

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
April 3, 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, Rodney Johnson and James Zegar, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton and Village Attorney Adam Simon. Village Administrator Moses Amidei was absent.

Special Business: The Wadsworth Queens were in attendance to provide an update of their recent appearances and endeavors on behalf of the Village and Pageant. Miss, Junior Miss and Little Miss each provided a report. Directors Angelique Guthrie and Sharon Bertrand reminded Trustees that the annual Pageant will be held June 24 at 2:00 PM. Rather than Millburn School, this year's event will return to Midlane Country Club on Yorkhouse Road at which time the annual scholarship will be awarded to Miss Wadsworth.

A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Johnson, to approve the annual \$1,000 college scholarship to the outgoing Miss Wadsworth at the end of her reign in June.

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

Public Comment: Gary Hansen of 21st Street asked the Board about keeping honey bees. Discussion among Board Members and Hansen confirmed that state statute typically requires a minimum of 5 acres to qualify for an agricultural property tax reduction. Lance Thiemi of Elm Lane confirmed that a new neighbor is operating a landscaping business from his residence with employees arriving there daily to pick up vehicles and equipment. The Board asked Mayor Ryback and Administrator Amidei to follow up on the request, with assistance from the Village Attorney. Thiemi also asked for help with another neighbor who is uphill from his home. They are pumping water from a low area in their yard which accumulates in a pond in Thiemi's yard and causes flooding. It was noted the Delany Road project currently underway by Lake County Division of Transportation will address that drainage situation and may provide drainage relief into the adjacent Forest Preserve farm property.

Establish Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Crittenden, seconded by Hayden, to establish a consent agenda for items a,b,c and to include Item 11A from the Village President's report as Item D:

- a. Approval of the March 21, 2011 Village Board meeting minutes.
- b. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of April 3, 2012, totaling \$11,971.65.
- c. Adoption of an Ordinance Approving the Sale of Property to Newport Township Fire Protection District and authorizing the Village President, Village Clerk and Village Attorney to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement to allow for transfer of said real property along with any other necessary documentation to allow the sale and transfer of said property.
- d. To confirm and approve the Village President's appointment of Ms. Hope Forcier to the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term to expire in May of 2014.

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

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.

Discussion of removed topics: There were no removed topics.

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- Old Business:** There was no Old Business.
- New Business:** There was no New Business.
- Village President's Report:** President Ryback did not present any further report.
- Village Attorney's Report:** Attorney Simon did not present a report.
- Village Administrator Report:** Administrator Amidei was on spring vacation and did not provide his usual, detailed report.
- Committee Reports:**
- Finance:** Trustee Harvey indicated his concern about current labor laws and as a proactive measure, suggested an improved method for employee oversight should any job-related injuries occur during working hours. Amidei will follow-up with Trustee Harvey and Mayor Ryback.
- Parks and Village Hall:** Trustee Johnson indicated that he is seeking costs to hard-surface the walkways in the park to eliminate continuing erosion of gravel. He also plans to move and remodel an existing wood structure at the pond to the opposite bank, as the new Public Works building has diminished its use in the present location. It was constructed by an Eagle Scout resident several years ago and may require some maintenance.
- Public Service:** Trustee Hansen reminded that all should be present on Saturday morning, April 7 to stuff Easter Eggs for the annual hunt that will begin at 1:00 PM. The Easter Bunny will arrive on a Newport Township Fire Department fire truck.
- Road and Bridge:** Trustee Crittenden reported that he, Amidei and Pasko had recently viewed a replacement dump-truck at a dealership which provides state contract pricing. He noted that pricing on the F-550 was competitive and would require outfitting by Monroe equipment for the plow and salt spreading equipment. Discussion followed regarding costs to recondition the 11 year old truck with high mileage and without 4-wheel drive. Trustees agreed to review the proposal for further discussion in the future.
- Planning, Zoning & Plats:** Trustee Zegar reported that another electronic newsletter was delivered last week and nearly everyone who has provided their email address does indeed open the newsletter. Contact Village Hall if you would like to be added to Trustee Zegar's mailing list.
- Ordinance Committee:** Trustee Hayden indicated he is awaiting feedback from the Fire Chiefs regarding discussions held at his last Ordinance Committee meeting.
- Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40PM on a motion by Johnson, seconded by Hansen.
- Voice vote: All Ayes. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk