



VILLAGE OF POPLAR GROVE

"A Great Place to Call Home"

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Wednesday, April 16, 2025 - 7:00 PM

200 N. Hill Street, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order 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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF PHONE PARTICIPATION (Roll Call)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Voice Vote)

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

Motion made by Trustee Cheek, Seconded by Trustee Straw, to remove YouTube link at the top of the agenda. Motion passed via voice vote.

Motion made by Finance Chairman Goings, Seconded by Admin Chairman Costanza to hold over item number #6 tree discussion until May 14. Motion passed via voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Voice Vote)

1. Discuss/Approve meeting minutes from the March 19, 2025 Board of Trustees Meeting.
Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Trustee Cheek. Motion passed via voice vote.
Motion made by Trustee Straw, Seconded by Trustee Davies to remove the YouTube link at the top. Motion passed 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. Public Works Report, David Howe
No questions for Director Howe
3. Engineer Report, McMahon
No questions for Engineer Dopkins
4. Wastewater Report, TEST
No questions for Test

NEW BUSINESS

5. Discuss/Approve **Resolution 2025-01** A Resolution on Village policy for election-related expenses.
Motion made by Trustee Davies, seconded by Trustee Straw.
Voting Yea: Trustee Davies, Trustee Moore, Trustee Straw, President Sattler
Voting Nay: Admin Chairman Costanza, Finance Chairman Goings
Voting Abstaining: Trustee Cheek
Suzanne Earp Day- stated that when she made a mistake on her packet that she was thrown off the ballot and so Clerk Miller should not be allowed to be reimbursed.
Lisa Rodgers - expressed concern about a potential conflict of interest involving incoming trustees who collected petition signatures for the Village Clerk. The concern centered on the possibility that these trustees might vote to reimburse the Clerk for \$13,604.34 in legal expenses incurred from a lawsuit filed to correct a personal filing error related to her placement on the ballot.
Although the Clerk has recently stated she has no current plans to seek reimbursement, the speaker suggested she may pursue reimbursement once the new board is sworn in.
Ms. Rodgers emphasized that such reimbursement would not serve the best interest of the Village, and may not be legally appropriate.
David Allgood- Mr. Allgood asked a question about the Clerk being a W2 employee to Attorney Stewart
6. Discuss/Approve tree quote for replacement tree on North Boone Fire District 3 property.
moved to May 14 meeting

7. Discuss/approve check disbursement for payments scheduled to be paid before April 30, 2025, in the amount of \$147,973.75 in AP checks, \$18,568.20 in insurance expense checks, \$27,915.42 EFTs and \$59,800.61 Payroll for a total of \$265,466.77.
Motion made by Finance Chairman Goings, Seconded by Admin Chairman Costanza.
Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Trustee Davies to hold over the agenda item until April 23 board meeting.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Costanza, Finance Chairman Goings, Trustee Cheek, Trustee Davies, Trustee Moore, Trustee Straw

GOOD OF THE VILLAGE

8. Village Hall Closed for Good Friday - April 18, 2024
Board of Trustee Meeting - May 14, 2024 - 7:00 pm
Board of Trustee Meeting - May 21, 2024 - 7:00 pm
Poplar Grove Community Market - May 31, 2025 - 9am to 2pm

ADJOURNMENT (Voice Vote)

Motion made by Admin Chairman Costanza, Seconded by Trustee Moore. Motion passed by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm