Monday, August 27, 2012 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: Dick Hileman, Mike Serena, Jim Hibler, Gary Riley and Mayor Wise. Also in attendance were Attorney Brad Nolden, Guy Christensen and Bob Schmude with Chamlin & Associates.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of August 13, 2012 were presented. Serena moved to approve the minutes as written, second by Hileman. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Riley, Hileman and Wise. Pass: Hibler Nays: none. Motion carried.

The current bills for August 27, 2012 were presented. Hileman moved to approve the payment of the bills second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Hileman, Hibler, Riley and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments – None.

Agenda – Comm. Serena made motion to approve the annual Knights of Columbus tootsie roll drive being held September 21-23 second by Hileman. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Hileman, Hibler, Riley and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried. Mr. Pohl thanked the board for their support, and stated that if anyone wished they were more than welcome to help. Comm. Hileman then explained the new changes to the Nicor agreement which include either a cash payout or free therms. However, due to price changes per therm over the 50 year agreement Comm. Hileman agreed to just continue getting the free therms. Comm. Hileman made motion to accept the new Nicor agreement second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Hileman, Hibler, Riley and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business – None

Atty. Belt – Atty. Nolden had no report but did request that the board go into executive session for the purpose of discussion on Probable, possible or imminent litigation, authorized pursuant to Section (2)(c)(11) of The Open Meetings Act.

Comm. Hileman stated that he had three items to discuss the first being the TIF, which included explaining about the TIF extension, his reports to the board on requested TIF expenses from the Fire Department, Grade school and the High school and that TIF funds are not being turned over per counsel's instruction. Comm. Hileman explained that he is getting the feeling that some members of the school boards feel he is running a one man show so he is requesting that the board either support him in his efforts regarding TIF funds or notify him to turn over the job. His next item was to ask the board to look at the financial picture over the next couple of months to see if the Village could possibly help people out around Christmas or the first of the year. Comm. Hileman's last item was to report that he is running some figures on taxes and possible rebates.

Comm. Hibler had no report.

Comm. Serena stated that Mayor Wise appointed board members to the positions he did to best provide for the Village and provided his support for all members on the board. He then asked Mr. Schmude for an update regarding "D" construction and the shoulder stone work; Bob reported that he has been in contact with them and would continue following up. Comm. Serena then asked Atty. Nolden the status on the cargo containers, with Atty. Nolden stating that it was going before the Planning and Zoning board on September 4, and things were in good shape. Comm. Serena stressed that the Village wants to make sure they are used for outside storage only.

Comm. Riley reported that fifteen (15) letters had been sent out for either high grass or abandoned vehicles and he would be following up on those.

Engineer Christensen had no report.

Clerk Pasternak had no report.

Mayor Wise explained that he appointed the board members to their positions to provide the best service to all residents of the Village. Comm. Hibler stated that he supports Comm. Hileman 100%.

Comm. Hileman thanked Atty. Nolden and Atty. Belt as well as the Village board for their help in resolving the Main Street issue. Grundy county board passed the Main Street agreement so now everyone knows who is responsible for what and things can run smoothly.

At 7:15 pm Comm. Hileman made motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussion on probable, possible or imminent litigation, authorized pursuant to Section (2)(c)(11) of The Open Meetings Act second by Riley. Roll call-Ayes: Hileman, Serena, Riley, Hibler and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

At 7:27 p.m. Comm. Hileman made motion to reconvene, second by Serena. Roll call-ayes: Riley, Serena, Hileman, Hibler 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. Riley, all signified by saying aye. No one opposed. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

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Becky L. Pasternak, Clerk
Village of Gardner