VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
April 8, 2019

Monday, April 8, 2019, 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. Comm. Terry Jensen, Mayor Mike Serena, and Village Attorney Scott Belt were absent. Village Engineer Casey McCollom was present. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of March 25, 2019 were presented. Comm. Riley made motion to approve the minutes as printed, second by Wolf. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Riley, Wolf, Mayor Pro Tem Hileman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A list of current bills was presented. Comm. Wolf moved to approve the payment of the bills, second by Riley. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Riley, Wolf, Mayor Pro Tem Hileman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for the month of March was presented. Comm. Riley made motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as printed, second by Wolf. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Riley, Wolf, Mayor Pro Tem Hileman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comments – No public comments were offered.

Agenda – There were no agenda items.

Unfinished Business: No unfinished business was presented.

Reports –

Atty. Belt – Absent

Comm. Jensen – Absent

Comm. Riley – Presented copies of letters he sent today regarding property concerns. Also, he has ordered three flats of pink petunias for the downtown planters.

Comm. Wolf – A decision needs to be made whether to build a new water tower or perform maintenance on the present one. Also, Brandt hopes to finish the water line on Friday.

Casey McCollom – Some seeding needs to be done on the 2018 project and will probably be done on the 2019 project all at the same time. The ground is too wet to fix anything now; they will give it some time to settle and hope to get seeding done by June. The new watermain passed the first test and they are awaiting the results of the second to be able to start using the new lines.

Clerk Malinowski – Nothing to report.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hileman: We have been having some issues with online banking with First Midwest Bank. Presently access is limited to signatories on the account. The minutes will reflect that he has received verbal approval from Board members Comm. Riley and Comm. Wolf to proceed with granting access to online accounts to allow the Treasurer to complete monthly reporting.

A firm from Pontiac is in for maintenance work at the water plant on the salt reservoir, from which the water softeners pull. This will result in some hard water for residents for a week to a week-and-a-half. The water softeners were done the year before last at a cost of around $80,000.

During the election some residents expressed concern that the Village has too much money in the bank, but there are some future projects in the works. Once we complete the 2019 water project, we will be pretty much done with the water. When the storm sewer project is finished, there will be some more to do but not much. In the next two or three years we could look to a new water tower which would cost around $1 million and hope we could pay cash for that. When

appropriations are done this year we will to have to increase for police protection, and add funding for sidewalks and removing dead trees.

As there was no further business brought before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Riley, second by Jensen. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Riley, Wolf, Mayor Pro Tem Hileman. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

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Pat Malinowski, Clerk