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# VILLAGE OF SENECA

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The Seneca Village Council held its regular meeting on December 16, 2008 at the Seneca Village Hall.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Present: Victor, Lamb, Hamilton, Spicer

Absent: Timmons

A motion made by Comm. Hamilton and seconded by Comm. Victor that the Council approves the December 2, 2008 minutes as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Victor, Lamb, Spicer

Nays: none

Treasurer's Report:

A motion made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the payment of bills and the November Treasurer's Report as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Hamilton, Spicer

Nays: none

Communications, Petitions, Reports and Additional Agenda Items:

Additional Agenda Items:

1. Emergency Expense/Water Department
2. Illinois Liquor Commission Announcement

Mr. Michael Bordeaux of the Seneca Plan Commission announced the board's recommendation of passing the Comprehensive Plan and for future passage of the Accessory Building Ordinance.

On behalf of the Village Council, Mayor Spicer presented Mrs. Russell Tendall a plaque recognizing the 24 years of volunteering to run the Seneca Food Pantry.

Mrs. Randy Timmons announced a new fundraiser involving the Village Council. The "Pay to Shave" campaign is underway and donations can be collected at the Seneca Village Hall. Donation money will benefit the Seneca Food Pantry and the Just Animals Shelter in Seneca.

Old Business:

Public Property Victor:

Water plant project is up and running and the contractor are due to finish within 10 days.

Public Health and Safety Hamilton:

The two new police vehicles have been ordered with the police equipment package. The department's current vehicles to be sold can be done by public auction under sealed bid.

The purchase of an antenna booster will be done in the near future to foster better radio communications for the police department.

**Streets Lamb:**

An update was given by Comm. Lamb regarding the storm sewer project. This week, Dawn Company has brought in equipment and supplies and the intent is to start work next week.

Bridgework will resume January 2009.

**Public Affairs Spicer:**

Mayor Spicer recommended to the Council that Ms. Doreen Hall be appointed to the Seneca Park Board.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council appoints Doreen Hall to the Park Board to fill the vacant term expiring April 2010.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Hamilton, Lamb, Spicer

Nays: none

Mayor Spicer reminded the Council that the Plan Commission recommended the passage of the Comprehensive Plan.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Hamilton that the Council adopts the Comprehensive Plan.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Hamilton, Lamb, Spicer

Nays: none

Mayor Spicer read a prepared statement regarding the petition that was filed with the LaSalle County Clerk's office to have the boundaries of the Village of Seneca added to the existing Seneca Rural Fire Protection District.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Village Council of the Village of Seneca supports the upcoming referendum for the extension of the Seneca Rural Fire Protection District boundaries to include the Village of Seneca corporate boundaries for both fire and ambulance protection.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Hamilton, Spicer

Nays: none

**Commissioner's Report and New Business:**

**Public Property Victor:**

Comm. Victor stated that there is a pending emergency expense regarding the replacement of well #3, which included the wiring replacement.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council approves the emergency purchase of replacement of well 3 of approximately \$15,000 but not to exceed \$25,000.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Hamilton, Spicer

Nays: none

**Public Health & Safety Hamilton:**

Comm. Hamilton stated that he had attended an Illinois Liquor Commission workshop, which outlined training programs offered for tavern owners and bartenders. He added that Seneca would benefit if all applicable tavern personnel attend the program.

On behalf of the Seneca Village Council Mayor Spicer wished all residents a safe and happy holidays.

A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the Council enters into executive session to discuss litigation, personnel and lease of real estate.

Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Hamilton, Spicer

Nays: none

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

**Roll Call: Ayes: Lamb, Hamilton, Victor, Spicer**

**Nays: none**

**A motion was made by Comm. Victor and seconded by Comm. Lamb that the**

**December 16, 2008 Council meeting be adjourned at 8:12 P.M.**

**Roll Call: Ayes: Victor, Lamb, Hamilton, Spicer**

**Nays: none**

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**Village Clerk**