Monday, March 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., Mayor Tom Wise called to order the regular meeting of the Gardner Village Board in the Village Hall Council Chambers. Roll call-Commissioners: Rob Wolf, Terry Jensen, Dick Hileman and Mike Serena. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of March 10, 2014 were presented. Comm. Hileman made motion to approve the minutes as written second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Hileman, Jensen, Wolf and Wise. Pass: Serena Nays: none. Motion carried.

The current bills for March 24, 2014 were presented. Comm. Hileman moved to approve the payment of the bills second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Wolf, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments – Linda Tyler approached the board regarding purchasing additional cabinets for the archives committee. A short discussion followed about the new cabinets and possible placement. Ida Schopp asked the board for permission to use the gazebo for a rock a thon during red carpet corridor. Comm. Hileman made motion for the use of the gazebo during red carpet corridor second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Wolf, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried. Mrs. Schopp also asked that the archives be open from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm during red carpet corridor. Comm. Hileman made motion for the archives to be open May 3rd and 4th second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Wolf, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried. Tom Perkins explained the coins he presented to Mayor Wise and informed the board that the boy scouts will be set up by the jail during red carpet corridor. Pat Malinowski requested the use of the diner car to sell root beer floats, coffee and donuts. Comm. Hileman made motion to allow the use of the diner car during red carpet corridor second by Jensen. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Wolf, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried. Mr. Goedert informed the board that the woman handling his loan request is on vacation but hopefully everything is settled now. Comm. Hileman reminded him that Atty. Belt had written a letter in response to her question and there isn't much else the village can do.

Agenda – Devan Gagliardo from the Grundy County Health department presented a flyer and explained the growing problem within the county with hording. Ms. Gagliardo also informed the board about the working session held in November of 2013, the senior support group and the new task force.
Comm. Serena questioned if the quote received from Guy Christensen included the widening of Pine Street by two feet to the west. Following discussion which included grinding and widening the street Comm. Hileman made motion to spend motor fuel tax funds to resurface Pine Street second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Wolf, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business – Bob McGuinn with Tree Care Experts proposed that he would cut down trees for the village free of charge. Comm. Wolf stated that if any work is done it would need to be done in a timely manner. Comm. Jensen questioned whose insurance is liable if someone is hurt while donating services. Mr. McGuinn told the board that a certificate of insurance would be provided. Atty. Nolden recommended that Mr. McGuinn obtain a letter from his insurance company stating that he is covered regardless if he is volunteering or working under contract. Mr. McGuinn questioned if Comm. Serena heard the statement made by Comm. Jensen following a previous meeting. Comm. Serena informed him that he didn't.

Atty. Belt – Atty. Nolden had no report.

Comm. Hileman – had no report

Comm. Jensen – had no report.

Comm. Serena – reported that even though he wasn't in town during the last snow the maintenance personnel did a good job. Linda Tyler thanked them for placing cold patch at the alley by the senior housing.

Comm. Wolf – had no report.

Engineer Christensen – was not present.

Clerk Pasternak – reported to the board that a thank you letter was received from the high school for the prom lock in donation.

Mayor Wise – Thanked Mr. Perkins for the coins.

At 7:28 p.m. Comm. Serena made motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussion on the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body pursuant to Section (2)(c)(1) of the Open Meetings second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Hileman, Serena, Wolf and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried

At 8:08 p.m. Comm. Serena made motion to reconvene, second by Hileman. Roll call-ayes: Serena, Hileman, Jensen, Wolf and Wise. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Comm. Hileman made motion that Drew Vickers is no longer on probation and is now a full employee second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Hileman, Serena, Wolf and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried

As there was no further business brought before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Hileman seconded by Comm. Wolf, all signified by saying aye. No one opposed. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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Becky L. Pasternak, Clerk
Village of Gardner