VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
February 11, 2019

Monday, February 11, 2019, 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, Terry Jensen, and Mayor Mike Serena were present. Village Engineer Casey McCollom was present; Village Attorney Scott Belt was absent. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of January 28, 2019 were presented. Comm. Hileman made motion to approve the minutes as printed, second by Riley. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Hileman, Riley, Wolf, and Mayor Serena. Pass: Jensen. Motion carried.

A list of current bills was presented. Comm. Hileman moved to approve the payment of the bills, second by Wolf. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Jensen, and Mayor Serena. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for the month of January was presented. Comm. Hileman moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as printed, second by Riley. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Jensen, and Mayor Serena. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments –

No public comments were presented

Agenda –

The bid opening for the 2019 Water Main Improvement Project was held on Wednesday, February 6. Chamlin presented the results, with the low bid of $322,032.44 submitted by Brandt Excavating, Inc. Comm. Hileman moved to accept the bid, second by Riley. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Jensen, and Mayor Serena. Motion carried.

Some interest has been shown toward the property north of Subway that was donated to the Village. Since it is in the Industrial TIF, it cannot be given away; it must be put out to bid. Comm. Hileman has been working with our TIF attorney (Nelson) who has been coaching him and will prepare the papers to publish in the newspaper to bid it out, to see if there is any interest and what the property is worth, if the Board approves. The Village would collect a small portion of real estate taxes on this property if it is developed. Comm. Hileman moved to sell the excess property, second by Riley. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Jensen, and Mayor Serena. Motion carried.

The next agenda item involved potential investors who intend to have wine tastings and sell for consumption off the premises. Mayor Serena presented a copy of another community's liquor license ordinance and pointed out that they had a "Class K" license. He suggested that the Village could start with this example and make adjustments for our own ordinance. Comm. Hileman suggested that we hold up until they actually purchase the property before we move forward. Comm. Hileman made motion to approve the new additional license, however, do not do anything until they actually buy the building, at which time the Mayor would have the right to contact counsel to draft an ordinance, second by Riley. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Jensen, and Mayor Serena. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business was presented.

Reports –

Atty. Belt – Absent

Comm. Hileman – Reported that he has a CD in the amount of $75,000 coming due February 13 but is experiencing difficulties in getting a rate from the bank.

Comm. Jensen – Nothing to report

Comm. Riley – Nothing to report

Comm. Wolf – Nothing to report

Casey McCollom – He is expecting a late March start on the Watermain project, with 30 days before the first payment is due. Hileman is dealing with Scott Shannon out of Morris regarding CD information who said all indications are that there would be no penalty although he did not get a definite "yes" or "no," in the event he needs to cash in a CD. Casey indicated a completion date around July 1 to 15, depending on weather related delays, with a maximum of 60 days construction time. Casey to get the Quinlan easement agreement signed, and Hileman will handle the Holt agreement.

Clerk Malinowski – Nothing to report.

Mayor Serena – He has received a thank you note from Shirley McFarland for the well-being check during the recent extreme weather. He mentioned that Brad had gone and checked on several senior citizens, shoveled walks and picked up mail for some of them, and he thanked him. Maintenance did a good job with keeping up with the streets.

As there was no further business brought before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Jensen, second by Riley. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Hileman, Riley, Wolf, Jensen, and Mayor Serena. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

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Pat Malinowski, Clerk