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 Mike DeMarco, Ken Harvey, Candye Nannini, Lynn Schlosser and Debbie Spurgeon, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney William Stanczak. Trustee John Nordigian absent.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by DeMarco, to approve the agenda as presented. Amidei asked to amend item 15f by removing a name. Spurgeon asked to move items 15c and 15d below 15f.

Voice vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Approval of the Minutes of Meeting held 9/16/08: Motion by DeMarco, seconded by Schlosser, to approve the minutes of 9/16/08 as presented. Two versions were released and members had not reviewed the final revision included in packets so no formal discussion was held.

Motion to table by DeMarco.

Approval of the Minutes of Meeting held 10/7/08: Motion by Spurgeon, seconded by DeMarco, to approve minutes of 10/7/08 as presented. Two versions were released and members had not reviewed the final revision included in packets so no formal discussion was held.

Motion to table by DeMarco.

Approval of the Minutes of Meeting held 10/21/08: Motion by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco, to approve minutes of 10/21/08 as presented.


Correspondence 10/21/08-11/04/08: All correspondence received at Village Hall from October 21, 2008 through November 4, 2008 was reviewed and placed on file.

Public Comment: A resident of Wadsworth Road reported on attending the October 29 Road and Bridge Committee meeting. He has lived in his home for 35 years and is concerned that widening the road 12’ to the south may cause snowplows to discharge snow onto his porch. His discussions with Lake County suggesting the road be expanded to the north have not been good.

A resident from Country Lane has heard that there has been some discussion regarding increasing the warehouse limitation above 50% (on the Centerpoint Property). He is also concerned that the Lake County Training Facility recently authorized on Russell Road should have obtained the permission of the Village. He heard that a conditional use was issued for the training facility, yet the plan was never brought to Wadsworth. He was also amazed that a Class “E” liquor license was issued to the Savannah House restaurant. He believes a conditional use permit requiring fencing should have been used. He also believes the parking lot and sign are too close to the highway and considering the expansion of the building, the Floor Area Ratio is wrong.

The owner of Wadsworth Feed inquired about plans for widening Wadsworth Road. He had previously been assured that two or three parallel parking spaces in front would remain. Those are necessary for the short, fast visits by his customers. He is asking for what was promised a few years ago and is looking forward to the road improvements. He needs the parking to stay in business.
Bills to be Paid as of 11/4/08: Motion by Nannini, seconded by Schlosser, to pay bills in the amount of $13,480.84. Nannini questioned $1,500 in charges for bathroom fixtures used to update downstairs bathrooms.

Roll Call vote: Ayes-DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon, Nannini, Harvey. Nays: none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Ordinances and Resolutions: Motion by Harvey, seconded by DeMarco, to Adopt an Ordinance Authorizing Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between The Village of Wadsworth, The Village of Old Mill Creek, Newport Township and the Newport Township Fire Protection District. Harvey and Stanczak answered questions and gave a brief report on how the Reverse 911 Emergency Notification System will be operated. President Ryback thanked Harvey and Attorney Stanczak for the time they had devoted to the project.

Roll Call vote: Ayes-DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon, Nannini, Harvey. Nays: none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Old Business: None

New Business: Motion by DeMarco, seconded by Nannini, to waive a temporary permit fee and a raffle license fee for the Wadsworth Lions Club.


Village President’s Report: President Ryback had no report.

Village Attorney’s Report: Attorney Stanczak indicated his report would be given during executive session.

Village Administrator Report: Administrator Amidei discussed letters from the IEPA regarding the Waukegan Park District’s redevelopment of Orchard Hills Country Club, dated September 23 and October 27. The second letter stated that “this site is not currently enrolled in the voluntary Site Remediation Program.” It further stated “There is no requirement for the site to be enrolled in this program nor does any law require that the site obtain a No Further Remediation (“NFR”) determination prior to occupancy.” An earlier comparison to the Timber Trails Golf Course site in another area had that area being converted to residential use. This area is not. Amidei attended a meeting earlier today during which an engineer and construction planner were retained by the Waukegan Park District. He will continue to attend meetings and follow the project’s progress.

Committee Reports: Road and Bridge: Motion by Harvey, seconded by Spurgeon, to approve the final pay request to Chicagoland Paving Contractors, Inc., for the 2008 Non-MFT Road Improvements in the amount of $112,733.85. Schlosser reported approximately $10,000 in extra pavement patching and shoulder gravel was requested by the Village Engineer.

Roll Call vote: Ayes-DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon, Nannini, Harvey. Nays: none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

A motion was made by Schlosser, seconded by Harvey, to approve partial payment estimate number one in the amount of $165,965.40 payable to Campanella and Sons for the Birchwood Estates drainage project as recommended in a letter from Village Engineer Bleck. It was noted that 49% of this amount ($81,323.05) was funded by Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, and will be reimbursed to Wadsworth.

Roll Call vote: Ayes-DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon, Nannini, Harvey. Nays: none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.
Schlosser reported on a Road and Bridge Committee meeting with Chuck Gleason of Lake County Division of Transportation, Randy Whitmore and Glenn Christensen regarding Wadsworth Road reconstruction. Lengthy discussion followed regarding that meeting and parking spaces, sidewalks. More discussion on what the committee would prefer to have done followed. One trustee stated they would not support on-street parking. Another agreed. A letter will be sent to Lake County with two or three suggested scenarios. She also reported that North Shore Gas had advanced funds for re-engineering a portion of the Birchwood Estates Drainage Project to avoid an existing natural gas transmission main and a service main.

Amidei reported on a flooding issue at Ninth Street where water was overtopping the road by several inches. After closing the road, it was noted that culverts were dammed. After opening the culverts, beavers again dammed them overnight. A trapper was required to capture seven beavers. The state has classified them as a nuisance. The largest beaver weighed about 40 pounds. Beach Park Public Works was contracted to jet-rod the culverts with their equipment. Our excavator will then remove excess materials. He reported that water levels in the area have gone down.

Motion by Nannini, seconded by Harvey, to approve a proposal from Grasswick Excavation in the amount of $2,770.00 to scarify, grade and compact Ninth Street surface. Wadsworth is to provide two loads of CA-6 limestone for the project. Roll Call vote: Ayes-DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon, Nannini, Harvey. Nays: none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Motion by Spurgeon, seconded by Schlosser, to approve a proposal from Creative design and Steel for a new stair railing in the amount of $2,078.00. It will complete a rear entrance stairway at Village Hall. Roll Call vote: Ayes-DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon, Nannini, Harvey. Nays: none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Motion by Spurgeon, seconded by Schlosser, to approve a proposal from Aronson Fence in the amount of $3,135.00 for a four foot high barrier fence on the sled hill. It was noted the fence is being installed to prevent sled users from sliding down the west side of the hill and onto the retention pond. Roll Call vote: Ayes-DeMarco, Schlosser, Spurgeon, Nannini, Harvey. Nays: none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

Ordinance Committee: Trustee Nordigian was absent.

Parks and Village Hall: She noted the minute files on the computer were altered on October 22 in an attempt to deceive the public.

Road and Bridge: Trustee Schlosser recalled that a new liquor license will be issued to lessees at the Route 173/Green Bay Road Citgo station and asked that a request be made so the LED sign at the corner does not “flash”. She asked that the liquor license for the new lessee be held back until the sign is adjusted.

Planning, Zoning, Plats: Trustee DeMarco reported speaking with Village Planner regarding solar panels and windmills being done tastefully. The Planner will reply with recommendations. He asked about cars outside the fence at Pick-n-Pull. Amidei has already sent a letter and Ryback has visited the site.

Finance: Trustee Nannini had no report.
Public Service: Trustee Harvey thanked everyone for supporting the CTY agreement (Reverse 911)

Executive Session: A motion was made by Nannini, seconded by Harvey, to enter Executive Session at 9:32 PM to discuss potential litigation.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Nays – none. Motion carried. Trustee Nordigian absent.

The Board returned to regular session at 10:03 PM.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:03PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by DeMarco.


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Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk