VILLAGE BOARD
March 14, 2016

Monday, March 14, 2016, 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 James Riley, Rob Wolf, and Mayor Pro-Tem Dick Hileman. Absent: Commissioners Terry Jensen and Mayor Mike Serena. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

The current bills were presented. Comm. Wolf moved to approve the payment of the bills, second by Riley. Roll call - Ayes: Riley, Wolf, Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments –
Resident Ida Schopp reported that the Rock-a-thon will be held on Saturday of Red Carpet Weekend instead of Sunday and the Archives will be open both days.

Resident Benny Conley had questions regarding the dumpsters at the senior housing but he was told that the Village does not supply nor maintain them.

Agenda –

Resident/business owner Craig Parks addressed the board regarding the recent business ordinance. He stated that the Depot Street shop is not a new business and should be grandfathered in, because he purchased a turnkey business back in July. He said that he had a book of receipts showing sales and taxes taken at that address since September. Comm. Hileman responded that at the time of the ordinance, to the best of our knowledge he was not open and he was doing some construction work at that location. He requested that Mr. Parks bring in his sales tax number because the Village is not receiving the sales taxes, and that he complete the business license application and pay the $25 fee, it would be reviewed by the board and the building inspector. Comm. Wolfe asked if he could prove that he paid taxes before January and that would settle the matter. Parks said that he had a schedule and would bring it before the next meeting.

Comm. Wolfe made motion to transfer funds in the amount of $6,000 from the General Fund to IMRF, second by Riley. Roll call - Ayes: Riley, Wolf, Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried

Unfinished Business: None

Reports –

Atty. Belt – Nothing to report

Comm. Hileman – Received correspondence from Network Technology Authority regarding use of public right of way to erect two 220-foot towers. He had declined their request but told the other board members they were welcome to review the information.

He then asked Guy Christensen where he could get a quote on a new guardrail to replace the one that was destroyed in a one-vehicle accident on East Street, to be paid for by the vehicle owner's insurance company.

While he was on vacation, Mayor Serena had informed the board members that Main Street was scheduled to be black-topped in 2017 and therefore it might be beneficial to do any crossings for the storm sewer this year. Hileman met with Christensen and suggested that we tie in at Main and Jackson for approximately $5-6,000 and at Elm for around $15,000. The storm sewer project is projected to be about $100,000 under Issert's original bid, so he recommended that the tie-ins be done by Issert along with the current work rather than putting it out to bid.

The Fire District contacted Hileman regarding an advance of TIF Funds, he told them to submit a letter with the amount they are requesting and what the money would be used for.

Comm. Jensen – Absent

Comm. Riley – Asked Attorney Belt if he had moved forward with Paul Ferrari

Comm. Wolf – Nothing to report

Engineer Christensen – Hileman had already covered it

Clerk Malinowski – The Motor Fuel Tax audit was done and everything was found to be in order. Comm. Wolfe made motion to accept the audit, second by Riley. Roll call - Ayes: Riley, Wolf, Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried

A thank you was received from GSW High School for our donation to the Prom Lock-In

Mayor Serena – Absent

As there was no further business brought before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Wolfe, second by Riley. Roll call - Ayes: Riley, Wolf, Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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Pat Malinowski, Clerk
Village of Gardner