



City of Seneca – City Council Meeting Minutes

Date: April 14, 2026

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Seneca City Hall

Council Present:

Mayor Andrea Officer
Councilor Melvin Herburger
Councilor Matt Wenick
Councilor Chuck White
Councilor Barb Northington

Staff Present:

Deborah Oatman

1. Call to Order

Mayor Andrea Officer called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda included the March Regular City Council Minutes, financial statements, and payment of bills.

Councilor Herburger made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor White.

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

3. Old Business – Transfer Station Fee Discussion

Discussion was held regarding proposed transfer station fee increases due to rising transfer and disposal costs. Staff presented information on current disposal expenses, noting that vendor rates have increased substantially in recent years, from approximately \$0.05 to \$0.55 per unit, and provided comparisons with other communities. Council discussed potential adjustments, including percentage-based increases, and reached general agreement that fees should be increased to better cover operating costs, as current user fees are no longer sufficient and have required subsidization from other City funds. Direction was given to staff to prepare an updated fee schedule, including approximately a 15% increase across accounts, for future consideration and formal adoption. No final action was taken.

4. New Business

Fire Department Discussion

Council discussed concerns regarding fire department equipment, condition of fire trucks, and service coverage area. A work session will be scheduled with Seneca Fire Chief.



City Operations and Maintenance Concerns

Council discussed citizen concerns regarding city maintenance operations. Staff acknowledged concerns and will work toward improved oversight.

Commercial Cleanup Ordinance

Staff presented a draft ordinance addressing industrial material storage and site cleanup. Council directed revisions.

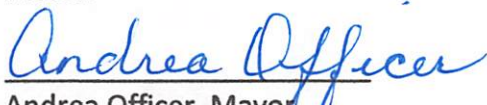
Curbside Pickup Discussion

Council discussed curbside garbage pickup for residents with medical or mobility issues. No action taken.

5. Adjournment

Mayor Andrea Officer adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Attest:


Andrea Officer, Mayor


Deborah Oatman, City Manager/Recorder