

VILLAGE OF POPLAR GROVE

"A Great Place to Call Home"

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 - 7:00 PM

200 N. Hill Street, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by President Sattler 7:00pm

ROLL CALL

PRESENT
President Don Sattler
Finance Chairman Eric Miller
Admin Chairman Ron Quimby
Trustee Jeff Goings
Trustee Ed Wethington
Trustee Dan Cheek
Clerk Karri Anderberg
Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski
Treasurer Carina Boyd
Public Works Director Mitch Hilden
Waster Water Director Ion Steer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF PHONE PARTICIPATION (Roll Call)

No Phone Participation

APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Voice Vote)

Motion made by Trustee Wethington, Seconded by Finance Chairman Miller. Motion passed by voice vote.

Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington to amend the agenda to add 6a. Attorney report and amend item 11 to state 164,084.84 in Ap checks for a total of 185,130.94. Motion passed by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Voice Vote)

1. Motion to approve January 10, 2022 Committee meeting minutes and January 19, 2022 Board of Trustees meeting minutes

Motion made by Trustee Wethington, Seconded by Trustee Cheek. Motion passed by voice vote.

Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington to amend the minutes to reflect when the meeting adjourned. Motion passed by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT Public Comment is encouraged. The Village Board will receive comments from the public, pursuant to State Statutes. Comments will be limited to five minutes on topics relating to the Village of Poplar Grove. Be further advised that matters brought up at this time may be referred to the appropriate committee or individual for further discussion or consideration.

Larry Synder- Mr. Snyder would like to see better property maintenance code and sight tight to be enforced. Mr. synder does not want to see any garbage cans out when he drives in the neighborhood.

Dave Allgood- Wants to let the board know he talked to President Sattler and had a good conversation. He would like the board to move along and start working together.

Trustee Eric Miller-

I wanted to take a few moments to address some comments that have been made attributable to me. My purpose of this clarification is not to engage in mudslinging, but to advise and present the facts as a matter of record.

I have been a supporter of the airport since I moved into our village. It has been alleged that I have made certain derogatory statements against residents living at the airport, including a statement that I proposed to evict people from the airport. The village does not have any legal recourse to evict anyone from the airport. For the record, the airport needs to be separated into 2 different and distinct properties...the houses and condos as located in Bel-Air Estates and the hangars as located within the confines of Poplar Grove Airport. The village has no reason or justification to evict anyone from Bel-Air Estates. With relation to the hangars, I am not going to discuss the details of the hangar apartments as a result of a recent and ongoing inquiry. That matter was discussed properly in executive session with our attorneys in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, and those discussions are confidential under the law. Contrary to established law and on his own actions, a confidential discussion was disclosed by the village president. A comment made confidentially was taken out of context and distributed in a misleading fashion. There exists a ground lease between the airport and the hangar owners. An eviction is a legal term of art that only applies to a landlord/tenant relationship. The Village of Poplar Grove does not have any landlord/tenant relationship with any person or entity at the airport. The eviction comment was made in accordance with the ground lease that exists. Any eviction would need to be at the hands of the landlord and not at the hands of the Village of Poplar Grove. As a result of all this, I want to make one thing unequivocally clear...I support any economic development within the Village of Poplar Grove

that is mutually beneficial to the landowner and the Village of Poplar Grove. As with all economic development, it must be done correctly and in accordance with all existing laws. Moreover, I have been accused of nepotism because I filed a lawsuit against the village in 2016, seeking to keep the village clerk position as one elected by the people of Poplar Grove. At the time that I filed the suit, I was a private citizen, and I held no role with the Village of Poplar Grove government. Was Karri Anderberg looking to run for the clerk's position? Yes. However, I filed that suit on my own behalf as a voter to seek to have your rights to elect the village clerk and keep that right protected. Before Clerk Anderberg, Martha Suhr was elected 8 times as your village clerk, which is a tremendous legacy to leave behind in this village. I thought that it was important that the clerk's position remain independent and one that the village residents got to choose. More importantly, you, the voters of the Village of Poplar Grove, agreed with my position and defeated the referendum overwhelmingly by a 3 to 1 margin. The Village President made it sound like I sued for Karri to get the clerk's position. Not only is that impossible; it is a lie.

Please remember that there are always 2 sides to a story. You are not always going to be told the truth. I would encourage you to seek out both sides so that you can make a fully informed decision on what you believe is the real truth. Thank you.

Bill Brandenburg - Would like to make it clear that the Bel Air Condos are totally separate from the airport and have there own HOA and set of rules

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- 2. Clerk, Karri Anderberg no questions for Clerk Anderberg
- Waste Water, TEST Inc would like to the Board to know that the screens that they will vote on for item 10 is 20 years old.
- 4. Public Works, Mitch Hilden No questions for Mitch
- Treasurer, Carina Boyd
 Due to a scheduling conflict the Budget workshop will now be on March 2, 2022 at 6pm
- 6. Code and Permit, B&F no questions

OLD BUSINESS

7. Discussion on possible date change for 9th Annual Neighbors' Fest

Trustee Quimby stated that the Lions Club would like to move the Neighbors Night to August 6 during the day before street dance.

Stated that this is how it used to be and Lions Club would like to go back to it. Trustee Miller is concerned because we already have contracts approved for June 11, 2022.

Trustee Quimby stated the Lions club would help the Village and Clerk Anderberg will be the contact person for the Village.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Discussion and Motion to approve replat of lots 48 & 49 Candlewick lake unit 8 Boone County, Illinois

Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Goings.

Voting Yea: Finance Chairman Miller, Admin Chairman Quimby, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

Spencer Svehla the homeowner was present to answer any questions

 Discussion and motion to approve Resolution 2022-06 a resolution of the Village of Poplar Grove, Illinois to approve and authorize the village president to execute an agreement with Asset Control Solutions, Inc

Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.

Voting Yea: Finance Chairman Miller, Admin Chairman Quimby, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

Discussion and motion to approve Resolution 2022-07 a resolution of the Village of Poplar Grove, Illinois resolving to approve an agreement with Sable Mechanical LLC or the replacement o the fine screen at the north wastewater treatment plant Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington. Voting Yea: Finance Chairman Miller, Admin Chairman Quimby, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

Public Works Director Mitch Hilden stated that some updated electrical will need to be done when the screen is replaced.

Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Admin Chairman Quimby to amend the resolution to state not to exceed \$75,000

Voting Yea: Finance Chairman Miller, Admin Chairman Quimby, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

Public Works Director informed the trustees that Sable would not be doing the electric work and that someone else would. Attorney Sosnowski stated then the board would not need to amend the resolution.

Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Goings to reconsider the motion to amend.

Voting Yea: Finance Chairman Miller, Admin Chairman Quimby, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

11. Discussion and motion to approve check disbursement for payments scheduled to be paid prior to February 28, 2022, in the amount of \$163,670.66 in AP checks, \$13,193.43 in insurance expense checks, and \$7,853.15 EFTS for a total of \$ 184,717.24 Motion made by Trustee Goings, Seconded by Finance Chairman Miller. Voting Yea: Finance Chairman Miller, Admin Chairman Quimby, Trustee Goings, Trustee

Wethington, Trustee Cheek

Trustee Miller stated that was an additional \$413.70 in the bills that where added.

12. Discussion on when a permit is not required

Motion made by Admin Chairman Quimby, Seconded by Finance Chairman Miller. Dave Allgood- would like to see something similar document that Village of Poplar Grove puts on the website and passed out his own comments on the document that President Sattler presented.

Clerk Anderberg passed out kens comments on the "when is a permit is not required" document that President Sattler presented.

Trustee Quimby would like more time to read the documents. Trustee Quimby suggested the code and permit committee meet and come up with a document.

GOOD OF THE VILLAGE

Board of Trustees March 9, 2022 7:00 pm Board of Trustees March 16, 2022 7:00 pm Planning and Zoning March 23, 2022 7:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT (Voice Vote)

KJA 2/14/2022

Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Goings. Motion passed by voice vote.

meeting adjourned at 8:27pm