Monday, October 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., Mayor Pro-Tem Dick Hileman called to order the regular meeting of the Gardner Village Board in the Village Hall Council Chambers. Roll call-Commissioners: Rob Wolf, Terry Jensen and Mike Serena. Also present were Atty. Brad Nolden and Guy Christensen with Chamlin and Assoc. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of September 22, 2014 were presented. Comm. Serena made motion to approve the minutes as printed second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Hileman, Serena, and Wolf. Nays: none. Pass: Jensen. Motion carried.

The current and ratified bills for October 27, 2014 were presented. Comm. Wolf moved to approve the payment of the bills second by Jensen. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments – Mrs. Ida Schopp asked that the board please sign the historical archives guest book.

Agenda – Comm. Serena read 65 ILCS 5/4-5-1 and made motion to appoint finance commissioner Hileman as Mayor Pro-Tem second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Mayor Pro-Tem Hileman informed Mrs. Schopp that candy for the Church of Hope Trunk or Treat has been purchased by Comm. Serena and himself.
Comm. Jensen made motion to purchase treats not to exceed $100 and participate in the Grade School Halloween parade second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Comm. Serena made motion to approve November 30 as the annual tree lighting ceremony second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Mike Pasternak presented the planning and zoning board recommendations regarding medical marijuana.
Comm. Jensen made motion to approve the planning and zoning board recommendations second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Comm. Serena made motion to accept the change in plans and approve the final pay estimate for the 2014 MFT project second by Jensen. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Comm. Serena made motion to approve the hours of 4 to 6 on October 31 for trick or treating second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business – None.

Atty. Belt – Atty. Nolden had no report.

Comm. Jensen – had no report.

Comm. Serena – informed the board that maintenance is getting ready for the winter and will be trimming some trees. Comm. Serena asked Mr. Christensen to please have Stott secure everything for Halloween night. Discussion was held on bridge inspections for Howland and Lutz road which have been completed.

Comm. Wolf – Discussion was held about the current tenant at Crystal's Creations and the complaints that have been received which include; the tenant living in the business which violates code, working on bikes in the middle of the night, and various items stacked behind the property. Comm. Wolf asked that the board give him until Thursday to resolve the issue before sending a letter to the property owner.

Engineer Christensen – had no report.

Clerk Pasternak – gave the board the meeting schedule for 2015 for review.

Mayor Wise – absent.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hileman – informed the board that he has received a call from Sharon Pickles regarding the vehicles in front of O'Hare towing. Discussion followed with Comm. Serena and Comm. Wolf feeling that they have cleaned up.
Mayor Pro-Tem Hileman explained that as of the last treasurer's report there was $13,284.36 in the entertainment fund with an additional deposit of $2,372.11 which will show on the next treasurer's report. With the board's approval he would like to make donations in the following amounts:
High School athletic programs $1,500
Grade school athletics $1,500
Lutheran Church $1,500

Church of Hope $1,500
Lions Club $500
Senior Citizens $500
Girl Scouts $250
Boy Scouts $250

Mayor pro-tem Hileman requested that the school donations be sent to the president of the school board stating that the village wishes the money to be used for all athletics. Comm. Serena made motion that the donations be given with a letter sent stating that the money is to be used for all athletics second by Jensen. Comm. Wolf questioned if he needed to pass as his wife is treasurer of the Grade school boosters, he was informed it wasn't a conflict as the donation was going to the school board but he could pass if he wished. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Jensen and Hileman. Pass: Wolf Nays: none. Motion carried.
Mayor pro-tem Hileman informed the board that he feels the village is in a position to provide residents with free water and sewer in December, the village would still bill for garbage/recycle. Comm. Serena made motion to provide the residents a gift of free water and sewer from the Mayor and Commissioners on the bill due December 20, 2014 second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Mayor pro-tem Hileman explained that he would like to start a storm sewer project in 2015 beginning with Jackson from Rt. 53 to Rick Marketti's with additional streets being done following years. Discussion followed with Guy Christensen explaining where hook up's are and flow. Comm. Serena made motion to proceed with the 2015 storm sewer repair project second by Jensen. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Mayor pro-tem Hileman reported that Mayor Wise is doing better and he hopes he will be back soon.

At 7:29 p.m. Comm. Serena made motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussion on probable, imminent or pending litigation pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/(2)(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act, second by Jensen. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Wolf and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried

At 7:40 p.m. Comm. Serena made motion to reconvene regular session second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Wolf and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried

Comm. Serena reminded the board that although Comm. Hileman is Mayor Pro-Tem he will still be the day to day contact.

As there was no further business brought before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Serena seconded by Comm. Wolf, all signified by saying aye. No one opposed. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

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Becky L. Pasternak, Clerk
Village of Gardner