

VILLAGE OF POPLAR GROVE

"A Great Place to Call Home"

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 - 7:00 PM

200 N. Hill Street, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

PRESENT
President Don Sattler
Finance Chairman Eric Miller
Admin Chairman Ron Quimby
Trustee Jeff Goings
Trustee Ed Wethington
Trustee Dan Cheek
Trustee Betsy Straw
Clerk Karri Anderberg
Attorney Dave Kurlinkus
Public Works Director David Howe
Wastewater Director Ion Steer
Treasurer Carina Boyd

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF PHONE PARTICIPATION (Roll Call)

no phone participation

APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Voice Vote)

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Voice Vote)

Motion to approve minutes from the August 10, 2022 meeting
 Motion made by Trustee Wethington, Seconded by Finance Chairman Miller. Motion passed 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

NEW BUSINESS

- 2. Motion to discuss/approve **Resolution 2022-33** a resolution of the Village of Poplar Grove, Illinois approving the annual audit for fiscal year May 1, 2021 April 30, 2022 Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Cheek. Voting Yea: Finance Chairman Miller, Admin Chairman Quimby, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek, Trustee Straw Jen Martinson from Lauterbach and Amen came and presented the audit report. Mrs. Martinson stated that the report came back as unmodified opinion. which is the best a municipality can have.
- Motion to discuss/approve capital asset reporting packages with Lauterbach & Amen, LLP

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

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

Jen Martinson explained the different packages.

Treasurer Boyd explained the village only needs to first level due to our size.

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

4. Motion to discuss/approve **Resolution 2022-34** a resolution of the Village of Poplar Grove, Illinois authorizing the village to approve a collective bargaining agreement between the Village of Poplar Grove and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150

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

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

Voting Abstaining: Trustee Goings

Trustee Miller explained the contract.

5. Motion to discuss/approve issuance of Request for Proposals for waste hauling, recycling and collection franchise services

Motion made by Trustee Wethington, Seconded by Trustee Cheek.

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

Roxanne Sosnowski explained the RFP and what the village is asking for.

6. Motion to discuss/approve application for grant through the Illinois Open Space Land acquisition and development for park equipment for Mansfield Park.

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 Straw

Rick Borrett - would like the board to put in a park on the Saratoga lots. feels its the best use for the lots. Mr. Borrett stats that the 4 adjacent neighborhoods have paid \$179,404.40 last year to the park district and at least they can do is give us a park. Mr. Borrett showed pictures of the flooded areas that are available at the clerks office. David Allgood- Thinks the board is pushing this too fast and want them to do more research

Paul Chorosktecki - Has lived in the village since his kids were little and the builder promised the residents a walking path and park when they built their home.

Felecia Colburn - Moved here with her family after being in the Army and would like a place for her kids to play.

Aly Graham - Has a family and would love a park for her subdivision that she can take her too.

Cherie Bartelt - does not think a park is needed. Ms. Bartelt feels they are a waste of money.

Trustees and President Sattler discussed the grant and asked questions.

Trustee Wethington called to question and the trustees voted

7. Motion to approve a waiver of attorney-client privilege regarding the October 17, 2020 memorandum issued by Sosnowski Szeto LLP regarding Mansfield Park for the limited purpose of providing a copy of said memo to the Belvidere Park District in conjunction with development of said park property.

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

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

Trustee Miller explained that the park district would like to see the memo that Attorney Aaron Szeto gave to board.

David Allgood- feels like the memo should not be released.

8. Motion to discuss/approve process and procedure for vacant properties within the Village of Poplar Grove

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

Clerk Anderberg explained that the village is seeing more vacant properties and since Covid it is taking the banks longer to take back the properties and get them sold. Clerk Anderberg explained that the their is one home in the village that has been vacent since early 2019 and the bank has still not taken over the property. Even when the bank takes over they are slow to cut the grass. Public works does not have the man power to mow lots every week.

Clerk Anderberg is asking for stricter rules for vacant properties to help keep up. Clerk Anderberg will be working with the attorney's office and brining a ordinance change in the next month or two.

GOOD OF THE VILLAGE

Board of Trustees Meeting September 21, 2022 - 7:00 pm Planning and Zoning Meeting September 28, 2022 - 6:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting October 12, 2022 - 7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting October 19, 2022 - 7:00 pm Trick or Treating Hours October 31, 2022 - 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT (Voice Vote)

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

meeting adjourned at 9:20pm