The regular meeting of the Gardner Village Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Monday, August 13, 2007 in the Village Hall Council Chambers with the following members present: Comms. Cox, Serena, and Mayor Wise (Comms. Hileman and Gerrish were absent). (*Also in attendance: Barb Bexson/Clerk, Guy Christensen/Engineer)* All then stood for reciting of The Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the July 30, 2007 meeting were tabled.

Accepted were:

Listing of Bills (current) motion Serena/second Cox roll vote: ayes 3, nays 0

AGENDA

Mayor Wise informed that Mr. Kraus, the cable provider for the Village. will not be present for discussion on cable service and the franchise agreement.

Comm. Serena

Commented that this year's Gardner Days Festival was very nice but was disappointed that attendance was low.

Heard from Tom Perkins (511 N Elm St.) that his garage is now complete and that he is ready for alley work to be done and told he would check into this further.

Comm. Cox

Building Committee: reported they met on August 2 and brought up the need for code codification and asked again for clarification of the status of the inspectors (employees vs. independent contractors) as there are concerns with liability. Told that Dave Zazworsky is named chairperson; Randy Wilkey, secretary. Next meeting is scheduled for August 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Beautification Committee: will meet every Wednesday in August. The intent is to work on cleanup, noting that some things had been done prior to Gardner Days. Committee is also looking into ways to help residents with property cleanup work and a white goods pick-up program.

Engineer Guy Christensen

Told that the contractor and certificate of insurance are in place for the watertower repair project; contractor (Jetco) intends to setup within a few days and believes the project to take about three (3) weeks to complete. Will speak with maintenance employee Steve Baker as the tower needs to be drained for this job. As the Village is looking to a different type lettering for the tower, the contractor will provide information for review.

Informed the MFT street maintenance project contracts are executed and will be submitted to IDOT. At this time, there is no schedule for start of this job but feels it should be within the next few weeks.

Told he spoke with Stott Contracting who intends to begin the watermain replacement job in about two (2) weeks.

On the railroad ditch maintenance, Mug-a-Bug did spraying today; reminded this is the second year on this contract.

Mayor Wise

Proclaimed September 21-23 as *Helping Citizens With Developmental Disabilities Days* in the Village and told that along with this, the Braidwood Knights of Columbus will be soliciting donations for their annual Tootsie Roll Days. He asked residents to assist if they can.

As there was no further business brought before the Council, a motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. was made by Comm. Cox, seconded by Comm. Serena, with unanimous roll vote of those present

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Barbara S. Bexson, Clerk
Village of Gardner