

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Village Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
June 20, 2006**

Call to Order: President Furlan called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance: President Furlan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: In attendance were Village President Ken Furlan, Trustees Candye Nannini, John Nordigian, Glenn Ryback, Lynn Schlosser and Debbie Spurgeon, Village Clerk Christine Stickler and Attorney William Stanczak. Furlan also introduced the new Village Manger Moses Amidei. Trustee Mike DeMarco was absent.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Spurgeon to approve the agenda as presented for the 6/20/06 meeting.

Voice vote: Ayes all; Nays none; Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting Held 6/6/06: The minutes of the regular Village Board meeting held 6/6/06, as presented by the clerk to all Board members, were approved on a motion by Ryback, seconded by Schlosser.

Voice vote: Ayes all; Nays none; Abstain Spurgeon; Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Correspondence: All correspondence received at the Village Hall from 6/7/06 through 6/20/06 was reviewed and placed on file.

Public Comment: None.

Treasurer's Report: A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Schlosser to approve the Treasurer's Report as of 5/31/06, as presented by Treasurer Kwiecinski. Schlosser suggested that a separate ledger number be assigned for non-MFT road expenditures in order to have a better comparison for subsequent years. Although other road repairs included under the current general ledger account are non-material and a separate account is not required for non-MFT, Kwiecinski and Nannini will review the accounts.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

**Checks Issued
5/17/06 – 6/20/06:** A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Nannini to approve the checks issued from 5/17/06 through 6/20/06 in the amount of \$74,107.01 as presented in the report of Treasure Kwiecinski. Nordigian questioned the check for \$1,364.00 to Lake County Animal Control and it was explained that, due to complaints, a large number of stray cats had to be removed in the SE District and the cost falls to the Village.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

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Bills Paid as of 6/20/06: A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Nordigian to approve the bills to be paid as of 6/20/06 in the amount of \$54,748.24 as presented in the report prepared by Treasurer Kwiecinski.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Ordinances/Resolution:
Wadsworth Trails
Ordinance 2006-693:

Adoption of the Ordinance Approving the Amendment of Certain Declarations of Covenants for Wadsworth Trails Homeowners Association was postponed at the 6/6/06 meeting in order to verify that the homeowners association will be responsible for the maintenance of the scenic corridor if the individual homeowners of Lots 1 through 8 fail to do so. As responsibilities have been defined, a motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Schlosser to adopt Ordinance 2006-693 Approving the Amendment of Certain Declaration of Covenants for Wadsworth Trails Homeowners Association.

Adopted

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Police Services
Ordinance 2006-694:

A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Schlosser to adopt Ordinance 2006-694 Amending the Agreement for Police Services with the Village of Winthrop Harbor originally made by Ordinance 2000-542. The cost for police services will be \$48.00 per hour plus an average cost per month for fuel used. Trustees will receive a copy of the monthly report from the Winthrop Harbor Police Department for the costs and fines collected. Hours of police patrol are at the discretion of the Village of Wadsworth President and will be discussed for possible amendment in the future. The terms of the amendment will be retroactive to June 1, 2006.

Adopted

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Scott Byron & Co. Property
CUP Amendment
Ordinance 2006-695:

A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Nannini to adopt Ordinance 2006-695 Amending the Conditional Use Permit for the Scott Byron & Co. Property to permit Class II vehicles on Adams Road from the eastern property line of the site to Delany road in order to conduct their business under the CUP issued under Ordinance 2001-592.

Adopted

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, Schlosser and Nannini. Nays Spurgeon. Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Alliance No. 3 Subdivision
Ordinance 2006-696:

A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Nordigian to adopt Ordinance 2006-696 Granting Final Approval to Alliance Realty Group, Inc. for the Alliance No. 3 Subdivision. The property is located on the northwest corner of Bayonne Avenue and Beach Road and is a simple subdivision under Sections 11-1-9 and 11-4-5A4 of the Village code.

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Adopted Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Mayor’s Report:
173 Corridor Council: Furlan reported that the 173 Corridor Council is taking a two month sabbatical during which time Lake County will develop a formal booklet along with a methodology for legally agreeing as to what will be acceptable and permitted in the 173 Corridor. When the document is complete it will be brought to the Board for approval.

Village Administrator: Furlan noted that during the process of applicant interviews and the hiring of Moses Amidei, it was agreed that the position would be titled Village Manager. It has come to his attention that the title Village Manager reflects a form of government and the term Village Administrator would better fit Wadsworth’s form of government. The roles and duties of a Village Administrator are already addressed in our ordinance and the only issue is the chain of authority from which the Administrator receives direction and to whom the Administrator is responsible. All were in agreement that Moses Amidei will be titled as the Village Administrator to better reflect our form of government.

Request for Executive Session: Furlan also requested that an Executive Session be convened at this meeting to discuss pending litigation and possible acquisition of property.

Attorney’s Report: None.

Trustees’ Comments:
Concert in the Park: Nordigian reported that the Silver Strings Quartet is available for a concert on 7/15/06, but expressed a concern about the short time frame to organize the event. It was agreed that since the Village will not be providing any vendor services that there was sufficient time to notify the residents. A post card will be mailed to all residents inviting them to the concert under the pavilion and allowing them to bring their own refreshments. A motion was made by Nordigian and seconded by Schlosser to approve a budget not to exceed \$2,500.00 to be used by the Public Service Committee to host the 7/15/06 concert in the park.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Nordigian inquired about the outcome of the Lake County Board decision on the Richard’s Subdivision. Furlan noted that the objection letter from the Village of Wadsworth was dismissed because it was not in resolution form. A resolution was not possible because the issue was not on the 6/6/06 agenda, Wadsworth’s only meeting prior to the Lake County Board meeting. Therefore, a super majority vote was not required and the subdivision received approval for 24 lots with R-1 zoning.

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Spurgeon reported that she received quotes for resurfacing of the tennis courts and basketball court and the Parks and Village Hall committee will be meeting next week to review them.

Ryback noted the recent reports of gang activity in neighboring Waukegan.

Nannini noted that she is working on the newsletter.

Schlosser asked if there are any further updates on the progress of the Adams Road Bridge. Attorney Stanczak contacted Cambridge and was informed that they are waiting on the permits from stormwater management and then they will proceed. Schlosser also noted that she spoke with Fire Chief Kirschhoffer and he expressed safety concerns for the residents if the railroad closes the tracks east of Delany for repairs and the Adams Road Bridge is also unavailable for use.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Ryback and seconded by Spurgeon to convene to closed session at 8:25 P.M. to discuss pending litigation and potential acquisition of property.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Return to Open Session:

The meeting returned to open session at 9:41 P.M.

Hiring of Legal Counsel:

A motion was made by Nordigian and seconded by Nannini to engage the legal services of Scariano, Himes and Petrarca to represent the Village of Wadsworth in litigation with Cornerstone Community Church.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Ryback, Nordigian, Schlosser, Spurgeon and Nannini. Nays none. Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Abandoned Property:

Discussion was held on the house on Caroline and Wadsworth Road and the fact that they are seeking a building permit for the porch. The house has been vacant for approximately seven years. Art Leable will be notified that no permits are to be issued for that property until the ordinances can be checked to determine what rights the Village has and if the property is considered abandoned.

Adjourn:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:47 P.M. on a motion by Ryback and seconded by Schlosser.

Voice vote: Ayes all; Nays none; Absent DeMarco. Motion carried.

Christine Stickler, Village Clerk