



VILLAGE OF POPLAR GROVE

"A Great Place to Call Home"

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Wednesday, November 13, 2024 - 7:00 PM

200 N. Hill Street, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by President Don Sattler

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

President Don Sattler
Admin Chairman Owen Costanza
Finance Chairman Jeff Goings
Trustee Dan Cheek
Trustee Austin Davies
Trustee Bruce Moore
Trustee Betsy Straw
Clerk Karri Miller
Attorney Stuart Diamond
Treasurer Carina Boyd

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF PHONE PARTICIPATION (Roll Call)

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Voice Vote)

Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Finance Chairman Goings. Motion approved via voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Voice Vote)

1. Motion to approve Board of Trustee Meeting minutes from October 09, 2024

Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Trustee Cheek. Motion approved via 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.*

No public comment

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

2. Treasurer Report, Carina Boyd
No questions for Treasurer

NEW BUSINESS

3. Motion to discuss/approve reimbursement request for 409 Scarlet Oak Drive.
Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Trustee Cheek.
Voting Yea: Finance Chairman Goings
Voting Nay: Admin Chairman Costanza, Trustee Cheek, Trustee Davies, Trustee Moore, Trustee Straw
Trustee Straw stated that the issue was not caused by village work buy was a natural occurrence.
4. Motion to discuss the Electrical Municipal Aggregation bids and to select a supplier and term for our residents and small businesses as the existing contract with Dynegy is ending in March 2025.
Mike Mudge from Rock River Energy presented the different quotes. Mr. Mudge stated the best quote was MC2 with a 21-month contract.
Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Finance Chairman Going to approve a 21-month contract with MC2.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Costanza, Finance Chairman Goings, Trustee Cheek, Trustee Davies, Trustee Moore, Trustee Straw
5. Motion to discuss/approve to approve check disbursement for payments scheduled to be paid prior to November 30, 2024, in the amount of \$464,588.17 in AP checks, \$12,134.98 in insurance expense checks, \$27,915.42 EFTS, and Payroll with estimates included \$74,135.89 for a grand total of \$528,774.46.
Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Trustee Moore.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Costanza, Finance Chairman Goings, Trustee Cheek, Trustee Davies, Trustee Moore, Trustee Straw
Trustee Costanza expressed concerns about the legal expenses incurred by the village over the past three months. He also noted that upcoming union negotiations will bring additional legal costs.
Attorney Diamond proposed a breakdown of emails to identify potential areas to reduce communication and cost.

6. Motion to discuss/approve the 2024 Tree Lighting and Staff Scheduling
Treasurer Boyd stated that budget for the tree lighting event is \$5,000. Expenses include lift rental for street decorations and food items like hot dogs, donuts, popcorn, and chips. Donuts are donated by Edwards.
Volunteers are needed for various tasks, including decorating the Christmas tree and serving food. Public works staff will be present to assist with setup and maintenance during the event.

Trustee and residents will help with set up and tree decoration

Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Trustee Moore to approve 2024 Tree Lighting and budget.

Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Costanza, Finance Chairman Goings, Trustee Cheek, Trustee Davies, Trustee Moore, Trustee Straw

7. Motion to discuss **Ordinance 2024-17** an ordinance authorizing the levy and collection of taxes for the general corporate liability insurance, social security, and audit purposes for the fiscal year commencing on May 1, 2024 and ending on April 30, 2025 for the Village of Poplar Grove, Boone County, Illinois and action to adopt tentative levy
Treasurer Boyd stated that Levy amount for the Village is \$351,833.00. The final ordinance will be approved in December.
Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Trustee Cheek.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Costanza, Finance Chairman Goings, Trustee Cheek, Trustee Davies, Trustee Moore, Trustee Straw
8. Motion to discuss/approve a 5 foot high divider fence between existing tennis net postsleeves - galvanised black vinyl coated \$3,500.

Hold over for later discussion due to lack of immediate necessity and community demand.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. Motion to go into executive session pursuant to to 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (1) Personnel - The appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, or legal counsel for the public body and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3) The selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in this Act, including a vacancy in a public office, when the public body is given power to appoint under law or ordinance, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office, when the public body is given power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance.
Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Trustee Cheek to go into executive session.

Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Costanza, Finance Chairman Goings, Trustee Cheek,
Trustee Davies, Trustee Moore, Trustee Straw

Went into executive session at 8:05 pm

Came out of executive session at 9:00 pm

Motion made by Trustee Davies, Seconded by Trustee Straw to come out of executive session.

Voting Yea: Trustee Cheek, Trustee Davies, Trustee Straw, President Sattler

Voting Nay: Admin Chairman Costanza, Finance Chairman Goings, Trustee Moore

ADJOURNMENT (Voice Vote)

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm