The regular meeting of the Gardner Village Board was called to order by Mayor Tom Wise at 7:00 p.m. Monday, May 11, 2009 in the Village Hall Council Chambers. Commissioners present: Gary Cox, Mike Serena, Dick Hileman, Bill Gerrish. (Also present: Scott Belt, Atty .). All then stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Accepted were:

Minutes — motion Hileman/second Serena
April 27, 2009 — roll vote: ayes 5, nays 0

Financial Report — motion Hileman/second Gerrish
Month of April 2009 — roll vote: ayes 5, nays 0

Payment of bills
Ratify May 5, 2009 — motion Hileman/second Serena
roll vote: ayes 5, nays 0

Current — motion Hileman/second Gerrish
roll vote: ayes 5, nays 0

Attorney Belt

On the abandoned/inoperable/unregistered motor vehicle ordinance, reported he has put together a series of notices which are with the Clerk for review; she has, in turn, passed this information on to Comm. Cox for his thoughts. This information includes an ordinance violation letter and various notice forms, including a new form for request for hearing. He responded to Comm. Cox saying service of these notices is preferred to mailing, the VIN number can be run and the ordinance covers all properties. Answering Comm. Serena's question on a vehicle repair business such as J&R Service where vehicles may be there for a longer time, he feels that this would be determined on a case-by-case basis.

On building code information, told he has received the first draft from Rich Piccolo of B&F Technical and this will be provided to all those attending the work session.

On codification, informed he was contacted by American Legal Publishing and encouraged them to continue with information they have; however, they choose instead to place this on hold until we provide complete information.

Feels he will have an opinion to the Council by the end of this week concerning the Allison property that was recently purchased by Gardner So. Wilmington High School.

A revised zoning map should soon be received from Guy Christensen.

Comm. Cox touched on information he learned during the recent Open Meetings Act seminar, sponsored by State's Atty. Sheldon Sobol and questioned Atty. Belt on executive session minutes being approved, not released, during open meeting sessions. As Atty. Belt felt this would not be done in open session, after looking into this further, he will report back to the Council. Brief discussion followed on the procedure for approval and release of executive session minutes

Comm. Hileman

Gave all members copies of letters recently received from TIF Atty. Tom Jacob and Village Atty. Scott Belt concerning TIF and real estate tax abatement; asked all to review for possible decision at the next meeting.

Announced tax rates and values for various taxing districts related to the Gardner TIF.

Comm. Gerrish

Wilmington Street Watermain Improvements Project: Reported that the contract has been signed by Stott Contracting, bonding is in place and the project is ready to begin.

Washington Street Waterman Extension North Project: Reported that the project area has now been

seeded.

Comm. Serena

So. Jackson Street Improvement Project 2009: Reported he is awaiting additional information from Guy Christensen and that the agreement is for curb and gutter placement on both sides of this section (Jackson South Subdivision).

Comm. Cox

Told that a mass mailing is being sent to all residential property owners to inform that, effective June 15, the Village will be taking a pro-active approach with the enforcement of the abandoned/inoperable/unregistered motor vehicle ordinance along with the code regulating property maintenance.

Announced that favorable comments have been received concerning the recent Rt. 66 Red Carpet Corridor event and that profits to the Beautification Committee are estimated to be approximately $1100.00. Added also that there is a large bus tour scheduled for June 13.

The Clerk reported that the annual audit of all Village records is scheduled for the week of June 29.

Mayor Wise

Reported that letters were received from the Senior Citizens group thanking the Village for the luncheon cost donation and from the GSW Prom Lock-In Committee for the Village's $500 donation.

Read a proclamation from the American Legion & American Legion Auxiliary. Council then proclaimed May 22, 2009 as Poppy Day in the Village and asked all residents to support this cause if able (motion Serena/second Hileman; roll vote: ayes 5, nays 0). Comm. Serena requested information on this be placed on the local access channel.

As there was no further business brought before the Council, a motion to adjourn was made at 7:36 p.m. by Comm. Hileman, seconded by Comm. Serena, all in agreement.

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Barbara S. Bexson, Clerk
Village of Gardner