The regular meeting of the Gardner Village Board was called to order on Monday, January 23, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., in the Village Hall Council Chambers, with the following members present: Comms. Marketti, Hileman, Rankovich, Hibler and Mayor Wise (*Also in attendance: Deputy Clerk, Margaret Fosnaugh, Engineer Guy Christensen and Atty. Scott Belt*) All then stood for the reciting of The Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the January 9 regular Board Meeting were and accepted with motion by Comm. Hileman and second by Comm. Rankovich; all in agreement.

The listing of bills was accepted for payment with motion by Comm. Hileman, second by Comm. Hibler, all in favor.

On the agenda was Art Krause of Gardner Cable TV for discussion on the contract and programming. He discussed the recent survey Gardner residents took part in. Comm. Hileman asked about the ongoing problems with channel 2 and Skip assured the Council that they are working on the problem. Discussion followed on the recent rate increase, internet service and business rates. It was suggested that Skip send Atty. Belt the agreement for review.

Next on the agenda was Cindy Harrop & Tim Gerber with concerns on a recent newspaper article in respect to annexing property to the south. Cindy read a letter *(attached)* stating that they own property on Stonewall Road east of Campus Road and wanted to go on public record to oppose the annexation of their property. Atty. Belt explained the guidelines in annexing properties and told that currently the Board is working on boundary agreements with surrounding towns.

Although not on the agenda, Mayor Wise recognized Joe Ciaccio, Superintendent of GSW High School. Mr. Ciaccio voiced concerns on recent correspondence Atty. Belt provided him in regards to impact fees. He said that he also received a copy of the Fire Districts survey. When comparing it to the County's study, performed by the same firm, numbers fluctuate, adding he doesn't know which figures to use. He said that a 200 home subdivision would fill up the High School and if he is correct the School would only receive $400,000 in fees. If we have additional development the school will need to look to the future. Mr. Ciaccio asked to meet with Board members to discuss options, with that Comm. Hileman asked what the High School needs with Mr. Ciaccio replying more money. Atty. Belt discussed surrounding towns impact fees, school facilities impact fee and transition fees. Mr. Ciaccio asked how much potential growth is anticipated and Comm. Marketti told we haven't gotten that far.

Brian Hansen, Gardner Grade School Board Member, understood from previous discussion that a committee would be formed consisting of members from both School Boards, Fire District and Village Council. He expressed concerns on the cost of contracting a firm to perform a study without guarantees of residential growth. Comm. Marketti suggested that they get the study done because growth is approaching and the schools should be prepared. Comm. Hileman noted that in the past 6 months several developers have approached the Village. He went on to say that monies will be allocated for the Schools and he hopes that it is handled responsibly spending it on education not sports.

Mr. Ciaccio asked the Council to consider stretching residential growth out and allowing industrial at the same time so Gardner can grow smartly. Atty. Belt explained that by putting caps on building permits this could be achieved. Mr. Ciaccio urged members to open lines of communication and Comm. Marketti felt that this can be done when we adopt a new comprehensive plan. Again members suggested that they begin the study. Mr. Ciaccio asked why they couldn't utilize the Fire District's study. Atty. Belt unaware of the study, questioned why the Fire District had one done. Fire Chief Randy Wilkey, explained that during a meeting with Comm. Marketti, Joe Ciaccio and himself it was recommended by Comm. Marketti. He also told that Atty. Cortina will be providing Atty. Belt with a copy. He said Fire Districts are being included in impact fees and they had the study done in case it was challenged in court. Randy will provide Atty. Belt and Council Members with a copy.

Comm. Marketti told that he would like the water tower repairs put out for bid and provided Guy Christensen, Chamlin & Associates the appropriate information. Guy will research the previous paint and sandblasting work done on the tower.

Comm. Rankovich asked Guy to have a survey crew locate and mark the center line and width of South Jackson St. from Ida Lane south to our corporate limits. He would also like an ideal where future street lights will be located on the west side of Jackson Street. Discussion followed on curbs and the repaving of Jackson Street.

Guy Christensen presented the Council a revised proposal he received from Mug-A-Bug to clean the ditch. He recommended that members review the quote and act on it at the next meeting.

Lastly, Mayor Wise voiced concerns on the amount of abandoned vehicles throughout the town. A notice will be placed on the cable channel regarding the ordinance.

There being no further business at 8:37 p.m. Comm. Hileman motion to adjourn; seconded by Comm. Hibler with all in favor.

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Margaret L. Fosnaugh, Deputy Clerk