Monday, January 13, 2014 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: Terry Jensen, Dick Hileman, Rob Wolf and Mike Serena. Also in attendance were Atty. Scott Belt and Guy Christensen from Chamlin and Assoc. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of December 23, 2013 were presented. Comm. Hileman made motion to approve the minutes as written second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Hileman and Wise. Pass: Jensen. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The financial report for the month of December was presented Comm. Hileman made motion to approve the financial report second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Wolf, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The current bills for January 13, 2014 were presented. Comm. Hileman moved to approve the payment of the bills second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Wolf, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments – Mr. Don Phillips thanked the maintenance crew for not plowing in his driveway. Mr. Gary Kociss informed the board that he would like to put video game machines in at the laundry mat which requires a liquor license. Discuss followed with the board letting Mr. Kociss know that currently there are no liquor licenses available in Gardner. Mr. Kociss was also told that the state currently requires you to be either a truck stop or tavern and sell liquor in order to obtain video machines.

Agenda –

Unfinished Business – Comm. Serena reported that he has been researching the new medical marijuana and concealed carry laws. Medical marijuana is on the back burner, while the concealed carry web site appears to be functional. Atty. Belt reminded the board of the ordinances they can put in place with regards to concealed carry.

Atty. Belt – had no report.

Comm. Hileman – reported that within 30 days he will be moving some money into CD's.

Comm. Jensen – reported that he has filed his statement of economic interest and completed both the open meetings and FOIA training.

Comm. Serena – stated that the maintenance personnel did a good job plowing, he has received a few calls not all of them were good but most of them were. Comm. Serena stressed that he hopes that the county strictly looks over what they have to do as well as expecting us to strictly follow what was agreed to.

Comm. Wolf – reported that he has been out of town the last few weeks but he has not heard of any issues. Comm. Wolf questioned Brad on the status of the tree trimming, it was reported that it is not complete yet.

Engineer Christensen – informed the board that he brought in some progress prints for the new water main project, they are about 70% complete. Discussion followed about the ductile pipe under the railroad, the water line running along the south side of the grade school easement and options for both situations. Guy will be ready by the end of the month to send things to the EPA for permits, estimated bid date of February 27th or 28th.

Clerk Pasternak – informed the board that she was given a certificate of appreciation for both the village and Brad Kingma for use of the plow and help getting to and from a medical call on January 5, 2014. Comm. Jensen explained Brad's help getting to a medical call on Lutz Road and expressed the Fire District's gratitude to both the village and Brad for all the help during the blizzard.

Mayor Wise – had no report.

At 7:25 p.m. Comm. Serena made motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussion on the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body pursuant to Section (2)(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act and Probable, Imminent and pending litigation authorized pursuant to Section (2)(c)(11) of The Open Meetings Act second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Hileman, Serena, Wolf and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried

At 8:12 p.m. Comm. Hileman made motion to reconvene, second by Jensen. Roll call-ayes: Serena, Hileman, Jensen, Wolf 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. Wolf, all signified by saying aye. No one opposed. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

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Becky L. Pasternak, Clerk
Village of Gardner