

**Village of Wadsworth
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Held at the Village Hall
December 4, 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 Julie Tappendorf. Trustee Rodney Johnson attended remotely.
- Remote attendance:** President Ryback noted that Trustee Johnson was out of area on business, but was present on a nearby speakerphone. A motion was made by Zegar, seconded by Hayden, to have Trustee Johnson participate by remote attendance as permitted by Ordinance. Amidei placed the call and established the connection to Johnson.
- Voice vote: ayes – all. Nays – none. Motion carried. Trustee Johnson abstained.
- Public Comment:** The Newport Township Fire Department was represented by Chief Mark Kirschhoffer, Fire Marshall John Brewer and resident Jerry Nellessen. The Chief indicated that a firefighter of long standing was soon to retire after 50 years of service to the community and wished to recognize him. All in attendance agreed that a special resolution was in order and will be presented at the December 18th Village Board meeting.
- Special Business:** Rick and Tracy Taylor of 39860 Kilbourne Road discussed a possible Conditional use and Variance submittal needed to construct a new single family residence on their property. After outlining the project and answering several questions posed by the Board, Trustees agreed to move the project forward to Plan Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals for further review.
- Establish Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden, to establish a consent agenda for the following items:
- a. Approval of the November 20, 2012 Village Board meeting minutes.
 - b. Approval of Bills to be Paid as of December 4, 2012, totaling \$12,127.90.
 - c. Adoption of an Ordinance Providing for the Levy of Taxes for the Village of Wadsworth, Lake County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2012 and ending April 30, 2013.
 - d. Motion to approve the 2013 meeting dates and times for Village Holidays, Village Board Meetings, Zoning Board of Appeals Meetings, Plan Commission Meetings and Adjudication Court Hearings.
 - e. Motion to approve the distribution of seasonal gifts for Village employees.
- Trustee Crittenden asked to remove Item E for further discussion.
- A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Hansen, to Establish a Consent Agenda without Item E.
- Voice vote: Ayes – all. Nays – none. Motion carried.
- Approval of Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Harvey, seconded by Hansen, to approve the consent agenda as amended.
- Roll call vote: Ayes all, Nays none. Motion carried.
- Discussion of removed topics:** Crittenden indicated he did not disagree with the seasonal gifts, but asked to include the Building Inspectors this year at the amount of \$50 each as they have been overlooked in past years.

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A motion was made by Crittenden, seconded by Zegar, to include Building Inspectors as noted above.

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

Old Business: There was no Old Business.

New Business: There was no New Business.

Village President's Report: President Ryback did not provide a report, but acknowledged Brent Paxton in the audience, noting that Paxton is the new County Board Commissioner for the Wadsworth area, which is now in District 4. He noted that former Commissioner Diane Hewitt remains in the newly re-drawn District 2. At Ryback's request, Paxton updated the Trustees on the newly elected County Board Chairman Aaron Lawlor and continuing Vice Chair Diana O'Kelley. The Forest Preserve Board Chair is Ann Maine, with Vice Chair Linda Pedersen.

Village Attorney's Report: Attorney Tappendorf reminded all that the final day of petition filing was extended by the State to December 26 to avoid a previous conflict with Christmas Eve.

Village Administrator Report: Administrator Amidei advised Trustees about an invitation from Martin Buehler to join the Lake County Transportation Alliance at an annual cost of \$250.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Crittenden, to join the Alliance at an annual cost of \$250.

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

Amidei updated the Board on a request by the Lake County Forest Preserve District. They have requested a fence be installed on the east side of our sled hill so sleds do not slide onto Forest Preserve property. Trustee Johnson questioned why the public could not use the Forest Preserve. After much discussion, the Board agreed to install inexpensive plastic snow fencing to delineate the Forest Preserve from Wadsworth Village property.

Amidei also reported that the asphalt plants have remained open longer than usual to complete work on Delany and Wadsworth Roads. They will close on December 10, with Lake County staff working on additional roadway items for two weeks after that. Some gas mains may be relocated during the winter months.

Superintendent Hutton has informed Amidei that keys to the new grade school will be turned over to District 56 next Monday, with students first occupying the school on the afternoon of December 21st.

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 reported significant attendance at the Holiday Tree Lighting Event held Saturday, December 1st at 6:30 PM. A few members of St. Patrick's Choir started the caroling, with Elvis (from the 50th Anniversary Event) taking over after the trees were illuminated with Christmas songs from his repertoire. There were 9 entries for the Cookie contest, with the Maurice Cashin family taking first place with Old Fashioned Oatmeal Raisin cookies.

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

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Planning, Zoning & Plats:

Trustee Zegar reported that the third Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting was held yesterday. He is pleased with the progress being made at each meeting. He will release another electronic newsletter Thursday which will provide both a road construction update and tips on how to navigate construction areas which may soon be covered with snow.

Ordinance Committee:

Trustee Hayden made reference to an Ordinance Amending the Village Code Regarding Fire Codes. During discussion of the new fire code, Attorney Tappendorf identified some conflicts between ordinance sections and suggested the adoption be postponed to a future date.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:54PM on a motion by Harvey, seconded by Crittenden.

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

Evelyn Hoselton, Village Clerk