

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
January 15, 2008**

- 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, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei, Village Attorney William Stanczak and Treasurer Dave Kwiecinski. Trustee Spurgeon absent.
- Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey and seconded Nordigian by to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Spurgeon absent.
- Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held 12/18/07** Motion by Nordigian, seconded by Schlosser, to approve the minutes of 12/18/07 as presented.

Voice vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Spurgeon absent.
- Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held 1/02/08** Motion by Nordigian, seconded by Harvey to approve the minutes of 1/02/08. Schlosser asked to remove sentences under President's report regarding Neighborhood Watch signs. Trustee Spurgeon contacted Trustee Nannini, asking her to request the following changes: under Parks and Village Hall, third sentence deleted, cost to replace signs deleted, sandblasted signs deleted, low bid from Sheppard Design deleted. Only include low bid as \$3320 including posts and hardware. She also asked to delete DeMarco's suggestions. Nannini stated that minutes are inaccurate

Regarding the Orchard Hills redevelopment, Schlosser asked to change "interest in" to "concerns with" under Village Administrator's report on page 2.

Motion by Nordigian to table minutes.
- Correspondence 1/02/08-1/15/08:** All correspondence received at the Village Hall from January 2, 2008 through January 15, 2008 was reviewed and placed on file. A letter from AT & T Illinois President Paul LaSchiazza of was forwarded to Village Administrator for review. The new video product and transmission equipment was explained in addition to public, educational and governmental channel access as is currently provided by Comcast. Village can request up to three channels.
- Old Business** Attorney Stanczak explained the proposed system for Administrative Adjudications modeled after Winthrop Harbor, Beach Park and state statute. Officer Mike Bitton was present to answer questions from trustees about the hearing officer. (Old Business was moved up due to time constraints of Officer Bitton.)
- Public Comment:** Joyce Shelley commented that agenda is difficult to follow as some items are listed twice. She also asked about the schedule for Wadsworth Road repair. Regarding changes to the minutes, Mrs. Shelley asked why Sheppard Design's name was requested to be removed as low bidder for new Wadsworth signs and was concerned with nepotism.

Mike Witte asked about old Post Office and it's current status. Conditional Use Permit was issued for use as a switching station and plumbing was removed. He noted several years have passed with no activity. Administrator Amidei confirmed that CUP has expired. Attorney Stanczak offered to investigate and report back.

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Treasurer's Report: A motion was made by Harvey, and seconded by Nannini, to approve the Treasurer's report as of December 31, 2007 as presented by Treasurer Kwiecinski.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Spurgeon absent.

**Checks Issued
12/19/07 to 1/15/08** A motion was made by Nannini, and seconded by DeMarco to approve the checks issued December 19, 2007 through January 15, 2008 in the amount of \$147,361.35 as reported by Treasurer Kwiecinski.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Spurgeon absent.

Bill Paid as of 1/15/08 A motion was made by Nordigian and seconded by Schlosser to approve the bills to be paid as of 1/15/08 in the amount of \$32,277.79 as noted in the report of Treasurer Kwiecinski.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Spurgeon absent.

Ordinances and Resolutions: None

New Business: None

Village President's Report: President Ryback and Administrator Amidei attended a Lake County Zoning meeting regarding two properties on Old Skokie Highway, north of the Ogden-Lehman annexation. Additional information appears in Administrator's report

President reported that new Sewage Treatment plant at Wadsworth Road and Route 41 for use by Shanty Restaurant and Mobil Gas Station is now in operation.

President and Administrator met with Tri-Star Citgo regarding adult video display. Sign in window, products and display rack have been removed. Owner requested to sell products from below counter to customers upon request. Schlosser asked why these items can still be sold. Attorney indicated that he would further review ordinances by other municipalities in order to craft an enforceable ordinance for a complete ban. Wadsworth Liquor Code does not allow graphic material to be on display. Amidei will continue to research case law and explained applicable Lake County ordinances. DeMarco agreed it was an appropriate step.

President spoke to Gurnee Park District about Concert in the Park information and an agent who has been helpful arranging their concerts. Gurnee budget is about \$7,000 for seven or eight shows. Information will be forwarded to committee.

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

Village Administrator Report: Amidei reported on Sign Ordinance revision by Village Planner Glenn Christensen. Draft will soon be distributed for comments. Christensen is also reviewing accessory structure guidelines for SD zone. It will be distributed to Ordinance Committee and ZBA for review.

Some typographical errors and omissions in SD zoning were noted, where the code is silent and requires clarification. Accessory structure text amendments will also be presented. He will work with Christensen to correct.

Several Forest Preserve properties require rezoning to PL (Public Land) from their current designation. Amidei will present all in one package at a future meeting.

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Residents have inquired about the closing of Orchard Hills Golf Course. President and Administrator have attended several meetings at Park District. Buildings will not be demolished until flood plain and wetland identification has been completed. Wadsworth has sent a letter to Waukegan Park District outlining concerns about the new high intensity use as a sports complex and the effects on nearby Wadsworth residents. We are told there are no plans drawn or available at this time. One Park District member is opposed. Trustee Harvey noted that some Waukegan aldermen are also opposed to the project.

Amidei reported attending a Lake County zoning meeting with President Ryback regarding property on Old Skokie Highway. Gross Well Drillers received LI zoning on their current parcel which expands the number of permitted uses. DK Contractors asked for LI zoning on a parcel at State Line Road to permit storage of construction equipment, concrete and asphalt grinding. Zoning was formerly General Commercial. Annexation into Wadsworth in future would conform.

Amidei requested permission to attend the Winter ILCMA Conference in Springfield in February.

Motion by Nordigian, seconded by Schlosser to reimburse up to \$1,000 for Village Administrator to attend City Manager's Conference.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustee Spurgeon absent.

**Committee Reports:
Ordinance:**

Trustee Nordigian had no committee report.

Parks and Village Hall:

Trustee Spurgeon was absent.

Road and Bridge:

Trustee Schlosser reported that engineer Bleck is nearly ready with the 2008 Road Program. She noted that Delaney Road drainage project will take place this year.

Planning Zoning Plats:

Trustee DeMarco had no committee report.

Finance:

Trustee Nannini had no committee report.

Public Service:

Trustee Harvey reminded members about tornado activity in Wheatland, Wisconsin last week. He is investigating alert devices which provide siren and audible announcements. He continues work with Joe Hubbard at Fire Department on the early warning program. He also reviewed the Reverse 911 program information and believes it would be an asset at minimal cost. Amidei will pursue costs. Nordigian reported his firsthand observations of the Wisconsin area damage and supported Harvey's efforts for a Wadsworth system.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:50PM on a motion by Harvey and seconded by Schlosser.

Voice vote: All Ayes. Nays – none. Motion carried. Trustee Spurgeon absent.

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk