Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
February 21, 2012

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, Geralyn Hansen, Robert Hayden and James Zegar, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer. Trustee Rodney Johnson was absent.

Public Comment: Everett Erlandson thanked the Board for listening to his presentation at a previous meeting regarding traffic control at the intersection of Dilleys Road and Wadsworth Road, just west of the Village limits. He has learned that Lake County Division of Transportation will pursue the installation of improved signage and pavement markings as a result of correspondence from Erlandson and Wadsworth. Collisions often occur at the 2-way stop, especially at sunset, as non-stopping traffic from the west approaches Dilleys Road.

Special Business: Administrator Amidei procured pricing for materials to be installed by Kyle Siekmann at Orchard Park on Kelly Road as part of his Eagle Scout project. Trustee Hayden suggested omitting several items, and Trustees agreed with the remainder of the project proposal.

A motion was made by Crittenden, seconded by Hansen, to authorize $3100 for the purchase of a monument sign, trees and shrubs by Amidei.

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

Greg Taylor asked the Board for authorization to seek a future variation request, permitting construction of a pole barn behind his Kilbourne Road residence. He has acquired several farm implements which will be used to farm acreage adjacent to his site. The Board agreed to forward the request to the Zoning Board of Appeals for review.

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

a. Approval of the February 7, 2012 Village Board meeting minutes.
b. Approval of Treasurer’s Report as of 1/31/12.
c. Approval of checks issued between meetings, totaling $101,639.08(1/18/12-2/21/12)
d. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of 2/21/12, totaling $25,506.39
e. Adoption of an Ordinance Amending the Village Code, Establishing a Municipal Hotel Use Tax.
f. Adoption of an Ordinance Adopting Procedures for Remote Participation.

Voice vote: Ayes-all Nays-none Motion carried. Trustee Johnson absent.

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

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

Discussion of Removed Items: There were no removed items.

Old Business: There was no Old Business.

New Business: There was no New Business.

Village President’s Report: President Ryback reported on a recent meeting of the Solid Waste Agency-Lake County.

Village Attorney’s Report: Attorney Krafthefer did not make a report.
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Village Administrator Report: Administrator Amidei reported that he and Ryback had attended the Lake County Division of Transportation bid opening for the Wadsworth Road project. Several bids were received, with Peter Baker and Son being the apparent low bidder. Amidei reported on the PTELL tax levy House Bill which would decrease the amount of tax a municipality could levy. He is concerned that our Village income would be reduced to a lower amount than the small amount currently received. Fire Chief Kirschhoffer will hold a meeting March 1 with a number of agencies to insure safe and expeditious traffic flow when the Russell Road bridge over Route 41 is removed for reconstruction after July 4th. Amidei and Ryback recently met with Mr. Cowhey regarding future development plans for his property at Wadsworth Road and Route 41. They are currently mapping drain tiles and soil types on several hundred acres. Amidei asked for input regarding the three proposals for a new Village Hall telephone system. He receives complaints daily as the system often gives callers a message that a mailbox is unavailable and disconnects the caller. Trustees agreed the older system has developed faults and agreed with the low bid for a basic system with less options, as much of the information that is on the current 1990’s system is now available on the village website. The pricing includes installation, programming and training.

A motion was made by Hansen, seconded by Zegar, to authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed $3534 for a new telephone system provided by Innovative Communication Solutions of Chicago.

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

Committee Reports:
Finance: Trustee Harvey reported that snow removal costs to date are $120,000 less than last year, thanks to the mild winter. Amidei noted that another 200 tons of road salt must yet be purchased to be in compliance with the state purchasing contract agreement.

Parks and Village Hall: Trustee Johnson was absent, but the Board discussed procuring new lawn mowers using the state-contract discount agreement. They agreed with Ryback’s suggestion to auction the two Zero-turn lawn mowers needing repair rather than trade them in.

A motion was made by Crittenden, seconded by Harvey, to place the Toro and ExMark mowers on the Obenauf on-line auction service with a reserve equal to the trade-in offer and to subsequently purchase two new ExMark Lazer mowers from Grower Equipment and Supply in Hainesville at the state bid price of $6850 each.

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

Public Service: Trustee Hansen did not provide a report, but is preparing for the annual Easter Egg Hunt.

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

Planning, Zoning & Plats: Trustee Zegar did not provide a committee report, but noted that his newsletter was emailed last Friday. He observed that more email addresses are being submitted by residents each week, wishing to receive the electronic publication.

Ordinance: Trustee Hayden is awaiting comment from the Fire Department regarding his February 7th Committee Meeting regarding Building Code updates.

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


Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk