The regular meeting of the Gardner Village Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Monday, November 27, 2006 in the Village Hall Council Chambers with the following members present: Comms. Hibler, Serena, Hileman and Mayor Wise (Comm. Marketti was absent). (*Also in attendance: Barb Bexson/Clerk, John Bates/Attorney, Guy Christensen/Engineer)* All then stood for reciting of The Pledge of Allegiance.

Accepted were:

Minutes/November 13	motion Hileman/second Serena roll vote: ayes 3, nays 0, pass 1 (Hibler)
Listing(s) of bills (Current/Ratify)	motion Hileman/second Hibler roll vote: ayes 4, nays 0
Payment of additional bill to Comm. Hileman for business mileage	motion Serena/second Hibler roll vote: ayes 3, nays 0, pass 1 (Hileman)
Ordinance Approving Amendment to TIF District Redevelopment Agreement By & Between The Village of Gardner and Rub Ford (VG06-420)	motion Hileman/second Hibler roll vote: ayes 3, nays 0, pass 1 (Wise)
Ordinance Approving Loan Agreement, TIF Note & Mortgage Between The Village of Gardner and Rub Ford (VG06-421)	motion Hileman/second Hibler roll vote: ayes 3, nays 0, pass 1 (Wise)

Attorney Bates

brought up the issue of potential conflict of interest concerning boundary line agreements with Mazon, Braceville and So. Wilmington as Scott M. Belt & Assoc. also represent these municipalities. A letter concerning this was signed by Mayor Wise.

Comm. Hileman

reported he has talked with Village auditor Tawnya Mack regarding the tax levy; his recommendation is to have it remain the same as the previous year which should drop the rate slightly. This ordinance will be prepared and presented for adoption at the next meeting.

brought up the schools' desire to impose impact fees on existing lots and questioned other members on their feeling. All Council Members present agreed that these fees should only apply to new developments.

told that Attorney Belt has sent another letter concerning parties with possible interest in the properties in the area around Rt. 129.

told that the E.P.A. recently made an annual inspection of the water treatment plant; only one (1) minor problem was found and will be corrected.

informed that scrap metal at the water treatment plant was taken to a recycle location; the Village received approximately $300 for this sale. Also, through October, revenues from cable ads are at approximately $700, which, in the past, was used for employee Christmas bonuses. This will be discussed at next meeting.

stated the Clerk provided him with a printout of revenues and receipts for 2006 Gardner Days showing the event took in about $12,302 and about $14,364 was spent

(loss of about $1930). A contract for tent rental from Shaw's was just received; if not signed by January 1, there will be an increase in price. He will speak with Tawny Mack, last year's chairperson regarding this for discussion at next meeting. After Comm. Serena brought up the use of generators and the ability to pull power from the poles in the parking lot, Comm. Hileman responded that he believes there is not enough power there to handle this.

Comm. Hibler

Reported he has received information from Mug-A-Bug on used pesticide spraying machines and passed around a sheet showing available equipment. He added that Village maintenance employees are required to attend classes and be tested in order to operate the machine. Comm. Hileman commented that the prices appear good and that the Village may be better off to do this rather than contract it out.

Will look into the numerous junk vehicles being reported; also told that when these are noticed, details should be reported to the Grundy County Sheriff's Department for their removal.

Guy Christensen
Chamlin & Assoc.

Announced that all mains are complete and testing is being done on the Washington Street watermain replacement project. Reconnections are to be done at the end of this week.

Has met with Greg Hill of Indacom Electric concerning the generator at the Jackson Street lift station. Specifications and costs may be ready for the next meeting.

As there was no further business brought before the Council, a motion to adjourn was made at 7:40 p.m. by Comm. Serena seconded by Comm. Hibler all present in agreement.

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Barbara S. Bexson, Clerk
Village of Gardner