Monday, May 12, 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: Terry Jensen, Dick Hileman and Mike Serena. Also in attendance were Atty. Brad Nolden and Guy Christensen with Chamlin and Assoc. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of April 28 and May 5, 2014 were presented. Comm. Hileman made motion to approve the minutes as written second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Jensen, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The financial report for the month of April was presented Comm. Serena made motion to approve the financial report second by Jensen. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The current bills for May 12, 2014 were presented. Comm. Jensen moved to approve the payment of the bills second by Serena. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments – Craig Parks addressed the board requesting additional time to complete the bathroom at All About You flea market. Mr. Parks explained that there have been problems finding the B boxes and sewer lines and it has now come to his attention that a licensed plumber will be needed to install the RPZ. Brad Kingma informed Mr. Parks that he will need to obtain a water meter from the village and that a licensed plumber must do the installation. Discussion was held regarding the tap on, inspections, the amount of work needed to complete the bathroom and when Mr. Parks felt the job would be complete. Following discussion Comm. Serena stated that against his better judgment he will give him an additional week. Comm. Serena made motion to allow the flea market to remain open until May 22, 2014, if the bathroom is not complete then they will be closed until it is complete second by Mayor Wise. Roll call Ayes: Serena and Wise. Nays: Jensen and Hileman. Motion failed, the flea market is closed until the bathroom is complete. Mrs. Parks questioned the board about being able to keep the location across the street open due to a food vendor coming this weekend. Mrs. Parks was questioned about whether or not the vendor had obtained a permit from Grundy County, she told the board that they had gotten the necessary permit.
Grundy County police officer Josh Slattery explained the calls handled in April and asked if the village had any additional issues that needed to be addressed. Comm. Jensen requested that additional patrols be placed at Jackson and Main due to the troubles with motorists running the stop signs.
Jake Olson addressed the board on the TIF issues with the high school. Mr. Olson expressed his views on the pending litigation stating that he feels it has gone on long enough and that more than enough money has been spent.

Agenda – Drew Vickers explained his ideas for a bean bag tournament and asked for approval to close part of the Liberty Street parking lot. Mr. Olson informed him that if he put the word out he would probably be able get boxes donated for the day saving him the expense of buying or making additional boxes. Comm. Serena made motion to allow the use of the parking lot second by Hileman. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Hileman and Wise. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business – None.

Atty. Belt – Atty. Nolden presented a draft ordinance amending the parking of trailers, mobile homes and boats within Gardner. Comm. Hileman asked that the ordinance contain wording stating that the camper, trailer and or boat must be owned by the resident where it is parked.

Comm. Hileman – reported that following a letter being sent to O'Hare towing it is has been clean up a little but now letters need to be sent for lawns. Mayor Wise said he would drive around with Comm. Hileman to compile a list.

Comm. Jensen – reported on the recent trouble at the water plant and thanked the maintenance personnel for getting it taken care of so quickly. Comm. Jensen suggested to Brad Kingma that if possible Chris Cook put in an additional alarm so they are notified sooner that the tower is draining. Brad informed him that updates to the system are be put in place.

Comm. Serena – had no report.

Comm. Wolf – was absent.

Engineer Christensen – explained that things are in place for the May 28, 2014 bid letting of the MFT Pine street project. Mr. Christensen also reported that the finish date for the water main project is August 19, 2014.

Clerk Pasternak – had no report.

Mayor Wise – had no report.

As there was no further business brought before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Serena seconded by Comm. Jensen, all signified by saying aye. No one opposed. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Becky L. Pasternak, Clerk
Village of Gardner