# SENECA TOWNSHIP <u>Regular Monthly Minutes</u> October 12, 2010

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Seneca Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. 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, Assessor Paul Bockman, and Clerk Dawn Seemann. Absent officials: None.

**Guests in Attendance:** Bob Pope, Eydie Kurzawinski.

**Executive Session Motion:** At 7:08 p.m. Dahlfors motioned to go into executive session to interview a prospective Planning Commission member. Second by Bartman. Motion passed.

**Open Session Motion:** At 7:45 p.m. Dahlfors motioned to go back into open session. Second by Bartman. Motion passed.

<u>Minutes:</u> Dahlfors motioned to approve the September 14, 2010 minutes as presented. Second by O'Leary. Motion passed.

### **Audit of Current Bills:**

**Road District** - O'Leary motioned to approve the Road District bills for the period of September 15, 2010 through October 12, 2010 in the amount of \$98,470.29. 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 the period of September 15, 2010 through October 12, 2010 in the amount of \$4,875.30. Second by O'Leary. Voting yes: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O'Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Mathews motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report for the period of September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010, as listed below. Second by Dahlfors. Motion passed.

Harris Checking	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
Town Fund	\$88,254.72	0	(\$19,563.59)	\$62,868.17	\$131,559.30
Road & Bridge	\$149,318.93	0	(\$9,911.93)	\$35,406.41	\$174,813.41

Harris CD	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
Road & Bridge	\$125,396.89	0	0	\$611.48	\$126,008.37

Harris Money Market	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
General Assistance	\$102,125.33	0	(\$40.00)	\$767.46	\$102,852.79
Perm Hard Road	\$158,765.20	0	0	\$45,689.86	\$204,455.06
Bldg & Maintenance	\$62,811.17	0	(\$11,281.21)	\$11,209.13	\$62,739.09

**General Assistance Report:** Kagel attended a General Assistance Seminar on September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

- According to the Northwest Herald Newspaper, Nunda Township is out of funds for emergency

assistance. Due to this, Kagel will look into revising his General Assistance budget for next year to possibly avoid our township running into the same situation.

**<u>Clerk's Report:</u>** Seemann has nothing to report this month.

Road Commissioner's Report: Swanson informed the board that the parking lot has been paved.

In addition, Swanson stated they have been trimming trees - Thank you Greenwood Township for lending their bucket to us and Dorr Township for lending their chipper and truck to help accomplish this task.

- The health department will be retesting the wells

<u>Assessor's Report:</u> Bockman continues to work with taxpayers who are challenging their assessments. He stated there are approximately 30-40 appeals this year.

- Bockman added that he will be doing some measuring in the near future.

#### **Old Business:**

**A.** Planning Commission Members Appointments - Supervisor Kagel will send a letter to the current five members regarding re-appointment; as well as a follow-up letter to Ms. Kurzawinski.

## **New Business:**

- A. Seneca Township Flag Mathews suggested having the designing of the Seneca Township flag be an Eagle Scout project for her son. Dahlfors motioned to approve Jarrett Mathews to head up the designing of the Official Seneca Township Flag as his Eagle Scout project. Second by O'Leary. Motion passed.
- **B.** Supervisor would like more direction on finishing kitchen Kagel spoke to the board about his suggestions to finish the town hall kitchen. The board gave him the "go-ahead" to proceed with the project. Kagel will work on installing cabinets and countertops, while Swanson will install the necessary plumbing to complete the kitchen.

#### **Supervisor's Report:**

- Kagel informed the board that he attended the McCog meeting to learn more about the PACE transportation issue as a follow-up request from former assessor Don Andrews. He stated he "didn't learn a thing." Nothing specific was discussed on the subject. He was disappointed in the meeting.

<u>Adjourn:</u> At 8:24 p.m. Dahlfors motioned to adjourn tonight's regular monthly meeting. Second by Bartman. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Seemann Township Clerk