

The Town of Seneca Falls Town Board held a regular monthly Meeting on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 81 W. Bayard Street.

Present were Supervisor Gregory Lazzaro; Councilpersons Vittorio Porretta, Annette Lutz, David DeLelys and Mary Sarratori. Also present were Patrick Morrell, Attorney for the Town; James Spina, Commissioner of Parks and Recreation; Stuart Peenstra, Police Chief; James Peterson, Highway Superintendent; John Condino and Peter Baker of Barton & Loguidice and a Member of the local media.

Supervisor Lazzaro called the Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. A roll call of Board Members was taken and all were present; the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Presentation by Supt. Robert McKeveney: Supt. McKeveney stated approximately two years ago, the School District entered into discussions with the Town and the SF Police Department to explore the concept of a School Resource Officer Program. The entities came to an agreement to implement the Program this year. Supt. McKeveney said it has been a very successful venture and it has far exceeded his expectations. It's a positive to watch the School Resource Officer in the schools, at events at nights, at athletic events and around Town, knowing families and knowing children by name, and having families and children approach the Resource Officer and being able to speak to him.

Supt. McKeveney stated as we conclude the School Year, he feels it's very important to celebrate the three-way partnership between the Town, Police Department and the School District. Placques were presented to the Town Supervisor and the Police Chief, thanking them for the partnership and the positive experience that has been a benefit to the entire School Community. Supervisor Lazzaro (on behalf of the Board) thanked Supt. McKeveney and the School District for the presentation. Chief Peenstra thanked the School District, and echoed what Mr. McKeveney said in that it has been nothing but a win-win for the entire Community.

Petitioners:

Mr. Lazzaro stated tonight, there are a number of Petitioners. There is one Petitioner who wants to speak on a different item than the rest of the Petitioners. After she speaks, Mr. Lazzaro said the Board will go into the regular business and then Petitioners.

Joelle Murney-Karsten – SFDC Update: Joel Murney-Karsten, Chair of the SF Development Corporation, gave an update on the positive things that are going on in Seneca Falls. They are in the midst of writing a \$10 million Downtown Revitalization Grant, and are hoping for the support of the Town. She requested that the Board pass a Resolution in support of the Grant application. Ms. Murney-Karsten said she foresees a lot of wonderful things coming, not only for Seneca Falls, but for the whole region. She mentioned that Farmers' Market starts tomorrow with new vendors and lunches, annual events and events for children. Ms. Murney-Karsten stated they are looking forward to a lot of positive things for Seneca Falls and the Finger Lakes Region.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 27, 2016, the regular monthly Meeting of May 3, 2016, Special Meeting of May 12, 2016 and the Special Meeting of May 20, 2016 by Mary Sarratori and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Reports:

Dog Control Officer: The Dog Control Officer's report states that two dogs were impounded, one dog was turned in and three dogs are still being held; three Appearance tickets were issued. A total of \$25.00 in fees was collected and turned over to the Town Clerk.

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

Zoning Officer: The Board has a copy of Mr. Zettlemyer's Report. A motion was made to accept the Report by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Mary Sarratori. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Commissioner of Parks & Recreation: A motion was made to accept Mr. Spina's report by Mary Sarratori and seconded by Annette Lutz. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

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

Assessor: A motion was made to accept Mr. Collins' report by Vic Porretta and seconded by Mary Sarratori. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Attorney for the Town: Mr. Morrell stated at the end of last week, the Town received a Notice of Claim from Jamie Davidoff who is making a claim against the SF Police Department, but also Ontario County and the City of Geneva. The Attorney for the Town's insurance has been in touch with the Police Department. He said this is in the preliminary stages, and it doesn't have a lot to do with the Town.

Mr. Morrell referred to Items A and C under Old Business, and said there is nothing to report. Items will be carried over to next month.

A motion was made to approve Mr. Morrell's report by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Annette Lutz. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Town Justices: A motion was made to accept the reports of Judge Lafler and Judge Laquidari by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Mary Sarratori. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Water & Sewer: Mr. DeLelys mentioned that the Auburn Road tower is painted; they will be draining it and doing the inside.

A motion was made to accept the Water & Sewer report by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Police Chief: Chief Peenstra stated the SF Police Department participated in Seneca County Law Day on May 11th; twelve Students from SF School District, among all other School Districts, participated – three Students rode along with the Police. The Police Department also participated in the Reading Week at Frank Knight School May 13th, and Yogi's Community Fun Day on May 21st.

The SF Police Department launched a new Facebook page which will be utilized to notify the public on safety issues including road closures, missing persons, press releases, wanted persons, recent scams and upcoming events. Chief Peenstra noted he will also be putting his monthly Report on it as well. He mentioned that they also participated in the Statewide STOP DWI Crackdown effort and the Statewide Buckle-up NY Crackdown effort.

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

Barton & Loguidice: Mr. Condino stated they have been focusing on finishing up the new municipal building. They are finishing up the interior, and the final site work is scheduled to be completed by the first week of July. He said the project continues to go well and continues to remain within budget.

Mr. Condino stated they have also been working on a couple of important water and sewer projects, and they look forward to discussing those with the Water and Sewer Committee.

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

Other Committee Reports:

Mr. DeLelys reported on the Bandstand project. The columns are in, and they are waiting for the base for the columns. Mr. Caratozzolo is taking care of some electrical work. He said the project is pretty well on schedule.

Mr. DeLelys referred to the Public Safety Committee and said Dave Shaw had him listed on the Public Safety Committee in the paper. He is no longer on the Public Safety Committee. He asked the Town Clerk to take him off the Committee on the Website. Mr. DeLelys said he had a call at 10 AM this morning from Mr. Lazzaro who took him off the Committee because of difference of opinions on emails and his thoughts.

Communications:

A motion was made to receive and file Communications numbered 1 to 15 by Vic Porretta and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays. Communications numbered 1 to 15 are as follows:

1. Letter from HP Neun stating as a result of certain business developments, they are rescinding the notice of layoff with respect to 14 employees who work at H.P. Neun's Seneca Falls location and 3 employees who work at H.P. Neun's Lyons location.
2. Annual Financial Report Update Document of the Bridgeport Fire District for year ending December 31, 2015 from Terri B. Starowitz CPA.
3. Section 504 Compliance Handbook, May 2016, from LRP Publications.
4. Newsletter, May/June 2016, from Seneca Falls Historical Society.

5. Emergency Contact List, Geneva Division, from NYSEG.
6. Statement of Accounts, April 1, 2011 to April 30, 2016, from Wilmington Trust.
7. Monthly Report for the month of April 2016, as per Town Operating License and Host Community Agreement, from Seneca Meadows, Inc.
8. Letter from Scott M. Turner of Nixon Peabody, Attorney for Seneca Meadows, Inc., relative to the proposed Waste Disposal Law.
9. Reports and Resolutions relative to Site Plan Reviews, Area Variances and Special Use Permits from Seneca County Planning Board.
10. Minutes of the Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting of April 26, 2016.
11. Minutes of the Planning Board Meetings of April 28, 2016 and May 11, 2016.
12. Letter from Spectrum stating Charter Communications has completed the transaction regarding the sale of Time Warner Cable.
13. Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2015 from Anne Havelin, Water Account Clerk.
14. Letters from Residents concerning Seneca Meadows Landfill.
15. Email from Charter Communications (former Time Warner Cable) stating certain agreements with programmers and broadcasters expire, and they may be required to cease carriage of one or more of these services/stations.

Old Business:

Auburn Road Sewer Extension: Mr. Condino stated they are continuing to advance the feasibility study that is being done with the Town of Tyre, and it will be discussed at the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting.

Route 414 Sewer Line Transfer from IDA to Town: Mr. Morrell stated hopefully, they can get the easements within the Town of Seneca Falls signed shortly. He added there are easements in the Town of Tyre that will also affect the transfer of the line to the Town of Tyre – they want to coordinate everything to go at once.

Parks & Recreation – Purchase John Deere ATV and Plow: Mr. Spina stated he has nothing to add, as this has been discussed for a few months.

A motion was made to approve the purchase of the John Deere ATV and Plow at a cost of \$19,946.67, piggybacking on the contract of National Joint Powers Alliance Landscaping and Grounds related equipment, accessories and supplies, by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Mary Sarratori. No questions. Motion carried 4 ayes, 1 nay; Councilwoman Lutz with the dissenting vote.

Mrs. Sarratori stated the Town is currently paying someone \$45.00 an hour to water the plants. She added Mr. Spina will not be purchasing a truck, so the Town will be saving money in the long run by purchasing this ATV.

Visitors Center – Quotes for Decking: Mrs. Sarratori stated they have three quotes, and it has been approved by the HPC. The Board has to decide if it wants to go with composit or pressure treated lumber. Brief discussion followed.

A motion was made to accept the quote of Abe Lincoln Services for labor and materials at a cost of \$4,900.00, adding \$2,100.00 to install trex composit decking, for a total cost of \$7,000.00 to repair the deck at the Visitors Center by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Mary Sarratori. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Award Bids – Route 414 Sewer System Improvement Project: Mr. Baker stated the project is being funded by del Lago. The base bid is about \$1.5 million which includes the contractor work and Barton & Loguidice's fees. He said del Lago sent a letter stating they will fund that for a total of \$1,549,000.00. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Mary Sarratori and seconded by Dave Delely to adopt the following Resolution:
WHEREAS, the Town of Seneca Falls, in a written letter dated October 1, 2014, agreed to accept and treat sanitary wastewater flows from the proposed del Lago Casino Development located on Route 414 in the Town of Tyre, NY; and
WHEREAS, the acceptance of these wastewater flows requires increasing the capacity of the existing sanitary sewer collection system along Route 414; and
WHEREAS, the Town Board previously authorized the design of the required upgrades to the Town's sanitary sewer collection system to receive and convey these flows from the del Lago Casino; and
WHEREAS, the Town Board previously authorized the Project Engineer to advertise the Route 414 Sanitary Sewer Improvements project for public bids; and
WHEREAS, the advertisement for public bids for the Route 414 Sanitary Sewer Improvements appeared in the Seneca Falls Reveille, the official Town of Seneca Falls Newspaper on April 14, 2016; and
WHEREAS, the Town of Seneca Falls received and publicly opened bids for the Route 414 Sanitary Sewer Improvements on May 9, 2016 at 4:00 P.M.; and
WHEREAS, the low bidder for the base bid was LRS Companies of Lansing, NY, and the base bid included the installation of 9,500 linear feet of 10-inch diameter sanitary sewer force main, upgrade to the Route 414 pump

station and purchase of a new pump station at the Kingdom Road pump station; and

WHEREAS, in a letter dated May 27, 2016, the Town received a written commitment from del Lago to reimburse the Town for engineering, construction and construction administration/observation costs associated with the installation of the project for a total amount of \$1,549,000; and

WHEREAS, del Lago has indicated they shall provide funds through an escrow account previously established by the Town of Seneca Falls to enable direct payments by the Town for construction, design and construction administration/observation of the work required for completion of the base bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Seneca Falls does hereby authorize the award of Contract Number 1A to LRS Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$1,209,000 consisting of their base bid for Route 414 Sanitary Sewer Improvements; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Seneca Falls does hereby authorize the award of construction administration and observation of the work by Barton & Loguidice, DPC, on behalf of the Town of Seneca Falls in the amount of \$116,400.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Salary Increase – Part-Time Cemetery Employees: Mrs. Lutz said they made the decision to not accept this.

New Business

Approval of Special Events: Mr. Spina stated he has two properly submitted applications. Cycling the Erie will take place on July 12th and July 13th. It is an Event that comes through Seneca Falls which they have been doing for years. Insurance is complete, and he recommends approval.

A motion was made to approve Cycling the Erie Event on July 12th and July 13th by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Mary Sarratori. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Spina said Farmers Market has submitted an application with proper insurance attached. It will be held every Wednesday from June through October, and he recommends approval.

A motion was made to approve the Farmers Market which will be held each Wednesday from June through October by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Mary Sarratori. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Contribution – Convention Days: Mr. Lazzaro stated the Board has a letter from Convention Days requesting a contribution of \$500.00 which is in the Budget.

A motion was made to contribute \$500.00 to Convention Days as it is a benefit to the Community by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Annette Lutz. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Discussion – Wage Increases for Vince’s Park Supervisors: Mr. Spina stated he sent an email to the Personnel Committee and spoke with them. Last year during Budget Sessions, it was discussed that the Assistant Directors and the Head Lifeguard are underpaid for the responsibilities they have. In talking about finding a way to make that more fair, they moved some money around in the Budget so that the bottom line on salaries was not increased. They moved money from one line item to another, and said this would be brought up this year. He is requesting approval to move those salaries for the two Asst. Directors and one Head Lifeguard – Asst. Directors would move from \$11.50 an hour to \$13.50, and the Head Lifeguard would move from \$10.20 to \$11.50 an hour. Mr. Spina said this is what was budgeted last year so he could stay within budget.

A motion was made to approve move the figures in the Budget so that the salaries for the two Assistant Directors are increased from \$11.50 an hour to \$13.50 an hour, and the Head Lifeguard is increased from \$10.20 an hour to \$11.50 an hour, by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Vic Porretta. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Boaters Facility/Canal Promenade Electrical Capacity: Mr. Spina stated for the past couple of years, when they have a large attendance of boats at the Canal Promenade, they consistently kept kicking the breakers – too much draw and it couldn’t handle the load. They discussed this with Committee, and got a bid from Frank Caratozzolo who is familiar with the equipment and the actual electric load. The cost is \$8,454.00; \$50,000 was in place for Bandstand renovations and the actual cost for that is \$22,000, so there is money in the Budget to pay for this. Mr. DeLelys said they talked about putting new lights in the ceiling of the bandstand, and the Chief requested outside lighting to deter vandalism. He added there will be excess money to put into the electrical work.

A motion was made authorizing Frank Caratozzolo to do the electrical rewiring at the Boaters Facility/Canal Promenade at a cost of \$8,454.00 by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Greg Lazzaro.

Mrs. Lutz asked if they got any other quotes besides this one. Mr. Spina replied they requested one but did not hear back. He mentioned that Mr. Caratozzolo put in the wiring, knows the equipment and is familiar with what

is there. Mr. Morrell stated Mr. Spina is presenting to the Board that someone else was contacted. For an award of that size and in order to comply with the Town's Procurement Policy, you need to have at least two quotes. He said if the Board wants to move forward, that's fine, but it will need the information as to who Mr. Passalacqua contacted so that it can be entered into the record. Mrs. Sarratori said one quote is not going to give the Board an idea if this is an okay quote – she would like another quote. After brief discussion, Mr. Spina suggested that the Board table this and he will see if Mr. Passalacqua can get that person to give a quote, and maybe the Board can act if there is a Special Meeting.

A motion was made to table action on this matter by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Mary Sarratori. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Salary Increase – WWTP Employee: Mr. Lazzaro read the email which was sent by Mr. Tullo and states that this is an official request to promote Brian DeVay to WWTP Operator since he has attained his 3A WWTP Operators License. Mr. Tullo also agreed with Mr. DeVay's request for a \$1.02 per hour raise.

A motion was made to promote Brian DeVay to Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator and increase his salary by \$1.02 an hour effective May 6, 2016 by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Vic Porretta. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

WWTP Employee – Amend Salary Increase Retroactive to March 7th: A motion was made to amend the effective date of Adam Twitchell's pay increase retroactive to March 7, 2016 by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Mary Sarratori. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Appoint Part-Time Police Officer: Mr. Lazzaro asked if this was discussed in Committee; Mr. Porretta replied that the Chief talked to him about it, but the document he has that has information about it he just saw tonight. After brief discussion, Mr. Lazzaro ruled this out of order because it was not discussed in Committee.

Water/Sewer Credits: There were none.

Payment of Bills:

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

General Fund - \$209,589.77 (Abstract #6)	Recreation Fund - \$17,952.60 (Abstract #6)
Miscellaneous Fund - \$276,184.31 (Abstract #6)	Vince's Park Fund - \$7,261.92 (Abstract #6)
Highway Fund - \$13,126.52 (Abstract #6)	Sewer Fund - \$43,729.91 (Abstract #6)
Water Fund - \$43,504.50 (Abstract #6)	

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Petitioners:

Robert "Ken" Camera – SMI/FLR/IDA: Ken Camera, Councilman from the City of Geneva, opposed the Landfill stating they are not thinking about the general public or the thousands of jobs in the north Seneca Lake Region that depend on a clean, beautiful environment that are essential to an agri-tourism based economy.

Joanne Elliott – SMI Landfill: Joanne Elliott of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill and urged the Board to protect the people now with Local Law #7.

Karl Elliott – SMI Landfill: Karl Elliott of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill and asked the Board to end this reign of Landfill abuse and regain the reputation of our historic local community for us and generations to come. Act now and say yes to Local Law #7.

Bob McGill – SMI Landfill: Bob McGill of Waterloo stated after watching this situation develop, he noticed every attempt is made to sway public opinion against the Landfill. He suggested, in the future, the Board allow both sides equal time and equal opportunity. He feels it is the Board's responsibility that when someone makes an 'off the wall' statement, it should correct it so that the public is not alarmed – it is nothing but scare tactics.

Darrin Magee, Ph.D. – SMI Landfill: Darrin Magee, one of the Co-Organizers of the Landfill Summit, opposed the Landfill stating we are accepting an unfair share of garbage in the State and the Northeast and it needs to stop.

Jennifer Marshall – SMI Landfill: Jennifer Marshall of Lower Lake Road, Seneca Falls, opposed the Landfill stating efforts made now to control odor is not effective. She urged the Board not to extend the Landfill's contract.

Vince Lalli – SMI Landfill: Vince Lalli of Seneca Falls opposes the Landfill stating this Town Board is

empowered to decide the fate of Seneca Meadows, and to act and reflect what is in the best interest of the citizens they represent. He urged the Board to say no to the Landfill getting a permit in 2017.

Linda Ochs – SMI Landfill: Linda Ochs of Waterloo opposed the Landfill stating changing times call for changing things to make things grow, and we need to look at how we handle our waste.

James Mitchell – SMI Landfill: James Mitchell of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill stating he would choose Local Law #7 as the first legal step in the right decision to close the Landfill. We are tired of being dumped on.

Kristin Bauer-Gross – SMI Landfill: Kristin Bauer-Gross from Farmington opposed the Landfill stating she is concerned about health implications for her Family who lives in Waterloo. She challenged all to educate neighbors and friends on recycling and composting so that we can avoid the bulk that goes into landfills.

Allison Stokes – “Environmental Refuge”: Allison Stokes of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill stating she is moving to Rochester, and is escaping the toxic odors and air pollution of Seneca Meadows. She is an environmental refuge and she is protecting her health by moving away. She added Local Law #7 gives us a one time only opportunity to shut down the Dump.

Leland Henry – SMI DEC Application: Leland Henry of Waterloo and a Member of the Concerned Citizens of Seneca County opposed the Landfill and stated he supports the Town Board enacting Local Law #7. He has had more than enough of landfilling and is not going to take it anymore – let’s breathe clean in ’17.

Martha Houseknecht – SMI Landfill: Martha Houseknecht of Waterloo supports the Landfill and requested that the Board not move forward with Local Law #7 as the financial impact that it would have on them in this stage of their life would be devastating. She encouraged everyone to listen to them and look at all the facts as they are a great environmentally responsible Company.

James Sandlas – Seneca Meadows: James Sandlas of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill, and suggested to the Board that they negotiate a hard date to close the Landfill, no garbage by train and better monitoring and remedies for the ongoing stench problems.

Valerie Sandlas – Trash Train/SMI: Valerie Sandlas of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill, and spoke about eliminating all possible trash trains through the Town and County, an end to any Landfill expansion, health issues and a timely closure of the Landfill. She also requested that the Board meet with the DEC and request that they deny a 2017 permit extension.

Mark Benjamin – SMI Jobs Contribute to Healthy Diverse Economy: Mark Benjamin, an Employee of Seneca Falls, spoke in support of the Landfill and about all the different jobs that protect the environment and contribute every day to make the Community a better place to live, work and play. He said they have the best team in North America, and the facts show that their jobs grow along with their many neighboring businesses. He would like to see these jobs continue for a long time.

Randy Bluto – Local Law #7: Randy Bluto, Resident of Seneca County and Employee of Seneca Meadows, was in support of the Landfill, and said Seneca Meadows Staff and Company goes above and beyond the requirements to protect our environment and to give back to the Community. He requested the Board say no to Local Law #7, as they don’t want the cost and effect it will leave on our Community and their jobs.

Nigel Martin – (Triple M Tire) SMI Landfill: Nigel Martin of Lockport spoke in favor of the Landfill stating they are a family owned business that recycles tires from all of Upstate New York. They have a very good business relationship with Seneca Meadows whom they rely heavily on the Landfill consuming their product. He asked the Board to take into consideration the many positive business impacts SMI has with small and family owned businesses that are hundreds of miles away from Seneca Falls.

Susan Porter – SMI Landfill: Susan Porter of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill, stating the Board should be working towards a firm and binding end date for the Landfill. She requested that the Board share with the Community an accurate financial impact, consider passing a local law banning landfills, and press the DEC to hold its permit extension hearing in Seneca Falls.

James Fabrizio – SMI Landfill: James Fabrizio, Employee of Casings, Inc., Catskills, NY, a family owned tire recycling company, spoke in support of the Landfill, stating they handle approximately seven million discarded tires a year, probably 75% coming from New York. He said having a relationship with Seneca Meadows has been a great way in helping them stay vital as they contract with them to bring in shredded tires which is a beneficial use for them. If they were to go out of business, their 90 Employees may well end up on public assistance, and just as important, the tires they take out of the waste stream will mostly have nowhere to go and may well end up in illegal dumps. Mr. Fabrizio said if the Landfill were to close, it will have a negative ripple effect that will be far outside of this Community.

Kyle Black - SMI Landfill Update: Kyle Black, District Manager of SMI, gave an update on their odor control efforts. Additional gas wells have been installed and additional covers that were put down are starting to yield very positive results. Odor complaints are down and continue to fall. Their odor work will continue to be their priority to protect the environment and the Community, and they will continue to work with Seneca Energy to turn this renewable resource into electricity and natural gas. Mr. Black said they are evaluating their final cover bids and hope to award that work soon – the western expansion will get the final cover completion. Mr. Black said they have an open door policy and will continue to have an open door policy. They are more than happy to have anybody come out to go over any issues they have with the Landfill.

John O'Brien (NCM Odor Control) – SMI Landfill: John O'Brien, Vice-President of NCM Odor and Dust Control spoke in support of the Landfill. He encouraged everyone to look at their website and get the information that they say they have not been provided. Seneca Meadows has always gone above and beyond when dealing with odors, and their company pitches in to help out where they can. There are big impacts on closing the Landfill, and most important are jobs; people depend on local businesses to survive, his company in particular will feel the effects of losing a customer like SMI.

Karen Rothfuss – SMI Landfill: Karen Rothfuss of Waterloo opposed the Landfill stating our dependence on this large, smelly neighbor is too high. She urged the Board to seek every means and to tap every resource to find a way to end its dependency on Landfill money.

Patricia Rodriguez – (Ithaca College) – SMI Issues: Patricia Rodriguez, Professor at Ithaca College, opposed the Landfill stating with the merger, there is even more of a threat as it is likely the Landfill intends to continue to expand to spread its influence, not only over local decisions regarding land use, zoning and short-sighted economic development. She requested that the Board support Local Law #7.

Kenan Baldrige – SMI Landfill: Kenan Baldrige, Supervisor of Town of Rose, opposed the Landfill stating he is concerned about the Landfill as it is a parking place for trash. He is concerned about leakage and liner failure. As the Board makes their deliberations, Mr. Baldrige asked that they consider the regional view and take the long term in decision making.

Michael W. Thomas – SMI Landfill: Michael Warren Thomas of Rochester opposed the Landfill stating the Board could choose to continue its current path of accepting trash from NYC and elsewhere or it could choose to shut this Landfill down at the earliest possible date. The 80-100 jobs at Seneca Meadows are limiting the development of tens of thousands of jobs in the Finger Lakes Region. He encouraged the Employees of Seneca Meadows to pursue a job in the solar industry or another industry which has a bright future in this region.

David Rauscher – SMI Landfill: David Rauscher spoke in support of the Landfill stating the important thing is to get the facts and know how it affects everybody on both sides of the issue. They work with SMI and work hard to try and help them with the odor issue. The Landfill is making a strong effort to improve it, and you have to give them a chance to at least do that.

Ed Thurston – SMI Landfill: Ed Thurston of Seneca Falls spoke in support of the Landfill stating he is in the construction business and works with the Landfill. The health and safety record of the Landfill in a business that is highly regulated is excellent, and they have a Host Agreement that has helped us grow and remain financially stable. Mr. Thurston requested that the Board not vote for Local Law #7 as it will hurt our Community, many businesses and not-for-profits.

Will Ouweleen – SMI Landfill: Will Ouweleen, Secretary of the FL Wine and Business Coalition, opposed the Landfill, and referring to the Landfill Employees, he said there are many jobs in the Finger Lakes – many good paying jobs and healthy jobs. On behalf of the FL Wine and Business Coalition, he asked the Board to realize the decision they make does not just affect them, but affects generations of people who have worked a century and a half to build a way of life.

Jeff Shipley – SMI Landfill: Jeff Shipley, President of Seneca County Chamber of Commerce spoke in support of the Landfill. He referred to proposed Local Law #7 and said the Chamber contends all businesses should be treated equally under rules and regulations enacted and enforced by the Town and neighboring municipalities. To single out a business in the fashion the proposed law prescribes defies this equality concept and sends a message to potential business development opportunities that Seneca Falls and Seneca County is not open for business. Mr. Shipley stated the tourism industry is as strong as it has ever been despite the presence of a large solid waste facility. He urged everyone to put aside emotion and work towards a mutually beneficial strategy that affords the Town and the Landfill with the necessary time and resources to plan for the future.

Gene Pierce – SMI Landfill: Gene Pierce, Board Chair of Seneca County Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of Seneca Meadows. The Chamber Board encourages the Town Board to look at the facts and figures, recognizing that we are not only looking at one business today, but perhaps other businesses in the future.

Carl Farney – SMI Landfill: Carl Farney, Owner of Farney Trucking, LLC, spoke in support of the Landfill, stating he is against Local Law #7 and he is for Seneca Meadows and their Employees.

Chad Hartman – SMI Landfill: Chad Hartman spoke in favor of Seneca Meadows stating he has been employed by the Landfill for 17 years. He said everybody he works with takes great pride in what they do because it's never wrong – it's 100% right at the end of the day. There have been no ground contaminants, no water contaminants or air pollution, and nobody has been sick from it.

Dennis Zwick – SMI Landfill: Dennis Zwick of Seneca Falls and Employee of Seneca Meadows spoke in support of the Landfill stating they do everything by the book. People talk about 100 or so employees, but it's a lot more than that – it's the trucking companies, fuel bills, restaurants, mechanics, etc. There are a lot of businesses in the area that will lose a lot of money and potentially go under.

Scott Knowlton – SMI Landfill: Scott Knowlton, Employee of the Landfill, spoke in favor of the Landfill stating he does not support the proposed local law and is definitely for Seneca Meadows.

Kim Krueger – SMI Landfill: Kim Krueger, Employee of Seneca Meadows, stated everybody has some kind of an interest in this Meeting. He doesn't agree with all of it, and hopes God will help the Board decide whatever is needed.

Barb Reese – Local Law #7: Barb Reese of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill stating there is great concern about Local Law #7 and additional impacts it would have on the Town. She urged the Board to consider adoption of this local law in some form because the Landfill has grown significantly in the last 15 years. Mrs. Reese said there must be a better future for Seneca Falls than to continue accepting trash from everyone else. She urged the Board to find a way to adopt a law that will protect the health, safety and welfare of the people.

Ray Wadhams – SMI Landfill: Ray Wadhams of Seneca Meadows spoke in favor of Seneca Meadows. He has worked at the Landfill for 26 years and is against Local Law #7.

Michael Soler – SMI Landfill: Young Michael Soler thanked Seneca Meadows for donating a pitching machine to the Waterloo Little League Field. Michael Soler spoke in support of Seneca Meadows asking what would be accomplished by closing Seneca Meadows. He asked those present to name one company that does as much for the Community as Seneca Meadows. Everyone here can agree that Seneca Meadows is a great company and it smells – he promises that it's going to get better.

Ken Lisk – SMI Landfill: Ken Lisk of Seneca Falls and Employee of Seneca Meadows spoke in support of the Landfill stating today, we are discussing tossing good paying jobs away because we have just experienced a mild winter that ultimately led to the unforeseen events of the adverse smells which has been aggressively dealt with and continues to be aggressively dealt with. He requested that the Board consider the pros and cons of their decisions, and to consider all the good and not just the bad Seneca Meadows has had on our Community.

Michelle LeBrun – SMI Landfill: Michelle LeBrun of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill stating the Landfill causes many stresses on a Community. The massive size causes emotional, physical and psychological stress. What it contains and what it emits to the air, soil and water causes environmental stress. New businesses will not locate here so this causes economic development stress, and it causes stress on FingerLakes tourism. Ms. LeBrun requested that the Board and DEC give the Landfill a deadline for closure in 2023.

Joseph Campbell, Gas Free Seneca – SMI Landfill: Dr. Joseph Campbell, President of Gas Free Seneca and Seneca Lake Guardian, opposed the Landfill stating despite assurances of Seneca Meadows and DEC, and despite their best efforts to mitigate the impacts of the Landfill, the fact is nothing made by humans lasts forever and all liners fail. He said when the liner fails, what happens when the plume of toxic, carcinogenic compounds contaminates the groundwater and Seneca Lake. Dr. Campbell urged the Board to do the right thing for the Community and for the future of the Finger Lakes Region – adopt Local Law #7.

Ken Gallagher – Local Law #7: Ken Gallagher, Project Manager of CHA Consulting, spoke in favor of the Landfill. He has spent 35 year as environmental planner in the solid waste business working for clients, municipalities and agencies, and over that period of time our waste management system has evolved from past practices of open dumps and unabated contamination to one where waste is minimized, materials recovered for recycling and non-recyclable waste is disposed of in a cost effective and environmentally sound manner. Seneca Meadows Landfill is subject to DEC regulations which are among the strongest solid waste regulations in the Country. Mr. Gallagher urged the Board to vote against proposed Local Law #7.

Jason Gorman – Local Law #7: Jason Gorman, professional Engineer with 17 years experience in solid waste, spoke in support of the Landfill. He oversees a team of Inspectors that ensure that construction meets and exceeds NYS Part 360 Regulations that govern solid waste in New York State. Protection of the environment is Seneca Meadows highest priority as exhibited by their excellent compliance record and commitment to the

environmental issues. Mr. Gorman said enactment of this Local Law will have significant adverse impacts to employment, local hotels and restaurants. He urged the Board to vote against proposed Local Law #7.

Seth Greathouse – SMI Landfill: Seth Greathouse stated he supports Seneca Meadows and is against Local Law #7.

Anne Marie Heizman – SMI Landfill: Ann Marie Heinzman, Seneca County Farm Bureau President, requested that the Board review Local Law #7 with the NYS Department of Agriculture as the law provides grave consequences for agriculture in this Town.

Pamela Lewis – SMI Landfill: Pamela Lewis of Seneca Falls spoke in support of the Landfill. She is employed by Seneca Meadows which is a good company, and she works with good people. Everyone is so concerned about the environment, air quality and health concerns – they are all healthy. If we are so concerned about water pollution, why are we not worried about agricultural affects. Mrs. Lewis said if and before the Board decides to pass this local law, the taxpayers should be provided with the facts.

Lou Ferrara, Jr. – SMI Landfill: Lou Ferrara, Jr. of Seneca Falls, spoke in support of the Landfill. He has concerns about where our trash will go and how much it will cost us, how much will taxes go up when this business is gone and jobs. Mr. Ferrara said the concerns the Board is faced with are real and hard decisions.

Scott Turner – SMI Landfill: Scott Turner, representing Seneca Meadows, stated he wants to reiterate the point that Seneca Meadows made to the media in May, that were the Town Board to enact the proposed Local Law or anything remotely resembling it, that action would be a breach of the 2007 Host Community Agreement. Seneca Meadows would have to suspend immediately all benefits under that Agreement and take all other necessary actions to protect its interest and the interest of its Employees.

Dylan Paolicelli – SMI Landfill: Dylan Paolicelli of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill stating if the environment was truly the Landfill's No. 1 concern, it would not be advocating for a mega landfill. If the dump closed tomorrow, there would be some degree of job loss, but not to the severity that Seneca Meadows will have the Town and their Employees think. Mr. Paolicelli said as for Local Law #7, we must revise this, if necessary, and pass this Law to protect the future of this Community.

Robert Holmes – SMI Landfill: Robert Holmes, registered professional Engineer with Cornerstone Environmental spoke in support of the Landfill, and urged the Board to vote against the Local Law. Cornerstone is responsible for the implementation and oversight of selected environmental compliance programs at the site. The Local Law has the potential to directly impact not just the jobs at the Landfill, but also directly impact jobs with consultants, vendors and contractors across the region. Mr. Holmes stated he can speak with first hand knowledge that the Landfill design, per NYS DEC regulations, is protective of the environment, and Seneca Meadows is a world class and award winning solid waste management facility.

Brendon Pilawski – SMI Landfill: Brendon Pilawski, Employee of Seneca Meadows, spoke in support of the Landfill, and referred to the SMI recycling facility. They, on an average, recycle 2 million to 3 million tires that come from the residents, roads, ponds and lakes of NY State every year. Mr. Pilawski said he appreciates working for a Company that provides such an important environmental service to Seneca Falls and NY State.

Steven Churchill – SMI Landfill: Steven Churchill of Seneca Falls opposed the Landfill stating he supports the passage of this Local Law. The Landfill is not a highly engineered system, and it will fail. He thinks of the Landfill as a black hole; it sucked up land, soil, wetlands, air space and tires. Mr. Churchill said now is the time; the Board has an opportunity to be remembered by those who are not born today.

Jeff Leavell – SMI Landfill: Jeff Leavell, Operations Manager for Zoladz Construction Company who has completed numerous projects for Seneca Meadows, spoke in support of the Landfill. Over many years, it has been a pleasure to be part of a Team that continues to lead, not just by the state of the art facility that they have built and operate, but also by the commitment to the surrounding communities. Seneca Meadows is good; they have been good for the local economy and communities, they have been a good employer and they have been good for our home company growth and growth of numerous local businesses and businesses across the State.

Greg Stachowiak – SMI Landfill: Greg Stachowiak of Zoladz Construction spoke in favor of the Landfill stating there is nothing more important than Seneca Meadows for what they do and they should be applauded. Everyone here talks about odors. There are plenty workers on his team that are trying to get rid of the odors, and they are doing top-notch work in trying to get rid of it. Mr. Stachowiak urged the Board to not adopt this Local Law as it is not good for the Community, NY State or anybody.

Tom Langiewicz: Tom Langiewicz of Zoladz Construction spoke in favor of Seneca Meadows stating these are world class guys, and he is against Local Law #7.

Joseph Boyles – SMI Landfill: Joseph Boyles spoke in support of the Landfill stating they have a great staff, hard working employees, and are making great progress; the odors have vastly improved. Let's keep them going and have this facility going for a long time.

Mr. Lazzaro stated the Board will hold a Special Meeting on Saturday, June 11th at 8:00 AM. He noted that most of the Meeting will be Executive Session to discuss proposed litigation.

Bing there was no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the Meeting by Greg Lazzaro and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

NICALETTA J. GREER
Town Clerk