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, Ken Harvey, Rodney Johnson and James Zegar, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Keri-Lyn Kraftshefer. Trustees Geralyn Hansen and Robert Hayden were absent.

Public Comment: There was no Public Comment.

Establish Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Johnson, to establish a consent agenda for the following items:

a. Approval of the December 18, 2012 Village Board meeting minutes.
b. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of January 2, 2013, totaling $11,971.04.
c. Adoption of an Ordinance Amending the Village Code regarding the number of Liquor Licenses.

Administrator Amidei asked to remove item C for at least 30 days due to the closing of a business which must liquidate its liquor inventory.

The motion was amended by Harvey, seconded by Johnson, to Establish the Consent Agenda without Item C.


Approval of Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Johnson, to approve the consent agenda as amended.

Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried. Trustees Hansen and Hayden absent.

Discussion of removed topics: There were no removed topics to discuss.

Old Business: Trustees inquired as to the status of the new dump truck. Amidei reported the F-550 truck was manufactured in Detroit and was moving to Flint for snowplow and salt spreader equipment installation. He secured 2.89% financing with the leasing company used by many other area municipalities. He also advertised in area publications, seeking bids from buyers to purchase the old 2003 Ford F-350 needing transmission replacement. Bids will be accepted until January 11th at 10AM, at which time they will be opened.

New Business: There was no New Business.

Village President’s Report: President Ryback did not provide a report.

Village Attorney’s Report: Attorney Kraftshefer reported on a new law affecting collateralization of funds by banks and noted that the insured amount has been lowered. She suggested diversifying funds into multiple institutions if the amounts on deposit exceeded the insured limit.

Village Administrator Report: Administrator Amidei referred to an invitation to join the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network. A $100 annual fee would place Wadsworth in the network of numerous neighboring municipalities who assist each other with labor and equipment, similar to the manner in which Fire Departments cooperate. He indicated that no action be taken at this meeting.
Amidei is also completing work for the auditors, bringing the Village accounting system into GASB 34 compliance. The cost to update to the new standard has been greatly reduced since nearly all of the work has been done in-house.

Committee Reports:
Finance: Trustee Harvey did not provide a Finance Report.

Parks and Village Hall: Trustee Johnson did not provide a Parks Report.

Public Service: Trustee Hansen was absent and did not furnish a report.

Road and Bridge: Trustee Crittenden did not provide a Road and Bridge Report.

Planning, Zoning & Plats: Trustee Zegar reported that the next Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting will be January 14th. He updated Trustees with highlights of the progress being made at each meeting.
He was pleased with photographs he made at the last meeting honoring retiring Captain and former Fire Chief John Ryckman. They will be presented to the Fire Department and to Ryckman.
He also made photographs of students leaving the old school in Gurnee and becoming acquainted with the new middle school in Wadsworth on December 21. He is planning another electronic newsletter and will work with Ryback to prepare a paper newsletter to be mailed early in the year.

Ordinance Committee: Trustee Hayden’s Ordinance Amending the Village Code Regarding Fire Codes was not discussed, as Trustees suggested waiting until Hayden was present next meeting.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:17PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden.


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Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk