VILLAGE OF POPLAR GROVE

"A Great Place to Call Home"

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Monday, July 12, 2021 - 6:30 PM

200 N. Hill Street, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PRESENT
Admin Chairman Ron Quimby via phone
Finance Chairman Eric Miller
Trustee Jeff Goings
Trustee Ed Wethington
Trustee Dan Cheek
Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski
Clerk Karri Anderberg
Deputy Clerk Katie Jaster
Treasurer Carina Boyd
Public Works Director Mitch Hilden
Waste Water Director Ion Steer
Engineer Chris Dopkins

APPROVAL OF PHONE PARTICIPATION (Roll Call)
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Voice Vote)
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Cheek.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington to amend item 7 to read discussion and possible recommendation to the Planning and Zoning to approve Ordinance 2021-15 an ordinance amending title VIII zoning Chapter 11, signage, of the code or ordinances for the Village of Poplar Grove, Illinois
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
Motion made by President Sattler to add discussion on permits. No second was made and the motion died

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Voice Vote)

1. Motion to approve minutes from June 14, 2021
   Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.
   Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
   Motion made by President Sattler, Seconded by Finance Chairman Miller to amend the minutes to state as follows

   1) There are anonymous notes from an anonymous source seemingly quoted verbatim. If this is going the be the precedent set, going forth with anonymous accusations or ridicule, then we will set a terribly destructive precedent that will spiral out of control as did the last meeting. I question the legality of this with anonymous minute notes under OMA regulations. The name must be included if the notes are to be included. I would like to see the state statute allowing anonymous public comment or testimony in a public meeting.
   2) There is also no mention under the Mansfield Park discussion, by Don Sattler, that Registered Plats showing there is an 8 Acre Park/Detention designed into the Prairie Green subdivision already that were submitted as exhibits in the discussion. The subdivisions HOA was to develop this and it fell to bankruptcy and dissolution around 2009.
   3) There is also no mention of Ron Quimby and Don Sattler discussion that the Belvidere Park District has said repeatedly that the Mansfield Park was never part of their plans and they never agreed to anything with the Village of Poplar Grove. They specifically said they were not interested ever. Their discussion with any village representation was in general polite discussion only.
   4) There was no mention either of Don Sattlers discussion that the design plats show the purchase of the Manfield Proposal lots only added almost 2 more acres of half retention and half dry property to the already existing 8 acres of Park/Retention adjacent to the new lots making it now a combined 10 acres of Park/Detention area all connected.
   5) There was no mention that Don Sattler mentioned in discussion that neighborhood "Tot-Lots" in Poplar Grove mostly consist of Park/Detention next to lift stations just like in Bel-Aire Estates and Sherman Oaks, and that Prairie Green Subdivision is no different with very desirable property exactly the same as the others.

5) There was also no mention in the minutes that there was discussion by Ron Quimby and Don Sattler, that there was never any plan, or design, by Poplar Grove for what to do with the 3 lots purchased in Concorde Crossing called Mansfield Park. There was nothing submitted or documented.

6) There was also never any mention of the discussion by Don Sattler that Mansfield Park was proposed publicly, in the local media, and in writing as a Prairie Green Subdivision park yet it existed in Concorde Crossing Subdivision.

7) There was no mention of the exhibit presented by Don Sattler showing the cost to build a jungle gym "tot-lot" on existing property owned by the village in Prairie Green would cost approximately $40K while the Mansfield Lots in Concorde Crossing would cost the tax payers $174K to build the same thing.

Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington to divide the question and vote on items 2-7 separate

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.*

Becky Gratz- asked for her comments be written in the minutes. I would like to know what the ordinance is for sidewalks? Because the only one I found was only talking about the city walk in the right of way. We hired workers to put in a new sidewalk asked them if we needed a permit and they said no because it is not on city property. we had just had a new roof placed and had the permit still because they were just completing the gutters. the city inspector came here and said we had to shut down , gave a stop order. I needed my son to go to the village he got the paperwork for permit from village and I filled it out. when he went back I was charged 109 for permit 25 for admin and then 109 fines so where is that on the stop order there is no reference to an ordinance.

for no permit called Karri and she said she would call back which she did not however then the inspector drove back.

I would like to mention that I have been a resident for 18 years and have come to numerous board meetings over the years. I know there have been a lot of positive things that you all have done and worked on and came along through the years and thank you. I really see the change since the board when Don Bowden/ Judi Zangs/ Boy Frey and Cliff Stetter, Rong Quimby Jeff Goings and Owen Costanza were trustees.

I am very disappointed that the current board is continually undermining the current village president. he won, and so its time to move on. you all are elected officials and need to work with the current President not against him. If you all don't agree on things that is life, but to be raid and make a spectacle in open meetings is childish and unprofessional. What I witnessed at the last board meeting of trustees was negative and demeaning to an elected village president. please for the good of the village act like professional trustees you can be so we can move forward with village issues and make our community a nice place to call home.

Jason and Angie Jurs - Would like to know why his permit cost was so much different then his neighbors and why we took the fees down off the village website.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS - ADMINISTRATION

2. Clerk, Karri Anderberg
   Dan cheek asked about permit fees. Clerk Anderberg will have a meeting with B&F this month to fix the permit schedule. Cheek also asked about garbage cans. Clerk Anderberg stated that the Village did not inforce sit tight in the winter or during covid. It has no become a problem and residents are upset.
3. Building Permits & Code Enforcement, B&F Construction
   no questions for B&F

OLD BUSINESS - ADMINISTRATION

4. Discussion and Possible Recommendation to the Village Board to approve **Ordinance 2021-19** An Ordinance amending Title 8, Zoning, Chapter 8, Height and Area Regulations and Yard Exceptions; of the Village of Poplar Grove Municipal Code

   Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Cheek.
   Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
   Trustees all agree they do not want car ports in R3. Trustees would like Trustee Wethington to attend the Planning and Zoning to express the boards concern.
   Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Cheek to send ordinance 21-19 back to planning and zoning.
   Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

NEW BUSINESS - ADMINISTRATION

5. Motion to approve **Resolution 21-43** A Resolution of the Village of Poplar Grove, Illinois correcting previously assigned Resolution number
   Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.
   Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
   Clerk Anderberg stated she missed number a resolution last month and this is a resolution to fix her mistake

6. Discussion on Jurisdictional placement for Welcome signs
   Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.
   Public works Director Mitch Hilden would like board input on where to put the welcome signs. Trustee Quimby stated to Hilden to put them where he thinks is best.

7. Discussion and possible recommendation to Planning and Zoning to approve **Ordinance 2021-15** an ordinance amending title VIII zoning Chapter 11, signage, of the code of ordinances for the Village of Poplar Grove, Illinois
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.
Voting Nay: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
President Sattler has asked for the ordinance to put prepared. President Sattler would like to see a change where signs are allowed in right of ways if the right a way is in front of a residents homes.
Attorney Sosnowski and Engineer Dopkins explained what a right of way and a easement was
Trustee Miller does not think this ordinance is a good idea and the ordinance is not clear enough
ordinance did not pass out of committee

DEPARTMENT REPORTS - FINANCE

8. Public Works, Mitch Hilden
Trustee Goings asked about the stop sign that was leaning on Sherman. Public Works does know about the stop sign and is on the list to fix it.

9. Wastewater, TEST
No questions for Test
10. Engineer Report, McMahon
No questions for Dopkins
11. Treasurer Report, Carina Boyd
no questions for Carina

NEW BUSINESS - FINANCE

12. Motion to approve a sewer credit for 403 Hughes Parkway in the amount of $716.89
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
Chad Luken the homeowner of 403 hughes parkway, explained to the trustees that in 2020 he had a plumber install a second meter and he installed incorrectly and he was double billed for water.
Treasurer Carina Boyd stated that he was over charged $716.89
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Goings to amend the motion to recommend to the Village Board to approve a sewer credit in the amount of $716.89 for 403 Hughes Parkway.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

13. Discussion on water connection fee for 114 E. Grove Street
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
Gwen and Bruce Jones- Stated that they have lived in the Village for 47 years and would like to to hook up to water. Mrs. Jones is asking for relief in the water connection fee that is currently $5,000.
Trustees would like staff to see if giving Mrs. Jones a relief if this effects our current water connection fee.
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington to recomend to the Village Board to approve relief in water connection fee for 114 East Grove Street.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
staff will look in to water bonds.

14. Discussion and Possible Recommendation to the Village Board to approve 2019 IML Training Conference in Chicago Illinois at a maximum reimbursable cost of $1,500 per person
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
IML is September 23-25

15. Discussion and Possible Recommendation to the Village Board on revisions to Ordinance on water shut offs and late fees.
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
Trustee Goings would like to see notifications to go out to all residents. Staff stated that they will put a flyer with the next two water bills
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington repeal ordiance 2020-06 effective Oct1, 2021.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

16. Discussion of revocation of Ordinance 2020-17 Covid-19 State of Emergency
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Goings.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Cheek to repeal ordinance 2020-17.

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

17. Discussion and Possible Recommendation to the Village Board to approve check disbursements in the amount of $177,045.59 in AP checks, $13,193.43 in Insurance Expense checks, and $7,853.15 in EFTS for a total of $198,092.17.
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Wethington.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek

ADJOURNMENT (Voice Vote)

KJ 07/09/2021
Motion made by Finance Chairman Miller, Seconded by Trustee Goings.
Voting Yea: Admin Chairman Quimby, Finance Chairman Miller, Trustee Goings, Trustee Wethington, Trustee Cheek
meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm