The regular meeting of the Gardner Village Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Monday, February 14, 2005 in the Village Hall Council Chambers with the following members present: Comms. Hibler, Hileman, Marketti and Mayor Wise; Comm. Rankovich was absent. (*Also attending: Clerk Barb Bexson and & Attorney Scott Belt).* All then stood for reciting of The Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 24 were read and accepted; motion by Comm. Hileman, second by Comm. Hibler. Upon roll, Comm. Marketti passed; all others voted in favor.

The Financial Report for the month of January was reviewed, accepted and placed on file with motion by Comm. Marketti, second by Comm. Hibler; roll vote of those present was unanimous.

It was moved by Comm. Hileman and seconded by Comm. Marketti that the submitted listing of bills be placed for payment; all agreed upon roll.

A follow-up conversation was held on a possible intergovernmental agreement between the Village and Gardner Grade School regarding property located near the school and owned by the Village. Comm. Hileman told he has had conversations with both the school superintendent and some of the school board members on various portions of this draft agreement; he has also brought up the Village's current farm lease with Frank Corsini. As no agreement has been executed as yet and there remains questions, Mayor Wise suggested and Comm. Hileman agreed to attend an upcoming school board meeting so that discussion can take place with all those persons involved at the school.

Next, Comm. Hileman explained changes in requirements and criteria for extension of any current TIF Districts and gave a short summary of the Village's revenues and expenses.

In response to Comm. Marketti's question on the status of the award for the watermain replacement project, Attorney Belt informed that documentation requested from Ellis Excavating has not yet been received.

Comm. Marketti asked too about any plans that the Village may have to run water and sewer services across Interstate 55 in the near future. Comm. Hileman explained that in years past, engineering studies, including costs, were performed; Comm. Marketti suggested that there should be an update of the plans and costs and the Village should check into the availability of any grants for this work.

Mayor Wise first noted a street light outage on Washington Street at Rt. 53 which will be reported to ComEd.

Lastly he told that, sometime in the month of March, a meeting will be held for discussion of illegal drug usage and other problems within the Village.

As there was no further business brought before the Council, a motion to adjourn was made at 7:50 p.m. by Comm. Hileman seconded by Comm. Hibler with all in agreement.

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Barbara S. Bexson, Clerk
Village of Gardner