

Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
February 3, 2011 (Meeting Rescheduled From February 1 Due To Blizzard)

- 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 and Lynn Schlosser, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer.
Former Trustee Candye Nannini's letter of resignation was accepted by President Ryback during his report.
- Public Comment:** There was no Public Comment.
- Establish Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Harvey, to establish a consent agenda for item 5b. Schlosser asked to remove the minutes, as she was not present at the last meeting and would be required to abstain from the vote.
- b. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of 1/18/11 in the amount of \$66,709.01.
- Johnson amended his motion, removing item 5a, seconded by Harvey.
- Voice vote: Ayes-all. Nays-none. Motion carried.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Harvey, to approve the consent agenda as amended to include 5b only.
- Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried.
- Discussion of removed topics:** A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Hansen, to approve the minutes of January 18, 2011 as presented.
- Roll call vote: Ayes Crittenden, Hansen, Harvey, Johnson. Nays none. Abstain – Schlosser. Motion carried.
- Old Business:** There was no Old Business.
- New Business:** There was no New Business.
- Village President's Report:** President Ryback was pleased with snow plowing operations during the Blizzard of 2011. During white-out conditions one plow truck ran off the road, but was quickly recovered. Ryback was in contact with Crittenden, Amidei, and Kirschhoffer late Tuesday evening, determining whether to keep the plow trucks working all night or give up and switch to more costly heavy equipment the next day. By keeping up with the twenty inches of snowfall all night, Wadsworth roads were cleared early Wednesday, well in advance of other area roads.
Trustee Nannini's letter of resignation from the Village Board was read and accepted by Ryback. He thanked her (in absentia) for her years of service to the Village.
- Village Attorney's Report:** Attorney Krafthefer reported that the Illinois Supreme Court stayed the Appellate Court's order regarding the Capital Projects Act. Governor Quinn's office also indicated it will be appealing the finding of the Appellate Court. Krafthefer noted that the state is looking to the Capital Act to fund new projects and expects the Supreme Court to move in that direction. Funding established for our Public Works garage has already been approved and some funds are already in our possession as part of this Act

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Village Administrator Report: Administrator Amidei has spoken to sources at the state regarding the above and has been told “it is business as usual” regarding disbursements from the fund. He referenced a Pavement Study Report prepared by the Village Engineer. Trustee Crittenden will participate in establishing drainage improvement projects in various areas around the village. After seeing the estimated annual costs, Johnson asked about annual income from Motor Fuel Tax funds. Amidei noted that forthcoming Census information might increase those amounts. Further discussion followed regarding several village roadways which Lake County Department of Transportation is interested in taking over, thus eliminating maintenance costs for Wadsworth. A Public Hearing will be held by IDOT on 2/22/11 regarding I-94 from Route 173 to the State Line. The project is funded and includes the Route 173/Tollway bridge, the Russell Road/Tollway bridge and widening of the Interstate from Route 173 to Wisconsin. The Green Bay Road public meeting for today was canceled due to weather. It will be rescheduled for March. The Lake County Municipal League Legislative breakfast will be held Saturday morning at the Round Lake Beach Civic Center. Lake County is hoping for financial reimbursement for yesterday’s snow event. Wadsworth will also apply for reimbursement. A local resident who is performing community service hours will help Amidei digitize old documents so everything is available on computer.

Committee Reports:
Public Service: Trustee Schlosser suggested displaying the “Welcome” banners which former Trustee Nannini donated to the Village of Wadsworth. At the next meeting she will have a proposed amount for the Easter Egg Hunt and will begin purchasing prizes this week.

Parks: There was no report for the Parks Committee.

Finance: Trustee Harvey asked about year-to-date snowplowing costs. Amidei confirmed that costs were similar from last year, not including yesterday’s blizzard. Harvey also asked that the record reflect his apology to former Trustee Nannini for his statement to her at a previous meeting which was noted in her letter of resignation.

Road and Bridge: Trustee Crittenden had no further report.

Planning, Zoning & Plats: Trustee Johnson reported on a meeting with Lake County Board Chairman Dave Stolman, Administrator Barry Burton, Diane Hewitt and President Ryback. Lake County wishes to attract new business, and is interested in improving the intersection of Route 41 and Route 173. Johnson is anxious to do the same. He has tried to annex Forest Preserve property near the center of the Village, but has been turned down. He discussed future uses of the Sexton property if Lake County rejects the 500 foot tall wind turbine proposal.

Ordinance Committee: Trustee Hansen had no report.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:29PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Schlosser.

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

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk