3675 Flint Road
Stanley, New York

January 21, 2014

7:30 PM Public Hearing; Town Law #2-2014, Best Value Purchasing

Supervisor Sheppard opened the Public Hearing on Town Law #2-2014. There were no comments on considering this law from either the public or Town Council. Supervisor Sheppard closed the Public Hearing and proceeded to the regularly scheduled board meeting

The regular meeting of the Seneca Town Board was called to order at 7:35 pm by Supervisor John Sheppard. Also present were:

Charles Smith, Councilman	Andrew Wickham, Councilman
Howard Keeney, Councilman	Jason Mosher, Councilman
Shana Jo Hilton, Dpty Town Clerk	Jerry Hoover, CEO

Terri Quartaro, Town Clerk, Jim Lawson, Water Supt. and Rick Allison, Highway Supt. was declared necessarily absent.

Supervisor Sheppard open the regularly scheduled board meeting and led the citing of the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll call was waived; all board members were present. There was no Casella Waste Systems representation for this meeting. The draft meeting agenda was moved by Councilman Keeney and seconded by Councilman Smith. Supervisor Sheppard offered the inclusion of a NYSDEC reminder to submit the annual Transfer Station report and an Executive Session referencing OML S105p(f) as the justification. The Supervisor moved to except the amended agenda; Councilman Smith seconded the motion and was unanimously carried.

Councilman Smith offered the safety topic of CO hazards in the home. He referenced a Volunteer Fireman training session given by CEO Hoover to members of the three fire districts of Seneca. Privilege of the Floor was offered to the public and board members, with no comments. The minutes of the last board meeting were approved on motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Wickham and carried unanimously.

Supervisor Sheppard offered the following communications;

a. Finger Lakes Water Works Conference
b. NYSDH water sampling requirements
c. NYSDEC annual report requirement

Staff reports were offered and are on file. A brief board discussion ensued over the replacement of the 2011 Grasshopper 335, zero-turn mower. Two bids for replacement are in-hand, one Grasshopper the other John Deere. The Board chose to wait until the determination of Town Law #2-2014 and likely until next regularly scheduled meeting to decide on how best to proceed.

WARRANTS

General, claims #001-047, in the amount of $75,456.86 were approved on motion of Councilman Wickham, seconded by Councilman Keeney and;

Highway, claims #048-065, in the amount of $252,260.62 were approved on motion of Councilman Keeney, seconded by Councilman Mosher and;

Water, claims #001-015, in the amount of $57,332.36 were approved on motion of Councilman Mosher, seconded by Councilman Keeney and;

Sewer, claims #001&002, in the amount of $103,435.32 were approved on motion of Councilman Wickham, seconded by Councilman Mosher and;

Veterans Park, claim #001, in the amount of $300.00 was approved on motion of Councilman Wickham, seconded by Councilman Keeney and;

Hall light, claims #008 & 029 in the amount of $436.75
Stanley light claims #008 & 029 in the amount of $408.98
Seneca Castle light claims #008 & 029 in the amount of $347.83 were all approved on motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Wickham and;

The Supervisor's and CEO's monthly reports were approved on motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Wickham and all carried unanimously.

The Ontario County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazard Mitigation Plan, memorandum of agreement was offered by motion of Supervisor Sheppard, seconded by Councilman Wickham and carried unanimously.

2014 property tax exclusions were discussed. On the motion of Supervisor Sheppard, and the second of Councilman Mosher, no changes to the existing Town of Seneca property tax exclusions were to be made from previous years.

A brief discussion took place amongst the Board on how best to proceed with Memorial Day recognition and our Veterans Park. Supervisor Sheppard offered to author a proposal of the day's events and pass it around the council as a starting point. Emphasis was placed on Memorial Day is not that distant and the use of our Veterans Park is a "Big Deal".

There were no changes to the current new-hire policy of the town. The Board discussed the importance of continually monitoring the ACA and NYS exchange implementation and possible complications to the Health Care offerings of Seneca.

A motion to adopt Town Law #2-2014, Adoption of "Best Value" purchasing, was offered by Councilman Wickham and seconded by Councilman Keeney. The motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Sheppard offered a progress report on the installation of Sanitary Sewer System #1. NYSEG's NG connection of the stand-by generator and testing the primary components of the singular lift-station are all that remain from an operational system. The final grade, driveway refurbishment and general material pickup will continue through the early spring weather permitting. The warrant included payment #3 of both installation contracts, the final payments will not be due until the project is complete to both the Town Engineer's and the Town's satisfaction.

Supervisor Sheppard requested an executive session at 8:35, citing section 105 (f) of the Open Meetings Law. This was seconded by Councilman Keeney and carried unanimously. The executive session ended at 8:48 on motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Keeney and carried unanimously. With no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:49 on motion of Councilman Mosher, seconded by Councilman Wickham and carried unanimously.

Shana Jo Hilton
Deputy Town Clerk