

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
January 3, 2012**

- Call to Order:** President Ryback called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 7:30pm.
- 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, Rodney Johnson and James Zegar, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Keri-Lynn Krafthefer. Also in attendance were Village Treasurer Dave Kwiecinski, Village Planner Glenn Christensen and Village Engineers John Briggs and Bill Klewin from Gewalt Hamilton.
- New Business:** Eagle Scout Nicholas Bolander proposed installing a bio-swale at the north end of the Wadsworth Park Parking Lot adjacent to Northwoods Drive. After distributing a packet of information and sketches, he identified a drop-off at the edge of existing parking lot pavement. His project would entail engaging volunteers, providing the necessary materials (piping, soil, mulch and seed) for the project and performing the work in springtime. Trustee Crittenden reviewed the foregoing steps and determined that the project should get a positive response. All Trustees agreed to give permission for the project and Trustee Johnson (Parks and Village Hall Committee chairman) directed Bolander to stay in contact with Administrator Amidei with questions or for scheduling.
- Public Comment:** There was no Public Comment.
- Establish Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden, to establish a consent agenda for:
- a. Approval of the December 20, 2011 Village Board meeting minutes.
 - b. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of January 3, 2012, totaling \$28,845.37.
 - c. Adoption of an Ordinance Annexing the Hayes/Ordendorff Property.
- Voice vote: Ayes-all Nays-none Motion carried. Ordinance number 2012-856.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Johnson, to approve the consent agenda as presented.
- Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried.
- Discussion of removed topics:** No topics were removed.
- Old Business:** Trustee Zegar indicated he had reviewed two proposals from Village Planner Glenn Christensen. The first addressed updating the village-wide Comprehensive Plan, which is done every ten years. The second addressed the Wadsworth Road downtown area. He was pleased with the updated, discounted pricing Christensen provided. Trustees agreed with Christensen that work should start immediately on the downtown area, with the Comprehensive Plan update to continue afterward. The Village President will appoint an ad hoc committee to work on both plans, similar in composition to one used during the 1998-2000 Comprehensive plan update. Christensen was involved in the last plan update and volunteered to help schedule meetings and attendees.
- A motion was made by Zegar, seconded by Hansen, to authorize a not-to-exceed expenditure of \$25,000 for both plans, with 12 month billing on the \$20,500 Comprehensive plan update.
- Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried.

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Village President's Report: President Ryback reported that he had called WGN-Radio during a holiday afternoon call-in program recently to promote Wadsworth's restaurants. While hoping to receive some positive feedback, he has not received any calls from residents.

Village Attorney's Report: Attorney Krafthefer did not provide a report.

Village Administrator Report: Amidei received a request by college student who is a local resident, to use 21st Street between Kilbourne and Delany Roads as a deserted road scene for a movie he is filming as a class project. Amidei noted the request was similar to that of another local student who filmed an "old west" class project here at Village Hall last February. 21st Street would be closed to traffic for one Saturday. Trustees agreed the road could be closed.

Committee Reports:

Finance: Trustee Harvey referenced the recently completed annual audit report and asked Treasurer Kwiecinski for his opinion. Kwiecinski noted that income has been trending downward for the past two years, which has resulted in less Village spending. While not in a bad position, village funds are in shorter supply than in previous years for such things as the road program.

Parks and Village Hall: Trustee Johnson did not present a report

Public Service: Trustee Hansen did not present a report.

Road and Bridge: Trustee Crittenden, Amidei and Village Engineers Briggs and Klewin made a presentation for the 2012 Road Program. As Village resources cannot support a paving program this year, three small programs were prepared.

The first program addressed crack-filling on numerous street to preserve the existing pavement. The second is for patching deteriorated sections of village streets, which will preserve the road base. The third program is for ditch and drainage improvements in three areas where repeated flooding occurs. Trustees were concerned that costs might exceed the available funding, but were encouraged to solicit bids for all phases so costs can be evaluated at a future date.

Trustees also considered the cost of repairs needed on 21st Street between Kilbourne and Delany Roads. At one time Lake County Division of Transportation had proposed rebuilding the road if Wadsworth would pay \$200,000 to \$300,000 in engineering costs. It was suggested the road be transferred to Lake County. Lake County Board Commissioner Paxton (and chairman of the transportation committee) was in the audience and surmised that the County might not begin any construction for at least five years. After further discussion, closing 21st Street by means of a berm at each end appeared to be the least expensive alternative rather than to again sealcoat the surface as has been done during the past several years. The Village Attorney concurred that no other authorizations would be necessary to close this section, as it is a Village road. Trustees agreed to close the road as soon as possible. Amidei was directed to get pricing for earthwork berms and signage.

A motion was made by Crittenden, seconded by Hansen, directing the engineers to prepare a request for proposals for all three programs.

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

Planning, Zoning & Plats: Trustee Zegar thanked Administrator Amidei for his help with the most recent electronic newsletter and noted that the most viewed item was the photo gallery from the February 2 Blizzard event.

Ordinance Committee: Trustee Hayden is planning an Ordinance Committee meeting in the near future.

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Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:14PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Hayden.

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

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk