

**Village of Wadsworth  
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
Held at the Village Hall  
July 7, 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 6/16/09** Motion by Nannini, seconded by Schlosser, to approve the minutes of 6/16/09 as corrected. Three corrections were noted and authorized. The minutes were approved with those 3 corrections.  
  
Voice vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried.
- Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held 6/23/09** Motion by Nannini, seconded by Schlosser, to approve the minutes of 6/23/09 as corrected  
  
Voice vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried.
- Correspondence 6/16/09-7/07/09:** All correspondence received at Village Hall from June 16, 2009 through July 7, 2009 was reviewed and placed on file.
- Public Comment:** Joyce Shelley requested that trustee committee assignments should have been posted in the minutes. Ryback recalled that took place on May 19 and Attorney Krafthefer suggested those minutes could be amended to include the assignments. Shelley also asked that phone numbers be posted there, but Ryback reminded they formerly appeared in the newsletter. She inquired about a paid bill for an attorney hired by past trustees Spurgeon and DeMarco. She also reported that her home had been recently burglarized and the Lake County Sheriff had handled the entire situation and wondered why Winthrop Harbor Police are needed. She identified the Wind Power Moratorium Extension on today's agenda and questioned why the Village would discourage renewable wind and solar energy. Amidei reported his involvement with a Lake County Task Force which is studying wind power and ordinances regarding it. The Chief Operating Officer for Wadsworth and Route 41 McDonalds acknowledged he was contacted by the Village regarding some free standing signs he had erected in the parkway. He asked for cooperation to help the location remain open in light of the BP Amoco being closed for nearly a year. It was suggested he apply immediately for a variance to accommodate the signs. Ryback agreed the Village wanted McDonalds to remain open. Amidei will follow up on the matter
- Bills to be Paid as of 7/7/09:** Motion by Schlosser, seconded by Johnson, to pay bills in the amount of \$22,783.39. Nannini asked about a credit for the attorney bill. Amidei will verify receipt of a check in the matter and provide back-up information as needed. Harvey inquired about lawn mowing charges for a vacant home at Pine Grove and Chaplin. Amidei placed a lien against the property for those charges. Lake County Animal Control department charges were also discussed for collection of numerous feral cats at another property.  
  
Roll Call vote: Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried

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**Special Business:**

Administrator Amidei introduced the owners of the Shanty Restaurant. Their architect, Michael Edgar, made a presentation regarding a request for a Conditional Use Permit and Variance Request for an expansion of "The Shanty" and a new use in the adjacent building to operate "Captain Porky's" carryout fish market. After the presentation and review of positive recommendations from both Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals, a motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Schlosser, to direct the Village Attorney to prepare the Conditional Use Permit and Variance Request.

Voice vote: Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried

**Ordinances and Resolutions:**

A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Nannini, to Adopt an Ordinance Extending the Temporary Moratorium Regarding Wind and Solar Power. The ordinance was passed January 20 and will expire July 20. The extension is for an additional 6 months.

Roll Call vote: Ayes: Crittenden, Hansen, Harvey, Nannini, Schlosser. Nays: Johnson. Motion carried. Ordinance 2009-788

A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Schlosser, to Adopt an Ordinance Amending the Village Code Concerning Compensation for the Village Treasurer. The new Ordinance will not require changing the Village Code in the future.

Roll Call vote: Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried Ordinance 2009-789

**Old Business:**

There was no Old Business

**New Business:**

Amidei discussed information pertaining to the 2009 Illinois Municipal League Annual Conference in Chicago. He encouraged all elected officials to attend and will suggest a budget amount at the next meeting after noting that some costs have increased.

Attorney Krafthefer announced that due to the efforts of the entire Village Board and their attendance downtown for a settlement conference regarding the Cornerstone Church litigation, the case has now been settled in the amount of \$50,000.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Crittenden, to accept the settlement of \$50,000 and direct the Village Attorney to prepare the necessary documents.

Voice vote: Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried

**Village President's Report:**

President Ryback reported that he has been nominated to be a Director on the Lake County Municipal League Board. A vote will be taken at their July 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Village Attorney's Report:**

Attorney Krafthefer had no further report.

**Village Administrator Report:**

Administrator Amidei spoke about a meeting next week regarding Green Bay Road reconstruction which he and Ryback will attend. He obtained a proposal to replace the six year old computer server which is failing on a daily basis. Government pricing for a Dell unit is about \$5300. Installation and software will be additional with the total amount being about \$8507. He suggests another Dell since the old unit has worked perfectly up to this time.

A motion was made by Schlosser, seconded by Harvey, to budget an amount not to exceed \$10,000 for a new computer server, associated software and installation costs.

Roll call vote: Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried

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He received final plans for the Delany Road expansion which are in our office for review. The estimated completion date is 2012. Roofing completion on the Wadsworth Crossing strip mall will be done by next week. He also reported on a shooting incident on Wadsworth Road near Northwestern Avenue Monday morning at 1AM. The Sheriff reported no life threatening injuries. The assailant was allegedly known by the victims.

Amidei explained that a homeowner repair at one property on Golf Lane Drive seems to have relieved a flooding problem and a possible \$35,000 cost could be eliminated. Schlosser reminded that she addressed both projects independently and that a \$15,000 Delany Road culvert installation could now proceed by itself.

**Committee Reports:**

**Parks:**

Nannini reported on some drainage issues in Wadsworth Park regarding the ball field and trails. The engineer's estimate was nearly \$37,000, but the supplies and in-house labor could reduce the cost to about \$22,000. After discussion, it was decided to do as much of the work as possible in-house. A schedule will be developed to replace three culverts and repair the trails. Harvey noted that backhoe rental would accomplish the culvert installation. Engineer Bleck will provide layout stakes. Crittenden suggested some temporary help to keep up with other chores. Amidei is researching summer interns from Lake County and community service volunteers from the Sheriff. Hansen noted the difference between community service volunteers and Department of Corrections inmates. More discussion followed regarding equipment rental and who could operate it.

A motion was made by Nannini, seconded Schlosser, to approve a budget of \$20,000 to repair the drainage and repair the walking paths in Wadsworth Park.

Roll call vote: Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried

Amidei suggested renting a tractor with a mower capable of mowing steep ditches along village road right-of-ways. A motion was made by Nannini, seconded Crittenden, to approve a budget of \$2200 to rent the tractor with a backhoe style mower for mowing.

Roll call vote: Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried

A motion was made by Schlosser, seconded Nannini, to approve Partial Payment Estimate Number 1 from Peter Baker & Son in the amount of \$163,779.08.

Roll call vote: Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried

Amidei asked if Trustees had any concern if he blocked off Hunt Club Trail which is a short street along Mill Creek Road, north of the Boy Scout Camp and south of the cemetery. He related a rumor about the area being haunted and noted many youths frequent the spot after finding the information on Facebook. He is working with Fire Chief Kirschhoffer to acquire some donated concrete highway barriers to block the street. The property owner (DeGrazio) supports the idea since it will also stop fly-dumping.

**Public Service:**

**Finance:**

**Road and Bridge:**

**Planning, Zoning & Plats:**

**Ordinance Committee:**

Trustee Schlosser had no report.

Trustee Harvey had no report

Trustee Crittenden had no report.

Trustee Johnson had no report.

Trustee Hansen had no report.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:23PM on a motion by Nannini, seconded by Johnson.

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

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Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk