

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
November 6, 2007**

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, John Nordigian, Lynn Schlosser and Debbie Spurgeon, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton and Village Administrator Moses Amidei. Village Attorney William Stanczak was absent. In his place was Attorney William Franks.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Nordigian, seconded by DeMarco, to approve the agenda for the meeting of 9/18/07 with the following changes: Nordigian added "B" to Old Business to reconsider approval of the October 2nd minutes. Amidei asked for discussion of a letter received from Village Engineer regarding Letter of Credit for Chestnut Trails under New Business as 10 B. President introduced Peter Kolb from Lake County Public Works to speak during Public Comment regarding Lake Michigan water allocation. Schlosser asked to discuss Village Signage and possible ordinance update, adding 10 C under New Business. Motion amended by Nordigian to include additions and seconded by DeMarco.

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

Approval of the Minutes of meetings held 8/7, 8/21, 9/04, 9/18: Motion by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco to approve minutes from four dates. Regarding August 21 minutes, Spurgeon asked to add "Refer to Attachment A" near end of Page 6 and remove last paragraph. Motion amended by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco, to include changes.

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

Approval of the Minutes of meeting held 10/16

Motion by Nordigian, seconded by Schlosser, to approve minutes of October 16, 2007. Nordigian suggested his statement under "approval of minutes" be deleted. Nannini noted a duplication of "treasurers report, bills paid and checks issued" section. Second grouping is correct, first grouping will be deleted. Addition under "agenda" added Village president on Line 1C on ordinance. Also a typographical error will be deleted from the President's report. Under "Parks and Village Hall," Spurgeon added verbiage stating that trustees agreed checks from Wadsworth Crossing should be deposited in 10 days if both letters-of-credit are not received. Nordigian noted that under Planning Zoning and Plats report, DeMarco's name should be added. Corrections will be presented at next meeting

Nordigian tabled motion.

Correspondence 10/16/07-11/06/07:

All correspondence received at the Village Hall from October 16, 2007 through November 6, 2007 was reviewed and placed on file.

Public Comment:

Mr. Peter Kolb of Lake County Public Works and Jim Smith, President of Applied Technologies reported on the Lake Michigan Water Facilities study just competed. Interested municipalities include Old Mill Creek, Antioch, Lindenhurst Lake Villa, Fox Lake, Wauconda and Lake County. Project began one year ago. Since then, Long Grove and Hawthorn Woods have expressed interest. Most are on deep wells with a community distribution system, with some on private wells as Wadsworth is. Mr Kolb answered several questions from Trustees.

Rich Cole of 5633 Hanssen Road attended ZBA meeting last week regarding Maya Estates and suggested that the Lake Michigan water plan would be a good contingency if wells begin to fail.

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Marilyn Lachinski of Indian Creek had interest in the Jeff Williams property on Route 173 to use as a residence and to house twelve show dogs she owns. She was advised by Amidei that a resident is limited to four dogs by ordinance. A variance for a dog kennel, using the property's Business zoning would not permit the house to be used for residential. Future purchaser was not interested in operating a kennel. Administrator Amidei will discuss with Planning Zoning Plats Committee Chairman DeMarco on best way to pursue the request.

George Pavelich, Newport Township Supervisor, 43034 Delaney Road discussed several issues. He noted that when Lake Michigan water comes the community will never be the same. The 8 year old comprehensive plan indicates Business Zoning but the groundwork is not in place. He has received many phone calls and suggests that the Fire Board, Town Board and Village Board have a public meeting so all are headed in the same direction and together make smarter decisions. He hopes to plan a meeting with Village President and Board and encouraged others to call him at 847-456-4122

Dan Dziekian, Newport Township Highway Commissioner, 38930 Cashmore Road, noted that things done in the Village affect the township and he would also like to hold the meeting Supervisor Pavelich suggested.

Brian Hamilton, 13447 High Ridge Trail, asked the Board to practice due diligence regarding native plants and the Chestnut Trails Maintenance Bond. Amidei noted that Engineer Bleck's letter regarding the issue will be discussed under New Business.

Julie Tochor, 13326 Hidden Springs Trail, presented four written questions to trustees regarding economic development, requesting a meeting regarding possible development near Route 173 and Green Bay Road, informing the Board of recent robbery events in her area and inquiring if Board will conduct a survey of residents regarding Concert in the Park interest and associated costs. Trustee Nordigian and Harvey volunteered to respond by email.

James Justus, 41237 Blackhawk Trail, asked about planted items and ponds still needing attention in Chestnut Trails which should be covered by Chestnut Builders.

Joseph Stanonik, 38788 Dale Avenue introduced himself as a new trustee on the Newport Fire Protection District Board. He referred to a letter sent by Fire Trustee Gerald Nellessen to all Wadsworth Trustees welcoming the possibility of obtaining Lake Michigan water for the area. He also would like to work together. He reported witnessing a daytime robbery across from his home last week while the owner was home and asked for more patrols rather than traffic enforcement on Route 41. Trustee Nannini indicated that Lake County Sheriff is responsible for patrols.

Mark Kirschoffer, 39010 Caroline Avenue, suggested that Lake Michigan water might be a good idea for the Route 173 area and it might be the key for commercial development. He noted a house which had burned down about 10 years ago at the corner of Delaney Road could not be rebuilt after the zoning was changed to business. He reminded members that fire insurance rates are also lower with a public water supply and fire hydrants.

Old Business

Don Culling Pole Barn Addition: Motion by Nannini, seconded by Schlosser to authorize the Village Attorney to draft an ordinance granting a variance for expansion of an existing pole barn and increasing the Floor Area Ratio from .11 to .12

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

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Reconsider 10/2 minutes: Motion by Nordigian, seconded by DeMarco to reconsider the meeting minutes of October 2nd. Spurgeon asked to add statement regarding Village President twice removing Nannini's addition to agenda for Ordinances regarding Village Clerk and Agenda and they could be voted on at that meeting.

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

New Business: Carl Kupfer of IG consulting made a presentation for two subdivisions he is developing for property owners Twayla and Chris Khayat. Both are in unincorporated Lake County. The first is near Kilbourne Road and Hickory situated on 106 acres for which 53 lots are proposed. The second site on Plaza Lane has 30 acres for which eleven lots are planned. It could be annexed to Wadsworth, Old Mill Creek or remain in Lake County. Kupfer has met with Village Planner, Engineer and Planning Zoning Plats Chairman. Nordigian would prefer to see both projects annexed to Wadsworth. Nannini noted the backs of some lots would intersect the sides of others. Kupfer suggested a berm. Trustee DeMarco referred both projects to Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals to continue process of annexation and zoning.

Chestnut Trails Letter-of-Credit Reduction and Extension: Motion by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco, to reduce the Chestnut Trails Letter-of-Credit to \$39,500 and to extend the expiration date by one year to November 15, 2008. Amidei provided a letter from Village Engineer regarding reduction of letter-of-credit to \$39,250 for one year. Bleck made inspection and forwarded list of curb repairs to Chestnut Builders. Some seeding work remains. Mr. Justus is concerned that inspection may have missed some areas. Amidei noted that subdivision was accepted 2 years ago. Brian Hamilton noted that Tim Cook from Lake County Stormwater will also inspect ponds since Chestnut Trails HOA had hired an independent inspector whose report found several additional items needing correction.

Motion by Nannini, seconded by DeMarco, to reduce letter-of-credit to \$39,250 for a period of one year.

Voice vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried

Village Sign Ordinance: Schlosser suggested Village Planner review Sign Ordinance for update.

Village President's Report: President Ryback presented a veto for two ordinances passed at last meeting regarding Village Clerk procedures and Agenda, eliminating second Public Comment section. Both vetoes indicated reasons including information obtained from the Lake County State's Attorney's Office of why the ordinances were poorly structured and an intrusion on another elected official. Trustee Nannini stated she never talked to States Attorney's Office on this issue.

President Ryback also attended a Neighborhood Watch meeting organized by Mary Carmody for the Timberland Trail Subdivision which has experienced several recent break-ins. A Sheriff's Deputy hosted the presentation and provided materials to help diminish crime. She also made notes of information which residents volunteered. Residents noted that only two streetlights are in their subdivision and would like Wadsworth to consider adding more lights. Schlosser concurred that the area has few lights. Another meeting will be held on December 6 at Beach Park Middle School

Village Attorney's Report: Attorney Franks had no report.

Village Administrator Report: Nothing additional to report.

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**Committee Reports:
Planning Zoning Plats:**

Trustee DeMarco asked about the Wadsworth Crossing Letter of Credit. Some language needed changes, which were sent to Montreal after review by Amidei. We now have the letters. He also asked to establish a meeting time for Mrs Lachinski and her request to house 12 show dogs. He will contact committee members. Regarding Parliamentary procedure, he asked for trustees to continue in a civilized and courteous manner without talking over each other. DeMarco stated that strict adherence to Robert's Rules could limit the President's ability to participate in discussions and suggested trustees should be allowed to continue as they have for several years, as opposed to asking permission to speak.

Amidei noted that he invites those inquiring about property uses in the Village to come to a meeting and ask the Board, as he did with Mrs Lachinski.

Finance:

Trustee Nannini had no report

Public Service:

Harvey asked about Sal's Landscaping and his new driveway installation. Amidei indicated a permit had been obtained from the County and a fence will close the old access which was shared with the neighbor's property. Harvey also reported a collection of debris in the Northwestern Avenue right-of-way north of Wadsworth Road.

Ordinance Committee:

Nordigian reported on committee meeting earlier today regarding the new right-of-way construction ordinance for video providers which Amidei has been working on. He is using the Illinois Municipal League form which is 36 pages long. He hopes to bring to Board for approval by next meeting.

Parks and Village Hall:

Trustee Spurgeon asked about the three-sided lean-to addition constructed at Tracy Taylor's property. She asked if building inspector is aware of how building is arranged, as it appears to be enclosed on all sides.

Road and Bridge:

Schlosser suggested future committee meeting for gravel roads. She also asked for executive session to review meeting minutes. Village Attorney confirmed that executive session could be entered to approve executive session minutes.

President Ryback publicly thanked Fire Chief Kirschhoffer for rescuing horses injured in a vehicle accident at Route 41 and Wadsworth Road on Saturday, October 28. Chief stated resident Fred Carney was to be commended for taking in over 40 horses and caring for them after accident.

Recess:

Five minute recess before executive session beginning at 10:13PM.

Executive Session:

Motion by Schlosser, seconded by DeMarco to go into Executive Session at 10:13 to approve previous executive session minutes.

Roll call vote: All Ayes, Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion by Harvey, seconded by DeMarco to return to regular session at 10:35PM

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:35PM on a motion by Harvey and seconded by Nannini.

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

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk