

Village of Poplar Monthly Meeting

Village Hall

4/14/15

In Attendance: Leo Naumann, Keith Peltier, Kent Schroeder, Wes Little, Karen Nevin, Katie Peltier (Acting Clerk)

Absent: Rob Hursh, Pennee Krawczyk (Clerk)

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm

Aging and Disability Resource Center – Kris Westerland - presentation regarding their services

Brad Theien – Discussion regarding the Countywide Assessment bill in the budget, Brad doesn't think that it will stay in the budget. Rushed into getting it in for implementation in 2017; Attended the joint finance meeting in Rice Lake; Personal property tax elimination – regressive, lots of work, 1% of levy currently in Poplar; Re-evaluation has begun, processing through computer system, analysis phase, would like to schedule a Presentation in Poplar soon for residents to come and find out why we are re-evaluating again, also to make appointments to visit homes. Timeline to be done with re-eval ~beginning of August.

Approval of Minutes – Motion made by Karen, seconded by Kent – all approved

Approval of Bills – Motion made by Kent, seconded by Wes – all approved

OLD BUSINESS:

- Attorney fees for Poplar Water – ½ to be paid by Sewer Commission; ½ to be paid by Village; Poplar Water Works got their own invoice. Motion made by Wes, seconded by Kent – all approved
- Bong Memorial Plaque – Veterans Administration Trevor Walsh working with American Legion to gain possession of plaque for restoration and relocation

NEW BUSINESS:

- Trash cleanup at Bong – Pictures were distributed of mess at Bong Apts; Pete Kruit found Ordinance 6.38 in the Village Ordinances - \$100 per month fine can be assessed against the property for unsightly debris

COMMITTEES:

Sewer

- Pumps are good, did walk through with WW Goetsch Associates to check all pumps for any winter issues.
- Lawnmower refurbish is almost complete, Keith will check with Gary
- MSA hired for researching of phosphorus limiting, contract <\$2000
- Outbuilding bought from Economy Garages for placement at Sewer Ponds for storage of lawnmower, generator, etc.
- Conservation Dept is looking into the use of the watershed project credits to possibly be used as credits towards the Poplar Sewer phosphorus costs
- Phosphorus variance – DNR has some polling system that may be able to poll the median income of just the sewer customers

Cemetery

- Beautification of cemetery: Building a gazebo, new flag, metal praying soldier; all done with donations

Parks & Rec

- Harly rake of the upper ball fields – Jerry Swanson – Karen checking cost
- Cleanup day in Poplar – Saturday May 30 – Village of Poplar residence only, must show ID, Mike N to get costs from garage people and order the dumpsters.
- Pennee to post flyer

Roads and Culverts

- Paving
 - Weihe – top of hill to Homestead - \$49,000; Homestead – Weihe to Maple - \$41,000; Homestead wedge - \$4,600; County needs commitment from Village to buy asphalt in bulk for Hwy D project – Motion to approve, Kent, seconded by Wes – all approved
- Culverts:

- Weihe by Brian's south of driveway – Approx \$600
- West Homstead – east of Rounsville – 42" x 46' - \$1999 plus cupler
- West Homstead – west of Rounsville – 36" x 36' x 2 - \$1490 each plus 2 cuplers
 - DNR approval required – if approved, could seek matching funds from County
- East Homstead – before Ken Clauson – Approx \$590
- Balsam – south of Lakeview – Approx \$550
- Pine Rd – corner of Weihe – Approx \$600
- These prices don't include the cutting of the blacktop and the gravel; will also need to add gravel and then replace blacktop in future.
- Middle River Road needs two loads of gravel
- Calcium chloride will be spread on Middle River Rd this week by McGrath's
- Need a new Air Compressor, Mike to get prices and purchase immediately
- John Deere lawnmower sitting behind fire hall needs to go, post notice of bids by May meeting

Fire Department

- Mother's Kitchen fire code violations – Tabled, no representation from fire dept
- Pennee to send Letter to fire department requiring a representative at the Monthly meetings

Adjournment at 9:02pm, motion by Kent, seconded by Karen – all approved.

Leo Naumann
President

Katie Peltier
Acting Clerk