VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
January 9, 2023

Monday, January 9, 2023, 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 Rob Wolf, Tim Hill, Dick Hileman, Erik Smith, and Mayor Mike Serena. Village Engineer Casey McCollom was also present. Village Attorney Bryan Wellner was absent. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of December 12, 2022, were presented. Comm. Hileman made motion to approve the minutes as printed, second by Hill. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Wolf, Hill, Hileman, Mayor Serena. Nays: None. Pass: Smith. Motion passed.

A list of current bills was presented. Comm. Hileman moved to approve payment of the bills as printed, second by Hill. Roll call – Ayes: Comm Wolf, Hill, Hileman, Smith, Mayor Serena. Nays – None. Motion passed.

The Treasurer's Reports for the months of November and December were presented. Comm. Hileman made motion to accept the Treasurer's Reports as printed, second by Wolf. Roll call – Ayes: Comm. Wolf, Hill, Hileman, Smith, Mayor Serena. Nays – None. Motion passed.

Public Comments – No public comments were presented

Unfinished Business – Mayor Serena gave an update on the street lights for South Jackson Street from ComEd. The design is done and it is waiting to be checked. If there are no corrections it will go to planning and will take six to eight weeks for execution once it has been planned. Once it is approved, we will receive a definitive date of installation.

On the Depot Street donation, our attorney will contact the property owner's attorney to take care of legal issues.

Agenda

Eric Fosnaugh, Chairman of Planning & Zoning Board, addressed the Board at the December 12 meeting, requesting an increase in compensation for P & Z Board. The item was tabled at the time for the Board to review the request. Comm. Hileman made motion, second by Hill to grant an increase from $25 to $50 per meeting attended. Roll call – Ayes: Comm Wolf, Hill, Hileman, Smith, Mayor Serena. Nays – None. Motion passed

Reports

Attorney Bryan Wellner – Absent

Comm. Hileman – Maintenance will start painting the pipes at the water plant, and then will work on painting the wet well that goes down to the pumps at the sewer plant.

Comm. Smith – Asked about painting street lines, McCollom responded that it will be done in spring.

Comm. Hill – Nothing to report

Comm. Wolf – Asked about Sheriff's reports. We receive them monthly in the office. The contract is five years.

Casey McCollom – If there are any street projects, we need to start putting bids together, the earlier the better. Working on getting representatives of IDOT and the railroad to commit to a date to have a quiet zone meeting.

Clerk Malinowski – Nothing to report

Mayor Serena – Winners of the outdoor decorating contest were: 1st place – Carpenter family; 2nd place – Pourchot family; 3rd place – Airgood family.

As there was no further business brought before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Wolf, second by Hileman. Roll call – Ayes: Comm Wolf, Hill, Hileman, Smith, Mayor Serena. Nays – None. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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Pat Malinowski, Clerk