

**Village of Wadsworth  
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
Held at the Village Hall  
October 16, 2007**

**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, John Nordigian, Lynn Schlosser and Debbie Spurgeon, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei, Village Attorney William Stanczak and Treasurer Dave Kwiecinski.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Nordigian and seconded by DeMarco to approve the agenda for the meeting of 10/16/07.

Voice vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried.

**Approval of the Minutes of meetings held 8/7, 8/21, 9/04, 9/18, 10/2/07:**

Motion by Nordigian, seconded by Harvey to approve the minutes of August 7, 2007. Nannini gave copies of 4 sets of minutes with 10% of changes not yet completed. She stated they are not yet fully corrected. DeMarco thought transcript should be included since it is already done. Nannini wants changes in minutes and 8/07 attachment. Nordigian not in favor of a transcript but will agree to complete minutes. Nannini asked to table. Motion by Nordigian, seconded by DeMarco to table minutes of 8/7, 8/21, 9/04 and 9/18 until changes are made. Further discussion.

Roll call vote: All Ayes, Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion by Nordigian seconded by Schlosser to approve the October 2, 2007 minutes.

Roll call vote: Ayes- Nordigian, DeMarco Harvey, Ryback. Nays – Schlosser. Spurgeon, Nannini, Motion carried.

**Correspondence  
10/02/07-10/16/07:**

All correspondence received at the Village Hall from October 2, 2007 through October 16, 2007 was reviewed and placed on file.

**Public Comment:**

Mrs. Joyce Shelley, 38990 Chicago Avenue, inquired about dates for Halloween Trick-or-Treat in Wadsworth since others have been in newspaper. Administrator Amidei noted that date and time is on Village website. She also received a call from Mr. Rettig regarding the Historical District. She noted that none of the houses in town are really historical and the district should be off the books. Shelley also suggested trustees read the municipal league book regarding clerks.

Kevin Meixell, 16550 Hidden Trails Drive, spoke about property near Chestnut Trails along Route 173 and south of Route 173 south of Green Bay Road. He voiced concerns regarding development and suggested that it be done within Wadsworth.

**Treasurer's Report:**

A motion was made by Nannini and seconded by Harvey to approve the Treasurer's report as of September 30, 2007 as presented by Treasurer Kwiecinski.

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

**Checks Issued  
09/19/07 to 10/16/07**

A motion was made by Harvey and seconded by Nannini to approve the checks issued September 19, 2007 through October 16, 2007 in the amount of \$267,559.21 as reported by Treasurer Kwiecinski.

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

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**Bill Paid as of 10/16/07**

A motion was made by Harvey and seconded by Schlosser to approve the bills to be paid as of 10/16/07 in the amount of \$37,764.12 as noted in the report of Treasurer Kwiecinski.

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

**Ordinances and Resolutions:  
Greenspon CUP Amendment**

A motion was made by Nordigian and seconded by Nannini to adopt an Ordinance Amending the Conditional Use Permit for the Dennis Greenspon Commercial Stable and Riding Academy.

Roll call vote: Ayes, Nordigian, DeMarco, Spurgeon Nannini, Harvey. Nays – Schlosser. Motion carried.

**Amend Code re: Agenda**

Motion was made by Harvey and seconded by Nordigian to consolidate both ordinances regarding Agenda and Journal and send to Ordinance Committee. Spurgeon asked why this was not done last time. DeMarco asked to vote on it. Nordigian noted that ordinances should come through Ordinance Committee. He asked clarification regarding Village President being included as Board Member. President noted that Nannini is not on Ordinance Committee. She stated she found information to word Journal Ordinance in Illinois Municipal Handbook, not from States Attorney's office. Ryback contacted State's Attorney Office regarding matter, who indicated they would not suggest such an ordinance be enacted.

Roll Call vote: Ayes :Nordigian, Harvey. Nays: DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon, Nannini Motion failed

Motion by Nannini, seconded by Schlosser, to approve adoption of ordinance amending the village code to add section 1-5-6 entitled Agenda to Chapter 5.

Roll Call vote: Ayes: DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon, Nannini, Harvey. Nays: Nordigian Motion carried

**Amend Code re: Journal**

Motion by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco to Adopt an Ordinance Amending the Village Code Chapter 5 Section 1-5-4 entitled the Journal.

Motion amended by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco to Adopt an Ordinance Amending the Village Code Chapter 5 Section 1-5-4 entitled the Journal including addition of Village President to Line 1C

Roll Call vote: Ayes: DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon, Nannini, Harvey: Nays: Nordigian. Motion carried

**Old Business**

None

**New Business-Rettig Fence**

Larry Rettig, 14285 Wadsworth Road, made presentation of wire welded fence he will erect around two acres he recently purchased immediately east of his property. Historical District Ordinance requires authorization by Village Board. Rettig raises small animals, not horses or cows, on his 10.5 acres. Nordigian not opposed to fence. Harvey noted one energized fence exists elsewhere in downtown area. Other Trustees found fence acceptable.

Motion by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco to approve the fence for Mr. Rettig.

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

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- IMLRMA Contribution** Amidei outlined insurance premium cost to continue IML insurance. Nordigian suggested other bids be sought since IML has declined legal defense twice in recent years. If first payment is made, Village is obligated to pay second and final installment. Nordigian has information from last time and indicated that Administrator could find alternate insurance coverage within 60 days. Amidei will work with Nordigian and Finance Chair Nannini as necessary to find new insurance carrier.
- Village President's Report:** President Ryback was troubled that some Trustees disagree with him regarding a second public comment period near the end of a Business Meeting. He values the resident's input and encourages them to speak with him after the meeting. They can also email or telephone him.
- Village Attorney's Report:** Attorney Stanczak had no report.
- Village Administrator Report:** Amidei reported that Lake County Clerk will hold early voting at Benton Township Clerk's office for both Benton and Newport Township so Wadsworth residents can early vote there instead of at the courthouse. They will not need to travel to Waukegan. A Zoning Board of Appeals meeting is planned for October 30 regarding Don Culling's Pole Barn variance and Maya Estates subdivision. On November 8, a Plan Commission meeting will be held for Maya estates. Regarding the 2010 Census, he attended a meeting regarding options to prepare for census. He will utilize option #1 which will give us census bureau info which can be challenged and added to. Other options do not allow a challenge. The "challenge" option will allow Village to check on all addresses.
- He also suggested beginning work regarding the fee ordinance for AT&T and will coordinate with both Ordinance and Road and Bridge Committees since right-of ways are affected. The IML model ordinance will require amending for our use.
- Committee Reports:**
- Road and Bridge:** Schlosser reported that signs are installed in Southeast District and installed gravel on Hart. She will meet with township and Kirschhoffer Trucking regarding snow plowing all road sections within Village effectively. She also requested Executive Session for possible litigation.
- Parks and Village Hall:** Trustee Spurgeon noted that tree in front of Village Hall used for Christmas Lights has grown so large that placing lights is difficult and does not look attractive when done. She suggested not decorating it this year, instead placing lights on other smaller deciduous trees and wreaths outside on light poles. Also swags on Village Hall sign and decorations at garage. Nannini was in favor of other decorations, also. Spurgeon asked about letter of credit for Wadsworth Crossing. Amidei is holding cashier's checks. Schlosser suggested asking for the letter of credit by a specific date. Trustees agree that checks will be deposited if both Letters-Of-Credit are not received in 10 days. Amidei will send letter.
- Ordinance:** Trustee Nordigian had no report.
- Planning Zoning Plats:** Trustee DeMarco had no report, but noted that minutes being a month behind are a substantial problem and reviewing old minutes is not time well spent. He would like to get caught up or limit board actions.
- Finance:** Trustee Nannini concerned that following Robert's Rules is too strict. When motion is on table she would like to discuss without being recognized. She asked other Trustees their opinion. When motion is on table she would like open discussion without being recognized each time and to have a debate. President noted that debate should be held in Committee meeting, not Board meeting. DeMarco thinks open discussion should be allowed in a civilized manner.

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**Public Service:** Trustee Harvey agrees with what is being said, but thinks the Chair should control and direct the meeting. If two or three are talking at once, Chair should use the gavel to rule people out-of-order. It should be done in an orderly fashion. After being on Board seven years, Nordigian noted that different Village Presidents and Clerks have had different styles, yet meetings slow down if valuable discussion does not have continuity. He prefers we not be too strict. DeMarco would like to continue discussion without being recognized by Chair. Schlosser volunteered to clarify by phone if clerk has questions when preparing minutes and did so when she was clerk. Spurgeon agreed with Harvey that when two people are talking, one should stop. She noted that this was a good meeting.

**Executive Session:** Motion by Nordigian, seconded by Schlosser to go into Executive Session at 9:02 PM to discuss possible litigation.

Roll call vote: All Ayes, Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion by DeMarco, seconded by Schlosser to return to regular session at 9:18 PM.

**President's final comments** President indicated a copy of the site plan for proposed development was available for Trustees to take with. He has been called by Doug Roberts, attorney for the News on 41 Adult book store, wishing to annex into Wadsworth. Each Trustee indicated they would not be in favor of this. Nannini noted the use is not in the Village Code Table of Uses. President advised that Peter Kolb of Lake County Public Works will provide information at the November 6 meeting regarding the proposed Joint Action Water Agency to serve communities in Lake County not presently on Lake Michigan water.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:20PM on a motion by Harvey and seconded by DeMarco.

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

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Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk