

**Village of Wadsworth  
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
Held at the Village Hall  
April 5, 2016**

- Call to Order:** President Ryback called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 6:00 pm.
- 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 Tiffany Nelson-Jaworski.
- 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 March 16, 2016 Village Board meeting minutes.  
b. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of April 5, 2016 totaling \$29,054.01.  
  
Voice vote: Ayes—all. Nays—none. Motion carried.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden, 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 discussed the funding shortfall being experienced by The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County. Due to the landfill ban on discarded electronics and the lack of enforcement by Illinois regarding manufacturer's contributions, the collection program is short by \$62,000. The Village of Grayslake has donated the first \$20,000 and hopes for other member municipalities to pledge the remainder needed. Trustee Zegar was not convinced the same scenario might not again occur next year, but in the spirit of cooperation suggested a \$1,000 pledge to the cause. Discussion followed.  
  
A motion was made by Zegar, seconded by Hayden, to authorize a contribution to The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County in the amount of \$1,000.  
  
Voice vote: Ayes—all. Nays—none. Motion carried.
- Village Attorney's Report:** Attorney Nelson-Jaworski congratulated Trustee Hansen and the Board on a successful Easter Egg Hunt and thanked all for the tree planted in memory of her late father.
- Village Administrator Report:** Administrator Amidei discussed creation of a new liquor license category for the Onan Pyramid property which was recently annexed. After reviewing the proposal, Trustees suggested only one change, which was limiting the hours for sale of liquor to midnight on weekdays and 1 AM on weekends. Amidei will send the proposal to Mr. Onan on Wednesday.  
  
A resident inquired about vacating the right-of-way for a section of unimproved Dale Avenue north of Pickford Street. Discussion followed, regarding any future utility installations which may be needed. In this area, some water wells in the area produce water of poor quality and limited quantity. Dale Avenue could provide the route for a future water main installation, as a Beach Park water main is available nearby. In some instances, a utility easement can be retained by the Village even after the right-of-way is vacated, but Trustees felt retaining the property might be the best answer at this time.

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Discussion took place regarding The Shanty's expansion plans.

Amidei reported that the final number on our Tax Levy increase of 105% has been finalized by the County Assessor. Because of the tax cap, the increase amounted to only \$1,000 which increased the total income Wadsworth receives from property taxes to \$21,841.

Trustee Dolan reached out to Retail Strategies for a meeting. The company suggested working together with the other three communities in our Chamber of Commerce, but the percentage of income to Wadsworth in their proposed graph is only 7%. Discussion followed, confirming that a group effort would result in more for the other communities than Wadsworth. Trustee Zegar no longer prefers Retail Strategies and suggested we stay out of any group deal which may be forthcoming.

ComEd will return soon for another committee meeting to update the Village on the roll-out of new "smart-meters" in our area.

Toors Truckstop at Russell Road and Old Skokie Highway has presented a request for a zoning variation needed for their proposed, new 10,000 square foot building. They are also working on a sign package which will require signage sizes that exceed the permitted 500 square feet. A new Denny's Restaurant will occupy part of the new building.

Street sweeping will begin April 15 by TKG Enterprises.

Road program proposals are expected by the end of April, with a bid opening date to be announced.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:**

Trustee Harvey did not provide a Finance Report.

**Public Service:**

Trustee Hansen reported that the Easter Egg Hunt went well, even without the Easter Bunny being present. She was pleased to report that Richard Capoccioni has now donated to Wadsworth his Bunny costume, which we borrowed several times in the past. She observed a home on 21<sup>st</sup> Street near the railroad where several trailers are parked and multiple sheds for horses have been constructed. Amidei noted he and Ryback have already spoken to the owner and will contact him again; it was noted that the business related vehicles had already been removed.

Hansen also identified a property on Kilbourne Road with a dilapidated shack. Amidei noted that he and the Building Inspector met with the property owner and their architect regarding plans to construct a new garage and improvements to their residence.

**Planning, Zoning & Plats:**

Trustee Zegar reported on the latest newsletter edition, which contains photos of the Easter Egg Hunt.

**Ordinance Committee:**

Trustee Hayden will hold another Ordinance Committee Meeting to continue work on the fee schedule for numerous items.

**Road and Bridge:**

Trustee Crittenden did not provide a report, but is exploring the possibility of installing more of the new energy-efficient LED street lights on Wadsworth Road from the railroad east to St Patrick's Church. New-style lamps can be focused on the roadway, without shining into nearby homes.

**Parks and Village Hall:**

Trustee Dolan did not provide a Parks report, but discussed cleaning of ditches along Adams Road.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Zegar.

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

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Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk