

Parks & Recreation Volunteer of Year Award: Mr. Spina stated a few years ago, they decided to honor some of the longtime volunteers that do so much for the Department. The first award was given to David Baker, and the Recreation Commission decided to name that award the David Baker Volunteer Award. Mr. Spina said this year's award is given to Charlie Luffman who has been involved in activities since 1994. He has coached basketball, soccer, softball and kickball, officiated at games and Chairman of the Recreation Boosters which has helped to raise important funds for youth activities. Mr. Luffman's most important contribution is willingness to lend a hand whenever needed. He was pivotal in the construction of the Skatepark and the Galusha Playground at Kids' Territory. Mr. Spina stated Mr. Luffman never says no; for this reason and many others, Charlie Luffman is this year's Recipient of the David Baker Volunteer Award.

Open Bids:

Removal of Trees – Mr. Lazzaro noted two bids were received, which are as follows:

Cut Throat Tree Service LLC, Seneca Falls, NY - \$1,950.00 per day; \$250.00 per hour.

Emergency Call \$500.00 initial call and \$250.00 per hour.

Cranebrook Tree Service, Auburn, NY - \$2,000.00 per day; \$275.00 per hour.

Mowing/Weeding – Fox Cemetery – Mr. Lazzaro noted there are three bids, which are as follows:

T & T Lawn Care, Seneca Falls, NY - \$100.00 per mow.

Barbay's Grounds Maintenance, Seneca Falls, NY - \$150.00 per mow.

Thurston Services, Seneca Falls, NY - \$85.00 per mow.

W/S – Balsley Road Project (Parts for repair of watermain leak) – Mr. Lazzaro noted one bid was received:

Ferguson Waterworks, E. Syracuse, NY - \$4,142.37.

Mr. Morrell suggested that this be reviewed by Barton & Loguidice before the bid is awarded.

Mr. Lazzaro indicated action on the bids will be taken up under New Business.

Petitioners:

Doug Avery – Host Community Agreement: Doug Avery, Chair of the SF Environmental Action Committee, mentioned the talk of a new Host Community Agreement, and said the question is what are they hoping to get that they don't already have. Why push for a new Agreement now. He said the common assumption of everyone on the outside of negotiations has been that Waste Connections was applying pressure to have the negotiated 2025 closure date pushed back. Mr. Avery stated Waste Connections 2016 Annual Report has as its cover a graphic of playing cards and poker chips and the bold title "Doubling Down". Waste Connections owns a landfill in California that takes the same amount of trash per day as Seneca Meadows. They are pressuring Los Angeles County to enter into an Agreement that would double that intake. Mr. Avery asked if this was Waste Connections new corporate strategy nationwide. He said logic dictates that there is no reason for a new Host Community Agreement eight years before the existing Agreement expires unless Seneca Meadows wants to change the terms. Waste Connections and Seneca Meadows, who proclaim to be good neighbors, clearly intend to dump as much garbage on our Community as they possibly can before they are forced to close. Mr. Avery urged the Board to immediately suspend any and all negotiations toward a new Host Community Agreement, and discontinue all discussion that may result in changes to the terms of the current Agreement.

Valerie Sandlas – Community Health: Valerie Sandlas of Seneca Falls talked about Community Health and the adverse affects the Landfill has on it. She said landfills pollute our air and threaten our health. According to the NYS Department of Health, landfill gas odors can cause coughing, irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, headaches, nausea and breathing difficulties even in short-term exposures. Studies have been conducted in communities near landfills to evaluate health affects associated with exposure to landfill gases, and which have reported health complaints. Dr. David Carpenter of SUNY Albany found that children living near landfill waste sites are hospitalized more frequently with acute respiratory infections, and also have increased rates of asthma. Mrs. Sandlas stated our children and schools and many of the citizens of Seneca County live and work within three miles of Seneca Meadows. She added this research should be enough evidence to conclude that it's time to shut down Seneca Meadows as soon as possible. Our health should not be compromised for money.

Jim Sandlas – Finances: Jim Sandlas of Seneca Falls stated the 2017 Budget for Seneca Falls is approximately \$12,700,000; there are 9,000 people in our Town, about 3,000 families and about \$1,411.00 per person. He examined ten towns and villages in New York State, not all apples to apples comparisons, and not all had Police forces. Out of ten, only one in the ten across the whole state with a population of 9,000 -11,000 had a budget as high as ours. Our Budget is 10% to 20% too high. Mr. Sandlas said in regard to the \$2.5 million to \$3 million gift from the Dump – it is not a gift, it is the worst business deal in history. The Dump is not a good neighbor; a good neighbor would be working with the DEC to source a new landfill not surrounded by 15,000 people.

Joseph DiCicco – Future of Seneca Falls: Joseph DiCicco of Waterloo stated the future of Seneca Falls, Seneca County and the Finger Lakes as a whole is in jeopardy as tourist destinations and as healthy places to live and raise a family. We have the chance to put an end date on this privately owned, for profit, commercial landfill

that takes other people's garbage from hundreds of miles away and dumps it here on this Community. No one is trying to close this dump overnight, but it needs to have an end date. Mr. DiCicco said landfills don't go away; even when it closes it will be there for many years to come. 20-30-50 years from now, what will happen with this landfill? As it gets older, it's going to break down – liners leak; if this leakage is to get into the ground water, it will be ruined for generations. He doesn't believe the landfill cares about Seneca Falls. They need a law to hold them to their word. Holding them to the law should not be an issue.

Bob Magill – Misinformation: Bob Magill stated people are giving the same information, quoting the same Dr. Carpenter, talking about landfills in Italy, talking about adverse health effects that do not exist. It is still guessing, suppositions, possibilities – but nothing that is probable. Mr. Magill said everything in the State of New York is regulated – the Health Department is watching it, the DEC is watching it and the EPA is watching it. They are telling us that all these State and Federal Agencies are corrupt. He added you people are dramatizing something that is everyday occurrences. Mr. Magill concluded by saying they have asked for open debate and discussion. He believes that after each Speaker, if the Town Board would respond, it would settle the matter, and most of the Board's problems will go away.

Kyle Black – Spring Construction/Odor Update: Kyle Black stated they are in the process of completing 25 acres of final cover on the western expansion which should be completed within the next two weeks. They are also completing 24 acres of temporary geomembrane cover on the inside of the western expansion. Both of these projects have yielded a significant decrease in odor complaints for the last three months. They are starting a 28 acre final cover project on the eastern landfill. They are installing 7,500 feet of landfill gas collection pipes, and 50 additional vertical landfill gas wells. Mr. Black said they are constructing a new storm water pond – all the rainwater that falls on the final cover is collected in storm water ponds and tested to ensure that the water is clean. He added their Wetlands Preserve has many things coming up this Spring – mailers will go out this week.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the regular monthly Meeting of May 2, 2017, the Special Meeting of May 5, 2017 and the Public Hearing of May 10, 2017, by Tom Ruzicka and seconded by Lou Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Reports:

Dog Control Officer: A motion was made to accept the Dog Control Officer's report by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Tom Ruzicka. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Zoning Officer: A motion was made to accept Mr. Zettlemyer's report by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Vic Porretta. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Commissioner of Parks & Recreation: A motion was made to accept Mr. Spina's report by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Spina mentioned that the Board has a copy of the SF Summer Recreation Program offerings which include programs and other events that are going on in the Town. He said the Town of Seneca Falls was chosen by Channel 3 of Syracuse to be the recipient of Your Town for a week. On July 10-14, they will be doing a news segment from Seneca Falls on Friday. The Board might want to consider quickly how you want to be involved or not be involved as Friday is the deadline. Mr. Spina stated it's a nice opportunity to get our message out.

The above motion made by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys to accept Mr. Spina's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Highway Superintendent: A motion was made to accept Mr. Peterson's report by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Tom Ruzicka. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Assessor: A motion was made to accept Mrs. Holtz's report by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Attorney for the Town: Mr. Morrell stated he doesn't have a written report, but he does have a reason for an Executive Session at the end of the Meeting to discuss ongoing litigation.

Town Justices: A motion was made to accept the reports of Judge Lafler and Judge Laquidari by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Tom Ruzicka. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Water & Sewer: A motion was made to accept Mr. Tullo's report by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Lou Ferrara.

Mr. Tullo stated the Van Rensselaer tower painting project is resuming again next Wednesday. There will be mass mailings going out about conserving water.

The above motion made by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Lou Ferrara to accept Mr. Tullo's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Police Chief: A motion was made to accept Chief Peenstra's report by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Tom Ruzicka. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Barton & Loguidice: A motion was made to approve the report of Barton & Loguidice by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Other Committee Reports: Mr. DeLelys stated that he and Mr. Lazzaro attended the Economic Development Meeting with local businesses. There was discussion about what we can expect in the future.

Communications:

A motion was made to receive and file Communications numbered 1 to 17 by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Lou Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays. Communications numbered 1 to 17 are as follows:

1. Letter from NYS Department of Transportation informing Town that the Town's application for funding the Seneca Falls Safe Routes to School Project under TAP was approved.
2. Checks and deposits totaling \$794,808.40 representing fuel reimbursement, SMI's 1st Quarter payment (\$767,145.77), DWI overtime reimbursement, background checks and copies of Police reports, sale of scrap, tower rent, School Resource Officer reimbursement, Health Insurance premiums, Community Center deposits, sale of grave, grave opening and Judge Lafler's April Report.
3. Statement of Accounts, January 1, 2011 to April 30, 2017, from Wilmington Trust.
4. Section 504 Compliance Handbook, May 2017, from LRP Publications.
5. Monthly Report for the month of March 2017, as per Town Operating License and Host Community Agreement, from Seneca Meadows, Inc.
6. Minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission Meeting of April 25, 2017.
7. Letter from Monica Kuney, SF Central School District Clerk, stating the results of the School Board Election held on May 16, 2017.
8. Copy of letter from Seneca Meadows, Inc. to all Waste Haulers stating approved incoming truck route policy for haulers, and requesting all drivers complete their Landfill Tipper Safety form.
9. Notice of Application to Commissioner of General Services for a grant of land under water from BVS Properties LLC.
10. Minutes of the Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting of April 27, 2017.
11. Minutes of the Planning Board Meeting of April 27, 2017.
12. Monthly Report for the month of April 2017, as per Town Operating License and Host Community Agreement, from Seneca Meadows, Inc.
13. Stage 6A Liner System Construction Report from Seneca Meadows, Inc.
14. Copies of packets sent to NYS DEC from Seneca Meadows, Inc. relative to Discharge Requests for West Pond 3, South Pond 1 and East Pond 6.
15. Copy of packet sent to Michael Miles, Engineer, NYS DEC, from Seneca Meadows, Inc. relative to revised 2017 Leachate Forcemain Upgrade.
16. Section 504 Compliance Handbook, June 2017, from LRP Publications.
17. Notice of Tentative State Equalization Rate for the 2017 Assessment Roll from NYS Department of Taxation & Finance, Office of Real Property Tax Services.

Old Business:

Sale of Condominium & Surplus Real Property: Mr. Morrell noted this is one of the matters that will be discussed in Executive Session as it could affect the fair market value of real property.

Write-Off Uncollectable Receivables: Mr. Morrell stated this is another matter for Executive Session as there is an ongoing litigation.

Route 414 Sewer Line Transfer from IDA to Town: Mr. Morrell stated he spoke with Mr. Condino and Mr. Baker, and hopefully, they can have that resolved by the next Meeting.

New Business:

Approval of Special Events: Mr. Spina noted there are five Events: SF Business Association's Canalfest will be held July 7th – 9th; paperwork has been submitted properly, pending final insurance submittal.

Cycling the Erie on Tuesday, July 11th; insurance has been received.

Convention Days Procession, 3rd Saturday in July; insurance is pending.
 SF Classic Car Show, July 23rd; insurance is pending and should be here anytime.
 SMS Italian Festival, August 11th & 12th; insurance is pending as well.

A motion was made to approve Canalfest, Cycling the Erie, Convention Days, SF Classic Car Show and SMS Italian Festival, pending submittal of proper insurances, by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Authorize Town Supervisor to Sign Letter of Engagement, SMI Audit: A motion was made authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign the Letter of Engagement for the SMI Audit by Lou Ferrara and seconded by Tom Ruzicka. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Contribution – Convention Days, Inc.: A motion was made to contribute the budgeted amount of \$500.00 to Convention Days by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Lou Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Appoint Part-Time Court Clerk: Mr. Morrell stated he has prepared a Resolution to address this situation where the Employee Handbook has a residence restriction for Court Clerk. The Court has identified an applicant for this position that would fit the position extremely well, and they are asking for a one time waiver for that.

Mr. DeLelys read the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls has adopted an Employee Handbook to set policies and procedures for its employees; and

WHEREAS, the Employee Handbook contains a requirement that Court Clerks be residents of the Town of Seneca Falls; and

WHEREAS, the Court has identified an applicant that is suitable to fill the vacant position of part-time Court Clerk except that this applicant is not a resident of the Town of Seneca Falls.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls hereby waives the residency requirement for Court Clerks contained in the Town’s Employee Handbook for the purpose of hiring Eileen M. Schmidt to the part-time Court Clerk position.

A motion was made to adopt the above Resolution waiving the residency requirement and appointing Eileen M. Schmidt to the part-time position of Court Clerk at \$12.95 an hour for 29 hours a week by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Greg Lazzaro. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Court Clerks – Attendance at Conference: A motion was made authorizing the two Court Clerks to attend the annual Court Clerks Conference at a cost not to exceed \$1,700.00 plus mileage by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Food Truck at Vince’s Park: A motion was made to allow a Food Truck at Vince’s Park by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Morrell stated he thinks what would be best for this is to handle it as a Special Event. It is the use of Town property, and if it is handled that way, it will address insurance requirements and the use of Town property. Mr. Lazzaro asked if paperwork has been filed; Mr. Spina replied no, not yet.

Mr. Lazzaro rescinded his motion to allow a Food Truck at Vince’s Park, and Mr. DeLelys rescinded his second to the motion.

A motion was made to allow a Food Truck at Vince’s Park pending submittal of a completed application and proper insurance by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Bids – Removal of Trees: A motion was made to award the low bid for removal of trees to Cut Throat Tree Services at the rate of \$1,950.00 per day or \$250.00 per hour by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Lou Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Bids – Mowing/Weeding Fox Cemetery: A motion was made to award the bid for mowing and weeding of Fox Cemetery to Thurston Services by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Tom Ruzicka.

Mr. Peterson stated the Cemetery was taken over by the Town four years ago, and it has been contracted out every year. For the last two months, they have had to take it over until the bid was approved. He talked with the Cemetery Crew, and they are more than willing to take it over and leave it inhouse. He added if the Board chooses to do so, it will save the Town some money. Mr. Lazzaro said as long as Mr. Peterson’s department is able to do that and we can save some money, we should do it.

Mr. Lazzaro rescinded his motion to award the bid for mowing and weeding of Fox Cemetery to Thurston Services, and Mr. Ruzicka rescinded his second to the motion.

Bids – W/S – Balsley Road Project: Mr. Morrell stated Barton & Loguidice has reviewed the bid submitted, and it is responsive to our RFP; this is the one and only bid.

A motion was made to award the bid to Ferguson Waterworks for the watermain repair on Balsley Road at a cost of \$4,142.37 by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Lou Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Real Property Tax Service Aide – Attendance at Conference: Mrs. Holtz stated she would like newly appointed Sarah Wright to attend the Conference that she will be attending. This will be a savings because they would share a hotel room and carpool. She added the Town will be reimbursed from the State for some of her expenses, but will not be reimbursed for the Clerk. Mrs. Holtz said the cost will be \$550.00 for a 5-day class.

A motion was made to approve the attendance of Sarah Wright at the July 17-21, 2017 Conference at a cost of \$550.00 by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Bids – Restvale Cemetery Repairs: Mr. Lazzaro read the letter from Michael Kelly and the Cemetery Commission which states that an RFP for monument repairs with the Rules and Regulations for the Town's Cemeteries was sent to the two bidding contractors, with a return date by May 15th even if the contractor did not wish to pursue the bidding process. They have received one letter from a contractor stating interest. The Cemetery Commission is recommending that the 2017 Monument Repair contract be awarded to Fegley Construction Co. of Waterloo.

A motion was made to award the bid for Restvale Cemetery Monument repairs to Fegley Construction Co. at a cost of \$18,300.00 by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Lou Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Schedule Meeting with Department Heads: After brief discussion, the Meeting with Department Heads will take place at 11 A.M. on June 15th at the Community Center.

Grant Writing Proposal – Main Street Grant: Mr. Baker stated this proposal submitted by their Grant Writer Sharon Lilla is a follow-up for a Main Street Grant. They would be working with the SF Development Corporation who would be helping out with the Grant. Mr. Baker said they are looking to get authorization in the next few days so that they can start working on it.

A motion was made to accept the proposal of Barton & Loguidice for grant writing services relative to the NY Main Street Grant application by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Water/Sewer Credits: A motion was made to approve the Water/Sewer credit in the amount of \$401.94 as stated in the Memo prepared by Miss Provencher dated June 2, 2017 by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Payment of Bills:

A motion was made by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Lou Ferrara to approve and order paid the following bills:

General Fund - \$100,939.46 (Abstract #6)

Recreation Fund - \$13,268.86 (Abstract #6)

Miscellaneous Fund - \$83,774.52 (Abstract #6)

Vince's Park Fund - \$2,525.22 (Abstract #6)

Highway Fund - \$14,496.79 (Abstract #6)

Sewer Fund - \$36,749.10 (Abstract #6)

Water Fund - \$17,607.57 (Abstract #6)

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

At 8:17 P.M., a motion was made to go into Executive Session to discuss ongoing litigation, as well as a matter that could impact upon the fair market value of real property, by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to reconvene the regular monthly Meeting at 8:45 P.M. by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made authorizing payment of \$2,750.00 to Cut Throat Tree Services for taking down two maple trees that were dead, as it was for emergency purposes as they were on a Clinton Street bus route, by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Tom Ruzicka. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Being there was no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the Meeting by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Lou Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

NICALETTA J. GREER
Town Clerk

