Monday, December 10, 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 Scott Belt and Guy Christensen with Chamlin & Associates.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of November 26, 2012 were presented. Hileman moved to approve the minutes as written, second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Hibler, Riley, and Wise. Pass: Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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

The current bills for December 10, 2012 were presented. Hileman moved to approve the payment of the bills second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Hibler, Serena, Hileman, Riley and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments – None.

Agenda – Comm. Hileman made motion to set the tax levy at 36,600 second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Hibler, Serena, Hileman, Riley and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Comm. Hileman made motion to approve the 50% tax levy abatement second by Hibler. Roll call-Ayes: Hibler, Serena, Hileman, Riley and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business – None

Atty. Belt asked to go into executive session following regular session.

Comm. Hileman explained that a second copy of the Volunteer Fire Department bill has been given to the Fire District and he hopes it is paid soon. Comm. Hileman reported that he has renewed some CD's at Standard Bank and First National Bank of Dwight, stating that he checked with other banks and they weren't interested in the Village's business. Comm. Hileman said that Mrs. Ida Schopp had spoken with him and asked that he give everyone who helped with the tree lighting ceremony her appreciation.

Comm. Hibler introduced Chris Kindelspire who explained and answered questions regarding the GeoCast notification system. Following discussion Comm. Hibler made motion to approve the system and mailing of notification letters second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Hibler, Serena, Hileman, Riley and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried. Comm. Hibler thanked everyone who helped with the tree lighting ceremony and Ida Schopp for all her work, it was a nice ceremony and there was a good turn out.

Comm. Serena reported that Mr. Phillips does a lot for the annual tree lighting, and it would be nice if more could be done for the Girl Scouts tree lighting program.

Comm. Riley thanked everyone for the nice program, stating it was nice for the children and good to see so many present.

Engineer Christensen had no report.

Clerk Pasternak read a note from Mr. & Mrs. John Hollmeyer thanking the board for the free water bill.

Mayor Wise had no report.

At 7:26 p.m. Comm. Hileman made motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussion on pending litigation authorized pursuant to Section (2)(c)(11) of The Open Meetings Act second by Serena Roll call-Ayes: Hileman, Serena, Riley and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried

At 8:00 p.m. Comm. Hileman made motion to reconvene, second by Serena. Roll call-ayes: Riley, Serena, Hileman, and Wise. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Comm. Hileman reported to the board that he had received an estimate from Guy Christensen of $237,000 to run a new line from the water tower to the water plant along Main Street.

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 8:03 p.m.

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Becky L. Pasternak, Clerk
Village of Gardner