

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
August 18, 2009**

- 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, Geralyn Hansen, Ken Harvey, Rodney Johnson, Candye Nannini and Lynn Schlosser, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer.
- Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Nannini, to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried
- Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held 8/04/09** Motion by Harvey, seconded by Schlosser, to approve the minutes of 8/04/09 with one deletion. The final sentence of the Road and Bridge report was removed.

Voice vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried.
- Correspondence 7/21/09-8/04/09:** All correspondence received at the Village Hall from July 21, 2009 through August 4, 2009 was reviewed and placed on file.
- Public Comment:** Dave Richards remarked that Ninth Street needed grading and base repair. He did not agree with on-site police issuing tickets to vehicles going around the barricades. Administrator Amidei reported he had closed the road until repair costs could be established and wanted to avoid damage to vehicular traffic.
- Treasurer's Report:** A motion was made by Nannini, seconded by Schlosser, to approve the Treasurer's report dated July 31, 2009 as presented by Treasurer Kwiecinski.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried.
- Checks Issued 7/22/09 to 8/18/09** A motion was made by Nannini, seconded by Harvey, to approve the checks issued from July 22, 2009 through August 18, 2009 in the amount of \$235,421.83 as reported by Treasurer Kwiecinski.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried.
- Bill Paid as of 8/18/09** A motion was made by Nannini, seconded by Johnson, to approve the bills to be paid as of August 18, 2009 in the amount of \$24,597.11 as noted in the report of Treasurer Kwiecinski.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried.
- Ordinances and Resolutions:** A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Harvey, to Adopt an Ordinance Granting a Conditional Use Permit and a Variance, also Approving Site Plans and Amending Various Ordinances for 38985 & 38995 US Highway 41 affecting "The Shanty" and "Captain Porky's". Favorable letters from Engineer Bleck dated August 14, 2009 and from Planner Christensen dated July 30, 2009 were included with the information.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried. Ordinance number 2009-792.
- Old Business:** There was no Old Business
- New Business:** There was no New Business.

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Village President's Report: President Ryback asked Trustees if temporary "bolt-down" speed bumps might be used to control traffic speed on Chicago Avenue and to provide an opinion. They would require removal during the snowplowing season. He reminded everyone that Rich Rosko would display several of his pet reindeer outside his Citgo gas station at Route 173 and Route 131 on Sunday afternoon. He reported attending a meeting with Paula Trigg of Lake County Division of Transportation, Trustee Crittenden and Administrator Amidei during which a jurisdictional transfer of Ninth Street was suggested. During the next four or five years, the road would be reconstructed at a higher elevation to eliminate recurring flooding and all future maintenance would be done by the county. It would no longer be a Wadsworth street. Ryback also attended a Zion Chamber of Commerce meeting where the new minor league ball park, to be constructed on Ninth Street and Green Bay Road, was presented. The park will have parking for 3,000 cars and have a permanent stage for concerts and other events when ball games are not being played. Ryback confirmed that State Senator Michael Bond had procured funding for Wadsworth under Public Act 96-0004 for the Emergency Road Repair Program (ERP) It can be used for repairs to Mill Creek Road and 21st Street. The amounts total just over \$582,000. Ryback also suggested a Sign Ordinance update should begin with Ordinance Committee to streamline the process of updating signage being requested at several gas stations.

Village Attorney's Report: Attorney Krafthefer reported that the Governor had signed the new law regulating the Freedom of Information Act. It shortens the time period for replying to requests, among other things. Ryback noted the new law could be a burden to small communities in other parts of the state that do not have any full-time staff.

Village Administrator Report: Mr. Amidei received a request from the owner of the Khayat Subdivision on Yorkhouse road to finalize his development and accept dedication of the completed street. Due to the poor economy, four lots remain unsold. After final paving is completed, the \$80,000 letter of credit could be reduced to \$10,000 and the two year maintenance period could begin. Trustees agreed that several years had passed and the completed satisfactory improvements could be accepted. Amidei also reported that Emerald Ash Borers had been found in several trees in Beach Park.

**Committee Reports:
Road and Bridge:** A motion was made by Crittenden, seconded by Hansen, to Approve Payment Estimate Number 1 and Final to Payne and Dolan, Inc. in the amount of \$82,236.76 for the 2008 MFT Roadway Program. A letter recommending payment from Engineer Bleck dated August 12, 2009 was provided.

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

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Crittenden, to Approve Payment Estimate Number 1 and Final to Curran Contracting Company in the amount of \$78,317.75 for the 2009 MFT Roadway Program. A letter recommending payment from Engineer Bleck dated August 12, 2009 was provided.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Crittenden, Johnson, Hansen, Harvey, Nannini. Nays-none. Abstain-Schlosser. Motion carried.

Amidei reported that in addition to Ninth Street, the Lake County Division of Transportation would consider a jurisdictional transfer of 21st Street between Kilbourne and Delany and Delany Road north of Route 173 to the state line. Discussion followed. He asked Trustees to consider transferring ownership of those roads to Lake County and provide an opinion to him in the near future.

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Planning, Zoning & Plats:

Trustee Johnson introduced resident Jim Davilla, who is seeking use of the Village Park ball field for little league play. Davilla recommended installation of a five foot tall center field fence to define the field extents, as is done in many other community parks. It would also shield any occupants in the nearby picnic pavilion. The field would be used for 15 games per season and the teams would pay a \$60 rental per game. He would provide new bases. Johnson noted the backstop fence fabric needed repair and new clay mix would need to be placed and graded. Two trustees were concerned the fence might violate the Open Lands Act under which the park was constructed or limit use by players other than little leagues. Attorney Krafthefer indicated the short section of fence suggested would have no impact on the Open Lands Act.

Johnson also reported on a meeting with Greg Petry of the Waukegan Park District attended by Ryback, Amidei and himself. Petry agreed with several requests regarding traffic concerns and confirmed that he would work with Wadsworth.

Public Service:

Trustee Schlosser had no report.

Parks and Village Hall:

Trustee Nannini had no report.

Finance:

Trustee Harvey remarked on an incident report provided by the Sheriff indicating gambling and a personal burglary at the T/A truckstop. He asked about video games in use there, which provide vouchers for diesel fuel. He also reported the Finance Committee would be meeting on several items including the budget, a retainer fee arrangement for legal matters and the cost of police services

Ordinance:

Trustee Hansen had no report.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:05PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Johnson.

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

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk