

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
February 18, 2020**

Call to Order: President Ryback called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 6:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: President Ryback led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: In attendance were Village President Glenn Ryback, Village Trustees Mildred Corder, Ben Dolan, GERALYN Hansen, Ken Harvey, Robert Hayden and Doug Jacobs; Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Matt DiCianni.

Special Business: District 56 Superintendent Doctor Colleen Pacquette introduced representatives who presented plans for a ground mounted solar panel array to serve the electrical needs of Prairie Trail School at 13600 Wadsworth Road. She and her engineer explained the availability of grant funding which makes the project viable with a roughly 10-year payback. Approximately 1200 panels will be placed upon ground mounted racks. ComEd offers “net metering” for off-peak hours when much solar and low usage is encountered. Trane is the project design/build contractor. They do not recommend system placement upon the building’s roof. Due to the proposed location along the railroad, Administrator Amidei noted the need for a Conditional Use Permit and Zoning Variance. After brief discussion by the Village Board, President Ryback directed Amidei to begin the zoning process to accommodate the project.

Newport Township Historical Society planned to request use of the Wadsworth Community Park for their annual rummage and plant sale on June 13, 2020. In their absence, the Village Board agreed to make the date available for their event.

Public Comment: There was no Public Comment.

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

- a. Approval of the February 4, 2020 Village Board Meeting Minutes as presented.
- b. Approval of Amended January 21, 2020 Village Board Meeting Minutes.
- c. Approval of Reimbursement to Administrator Amidei related to 2020 ILCMA Conference Expenses.
- d. Approval of July 8, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.
- e. Approval of the Treasurer’s Report as of January 31, 2020.
- f. Approval of Checks Issued Between Meetings, January 21, 2020 to February 18, 2020, totaling \$107,235.97.
- g. Approval of Bills To Be Paid as of February 18, 2020 in the amount of \$198,799.11.

Lengthy discussion took place regarding a payment request to Payne & Dolan for paving work and associated ditch grading which was not completed last year due to the early snowfall and freezing weather in October. Since an additional amount of \$100,000 is still owed, it was agreed to make the current \$164,000 payment timely.

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

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

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

Discussion of removed topics: No topics were removed.

Old Business: There was no Old Business.

New Business: There was no New Business.

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Village President's Report: President Ryback reported on his attendance at the task force meeting regarding the Waukegan National Airport upgrade and runway extension. The existing 5-23 "long" runway pavement is more than 20 years old and in need of replacement. Constructing the new runway adjacent to the existing one will permit the airport to remain open during the two-year construction period.

Village Attorney's Report: Attorney DiCianni did not provide a report.

Village Administrator Report: Administrator Amidei discussed the possible pursuit of sewer grant funding for the Gateway Overlay District Area along Route 173 and Interstate 94. Lake County and Lake County Partners have been seeking similar funding for another area of the County. Wadsworth faced funding restrictions during negotiations with Medline for placement of their proposed distribution facility, which is currently being constructed in Grayslake instead - in an area where sewer service was already available. While Trustees were concerned about Wadsworth incurring costs for such a project, Amidei was encouraged to meet with the groups in pursuit of State funding.

Amidei asked to have a radon system installed in Village Hall for \$6,751 by a contractor who will pay prevailing wage. The system is not included in the Boller Construction contract to restore the Village offices and must be installed in advance of other construction work.

A motion was made by Hansen, seconded by Hayden, to authorize the expenditure of \$6,751 for installation of the radon system.

Roll call vote: Ayes-Corder, Hansen, Hayden, Dolan. Abstain-Harvey, Jacobs.
Nays-none Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

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

Public Service: Trustee Hansen did not provide a Public Service Committee Report.

Planning, Zoning and Plats: Trustee Hayden did not provide a Planning, Zoning and Plats Committee Report.

Ordinance Committee: Discussion ensued about enacting a local prohibition to be added under general police enforcement to prohibit sales of tobacco to those under the age of 21. The Village Board decided to take no action, as tobacco enforcement is already handled by the Lake County Sheriff.

Our current liquor license Ordinance requires a background check of all corporate owners of a business. It has been noted that the industry is moving away from this model and instead requiring a background check of the local or on-site manager instead of corporate directors residing in other states.

A motion was made by Jacobs, seconded by Dolan, to authorize a change to the Liquor Code to perform a background check on the local manager rather than members of the corporation's Board of Directors.

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

Parks and Village Hall: Trustee Corder and Administrator Amidei are receiving and reviewing additional quotes for restoration of the Village Hall offices.

Road and Bridge: Trustee Dolan did not provide a Road and Bridge committee report.

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Executive Session: A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Hayden, to enter Executive Session at 7:45 PM to discuss Personnel, Land Acquisition of the Sale of Public Land and Pending Litigation.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ryback, Corder, Dolan, Hansen, Harvey, Hayden, Jacobs. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board returned to regular session at 9:03 PM.

Return to Regular Session Roll: Corder, Dolan, Hansen, Harvey, Hayden, Jacobs, Ryback.

Results of Executive Session: No action was taken in open session.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Jacobs.

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

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk