

MINUTES

VILLAGE OF POPLAR BOARD MEETING

October 15, 2019

The Board Meeting was called to order by President Randy Jones at 7:01 PM

In attendance: Dan Bergsten, Ralph Rouns ville, Pete Kruit
Jim Tollas, Danny Haskins, Virgil Nelson

Clerk/Treasurer: Gina Ormond

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SPEAKERS:

- Mark Liebaert – Not Present

MONTHLY BUSINESS:

- Approve Minutes: A motion was made by Dan Bergsten, second Ralph Rouns ville to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2019 meeting. Motion carried without negative vote.
- Pay Bills: A motion was made by Ralph Rouns ville, second Virgil Nelson, to pay the bills for September 2019. Motion carried without negative vote

NEW BUSINESS:

- Following a discussion regarding whether or not to allow UTV / ATV on county roads in the Village of Poplar, a motion was made by Randy Jones, second Dan Bergsten to allow UTV / ATV on the village roads. Motion carried with one Board Member opposed.
- The Memorandum of Understanding will be filled out by November 15, 2019 to see if the Village of Poplar will qualify for grant money towards a new computer. The clerk's computer has Windows 7 and it needs to be upgraded to Windows 10 as well as be compliant with election security.
- Randy Jones received quotes from Discoverpc.Net and A+ Computers to compare the prices between the two companies. There was a discussion regarding which would be more beneficial to the village: purchase two laptops or purchasing one new laptop for the clerk's office and upgrading the current one for the other employees and Board Members to use. A motion was made by Randy Jones, second Jim Tollas to table the decision on the purchases of the laptops.
- After the discussion on regarding the Proposed 2020 Sewer Budget, a motion was made by Dan Bergsten, second Jim Tollas to approve the Proposed 2020 Sewer Budget. Motion carried with one Board Member opposed.
- There was a discussion on the Business Continuation Ordinance for liquor licenses. The Board Members would like to have an ordinance in place or next year. There was also a discussion on the camper ordinance as well. The owners of the camper on County Road P are in violation as they have not come in for a building permit for the structure on the property and the camper has been there longer than the time given in the ordinance. A second letter will be sent explaining the situation. These ordinances need to be looked at closer for future action.

CLERKS REPORT: There needs to be a Finance Meeting to finalize the Proposed 2020 Village Budget so the Public hearing for the Proposed 2020 Budget can be held before the November Board Meeting. A meeting was set for Tuesday, October 22, 2019 to work on it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- *Sewer Commission*- The sludge removal project is done. The trash pump was bought. WEM talked to Cody Kamrowski. FEMA turned the sewer down for the additional funding to fix the sewer ponds. There hasn't been any correspondence from FEMA regarding their ruling and the Sewer Commission has a deadline to appeal the decision.
- *Cemetery Grounds*- Done mowing for the season.
- *Fire Department*- Not present.
- *Parks and Recreation*- Done mowing for the season.
- *Roads & Culverts* - LRIP applications for the roads are due November 1. The road between Bayfield and Elm should be fixed with the money received from the 50/50 grant. The MLS Grant has over \$29 million dollars to apply for up to three projects. Two roads that come to mind are Oak Road and W Homestead Road, and another project to apply for the grant. The projects to be worked on next year would be the culverts on W Homestead Road, Bayfield Road, and Lakeview Road.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Public Hearing for the Proposed 2020 Village Budget.
- Computer Vendor – Discussion and Vote on which company to get the computers from.
- Discuss and vote on fees for ditching, snow plowing, grading, sanding, etc. – services offered by the village.
- Discuss and vote on the Business Continuation Ordinance.

ADJOURN: Motion was made by Virgil Nelson, second Randy Jones to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m. Motion carried without negative vote.

Randy Jones, President

Gina Ormond
Clerk Treasurer

Date