

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
September 3, 2019**

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 were Village President Glenn Ryback, Village Trustees Mildred Corder, Ben Dolan, GERALYN Hansen, Ken Harvey, Robert Hayden and Doug Jacobs; Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Matt DiCianni.

Public Comment: Numerous temporary and “feather” signs were observed by Ken Furlan, with an abundance placed near the Duck Inn. He noted the signs have been in place longer than temporarily.
A ban on the sale of recreational cannabis was suggested by Maurice Cashin. He noted the product is not legal under Federal law and operation of dispensaries could be problematic. Cashin believes potential future trouble might outweigh any financial gain. While she is a non-user of the product, Kathie Hayden believed the Village might be missing an opportunity if it bans the sale of cannabis, rather than regulating it. Additionally, the proposed Waukegan area casino may diminish current income amounts from gaming terminals located in Wadsworth.
Wadsworth already permits cannabis for medical uses, noted Judy Adams. The number of locations can be limited and the distance between those locations can also be regulated.

Establish Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Trustee Harvey, seconded by Trustee Hayden, to establish a consent agenda for the following item:

- a. Approval of the August 20, 2019 Village Board Meeting Minutes.
- b. Approval of the Treasurer’s Report as of July 31, 2019.
- c. Approval of Checks Issued Between Meetings, July 17, 2019 to August 20, 2019, totaling \$116,094.69.
- d. Approval of expense reimbursement to Administrator Amidei related to costs associated with his attendance at the 2019 ICMA Conference.
- e. Approval of Bills to Be Paid as of September 3, 2019 in the amount of \$41,036.76 and Farmers Market Payments through September 11, 2019.

Trustee Harvey asked that the \$750 check payable to The Shanty for the Wadsworth Pageant room rental be held pending a discussion with the management.

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

Approval of Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Trustee Harvey, seconded by Trustee Hansen, to approve the consent agenda as amended.

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 did not present a report.

Village Attorney’s Report: Attorney DiCianni did not present a report.

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Village Administrator Report: Administrator Amidei reported that Clarke would conduct mosquito spraying later this evening in Wadsworth and many nearby communities due to an increase of West Nile virus activity.
At this week's Farmers Market, Zion Cyclery will be performing bicycle checks on site. The "Go Wadsworth" walking event will also take place. He has ordered more promotional t-shirts for the weekly event which is held from 3 to 7pm.

Committee Reports:

Finance: Trustee Harvey did not provide a Finance Committee Report.

Public Service: Trustee Hansen indicated that plans for the September 14 Pig Roast and concert are complete. Brass from the Past will perform again this year.

Planning, Zoning & Plats: Trustee Hayden reported that a setback request was approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals/Plan Commission at their last meeting. Brief discussion followed, which included the property owners who would like to construct a room addition and wood deck at the rear of their existing home.

A motion was made by Hayden, seconded by Dolan, to Adopt an Ordinance Granting a Setback Variation at 13277 Chaplin Street.

Roll call vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried. Ordinance #2019-1065.

He then referred to another Plan Commission recommendation regarding an Ordinance regulating Cannabis sales in Wadsworth and the Illinois Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act. Hayden noted that Illinois will release 47 licenses on October 1, with an additional 110 licenses after May 1, 2020. The statewide count is planned to be 185. Discussion followed regarding the Zoning Board of Appeals/Plan Commission recommendation to prohibit cannabis sales within Wadsworth, but some Zoning Board of Appeals/Plan Commissioners and several residents believed that regulation of sales following State of Illinois guidelines might provide a more favorable outcome.

A motion was made by Hayden, seconded by Dolan, to direct the Village Attorney to prepare an Ordinance Regulating the Sale of Cannabis in Wadsworth, as prescribed in the draft ordinance provided to the Zoning Board of Appeals/Plan Commission previously.

Roll call vote: Ayes-Corder, Dolan, Hansen, Hayden, Jacobs. Nay-Harvey. Motion carried.

Ordinance: Trustee Jacobs did not provide an Ordinance Report.

Road and Bridge: Trustee Dolan reported on several items discussed at a Road and Bridge meeting earlier today.

The Lake County Division of Transportation in undertaking a Phase 1 study of the IL 173 and Kilbourne intersection for future non-motorized travel facilities. The study may take 7-10 years to complete.

LCDOT is proposing a project dubbed The 2020 IL Route 41 at Wadsworth Road Interim intersection improvement. With participation by both Wadsworth and LCDOT, the existing Wadsworth Crossing shopping center's access on Wadsworth Road will be relocated approximately 600 feet east, aligning with the entrance to the Lake County Forest Preserve District parking lot behind The Shanty. The project is anticipated to reduce the number of vehicular collisions occurring when traffic is leaving the gas station and heading southbound on Route 41. With consensus by Wadsworth, LCDOT will begin engineering work immediately so construction may conclude by the end of 2020. The Village Board agreed with the requirements set forth by LCDOT.

Across the Village, numerous drainage correction projects will be assessed by the Village Engineer, who projects that estimates will be in the \$100,000 to \$135,000 range.

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Future replacement of a dump truck and additional snowplow unit were discussed, but no action was taken.

Additional streetlights were requested by residents in the Greenview Drive/Timberland Trail area. Dolan is working with ComEd and the residents to provide adequate lighting without installing too many fixtures per Village policy. Some residents were concerned with brightness.

Newport Township will assist with snowplowing in areas where a private contractor provided service to Wadsworth last season.

Several Intergovernmental agreements for snow removal in peripheral areas of Wadsworth are utilized with Beach Park and Waukegan as an efficiency measure. While on the agenda, these will not be acted on until a future meeting.

Parks and Village Hall:

Trustee Corder did not provide a Parks and Village Hall report.

Closing statements:

Trustee Harvey has learned that several picnics took place in the Village Park on Labor Day weekend by users who had not reserved the pavilion or submitted the required fee. After discussion, Amidei suggested revising signage in the park which provides the necessary requirements and restrictions along with revising the Village's parks code.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Jacobs.

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

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk