

MINUTES

VILLAGE OF POPLAR BOARD MEETING

January 12, 2021

Because of the Covid-19 Pandemic, the Board Meeting was held using Zoom. The Meeting ID was 814 9311 0989 and the Password was 746479. The meeting was recorded.

The Board Meeting was called to order by President Randy Jones at 6:59 PM

In attendance: Dan Bergsten, Ralph Rounsville, Pete Kruit
Jim Tollas, Virgil Nelson, Bruce Bergsten

Clerk/Treasurer: Gina Ormond

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SPEAKERS:

- Mark Liebaert – Not present
- Artie Perrault gave a presentation of how DemandStar works. It is a private company that provides a free service to governments. It provides the government agencies with an extensive network of suppliers across the US.

MONTHLY BUSINESS:

- Approve Minutes: A motion was made by Virgil Nelson, second Jim Tollas to approve the minutes from the December 8, 2020 meeting. Motion carried without negative vote.
Pay Bills: A motion was made by Ralph Rounsville, second Dan Bergsten to pay the bills from December 2020. Motion carried without negative vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Nick Korhonen asked that the Village Board provide financial assistance to clean up the properties at 4799 S County Road P and 4801 County Road P. There was a discussion regarding this request. A motion was made by Jim Tollas, second Virgil Nelson to turn down the request to provide financial assistance to clean up the properties.
- There was a discussion regarding becoming members of the Town Advocacy Council. The discussion was tabled until next month.
- There was a discussion on Resolution 21-01 to amend the 2020 budget. The amount of \$4690.61 would be transferred from the Sewer Main Checking Account to the Sewer Reserve Fund Account. The Sewer Account Reserve Fund should have a balance of \$34,500 and with this transfer the balance will be \$20,000.00. A motion was made by Randy Jones, second Pete Kruit to approve the transfer of the funds. Motion carried without negative vote.
- There was discussion on Resolution 21-02 to amend the 2020 budget. The amount of \$7726.07 would be transferred from the Sewer Main Checking Account to the Village of Poplar to pay off the sewer truck loan. A motion was made by Randy Jones, second Dan Bergsten to approve the transfer of the funds. Motion carried without negative vote.
- There was a discussion regarding the Clerks Training Institute this year. The training will be held on zoom again this year due to the Covid pandemic. The dates are from July 12 – 16 and is \$489.00. A motion was made by Randy Jones, second Jim Tollas to approve the training. Motion carried without negative vote.

CLERKS REPORT: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- *Sewer Commission*- There were a couple of motors that were prepared for the aerators. One of the motors is on the aerator and one is on the shelf. Scott Carlson has been working on getting all the aerators going.
- *Cemetery Grounds* - Quiet
- *Fire Department*- Not present. All bank statements were given and all accounts up to date.
- *Parks and Recreation & Building*- Paul Abrahamzon has been working on the skating rink. The Fire Department helps adding the water.
- *Roads & Culverts* – Paul Abrahamzon is working on different projects.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Discuss the Town Advocacy Council
- Discuss Building Permits – requirements and fees
- Discuss Junk Car Ordinance and Enforcement
- Discuss sources for helping people out that needs their failing sewer fixed

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Jim Tollas, second Pete Kruit to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. Motion carried without negative vote.

Randy Jones, President

Gina Ormond
Clerk Treasurer

Date