

Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall by President Ryback and Trustees Corder and Jacobs
Trustees Dolan, Hayden, Witte, Staff and Public by teleconference via Go To Meeting Service
July 7, 2020

- Call to Order:** President Ryback called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 6:00pm.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** President Ryback led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll Call:** In attendance at Village Hall were Village President Glenn Ryback, Village Trustees Mildred Corder and Doug Jacobs. In attendance by teleconference were Village Trustees Ben Dolan, Robert Hayden and Fred Witte; Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Kurt Asprooth. Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton and Trustee GERALYN Hansen were absent. All members could hear and be heard by each other.
- Public Comment:** There was no Public Comment.
- Establish Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Trustee Corder, seconded by Trustee Jacobs, to establish a consent agenda for the following items:
- a. Approval of the June 16, 2020 Village Board Meeting Minutes.
 - b. Approval of Bills To Be Paid as of July 7, 2020 in the amount of \$135,758.39.
- Voice vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried. Trustee Hansen absent.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Trustee Corder, seconded by Trustee Jacobs, to approve the consent agenda as presented.
- Roll call vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried. Trustee Hansen absent.
- Discussion of removed topics:** There were no removed topics.
- Old Business:** During Old Business, discussion was held regarding a Fund Balance Policy recommended by our Auditors. Trustee Dolan had asked the Auditors for specific details concerning the establishment of the policy utilizing amounts for future road programs and maintenance. Certain amounts will be dedicated for asset replacements as they wear out. Administrator Amidei noted that a planned replacement plan is more efficient than holding unassigned funds. Trustee Witte asked for clarification as to how the Policy will be applied and to be certain of any unforeseen liabilities. Dolan noted the Policy should not be confused with our working Budget or Annual Appropriation Ordinance.
- A motion was made by Dolan, seconded by Jacobs, to Adopt an Ordinance Amending the Village Code Concerning Adopting a Fund Balance Policy Pursuant to GASB 54.
- Roll call vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried. Trustee Hansen absent.
Ordinance #2020-1088.
- New Business:** There was no New Business.
- Village President's Report:** President Ryback reported on his research regarding an illuminated intersection safety sign system for use at the intersection of US Route 41 and Kelly Road. Southbound traffic approaching Kelly Road travels around a curve at 50 MPH, delaying adequate visual observation of Kelly Road traffic initially entering Route 41. He has spoken with several engineers from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation regarding a warning sign system they currently have in operation on eastbound Highway 50 at County Highway W, west of Paddock Lake. A similar system here could be actuated by Kelly Road traffic, warning Route 41 traffic of vehicles entering Route 41 from a standing stop. He now has adequate information to share with the Lake County Division of Transportation and IDOT for a similar system at Kelly Road.

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Lake County intends to close the Wadsworth Road at Dilleys Road intersection for 90 days this year for a roundabout installation, which will divert all southbound traffic from Mill Creek Woodlands, Jonathon Knolls, The Willows and nearby properties through the Kelly Road intersection at Route 41. Ryback is concerned about the higher, short-term traffic load at that intersection may lead to increased collisions.

Village Attorney's Report:

Attorney Asprooth updated the Board on the June 22 Public Hearing conducted by the Plan Commission regarding placement of a Cannabis Dispensary at the Northeast corner of Route 41 and Route 173. The Village Engineer was present and outlined traffic and controls necessary for safety.

Other conditions placed on the plan include the following:

Obtaining a State License

Obtaining a Village License

Obtaining a septic system approval from Lake County Health Department

Submittal of an approved floor plan

Submittal of an approved parking plan

Submittal of an approved security plan, reviewed by the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

Submittal of an approved safety plan, reviewed by the Newport Township Fire Department

Ability to obtain adequate off-site parking on the Rosecrans Motel property

After operations begin, ability to move the parking lot entrance ramps back from the intersection which will require IDOT approval.

Asprooth is working with the contract purchaser regarding all of the above and will also request a confirmation from IDOT that the access is for a dispensary. A shuttle service will be established between the dispensary location and the Rosecrans Motel parking site.

Village Administrator Report:

Administrator Amidei is putting together everything necessary for the Farmers Market. He is working with organizer Miriam Wood for a start date of July 7 from 3pm to 7pm with 10 registered vendors.

We have been utilizing the Beach Park Building Department with great success in recent years. We have learned their plan reviewer has taken a new position with the Village of Sturtevant, Wisconsin. Consequently, some of the plans submitted to us for review and permitting are behind schedule. Discussion followed regarding two other commercial firms which are in the business of plan review for municipalities. We have used one of them in the past for a specialized project, the other will be contacted by Amidei for availability and cost. He will also call the Lake County Building Department for availability, as they currently contract with the Village of Lindenhurst as their building inspector.

He also reported the Mushroom Farm owners will soon meet with a well driller and septic system contractor to move their project forward. Thus far, they have searched for an old water cistern which was left from a long-ago demolished farmhouse.

Committee Reports:

Finance:

President Ryback stated there was no Finance Committee Report.

Public Service:

Trustee Hansen did provide a Public Service Committee report.

Planning, Zoning & Plats:

Trustee Hayden did not present a Planning, Zoning & Plats Committee report but noted that the new Beauty Salon in Wadsworth Crossing is now open and the newly-constructed Love's Travel Center on Old Skokie Highway expects to open in late July.

Ordinance:

Trustee Jacobs did not provide an Ordinance Committee Report but discussed a donation to the Mount Rest Cemetery on Old Skokie Highway and Edwards Road, which will be discussed at the next meeting.

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- Road and Bridge:** Trustee Dolan is preparing a letter to be sent to residents in the neighborhood behind Village Hall, informing of drainage improvements that will take place in the future.
- Parks and Village Hall:** Trustee Corder indicated that Boller Construction will construct the new transaction counter in the Village office next week, along with painting touch-up work. The project is nearly complete.
She has another proposal to repair or replace the vintage style front entry door and is expecting another shortly.
The Parks are mowed and everything looks good.
The basketball court pavement indentation has been patched and painted.
The park is open. The Pavilion is open by reservation and currently has a maximum capacity of 50 people.
She is anticipating having the Village Staff remove office furniture from the on-site storage unit soon. Administrator Amidei indicated the move-in work will be done in conjunction with other on-going daily work. He is considering new methods and placement for an improved workflow in the office.
Corder also asked for task tracking to be done by Staff in spiral notebooks. Amidei has implemented a current system utilizing Excel spreadsheets for accurate tracking, which is used in other communities.
- Executive Session:** A motion was made by Dolan, seconded by Witte, to enter Executive Session at 7:15 PM to discuss Executive Session Minutes and Land Acquisition or Sale. 2C-2, 2C-6
- Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ryback, Corder, Dolan, Hayden, Jacobs, Witte. Nays: none.
Motion carried. Trustee Hansen absent.
- The Board returned to regular session at 7:39 PM.
- Return to Regular Session Roll:** Ryback, Corder, Dolan, Hayden, Jacobs, Witte.
- Results of Executive Session:** No action will be taken in open session.
- Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM on a motion by Corder, seconded by Jacobs.
- Roll Calle vote: Ayes-all. Nays – none. Motion carried. Trustee Hansen absent.

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk