

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
May 1, 2007**

- Call to Order:** President Furlan called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 P.M.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** President Furlan led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll Call:** In attendance were Village President Ken Furlan, Village Trustees Mike DeMarco, Candye Nannini, John Nordigian, Glenn Ryback, Lynn Schlosser and Debbie Spurgeon, Village Clerk Christine Stickler, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney William Stanczak. All present.
- Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by DeMarco to approve the agenda for the 5/1/07 meeting as presented.
- Voice vote: Ayes all; Nays none. Motion carried.
- Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting Held 4/17/07:** Nannini noted an amendment to the minutes of the 4/17/07 meeting to correct the amount approved for checks issued from 3/21/07 through 4/17/07 from \$80,100.14 to \$148,178.67. The summary report provided at the 4/17/07 meeting covered the previous month's checks causing an incorrect total to be stated in the motion. The check detail as reviewed, however, supported the correct total. A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Spurgeon to approve the minutes as amended.
- Voice vote: Ayes all; Nays none. Motion carried.
- Correspondence 4/18/07 – 5/1/07:** The clerk reported that all correspondence received at the Village Hall from 4/18/07 through 5/1/07 was reviewed and placed on file.
- Public Comment:** Jean and Don Sponenburg, 40652 N. Cornell, Beach Park, and Joyce Childers, 40620 N. Cornell, Beach Park, were present at the meeting to voice their concern over the zoning change proposal for the newly annexed portions of their properties. The Sponenburgs expressed that they are not pleased that half of their property is now in Wadsworth where they have no rights since their residence is located on the part of their property in Beach Park. The property is not buildable and they are not convinced that the Wadsworth annexation will not affect their property taxes. They were assured that their additional tax to the Village of Wadsworth would probably be under \$1.00. Discussion was held on the properties that are now in two municipalities because of the annexation. It was suggested that the new Board consider an intergovernmental agreement with Beach Park that would allow Beach Park to take in all of the split properties, but only if it encompasses all the affected properties and meets with the approval of all the property owners.
- Resolution 2007-192 Executive Session Minutes:** A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Schlosser to approve Resolution 2007-192 Regarding Executive Session Minutes. After a review pursuant to the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, it was

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determined that the need for confidentiality remains for all minutes except those minutes previously released. No minutes were released at this time.

Approved

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2007-726
Amending the CUP for the
Mobile Property:**

Gary Penrith, owner of the Mobile Station at 15679 Wadsworth Road, presented a rendition and details of the wastewater treatment facility proposed on the property that will service the restaurant, corner store and gas station with convenient store on the southeast corner of Route 41 and Wadsworth Road. The treatment facility will be able to accommodate future ties in for adjoining properties at their expense. All required agency approvals have been obtained and Penrith will provide a letter of credit as a performance guarantee upon approval of the CUP amendment. A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Nordigian to adopt Ordinance 2007-726 Amending the Conditional Use Permit for the Corner Store Property Including the 15679 Wadsworth Road, Wadsworth, Illinois Property to allow an on-site wastewater treatment facility to be constructed on the 15679 Wadsworth Road property.

Adopted

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2007-193
Maintenance of Wastewater
Treatment Facility on the
Mobile Property:**

A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Nordigian to approve Resolution 2007-193 Regarding Maintenance of the Wastewater Treatment Facility at 15679 Wadsworth Road, Wadsworth, Illinois. The resolution grants the Village the right to use the funds from the maintenance letter of credit to operate or maintain the wastewater treatment facility should the owner fail to do so.

Approved

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2007-727
Police Service Contract:**

A motion was made by Nannini and seconded by Schlosser to adopt Ordinance 2007-727 Authorizing the Finance Committee of the Village of Wadsworth to Execute the Intergovernmental Agreement for Police Services with the Village of Winthrop Harbor. The Finance Committee will oversee all aspects of the police contract; however, the Village President retains the right to act solely to engage police services in an emergency situation.

Adopted

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Motion carried.

**Old Business:
Wadsworth Crossing:**

The owners of Wadsworth Crossing are seeking changes to the original plan for the strip mall and signage to be constructed to the north of the current BP Gas station, convenience store and McDonald's located

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on the northeast corner of Route 41 and Wadsworth Road. The new plan deviates from the original plan as to the size, style and height of the sign, the overall size of the building, and the height of the building due to the elimination of cupolas that aesthetically matched it to the existing stores. Discussion was held on the uniformity of the signage considering that any type of national chain would want their logo on the building, the sign or both. The owners noted that the increased height of the sign is essential to attract the southbound traffic on Route 41 and that dormers were substituted for the cupolas because of the cost factor. After discussion, the Board suggested that they are looking for consistent aesthetics with the current structure and signage, some detailing on the columns of the sign, and alternative lighting options. The petitioners were asked to modify their drawings and return to the Board for further consideration. The revisions should include a reverse perspective, a rendition that portrays the sign height relative to the building, a direct frontal view, an example with individually designed signage and a night view.

New Business:

**Rezoning of Newly
Annexed Properties:**

The Village of Wadsworth petitioned for a zoning change for various newly annexed properties from AG to SR. The ZBA recommended the change as it suits the existing lot sizes and conforms to the current zoning of the surrounding area. The properties in discussion include the Sponenburg and Childers properties discussed during Public Comment at this meeting. A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by DeMarco to authorize the Village Attorney to prepare an ordinance changing the zoning for various newly annexed properties from AG to SR. Upon the agreement of all property owners involved, an intergovernmental agreement with Beach Park will be pursued that would consolidate divided properties into one municipality.

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

Mayor's Report:

Possible Development:

Furlan reported that a tree preservation company contacted him regarding the development of approximately 220 acres bounded by Kilbourne Road, Route 173, Delany Road and 21st Street. The majority of this property is in the Village and the balance is in the county. The section along Route 173 to Delany Road is zoned business.

Personal Thank You:

Mayor Furlan thanked the Board for their cooperation over the past four years and commended them on all their accomplishments.

**Request for
Executive Session:**

Furlan requested an Executive Session at this meeting to discuss pending litigation and personnel.

Attorney's Report:

None.

**Administrator's Report:
NPDES Phase II:**

Village Engineer Pat Bleck will be present at the 5/15/07 meeting to present the NPDES Phase II Year 4 annual report and the goals for Year 5 for Board consideration.

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**Ogden Property
Annexation:**

Petitioners Betty Ogden and Phillip Ogden and their attorney will be at the 5/15/07 meeting to discuss the annexation agreement for the property located at the northwest corner of Russell Road and Old Skokie Road.

Adams Road RR Crossing:

Amidei reported that he sent a letter to the Illinois Commerce Commission informing them of the road and bridge repairs on Adams Road and of the increased traffic due to the Cambridge Subdivision. In light of these circumstances he requested consideration to move up the crossing improvements on Adams Road from the scheduled timeline of 2009-2012 to the earliest possible opportunity.

IDOT Highway Safety:

Amidei sent a letter to the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding the Fiscal Year 2008 Highway Safety Plan Public Hearings. The Village has concerns of increased traffic on Route 41 and along Kilbourne Road, particularly at the Route 173 intersection, due to the Tollway Rebuild and Widen Project. Amidei requested that IDOT consider appropriate preventative safety measures.

**Trustees Comments:
Finance Committee:**

Nannini reported that the Finance Committee met with Chief Joel Brumlik and Officer Mike Bitton of the Winthrop Harbor Police Department to discuss police activity in the Village of Wadsworth. Officer Bitton presented a detailed report outlining the specifics of the duties performed by officers while on patrol in Wadsworth. The Adjudication Court was briefly discussed and Officer Bitton offered to write an educational article explaining the Adjudication Court process that could be sent to residents in a newsletter or posted on the website.

**Road and Bridge
Committee:**

Schlosser reported that the Road and Bridge Committee will be meeting on 5/7/07 to discuss snowplowing complaints, pre-engineering for roads and drainage on August Zupec Drive.

**Stop Sign
Dale Ave. & Pickford St.**

A motion was made by Schlosser and seconded by DeMarco to authorize the Village Attorney to prepare the necessary paperwork to amend the stop sign ordinance to include a stop sign at Dale Avenue and Pickford Street.

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

Thank You to Furlan:

Ryback thanked President Ken Furlan for all his years of service to the Village of Wadsworth.

Bicycle Patrols:

Spurgeon suggested that consideration be given to engage police bicycle patrols in the park for the summer months.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Nannini to move to Executive Session at 8:55 P.M. to discuss pending litigation and personnel.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Motion carried.

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Return to Open Session:

The meeting returned to open session at 9:55 P.M.

Adjourn:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 P.M. on a motion by DeMarco, seconded by Schlosser.

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

Christine E. Stickler, Village Clerk