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

There was unanimous acceptance of the minutes of the October 24 Regular Board Meeting after motion by Comm. Hileman, second by Comm. Rankovich.

The Financial Report for the month of October was also accepted and placed on file with unanimous roll vote; motion by Comm. Marketti and second by Comm. Rankovich.

It was agreed to make payment of all current bills as listed; motion by Comm. Hileman, seconded by Comm. Hibler; upon roll, all were in agreement.

Two letters from the Zoning Board of Appeals dated November 1 were read:

1. Making recommendation that the Council grant a 10 ft. side yard variance at 405 N. Rt. 53 to allow for construction of an addition. After discussion and clarification as to the specific location of the addition, Comm. Marketti motioned to accept this recommendation; second was made by Comm. Hileman and all agreed upon roll.

2. Making recommendation that the Council agree to the zoning book amendments as outlined in their letter. A ZBA member in attendance related some of the reasoning behind these proposed changes. Comm. Marketti commented he feels the ZBA is going in the right direction but also feels they should be working with planner Mike Hoffman with these type amendments. Comm. Marketti further remarked that a Village Board member should attend ZBA meetings as a liaison. After lengthy conversation, it was agreed that this matter be placed on the agenda for the November 28 special board meeting for discussion with Mike Hoffman and that Eric Fosnaugh, ZBA chairman be asked to attend. Motion to table was made by Comm. Hileman, seconded by Comm. Marketti and all agreed.

Attorney Belt began with a brief discussion on his recent letter to each council member which outlined a new Public Act making changes in competitive bidding. He will also research additional changes to be made next year, as reported by Comm. Rankovich, which would make the Village responsible to receive copies of all certified payroll records from both the contractor and all subcontractors.

Attorney Belt and Council Members then looked over and talked about the jurisdiction boundary map he provided to them.

Prior to passing, Comm. Marketti will provide a copy of the truancy ordinance to school Superintendents Ciaccio and Dvorak for their review and comments.

An ordinance to amend the subdivision and zoning codes for reimbursement of costs and professional fees will be placed on the next meeting agenda for discussion and possible acceptance.

Concerning Mr. John Crispino's inquiry at a previous Council Meeting on the structure encroachment at 208 Depot Street, as a contract agreement has not been received, this file is closed.

Responding to Attorney Belt's question on the status of the TIF extension, Comm. Hileman told of conversations he has had with Rep. Gordon and Sen. Dahl. At the suggestion of Comm. Marketti, he will make additional contacts for assistance to get this extension approved and will report back on his progress.

Comm. Hileman brought up his conversation with Fire Chief Wilkey regarding the engine breaking ordinance; It was pointed out that this new ordinance specifies emergency situations and not emergency vehicles.

Comm. Hileman also reminded that the tax levy must be passed in December; all members will be provided with a copy of the current ordinance for their input so that approval can be made at the December 12 meeting.

Guy Christensen of Chamlin & Assoc. told that the third pay estimate, not final, to NIBCO for the watermain replacement project will be presented for payment at the next meeting. He and the Council also briefly spoke on solutions for ongoing maintenance of the railroad ditch area.

Mayor Wise first reminded of the Special Board Meeting set for Monday, November 28 at 6:00 p.m. to

continue discussion with the Village's planner, Mike Hoffman. He next informed that State Representative Careen Gordon will hold a town meeting at the Village Hall on Monday, December 5 from 2 to 3 p.m.

Mayor Wise also told that a Campus Road resident spoke with him on the need for street lighting in that area. No action can be taken by the Village as this is a county roadway.

Street light outages were reported on Liberty Street and at the intersection of Jefferson and Cedar Streets; the first will be repaired by the Village and the second reported to ComEd

As there was no further business brought before the Council, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:20 p.m. by Comm. Hileman seconded by Comm. Hibler; all in agreement.

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Barbara S. Bexson, Clerk
Village of Gardner