

**Village of Wadsworth  
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
Held at the Village Hall  
May 5, 2015**

- Swear-in Mayor,Clerk,Trustees:** President Ryback introduced the Honorable Jay Ukena, Judge of the Nineteenth Circuit Court. He administered the Oath of Office to Clerk Evelyn Hoselton and President Glenn Ryback, both of whom are serving third terms in their respective offices. President Ryback then introduced Judge Luis Berrones, another Wadsworth resident and Associate Judge of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. He administered the Oath of Office to Trustee R. Ken Harvey, who is serving a third term and to re-elected Trustees Robert Hayden and James Zegar, who are serving their second terms. Ryback made a brief statement, thanking both Judges for their assistance. He spoke about challenges faced by many communities, including Wadsworth and encouraged all the Trustees to continue in the spirit of cooperation which they always exhibit. He thanked Hoselton, who has served as Trustee, Mayor and Clerk. He also referenced a picture of our first Mayor, Al Heiser which hangs in Village Hall, who visited during our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary event in 2012. Heiser traveled from Arizona and noted that Wadsworth was still the Village they had planned for in the beginning and congratulated Ryback and the Trustees on the job they perform.
- Call to Order:** President Ryback called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 6:20pm.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** President Ryback led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll Call:** In attendance were Village President Glenn Ryback, Village Trustees Tyler Crittenden, Ben Dolan, Geralyn Hansen, Ken Harvey, Robert Hayden and James Zegar, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer.
- Public Comment:** There was no Public Comment.
- Establish Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Hansen, to establish a consent agenda for the following items:  
a. Approval of the April 21, 2014 Village Board meeting minutes.  
b. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of May 5, 2015, totaling \$8,823.86.  
  
Voice vote: Ayes—all. Nays—none. Motion carried.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden, to approve the consent agenda as presented.  
  
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:** There was no New Business.
- Village President’s Report:** President Ryback reported on his Election Day meeting at the Genesee Theater in Waukegan with Governor Rauner, where the Governor’s “Turnaround Agenda” was discussed with the Lake County Municipal League Directors. He also reported on his recent trip to Springfield for Lobby Day where he and other Lake County Mayors met with State Senators and State Representatives on major issues facing municipalities. He is also working with other Officers of the Lake County Municipal League to oppose financial cuts to municipalities and has assisted in preparing a Resolution regarding the Governor’s “Illinois Turnaround Agenda” as Vice President of the League.

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**Village Attorney's Report:** Attorney Krafthefer agreed that the financial situation is not good for local governments.

**Village Administrator Report:** Administrator Amidei reported that the Boy Scouts have received a mobile classroom from a benefactor. They will apply for a conditional use permit as required by Ordinance for placement of the units, but are seeking a short-term temporary approval as the donation must be received in the very near future. Trustees discussed the opportunities offered to youth by the Boy Scouts of America and the positive uses the classroom would provide. Hayden lives in near proximity to the property and noted the site is heavily screened with natural vegetation.

A motion was made by Crittenden, seconded by Zegar, authorizing placement of the mobile classroom units in advance of the Conditional Use Permit.

Roll call vote: Ayes--all. Nays--none. Motion carried.

Amidei also discussed an Affordable Housing Plan for the Village. Correspondence regarding an Illinois Statute passed in 2003 was recently received, indicating Wadsworth does not contain the state-mandated amount (10%) of Affordable Housing. Amidei reviewed all homes in the Village limits for values but was unable to find the 77 homes valued in excess of one million dollars indicated on the State report. He believes homes beyond the village limits but within the 60083 zip code may erroneously be included in the data, such as those in unincorporated Hunt Club Farms. Our internal report indicates a satisfactory amount of housing (12%) in the required value ranges, as compared to the State observed amount of 5%. Attorney Krafthefer noted that other municipalities having enough affordable housing have also been contacted and suggested passing a resolution approving a plan as provided by Amidei. No action was taken.

Amidei and Crittenden discussed the recent mailing regarding Lake Michigan water for several area of the Village where well water is of poor quality and insufficient quantity. The letter was only directed to 230 homes in several areas with known water shortages or poor quality and that are near public water sources in adjacent communities. It was interesting to note that residents with good wells prefer their water to lake water and are content with their current well, while others have indicated an immediate need for Lake Michigan water. Amidei will await further replies before preparing a map which indicates the areas of greatest need.

Amidei also reported that the Ordinance and Easement Plat have been prepared for the Weir Property Right-of-Way Agreement and should be ready by next meeting.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** Trustee Harvey was quite pleased with the demolition of the Old Post Office by Campanella and Sons. Amidei noted the front brick sidewalk will remain and a new railing will be installed. The concrete pad at the rear was three feet thick and required additional work to remove.

**Public Service:** Trustee Hansen did not provide a Public Service report.

**Planning, Zoning & Plats:** Trustee Zegar did not provide a Planning, Zoning & Plats report.

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**Ordinance Committee:** Trustee Hayden referred to a memo from Manhard Engineering to revise and update sections of the Landscape Ordinance. He has information from Botanic Gardens of current plantings which are either suggested or discouraged based on their resistance to disease. Amidei noted that the table of uses was old nine years ago and the site capacity requirements should be updated as well. Hayden agreed the \$3600 estimate for updates might needed some pencil sharpening and after further discussion, Trustees postponed any action until a future meeting. Attorney Krafthefer noted the many intricacies in the site capacity formula might best be handled by the Village Planner from Manhard.

**Road and Bridge:** Trustee Crittenden did not provide a Road and Bridge report.

**Parks and Village Hall:** Trustee Dolan spoke about the settled brick sidewalks around the Village Hall building. Proposals were obtained for concrete walks and for stamped concrete walks which resemble bricks. He reviewed the proposal amounts for not only the walks, but for concrete pads in the dug-out areas of the soft-ball field. Harvey was concerned about the additional \$8,000 for concrete stamping to resemble a brick-pattern, suggesting it might be omitted. Proposed costs provided by each contractor were reviewed, but no action was taken.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden.

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

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Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk