

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
November 19, 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:** There was no Public Comment.
- Establish Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Trustee Hansen, seconded by Trustee Hayden, to establish a consent agenda for the following items:
- a. Approval of the November 5, 2019 Village Board Meeting Minutes as presented.
 - b. Approval of the Treasurer's Report as of October 31, 2019.
 - c. Approval of Checks Issued Between Meetings, October 16, 2019 to November 19, 2019, totaling \$242,265.03
 - d. Approval of pay Request #2 by Payne and Dolan Incorporated, related to the 2019 Village Road Program in an amount of \$369,809.27.
 - e. Approval of Bills To Be Paid as of November 19, 2019 in the amount of \$410,374.99.
 - f. Approval of Fiscal Year May 1, 2018 through May 30, 2019 Village Audit Report.
 - g. Approval of 2020 Schedule of Meeting Dates and Times and Annual Observed Holidays.
- Voice vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Trustee Dolan, seconded by Trustee Hansen, to approve the consent agenda as presented.
- Roll call vote: Ayes-all. Nays-none. Motion carried.
- Discussion of removed topics:** There were no removed items requiring discussion.
- Old Business:** There was no Old Business.
- New Business:** There was no New Business.
- Village President's Report:** President Ryback reported on items discussed at the recent Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Council of Mayors meeting. The new Chief of Staff there is Amy McEwan, our former Lake County Deputy Administrator. At his last Lake County Municipal League Board of Directors meeting, he learned that Captain James Hawkins (USN retired) has replaced McEwan as our new Lake County Deputy Administrator. Gary Gibson is the new interim Lake County Administrator. Ryback also updated the Board on upcoming Lake County Division of Transportation meetings regarding intersection improvements proposed along Russell Road from Kilbourne Road eastward.
- Village Attorney's Report:** Attorney DiCianni reported on a State amendment to the Cannabis Act which passed both houses last Thursday. Governor Pritzker is expected to sign the amendment shortly. It will enable the 2% sales tax collection for July 1 rather than September 1, 2020. It will also legalize the possession of drug paraphernalia. It will also prohibit the use of Cannabis by Police and Fire personnel, even while not at work. DiCianni suggested an update to the Village Code be prepared to reflect the new updates, to which the Village Board agreed.

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Village Administrator Report: Some proposed sidewalk installations along Wadsworth Road are classified by the Lake County Division of Transportation as gaps in their County bike/non-motorized travel plans. Sections that were previously considered as an 80% County and 20% Village cost will now be 100% County funded, since the sections under consideration will complete noted gaps in the existing sidewalk and bike path system. These include sidewalk installations between the Des Plaines River Trail and US HWY 41 and Dilley Road and US HWY 41.

Committee Reports:

Finance: Trustee Harvey did not provide a Finance Committee Report but asked about progress with the new project and time tracking system recently implemented. Administrator Amidei will distribute the spreadsheet immediately to the Trustees. He also asked about a new Village Clerk to be appointed at the next meeting.

Public Service:

Trustee Hansen suggested a visit by Santa Claus during the annual Christmas Tree lighting. Discussion followed, with concerns that the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays are too close together this year for residents to attend our tree lighting. Newport Township Fire Department will have Santa at their event on Saturday morning, December 14. Perhaps we could work together for their Toys for Tots collection at their location.

It was noted that more residents attend our “after the holidays” Christmas Tree bonfire in the park. This January’s event may include a “s’mores station” operated by the Village Queens, in addition to homemade chili provided by resident Eddie Bauer with Bauer’s Catering in Libertyville. More will be discussed at a future meeting.

Planning, Zoning and Plats:

Trustee Hayden did not provide a Planning, Zoning & Plats report.

Ordinance Committee:

Trustee Jacobs reported that the Village was approached by a prospective business wishing to sell hot sandwiches accompanied by beer and wine. The Village also had a similar request recently from an existing Village business. He and Jacobs will continue discussions with both interested parties to advise that the Village will consider the business concept.

Parks and Village Hall:

Trustee Corder and Administrator Amidei recently met with an architect regarding remodeling the Village offices downstairs. An estimate for those services is expected in the near future.

They also had a telephone meeting with 3D Design regarding items in the park, including issues with the concrete pads and tennis courts. Those items will now need to wait until springtime for attention. Because of the contractor’s delays, additional fees are being assessed by Dan with 3D Design. Some vandalism occurred on the artificial turf in the playground area recently. The vendor returned to assess the damage and was able to repair it immediately.

Road and Bridge:

Trustee Dolan referred to a proposal from NP Paving to again plow the Wadsworth Road sidewalks after snowfalls. The work has always been done timely and pricing is similar to last year.

A motion was made by Dolan, seconded by Corder, to accept a proposal from NP & Son Paving Contractors Incorporated, dated November 7, 2019 for plowing 2 to 5 inches of snow per event for \$320. More than 5 inches of snow will be billed at \$80 per hour of skid steer and operator time.

Roll call vote: Ayes-Corder, Dolan, Hansen, Harvey, Hayden, Jacobs. Nays-none. Motion carried.

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Trustee Dolan then referred to a proposal from Henderson Equipment to provide and install a new cutting edge for the snowplow blade on our 2017 Peterbilt 5-yard dump truck in time for the plowing season. Brief discussion followed.

A motion was made by Dolan, seconded by Corder, to authorize an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for replacement of the cutting edge.

Roll call vote: Ayes-Corder, Dolan, Hansen, Harvey, Hayden, Jacobs. Nays-none. Motion carried.

Trustee Dolan referred to a proposal from Safe Step LLC of Hortonville, Wisconsin to relieve protruding edges of the Wadsworth Road sidewalk installed in 2012, thus eliminating any tripping hazards. Safe Step grinds a small amount of protruding surface pavement away so the sidewalk surface is level again. Work will be done at 28 locations along the sidewalk route.

A motion was made by Dolan, seconded by Corder, to Accept Option 2 of a Proposal from Safe Step LLC of Hortonville, Wisconsin dated August 8, 2019 in the amount of \$2,341.50.

Roll call vote: Ayes-Corder, Dolan, Hansen, Harvey, Hayden, Jacobs. Nays-none. Motion carried.

Finally, Trustee Dolan discussed the idea of a Beautification Committee for the Village; possibly first looking at Wadsworth Road area of downtown. With himself as Chairman, he would appoint four residents of the Village to explore projects and costs to implement them. Discussion followed. Attorney DiCianni or Asprooth will prepare an Ordinance for review at the next meeting to consider creating such a Committee.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Hayden, seconded by Harvey, to enter Executive Session at 7:23 PM to discuss Personnel. 2C-1

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Corder, Dolan, Hansen, Harvey, Hayden, Jacobs. Nays: none.

Motion carried. The Board returned to regular session at 8:09 PM.

Return to Regular Session Roll: Corder, Dolan, Hansen, Harvey, Hayden, Jacobs, Ryback.

Results of Executive Session: No action was taken in Open Session.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Hayden.

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

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk