

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
December 17, 2013**

- Call to Order:** President Ryback called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 6:00 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, Ben Dolan, Ken Harvey, GERALYN HANSEN, Robert Hayden and James Zegar, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Adam Lasker. Village Planner Glenn Christensen was also present.
- Public Comment:** There was no Public Comment.
- Establish Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Crittenden, seconded by Hansen, to establish a consent agenda for the following items:
- a. Approval of the December 3, 2013 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes.
 - b. Approval of the December 3, 2013 Village Board Minutes.
 - c. Approval of Treasurer's Report as of 11/30/13.
 - d. Approval of checks issued between meetings, totaling \$100,669.21 (11/19/13-12/17/13)
 - e. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of 12/17/13, totaling \$26,716.47
 - f. Motion to approve the distribution of seasonal gifts for Village Employees (\$200 net FT; 100 net PT; \$50 net for Inspectors).
 - g. Adoption of an Ordinance Providing for the Levy of Taxes for the Village of Wadsworth, Lake County, Illinois for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2013 and Ending April 30, 2014.
- Voice vote: Ayes-all Nays-none Motion carried. Ordinance # 2013-915.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Hansen, seconded by Crittenden, to approve the consent agenda as presented.
- Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried.
- Old Business:** Discussion was held regarding potential Village Capital Projects which will be included in a letter to state legislators, should grant/capital bill funding opportunities become available in 2014. Trustees previously submitted numerous ideas, which Amidei will include in a letter. Counsel indicated the letter may be sent without a formal motion by the Village Board.
- New Business:** There was no New Business.
- Village President's Report:** President Ryback thanked everyone who helped make the Annual Seasonal Tree Lighting a success. He personally read a Christmas story to younger attendees from a classic book provided by Trustee Hansen. He noted that the Queens assisted collecting Toys for Tots at Savanna House Saturday with the Marines and Salvation Army. Santa Claus also made an appearance. Ryback expressed concern about a pack of wild coyotes which have fatally attacked two or three dogs in neighborhoods near Dilleys Road, Sand Lake Road, Hanssen Road and in the Min-Oaks subdivision. A licensed trapper in the area can trap and remove the coyotes for a few hundred dollars. Neighbors have observed a Sand Court resident feeding the coyotes in the past. Some Trustees felt the expense was unnecessary and suggested the resident merely be told to discontinue feeding the coyotes.
- Village Attorney's Report:** Attorney Lasker did not provide a report, but instead provided a tin of holiday cookies.
- Village Administrator Report:** Administrator Amidei referenced the 2014 Lake County Municipal League's initiatives and asked for input as to which should be endorsed and supported. After discussion and review, Trustees selected the following initiatives that pertain to Wadsworth:
Protect Municipal Revenues, Oppose unfunded mandates, Respect Municipal Authority, No reductions in Local Government distributive share, codify exemption from Prevailing Wage for removal of dead/diseased trees, commercial FOIA, responsible bidder, and the Federal Issues of transportation reauthorization and the Marketplace Fairness Act.

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A motion was made by Hansen, seconded by Zegar, to support the selected initiatives.

Voice Vote: Ayes: Crittenden, Hansen, Harvey, Hayden, Zegar. Nays: Dolan. Motion carried.

Amidei noted that the first checks from gaming income had been received from the state. He also updated the Board on progress for the new Dunkin' Donuts location at Routes 41 and 173, which should open before year-end. An updated fire alarm system will be installed to service all three business areas in the building.

Amidei also advised that the Lake County marijuana task force will establish rules for the growing and distribution of product within the next 120 days. He is a member.

He will also work with the Union Pacific railroad to establish a "quiet zone" south of Route 173 and continuing south through Wadsworth. Installation of signage and flexible barricades may be required at the Route 173 rail crossing. The cost must be borne by Wadsworth.

Committee Reports:

Finance:

Trustee Harvey offered everyone best wishes for a happy holiday season.

Public Service:

Trustee Hansen also thanked everyone for helping her with the Tree Lighting Event and Cookie Baking Contest. The Mayor selected four winners from the ten cookie entries, with gift certificates to Savanna House and The Shanty awarded as prizes.

Planning, Zoning and Plats:

Trustee Zegar indicated he would prepare a newsletter for release tomorrow.

He then introduced Village Planner Glenn Christensen, who led a discussion regarding the Draft Comprehensive Plan and Downtown Plan as prepared by the Village's Comprehensive Plan Committee. The committee was appointed by the Mayor and began meeting in late 2012. Guest speakers made presentations at many meetings, to update the Committee on plans by Lake County, the Forest Preserve District, Waukegan Airport and several others. In conclusion he suggested scheduling Public Hearings before the Plan Commission, which are required prior to adoption of the plan by the Village Board.

Ordinance Committee:

Trustee Hayden offered everyone best wishes for a happy holiday season.

Road and Bridge:

Trustee Crittenden offered everyone best wishes for a happy holiday season.

Parks and Village Hall:

Trustee Dolan offered everyone best wishes for a happy holiday season.

Executive Session Minutes:

The Village Clerk presented Executive Session minutes for final review and potential release. Trustees and Counsel reviewed the minutes.

A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Hayden, to release Executive Session minutes for the following dates: December 6, 2005; March 7, 2006; April 18, 2006; May 2, 2006, July 5, 2006; November 21, 2006; January 2, 2007; January 16, 2007; March 6, 2007.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Hayden.

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

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk