

**Village of Wadsworth  
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
Held at the Village Hall  
September 18, 2018**

- Call to Order:** President Ryback called the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 6:00 pm.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** President Ryback led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll Call:** In attendance were Village President Glenn Ryback, Village Trustees Ben Dolan, GERALYN HANSEN, Ken Harvey, Robert Hayden, Doug Jacobs and James Zegar, Village Clerk Evelyn Hoselton, Village Administrator Moses Amidei and Village Attorney Kurt Asprooth.
- Public Comment:** Resident Gary Hansen made a brief presentation about how the significant mosquito population in recent days can be explained by the differences and habits of the female and male mosquito.
- Establish Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Trustee Harvey, seconded by Trustee Zegar, to establish a consent agenda for the following items:
- a. Approval of the September 4, 2018 Village Board Meeting Minutes.
  - b. Approval of the Treasurer's Report as of August 31, 2018.
  - c. Approval of Checks Issued Between Meetings, August 24, 2018 to September 18, 2018, totaling \$641,965.37.
  - d. Approval of Bills To Be Paid as of September 18, 2018 in the amount of \$25,400.01.
- Voice vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Trustee Harvey, seconded by Trustee Zegar, to approve the consent agenda as presented.
- Roll call vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried.
- Discussion of removed topics:** There were no removed topics.
- Old Business:** Discussion was held regarding the request from Oaks Duck Inn to hold an MS Fundraiser Pig Roast on September 22, using the vacant Village property across the street for parking. Amidei indicated a one-day raffle license was also requested. Amanda from the Duck Inn was present to answer questions.
- A motion was made by Dolan, seconded by Harvey, to Issue a Special Event Liquor License for the September 22 Duck Inn Fundraiser, authorizing outdoor entertainment and to allow parking on the nearby Village property with the required indemnification agreement.
- Discussion was held regarding policy direction to the Village Attorney and Village Staff for the finalization of an Economic Incentive Agreement for Lyra, LLC. Trustee Zegar referred to material he prepared outlining several scenarios which would offset the installation cost of the Fire Protection System Water Reservoir required during a recent expansion of The Shanty and Captain Porky's restaurants. At the conclusion of the discussion, the Village Board agreed to a proposal which would be paid out over a ten year period, beginning this year. A draft agreement will be presented at the October 2 meeting, with a Public Hearing and final vote at the October 16 meeting.
- A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Hansen, to direct the Village Attorney to finalize the terms of an Economic Incentive Agreement for Lyra, LLC in which the entire amount of \$220,000 would be appropriated and authorized in this year, but paid out over a ten year period.
- Voice vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried.

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Lengthy discussion was held regarding the request from Mill Creek Nursery to utilize Village Roadways using trucks and trailers in excess of 12,000 pounds during the Spring and Fall Tree Harvest and Planting Seasons in the Village's Southeast District neighborhood. Owner Mike Greco and neighbors Don and Joyce Culling were present to participate in the discussion with the Village Board. A temporary permit had been issued at the last meeting which expired today.

Greco indicated the harvest times were from April 1 to June 30 and again from September 15 to November 15.

Attorney Asprooth suggested a formal permitting system be established to monitor the actual days the hauling would take place. The truck and trailer will only visit the nursery on days when trees are being harvested and transported to other locations.

A motion was made by Dolan, seconded by Jacobs, to allow overweight vehicles on the roadways for another 30 days.

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

Lastly, a Motion was made by Dolan, seconded by Harvey, to reconsider a topic from the last meeting regarding Adoption of a Resolution Choosing to have the Village Clerk appointed rather than elected, beginning with the 2019 election.

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

Now that the original motion from last meeting is back on the floor, brief discussion followed regarding the Clerk's duties and responsibilities. Attorney Asprooth indicated the residency requirement would be eliminated for a Clerk appointed by the Village President and that the office could only be returned to that of an elected position by referendum while the Village population is below 5,000. Trustees stated the change was not about the present Clerk, but about the position. Asprooth will remove Hoselton's name from the draft Resolution in Section 3.

A roll call only is needed at this point, as the motion to reconsider is shown above.

Roll call vote: Ayes-all Nays-none. Motion carried. Resolution #2018-278.

**New Business:**

Brief discussion was held regarding the Tri-County Access Project. Administrator Amidei has received a request for Wadsworth to be included as a stakeholder with many other communities in the multi-county regional project which includes the Route 53 Extension into western Lake County. There is no cost. The Village Board directed Amidei to reply in the affirmative.

**Village President's Report:**

President Ryback discussed the 27 acres of wetland which are being filled as part of the Foxconn Project in the Village of Mount Pleasant, Racine County, Wisconsin. As President of the Lake County Municipal League, he has already signed a Resolution for many Lake County communities who object to the filling of Wisconsin wetlands. Additional run-off water will overwhelm many storm control basins constructed in Lake County in past years, with Wadsworth being the first community in Illinois along the Des Plaines River to experience new flooding. Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, along with many other communities, have individually adopted similar resolutions. The Resolution he presented for Wadsworth is similar in content.

A motion was made by Zegar, seconded by Hayden, to Adopt a Resolution to Support Enforcement of Environmental Regulations Related to the Foxconn/Upstream Development to be Located within the Headwaters of the Des Plaines River.

Voice vote: Ayes-Harvey, Hansen, Hayden, Jacobs, Zegar. Nay - Dolan.  
Motion carried. Resolution #2018-279.

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Ryback also suggested a review of salaries for the elected officials. A small increase was made 17 years ago, with no other adjustment since 2001. Brief discussion followed, with Attorney Asprooth reminding that any changes must be adopted 180 days prior to the next election. That date is October 4, 2018.

**Village Attorney's Report:**

Attorney Asprooth did not provide a report.

**Village Administrator Report:**

Administrator Amidei received an updated estimate to extend sanitary sewer to property on Route 173 and I-94, which is roughly five million dollars give or take. He noted that a typical sized office and warehouse might only generate a real estate property tax amount of \$2,000 annually (to the Village, not the other taxing bodies). In October he will visit the school districts of Beach Park Elementary and Zion Benton High School, seeking future tax relief for this property until it has been developed for several years. He noted that only 3% of Newport Township is assessed as commercial, according to Assessor Jerome Behrens.

He will be attending the ICMA Conference for several days later this week.

After a contract was awarded previously for drainage repairs to the lower level of Village Hall, that contractor was not able to enter into a contract with the Village as the contract language that they provided was not acceptable to the Village. Another contractor will be in this week to provide the Village with another estimate to do the work.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:**

Trustee Harvey thought the current salary amount of \$325 monthly was adequate. Since an adjustment will require an Ordinance amendment, Trustee Hayden will discuss the matter during an upcoming Ordinance Committee meeting. Harvey also asked about numerous school busses parked at Auto Parts City. Ryback indicated the busses have been removed from service due to age requirements, but are sold to operators in other countries who sometimes drive them to their new locations.

**Public Service:**

Trustee Hansen asked that a postcard mailing be done by Administrator Amidei to promote our annual Pig Roast and Concert on September 22. He indicated the cost would be roughly \$700.

**Planning, Zoning and Plats:**

Trustee Zegar had no further report

**Ordinance Committee:**

Trustee Hayden is working with Trustee Jacobs on a Chicken Ordinance. They are planning a text amendment.

**Parks and Village Hall:**

Trustee Jacobs reported that contractor Copenhaver is working on playground and park area restoration. The shelter is due to arrive next week. The basket ball hoops are positioned at 9'6" currently. Trustee Zegar noted the basketball courts are always in use.

**Road and Bridge:**

Trustee Dolan reported that the Village Engineer has reviewed the Road Program progress and billing. He recommends payment as requested.

A motion was made by Dolan, seconded by Zegar, to authorize payment to Peter Baker and Son Company in the amount of \$105,739.37

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

**Executive Session:**

A motion was made by Dolan, seconded by Harvey, to enter Executive Session at 8:05 PM to review Executive Session minutes.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Dolan, Hansen, Harvey, Hayden, Jacobs, Zegar. Nays: none. Motion carried. The Board returned to regular session at 8:25 PM.

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**Return to Regular Session Roll:** Dolan, Harvey, Hayden, Jacobs, Zegar, Ryback.

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

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Hayden.

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

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Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk