

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
August 21, 2012**

- Call to Order:** President Ryback called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** President Ryback led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll Call:** In attendance were Village President Glenn Ryback, Village Trustees Tyler Crittenden, Ken Harvey, GERALYN Hansen, Robert Hayden and James Zegar, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer. Trustee Rodney Johnson was absent.
- Public Comment:** There was no Public Comment.
- Establish Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Zegar, to establish a consent agenda for the following items:
- a. Approval of the August 7, 2012 Village Board meeting minutes.
 - b. Approval of Treasurer's Report as of 7/31/12.
 - c. Approval of checks issued between meetings, totaling \$127,277.89 (7/18/12-8/21/12)
 - d. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of 8/21/12, totaling \$25,035.25
 - e. Adoption of an Ordinance Amending the Village Code regarding Parking Restrictions (Mill Creek Woodlands)
- Voice vote: Ayes-all Nays-none Motion carried. Trustee Johnson absent.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden, to approve the consent agenda as presented
- Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Johnson absent.
- Old Business:** There was no Old Business.
- New Business:** There was no New Business.
- Village President's Report:** President Ryback deferred to Trustee Zegar, who was seeking input from Trustees regarding the 50th Anniversary event. Feedback is attached to the end of these minutes.
- Village Attorney's Report:** Attorney Krafthefer answered a question raised during Public Comment at the last meeting. She and Amidei learned that a school bus operating in Wisconsin does not always meet state codes in Illinois.
- Village Administrator Report:** Administrator Amidei presented proposals to replace a cross-culvert and complete associated ditch work on Goldenrod Lane in The Willows Subdivision.
- A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden, to accept the low bid of \$6455.00 from Wadsworth Excavating.
- Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Johnson absent.
- Amidei also addressed updates provided by the Lake County Stormwater Commission related to their Watershed Development Ordinance.

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A motion was made by Zegar, seconded by Crittenden, to adopt an Ordinance Adopting By Reference the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance.

Roll call vote: Ayes-Crittenden, Hansen, Hayden, Zegar. Nays-Harvey. Motion carried. Trustee Johnson absent.

Amidei requested an Executive Session to discuss personnel and land acquisition. He also suggested establishing a budget for Village Officials wishing to attend the annual Illinois Municipal League Conference in October. After some discussion, Harvey asked to delay the decision to next meeting.

Amidei clarified that Wadsworth has been requested to take ownership of several items that would be installed in conjunction with the Wadsworth Road reconstruction project by Lake County Division of Transportation. The following would become Village owned and maintained facilities:

1. The pedestrian crosswalk flashing sign near St. Pat's Church;
2. All sidewalks on both sides of the road;
3. Trees and landscaping;
4. The three (3) crosswalks (but will be maintained by LCDOT).

Trustees agreed to the request.

He also reminded Trustees that Ryback needs two volunteers from Village Board for the Comprehensive and Downtown Plan update. Crittenden and Zegar agreed to volunteer. He reported that the Rosecrans Motel had not remitted the first payment of the new hotel and motel tax. When contacted, Rosecrans stated they knew nothing of the tax. Trustees agreed to send notice to Rosecrans and to make the tax effective as of today.

Amidei reported the Russell Road bridge was closed yesterday for reconstruction and would re-open just before Christmas.

He reported that electricity to the new traffic signal at Route 173 and Kilbourne Road has been connected and will be in operation on August 28.

He also reported that Curran Contracting would begin work on Wadsworth Road after Labor Day. They will grind and overlay between St Pat's Church and the middle of Wadsworth Park near the AT&T facility.

Committee Reports:

Finance:

Trustee Harvey asked for final expense amounts from the 50th Anniversary Event when it becomes available.

Parks and Village Hall:

Trustee Johnson was absent and did not provide a Parks Report.

Public Service:

Trustee Hansen did not provide a report, but was pleased with the outcome of the 50th Anniversary Event.

Road and Bridge:

Trustee Crittenden did not provide a Roads report, but was pleased with the outcome of the Sunday Classic Car Show at the 50th Anniversary Event. 86 vehicles were shown.

Planning, Zoning & Plats:

Trustee Zegar did not provide a report, but is ready to begin the Comprehensive Plan update, now that the 50th Anniversary Event has successfully concluded.

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- Ordinance:** Trustee Hayden discussed the proposed updates to the Village's adopted Fire Code, which would be the 2009 International Code with Local Amendments. Suggested updates include fire monitoring (alarms) in existing and new businesses with a reasonable compliance time. There will be no alarm or sprinkler mandates for residential homes, except those that are over 3 stories tall. Amidei will post the updates for Public Input during the next 30 days and will send a draft to the business community.
- Executive Session:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden, to enter Executive Session at 8:55 PM to discuss Land Acquisition, Personnel and Review of previous Executive Session Minutes.
- Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Crittenden, Harvey, Hansen, Hayden, Zegar. Nays: none. Motion carried. Trustee Johnson absent. The Board returned to regular session at 10:10 PM.
- Return to Regular Session Roll:** Crittenden, Hansen, Harvey, Hayden, Schlosser, Ryback. Trustee Zegar was excused early. Trustee Johnson absent.
- Executive Session Results:** No discussion took place.
- Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:11PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden.
- Voice vote: All Ayes. Nays – none. Motion carried. Trustee Johnson and Zegar absent.

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk

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50th Anniversary Feedback: Clerk Hoselton thought the event was “great.”

Administrator Amidei was happy to hear that everyone had a good time and wanted to know if we would be doing it again next year. He suggested selling corn and beverages in-house in the future.

Trustee Crittenden reported on “tweaking” some things on Friday as the event was underway and noted that some of the parking volunteers from Gurnee Exchange Club “saved the day.” He was especially impressed with our Public Works staff Pat Pasko and Pete Kirkiewicz. They were here all weekend. He suggested keeping Pete on staff through the winter season.

On Saturday, another running change was parking cars in lines from east to west, rather than Friday evening’s north to south arrangement. It resulted in capacity for over double the amount of cars which could be fit onto the Forest Preserve area we mowed. As a result, the shuttle bus to St Pat’s Church for parking was not needed.

On Sunday, the first ever Classic Car Show lured 86 shiny vehicles to the Park.

Trustee Hayden expressed his thanks to everyone who planned and participated. He noted that while none of us are professional “event planners” everything went very well.

Trustee Hansen was pleased with the on-site parade which was held on the park grounds. Although a short route, the Queens, Gurnee 56 Band and residents with their own entries all enjoyed it. She would call on the “Fun Ones” vendor for future events as their product was well received by the younger crowd.

She was also pleased with the petting zoo vendor, who brought almost every animal found on the Ark. The kids enjoyed being in the fenced area and playing with all of them.

Trustee Harvey suggested inviting more sponsors from the business community to help offset production costs. Many local businesses stepped forward with donations, while the original intent was to be entirely funded by Wadsworth. As the Finance Committee Chair, he is anxious to finalize the total event cost and suggested Thank You letters be sent to all sponsors. He noted the Friday evening crowd was less than anticipated and was open to suggestions as how to increase the showing at any future event.

Trustee Zegar called it a “10” on his scale. If much more was added we would have needed more help to manage all of it. He was not sure why the Village had to furnish bags of ice for the vendors and suggested they bring their own at any future event.

Village Attorney Krafthefer attended and rated the event “fabulous.” Even though attendance was light on Friday, the games and parade on Saturday made up for it. She often attends festivals for communities she represents and thought this one was better than others. She also noted that many communities raise funds for their festivals and there was nothing wrong with pursuing this practice in the future.

President Ryback also was pleased with the entire event and noted he was still receiving compliments from residents wherever he went and thanked everyone for their dedication. He met Al Heiser, the first Wadsworth Mayor from 1962. Mayors #1, #3 (Ed Tomkowiak), #5 (Clerk Hoselton) and #7 (Ryback) all attended. Heiser traveled here from Sun City, Arizona and told Ryback he was 31 years old when first taking office.

A cost re-cap is anticipated next meeting.

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