VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
September 12, 2016

Monday, September 12, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., Mayor Mike Serena called to order the regular meeting of the Gardner Village Board in the Village Hall Council Chambers. Roll call – Commissioners Dick Hileman, James Riley, Rob Wolf and Mayor Mike Serena. Comm. Terry Jensen was absent. Also present was Village Engineer Guy Christensen and Village Attorneys Scott Belt and Chris Dearth. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of August 22, 2016 were presented. Comm. Hileman made motion to approve the minutes as printed, second by Riley. Roll call - Ayes: Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Mayor Serena. Nays: none. Motion carried.

A list of current bills was presented. Comm. Hileman moved to approve the payment of the bills as printed with the addition of bills for TIF II to Tom Jacobs & Associates for $2,502.50 and TIF I Tom Jacobs & Associates $5,177.00, second by Wolf. Roll call - Ayes: Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Mayor Serena. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for August was presented. Comm. Hileman moved to approve the report as printed, second by Wolf. Roll call - Ayes: Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Mayor Serena. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments –

Resident Ida Schopp asked about the status of the letters that were ordered for the Archives and when they would be put up. Extended a thank you for permission to have the Seniors' meeting in the Boardroom/Archives on September 2, and said they enjoyed it.

Agenda –

Comm. Hileman made motion to extend sales hours for Class B Liquor Licenses on NASCAR weekend, Friday through Sunday, September 16-18, 2016, second by Riley. Letters stipulating the hours and conditions will be hand-delivered to Casey's and TA Minit Mart by the Mayor. Roll call - Ayes: Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Mayor Serena. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business was presented.

Reports –

Atty. Belt – Nothing to report for open session, but wished to add (2)(c)(5) Purchase of real property, to closed session.

Comm. Hileman – A well at the water plant has been down for about six weeks and it should be repaired within the next two weeks, at a cost of about $75,000. There have also been problems with the well behind Rub Ford and it has been shut down for about a month. Nothing will be done with it until the rain lets up because there has been so much rain, there may be surface water in it because we've tried to chlorine it. Brad is getting prices on liquid chlorine. There have also been problems at the lift station on Jackson Street. Hopefully, it has been fixed, otherwise we will call Pro-Pump back, they did extensive work on it in March.

We should be getting more tax money in October and see what we will need to pay to the Gardner Fire Protection District.

Comm. Jensen – Absent

Comm. Riley – Has sent another letter to O'Hare Towing. Nothing has been done to clean up the property and there has been no response from the State Police. He would like to turn the matter over to Attorney Belt to move forward regarding the cargo containers ordinance.

Comm. Wolf – Nothing to report

Engineer Christensen – Checked on the light fixture situation. As soon as he receives more information he will review it with the Mayor to determine steps to resolve it.

They have worked with Scott Belt's office regarding the petition hearing tomorrow in Chicago.

Clerk Malinowski – Nothing to report

Mayor Serena – Nothing to report.

At 7:12 p.m. Comm. Wolf made motion to enter into executive session pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(11) and 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5) of The Open Meetings Act, second by Riley. Roll call - Ayes: Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Mayor Serena. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 8:19 p.m. Comm. Hileman made motion to reconvene, second by Riley. Roll call - Ayes: Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Mayor Serena. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Christensen revisited the light fixture situation and suggested that Issert offer $300 as a reimbursement to the property owner as a settlement. He has photographs to document the damage, but it is not known how it was broken.

As there was no further business brought before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Riley, second by Wolf. Roll call - Ayes: Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Mayor Serena. Nays: None. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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Pat Malinowski, Clerk
Village of Gardner