release of Executive Session Minutes.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

Absent: Higgins

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Comm. Weber and seconded by Comm. Victor to enter into executive session at 6:24 p.m. to discuss Semi-Annual Review of Executive Session Minutes and Collective Bargaining.

Roll Call: Ayes: Olson, Victor, Wood and Weber

Nays: None

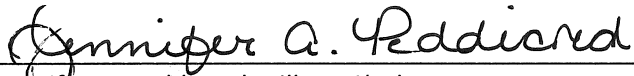
Absent: Higgins

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Council returned to regular session at 7:12 p.m.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Weber to adjourn the July 19, 2022 council meeting. A voice vote was held. All ayes. No nays. The council meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



Jennifer A. Peddicord, Village Clerk