

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
April 20, 2010**

- 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 Tyler Crittenden, Geralyn Hansen, Ken Harvey, Rodney Johnson, Candye Nannini and Lynn Schlosser, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer.
- Public Comment:** There was no Public Comment.
- Special Business:** Administrator Amidei suggested moving item 14D-1 to this section so Village Engineers Mike Schrake and Bill Klewin from Gewalt Hamilton could present the 2010 Village Road Program using Illinois Jobs Now monies. Schrake referenced the "Engineers Opinion of Probable Cost" furnished to trustees previously. He outlined the paving cost of the program, followed by the engineering and on-site supervision charges. Discussion was held regarding the entire cost for the program, and the possibility it might outspend the funding amount available. After many scenarios were discussed, it was determined to submit the entire package and deduct line items as necessary to stay within budget. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Harvey, to amend
- Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried
- Establish Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Crittenden, to establish a consent agenda for the following items:
- a. Approval of April 6, 2010 Village Board meeting minutes
 - b. Approval of Treasurer's Report as of 3/31/10
 - c. Approval of checks issued between meetings (3/17/10-4/20/10)
 - d. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of 4/20/10
 - e. Motion to Approve St. Patrick's School Request for an Outdoor Party (5/15/2010)
- Voice vote: Ayes-all Nays-none Motion carried.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Crittenden, to approve all items on the consent agenda as amended.
- Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried
- Discussion of removed topics:** There were no removed topics.
- Old Business:** There was no Old Business.
- New Business:** Amidei referenced a proposal from Aronson Fence for \$1482 to reinforce the new outfield fence in Wadsworth Park with a bottom rail, in place of the wire that was used. Ryback noted the existing backstop originally was installed with the same system, allowing the fence fabric to "ravel" at the bottom. Trustees discussed the installation and decided the new outfield fence might not experience the same intensity of use as a backstop. It was decided to watch the new fence, and if a problem arose, the bottom rail could then be installed. Trustees also discussed how the winter weather had damaged the playing surface of the tennis courts. Amidei will research when they were last surfaced.

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A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Nannini, to adopt An Ordinance Amending Various Provisions of the Village Code Regarding Park Regulations.” Amidei reported an increased interest in reserving the ball field and picnic pavilion after residents have learned about the Wadsworth Devil-Rays ball team. Trustees discussed making several changes, as did the Village Attorney. Trustees suggested using “lawn parking” east of Village Hall during peak times. Amidei will work with Krafthefer to implement those suggestions and present revisions at the next meeting. Attorney Krafthefer suggested adopting the Ordinance as presented today so Amidei can accept park reservations during the next two weeks.

Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried. Ordinance number TBA 5/4/10.

Village President’s Report:

President Ryback reported that at the last SWALCO meeting, an updated plan was adopted by the County Board. “New technology” was eliminated, as some County Board members believed that would include incinerators and the burning of trash. Transfer stations were included as an alternative, as both Lake County landfills reach capacity. The most recent household chemical waste and electronics collections continue increase in the volume of materials collected. A new offering in the near future will include food-scrap collection, which will be composted using a new method. He also stated that old clothes are being collected in conjunction with the YWCA. Discarded textiles provided \$86,000 in income to SWALCO last year through resale and the rag market. He and Amidei attended a Lake County Forest Preserve District meeting immediately preceding this meeting where improvements to the Waukegan Savanna were discussed.

Village Attorney’s Report:

Attorney Krafthefer had no report.

Village Administrator Report:

Amidei reported that Lake County Division of Transportation requested input regarding the Wadsworth Road plan which was distributed to trustees. Discussion of several details followed. He also reported on a meeting he and the Mayor had with Lake County Forest Preserve District President Bonnie Thompson Carter and Tom Hahn earlier today about land acquisitions in the Wadsworth area. They indicated that as willing sellers contact the Forest Preserve District, land purchases will be considered regardless of a municipality’s long-range business development plans. The Mayor, Treasurer and Administrator met with auditors Millburn, Cain & Company. They suggested upgrading the accounting system to GASB-34, which is the currently accepted standard. The Village has not upgraded previously due to the cost, however the increased cost is now minimal. One trustee thought the old system was adequate, even though equipment is not depreciated under the old system. He suggested sending a letter to the Gurnee Fire Department requesting Wadsworth residents in Warren Township be permitted to burn their yard waste as Newport Township do. Trustees agreed. Railroad gates planned for Adams Road and Ninth Street require a hardship letter, as the railroad is requesting a 10% cost share from Wadsworth. Amidei said the Village was not prepared to fund any amount and will draft the letter declining funding participation. He reported on two auto thefts and a weapon theft near village hall, which the Sheriff responded to. A Neighborhood Watch meeting will be held at Village Hall the evening of May 17. He also reported a problem on Hanssen Road where 4-wheelers are operating on several acres of vacant property and suggested calling the Sheriff whenever unusual vehicles or activity is observed there or anywhere else in town.

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Committee Reports:

Public Service:

Trustee Schlosser provided a recap of costs for the annual Easter Egg Hunt. She noted that one prize remained unclaimed and would be retained for next year's event.

Parks and Village Hall:

Trustee Nannini discussed continuing the Wadsworth Park drainage project that began last fall. Amidei encountered some difficulties when contacting the JULIE locating service. Several suggestions were offered to overcome the problem. Amidei will contact several excavators for help digging in areas containing buried high voltage lines.

Finance:

Trustee Harvey said that while snowplowing costs are substantially less than last year, investment and other income are also down. He is seeking ways to cut expenses. He also reported that the Wadsworth Park baseball field and Devil-Rays baseball team are working out well.

Road and Bridge:

Trustee Crittenden had no report.

Planning, Zoning & Plats:

Trustee Johnson had no report.

Ordinance:

Trustee Hansen had no report.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:40PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Schlosser.

Voice vote: All Ayes. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk