

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
March 18, 2008**

- Call to Order:** President Ryback called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 7:30pm.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** President Ryback led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll Call:** In attendance were Village President Glenn Ryback, Village Trustees Mike DeMarco, Ken Harvey, Candye Nannini, Debbie Spurgeon, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei, Village Attorney William Stanczak and Village Engineer Pat Bleck. Treasurer Dave Kwiecinski and Trustee John Nordigian were absent.
- Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey and seconded DeMarco by to approve the agenda as presented. Schlosser asked to add 10 C under Old Business, regarding real estate and other signs placed in the right-of-ways.
- Voice vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.
- Approval of the Minutes of Meeting held 2/05/08:** Motion by Schlosser, seconded by Nannini, to approve minutes of 2/05/08. Trustees noted corrections requested on 2/19/08 have not been made.
- Motion by DeMarco to table minutes. Trustee Nordigian absent.
- Approval of the Minutes of Meeting held 2/19/08:** Motion by Spurgeon, seconded by Schlosser to approve minutes of 2/19/08. Trustees noted corrections requested 3/4/08 have not been made.
- Motion by DeMarco to table minutes. Trustee Nordigian absent.
- Approval of the Minutes of Meeting held 3/04/08:** Motion by Spurgeon, seconded by Nannini, to approve minutes of 3/04/08. Trustees noted corrections requested had not been made.
- Motion by DeMarco to table minutes. Trustee Nordigian absent.
- Correspondence 3/04/08-3/18/08:** All correspondence received at the Village Hall from March 4, 2008 through March 18, 2008 was reviewed and placed on file.
- Public Comment:** Mr. Berrone asked about the surface of Mill Creek Road north of Route 173. Engineer Bleck was in attendance and suggested ways to repair the road. He prepared some estimates for a temporary repair. Adding 4 inches gravel and paving with chip-and-seal would be \$128,000. If constructed to the truck traffic standard used on Adams Road, he estimated \$800,000. For installation of gravel and 2 inches of bituminous binder, he estimated about \$120,000. Shoulder work and 5 culverts (about \$45,000) would also be required. President Ryback concerned that existing road base had failed and noted that average road program budget for entire village is generally about \$350,000-\$400,000. Bleck stated that this road was never built for trucks. Schlosser noted that chip-and-seal pavement was only temporary and not intended for truck traffic. Berrone inquired about weight limit on road. Bleck explained width of standard roads in Village.
- Treasurer's Report:** A motion was made by Harvey, and seconded by Nannini, to approve the Treasurer's report as of February 29, 2008 as presented by Treasurer Kwiecinski.
- Roll Call Vote: All Ayes, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.
- Amidei noted that sales tax receipts were down roughly \$120,000 and has contacted the Illinois Department of Revenue for a possible explanation.

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**Checks Issued
2/20/08 to 3/18/08**

A motion was made by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco, to approve the checks issued February 20, 2008 through March 18, 2008 in the amount of \$175,311.91 as reported by Treasurer Kwiecinski.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Bill Paid as of 3/18/08

A motion was made by Nannini and seconded by DeMarco to approve the bills to be paid as of 3/18/08 in the amount of \$80,288.61 as noted in the report of Treasurer Kwiecinski.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

None

Old Business

A motion was made by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco, to reconsider the vote to establish a budget of \$20,000 for the 2008 Concert in the Park series.

Voice Vote: All Ayes, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

A motion was made by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco, to override the President's Veto and establish a budget of \$20,000 for the 2008 Concert in the Park series. President Ryback noted budget amount for Concerts in Gurnee and Highland Park were done for \$7,000 and \$11,500 respectively. Nannini noted that those communities sponsor more programs than just concerts and that their concert budgets are a fraction of their overall entertainment budget. She commented that \$5000 per event is a reasonable amount to budget for the only programs the village sponsors for the residents. DeMarco questioned the President's veto, noting the budget amount had passed unanimously, including when mayor had voted as trustee. Harvey agreed that Ryback should be concerned about costs. Spurgeon concerned that mayor was creating a false sense of financial crisis in the Village. Schlosser concurred. Ryback noted he is being fiscally responsible

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Trustee Schlosser inquired about the week-end placement of real estate signs in roadway right-of-ways advertising home developments in other communities. Administrator Amidei reported that Lake County did not give permission to remove signs in their right-of-ways. Amidei has contacted two developers, provided zoning maps and informed them that off-premise signs are not permitted in Wadsworth. It was agreed that Amidei will issue a letter and citation to owners of those signs noted in public right-of-ways.

New Business:

A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Spurgeon, to prepare a \$1,000 Scholarship for Miss Wadsworth 2007 which will be presented by a village representative at the 2008 Miss Wadsworth Pageant. Harvey complimented the Queens for their assistance with preparing the eggs for the annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Engineer Bleck updated the Board on the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System for 2008. Several items regarding drainage discharges in the Village require itemization for inclusion in this year's report. Five years ago the village applied for a Notice of Intent and has submitted a yearly report. Our NOI permit expired February 29th. He will prepare paperwork which renews the Notice of Intent for an additional 5 years and continue working with Lake County on the project. He will be applying for a Phase Two permit prior to June 1st and will prepare cost estimates. A stormwater pollution control plan will also be prepared and submitted at the May 20th meeting.

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Lake County Division of Transportation had asked by telephone if Wadsworth would consider transferring ownership of Delany Road north of Route 173 at a future date. County also asked for additional right-of-way dedication adjacent to new subdivision being developed by Dave Richards. County requested 50 feet rather than 33 feet previously agreed to by Wadsworth. The Board declined asking Richard to dedicate additional right-of-way. The Board requested more information from County regarding transferring ownership of Delany Road to the County in the future.

Reverend Luis inquired about rezoning the Fiore Landscape property from Business to a category which would permit a church. Attorney Stanczak explained the village zoning table and noted that a church is not permitted in Business zoning. Property owner Dave Fiore noted that property was zoned Agriculture prior to his request and should perhaps be returned to that. DeMarco noted that Business zoned parcels provide income for the village and are not abundant in Wadsworth. Fiore stated property has been for sale over 2 years. Reverend Luis suggested that churches can stimulate the local economy. Harvey considered investigating the suggested change. Fiore noted that Trustee Nordigian had indicated his support. Spurgeon, Schlosser and Nannini were not in support. DeMarco concerned about removing property from present use, giving up future sales tax income. Fiore not sure when immediate area will develop further. Trustees noted a lack of consensus to rezone site.

Village President's Report: President Ryback had no report.

Village Attorney's Report: Attorney Stanczak had no report.

Village Administrator Report: Amidei reported that additional information for the newly implemented Administrative Adjudication Court will be forthcoming. He will be preparing the order for citation forms. Preparation for the upcoming Census has been intensive, but is almost done. He will be attending a meeting next Monday at CLC regarding the reimbursement procedure from the State for snow plowing costs incurred during the February 5th snowstorm.

**Committee Reports:
Ordinance:** Trustee Nordigian was absent.

Parks and Village Hall: Trustee Spurgeon reported that borings done in the park by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources were completed and found evidence of an ice walled lake beneath the surface.

Road and Bridge: Trustee Schlosser reported the State approved the 2008 Road program paperwork. Engineer Bleck placed advertising in the News Sun today for a bid opening on March 31st at 10 AM. He will have results prepared for presentation at the April 1st Village Board meeting. Schlosser reported that gravel was placed on Mill Creek Road, Delany Road shoulder gravel at Route 173 and grading on 9th Street near Delany Road. A Road and Bridge Committee meeting will be held March 20 at 4 PM regarding an easement needed on Winchester Road at August Zupec Drive for the nearby Birchwood drainage project planned for this year. Stormwater Management will be in attendance to discuss the schedule. Schlosser reported that snowplowing costs to date are \$293,505.

Planning Zoning Plats: Trustee DeMarco had no report.

Finance: Trustee Nannini had no report

Public Service: Trustee Harvey reported new information regarding the Reverse 911 system and is working with Administrator Amidei. The Easter Egg Hunt budget and prizes were discussed. The Queens and Trustees will be in attendance.

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Executive Session:

A motion was made by Trustee DeMarco and seconded by Trustee Harvey, to go into Executive session at 9:40 PM to discuss pending litigation.

Roll call vote: All ayes, nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Motion made by Trustee DeMarco and seconded by Trustee Harvey to leave executive session and return to regular meeting of the board at 9:59 pm.

Voice vote: all ayes, nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:59PM on a motion by DeMarco and seconded by Harvey.

Voice vote: All Ayes. Nays – none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk