SENECA TOWNSHIP Regular Monthly Meeting January 8, 2013

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Seneca Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor James Kagel at the Seneca Township Building located at 16506 Garden Valley Road, Woodstock, Illinois.

<u>Township Officials in Attendance:</u> Supervisor James Kagel, Trustees Rosemary Bartman, Susan Mathews, Thomas Dahlfors, and Michael O'Leary, Road Commissioner Scott Swanson, and Clerk Dawn Seemann. Absent Officials: Assessor Paul Bockman.

Guests in Attendance: Melissa Larson, Matt DAmico, Robert Pope, Dave Seemann.

<u>Public Speaking:</u> Matt DAmico spoke to the board informing them of what is happening with his property in question located at 5720 Dunham Road, as well as his future plans. He stated that due to the concerns of the residents he will be reducing the mulch pile in the spring, however, the logs on the property will remain for his personal use as firewood. His future plans include starting a pine tree nursery in the entire back part of his property. Mr. DAmico informed the board that a CUP was filed in order for him to store a fleet of trucks, but his pulled the permit due to the "uproar" and "with respect" to residents. He stated he is "upset nobody talked to him personally – they went behind his back for five months." He said county reps were out a number of times and he is in compliance with the rules. Mr. DAmico wants the neighbors, board, etc. to contact him directly with any future questions or issues.

- Dave Seemann addressed the board with his concerns about none of the surrounding neighbors being notified about any of the actions being taken on that property. He also commented on the amount of logs Mr. DAmico has on the property. He said those logs could heat a house for 100+ years, and logs being stored outside will rot. Mr. DAmico interjected stating he "knows the EPA laws."
- Trustee Dahlfors questioned Mr. DAmico about the transporting of logs in from out-of-state. Mr. DAmico stated that he does not bring wood in from out-of-state.
- Melissa Larson asked Dave Seemann "Why is our property a concern of others"? Seemann replied, "Groundwater is the concern." Mr. DAmico said he has already had the storm water people come out. Seemann said "ground water and storm water are two different things." Mr. DAmico stated the logs will be moved to another location on the property.

<u>Minutes:</u> Dahlfors motioned to approve the December 11, 2012 minutes as presented. Second by O'Leary. Motion passed.

Audit of Current Bills:

Road District – Mathews motioned to approve the Road District bills for payment for the period of December 12, 2012 through January 8, 2013 in the amount of \$4,306.59. Second by Dahlfors. Voting yes: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O'Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

Town Fund – Dahlfors motioned to approve the Town Fund bills for payment for the period of December 12, 2012 through January 8, 2013 in the amount of \$8,255.40. Second by Bartman. Kagel informed the board that he overpaid IMRF by \$200.00. He will call them. Voting yes to approve the Town Fund bills: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O'Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Kagel informed the board he was off \$3,079.80 on the expenses on the November 2012 Road & Bridge account due to not entering the last three checks in the computer. The correction has been made, making the expenses \$7,943.61. Mathews motioned to approve the treasurer's report with corrections, as listed below. Second by Bartman. Voting yes: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O'Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

Checking	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
Town Fund	\$182,350.61	0	(\$15,113.01)	\$3,402.30	\$170,639.90
Road & Bridge	\$86,713.94	0	(\$34,082.80)	\$1,976.52	\$54,607.66

CD	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
Road & Bridge	\$100,000.00	0	0	0	\$100,000.00

Money Market	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
General Assistance	\$101,987.03	0	0	\$43.02	\$102,030.05
Perm Hard Road	\$233,363.47	0	(\$897.09)	\$2,600.80	\$235,067.18
Bldg & Maintenance	\$42,483.60	0	0	\$496.44	\$42,980.04

<u>General Assistance Report:</u> Kagel purchased a pamphlet holder for literature meant for residents.

<u>Clerk's Report:</u> Seemann reminded the board to be sure they fill out the Economic of Statement form when they receive it within the next couple of months, even though they just filled one out to run for re-election.

Road Commissioner's Report: Swanson reported he has done some salting/plowing, shop work, and picked up garbage along the right-of-ways. He added he has been thinking about remodeling his office due to the ceiling coming down.

Assessor's Report: Assessor Bockman is absent tonight. No report.

<u>Supervisor's Report:</u> Kagel gave the board quarterly financial reports for their records. The Town Fund hasn't over spent anywhere. The Road District has over spent in Workman's Comp due to the bill being more than anticipated; Building and Equipment, but money could be transferred from another line item; and Insurance - which is also higher due to additional equipment being added to the policy.

<u>Motion to Adjourn:</u> At 7:40 pm Bartman motioned to adjourn tonight's regular monthly meeting. Second by Dahlfors. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Seemann Township Clerk