Village of Poplar Grove
Special Board of Trustees- Budget Workshop
Minutes of February 27,2020

The special meeting of the board of Trustees was called to order by President Costanza at 6:33pm in the Village Hall.
Break for dinner at 7:23pm
Continue 7:31pm
Walsh Left at 7:51 pm

Present;
Present by roll call were President Owen Costanza, Trustees Eric Miller, Ron Quimby, Erin Walsh, Jeff Goings Ed Wethington Clerk Karri Anderberg, Treasurer Carina Boyd, Public Works Director Mitch Hilden and Billing Clerk Yvonne Catalani.

Absent: Trustee Sophia Ramdass

Budget Workshop

Department Heads met with each other or several meetings to go over the budget for next year.

The Village is budgeting a balanced budget with the water and sewer department budgeting a small surplus. Some of this surplus will be used to build a rainy- day fund for future needs.

There will be minor increases in revenues and costs for FY21. Salaries increased by 3% in most cases, health insurance is changing to 16% for employee premium contribution. The Village is budgeting for a 10% increase.

We will be paid quarterly from Mediacom starting 7/1/20.

Boyd will be separating the south plant, north plant and water towers into separate line items so we can track expenses. New categories will also include community development and events

Public works has budgeted for phase 1 for a public works building that would be build on the old EPI building.

Clerks department will be sending the Deputy Clerk to training this year. This is a 3 year training that is once a year for a week in October. So there is a slight increase in the clerks budget.

Parks: Budgeted for West Grove Park to get a Pavilion. For the south half of the Village, The Village has budgeted for the purchase of three empty lots to build a park on Saratoga lane. We are working with the park district to help fund the building of the park. If we can't work an agreement with the Belvidere Park District, we will budget for building of the park for FY 2021-2022 budget.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:09pm