May 9, 2011

Monday, May 9, 2011 at 7:00 p.m., Mayor Tom Wise called to order the regular meeting of the Gardner Village Board in the Village Hall Council Chambers. Roll call-Commissioners Mike Serena, Dick Hileman, Bill Gerrish, Mayor Wise. Commissioner Cox Absent. Also in attendance were Guy Christensen from Chamlin & Associates, Attorney Scott Belt and Village Clerk Becky Pasternak.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of April 25, 2011 were presented. Hileman moved to approve the minutes as written, second by Gerrish. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Financial Report for the month of April was presented. Hileman moved to approve the financial report, second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The current bills for May 9, 2011 were presented. Hileman moved to approve the payment of current bills, second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Hileman, Gerrish and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Comm. Hileman made motion to adopt ordinance 007-2011 regarding Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, second by Gerrish. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Hileman, Gerrish and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Comm. Hileman made motion to Reappoint Eric Fosnaugh and Todd Perkins to Planning and Zoning Board, second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Comm. Hileman made motion to approve Poppy Proclamation Day, second by Gerrish. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Atty. Belt reported that the closing on the Kellogg property was Thursday May 5, 2011. Atty. Belt explained the corrections to an old ordinance vacating part of the property. He also explained a few more items regarding the easements of the property. Atty. Belt congratulated the Village Board on saving the property, bringing a new business into town with 15 to 20 employees and the possibility of more. Atty. Belt still needs to review all the closing documents and will report on his findings at a later date.

Comm. Hileman thanked all the people he has worked with over the last 12 years who have confidence in him to handle the money that the 581 depositors pay the Village over the years and months; He thanked Tom Wise, Mayor, Jim Hibler, Terry Marketti, Roger Viviana, Bart Vest, and Bill Gerrish. They have done a great job over the last 12 years. He explained the motions he will be making, with the amounts of money, the fund it will be coming from and how he would like to use the money. Comm. Hileman did explain that a safety net would need to be in place in case of an emergency. The safety net is that in case of an emergency at the water tower, water plant or the sewer plant, the money not be allocated in order to take care of the emergency.

His first motion is to take $275,000 out of TIF and spend that to resurface roads that are in the TIF district over the next 24 months, second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The next motion is to take $20,000 out of TIF and $20,000 out of the General fund to go into the park fund for whoever the Mayor appoints to that committee so that over the next 4 years they will have $10,000 per year to use for the parks, second by Gerrish. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Third motion is to take $3,500 out of the general fund and purchase new display cases to store our items in that people have donated over the years, and had confidence in us that it will be here for many years to come, second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Fourth motion is to take $30,000 out of TIF which we know has to be spent in the TIF area and $20,000 out of General for whoever takes care of the sidewalks to be allocated for the next 4 years, second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Fifth motion is to take up to $50,000 75% coming out of TIF and 25% out of General for (2) two used snow plows and trucks, second by Gerrish. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Sixth motion is to take 75% out of TIF and 25% out of General and buy a new lawn mower, Second by Gerrish. Discussion followed regarding if a not to exceed price should be set, all were in favor of no maximum amount. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Seventh motion is that all of these expenditures can be made unless we have an emergency at the sewer plant, water plant or the water tower, second by Gerrish. Roll call-Ayes: Gerrish, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Comm. Hileman then thanked the 581 depositors of Gardner who have had confidence in this board, Thank you very much.

Comm. Gerrish Thanked everyone and let them know that he enjoyed being on the board with them, he wished Jim and Gary good luck and let them know he would be around town if they needed his help.

Comm. Serena reported on the new mandate regarding reflective signs. New signs would be about $32 each otherwise we can purchase decals and do it ourselves for about half price. Discussion then followed with Atty. Belt letting everyone know that a plan for doing this needs to be in place by January 2012.

Comm. Cox absent

Engineer Christensen reported that he had recently provided Mayor Wise with a letter for spraying of weeds and ditches.

Clerk Pasternak had no report.

Mayor Wise had no report.

At 7:17 p.m. Comm. Hileman made motion to adjourn and reconvene at 7:21 pm this same date, second by Gerrish. Roll call-ayes: Serena, Hileman, Gerrish and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

At 7:21 p.m., Monday May 9, 2011 the Gardner Village Council meeting was reconvened and called to order with the introduction and swearing in of the newly elected Village Council Members by Judge Sheldon Sobol:

Mayor:	Tom Wise
Commissioners:	Dick Hileman, Jim Hibler, Mike Serena, Gary Riley

Mayor Wise made the following appointments:

Commissioner – Finance	Dick Hileman
Commissioner – Public Health & Safety	Gary Riley
Commissioner – Streets & Public Improvements	Mike Serena
Commissioner – Public Property (W/S)	Jim Hibler
Village Clerk	Becky Pasternak
Attorney	Scott Belt
Engineer	Guy Christensen
Treasurer	Sheryl McDaniel

Mayor Wise thanked everyone for coming; he thanked Judge Sobol for coming and swearing everyone in. He recognized Terry Marketti, Tom Poole, and John Bates.

Comm. Hileman made motion to approve Mayor Wise's appointments, second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Hibler, Hileman, Serena, Riley and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

As there was no further business brought before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Hileman seconded by Comm. Hibler, all signified by saying aye. No one opposed. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm.

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Becky L. Pasternak, Clerk
Village of Gardner