January 26, 2015

Monday, January 26, 2015 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: Rob Wolf, Terry Jensen and Mike Serena. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of January 12, 2015 were presented. Comm. Jensen made motion to approve the minutes as printed second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Jensen, Serena, Wolf and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The current bills for January 26, 2015 were presented. Serena moved to approve the payment of the bills second by Wolf. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments – Mrs. Ida Schopp addressed the board regarding signs that she has created and would like to hang in the village hall.

Agenda – Mayor Pro-tem Hileman presented a quote for a new scoreboard to be used by the summer little league. The price for the scoreboard is $3,235.02 this does not include installation. Discussion followed regarding additional donations that have been requested which included prom lock in and the advertising banner at the high school baseball field. Mayor Pro-tem Hileman explained the different donations that have been given to the schools over the past years and the monies collected from video gaming which is what the village now uses for donations.

Unfinished Business – None.

Atty. Belt – absent.

Comm. Jensen – had no report.

Comm. Serena – discussion was held regarding the Grundy County transit advertising signs. Comm. Serena explained that the signs are 75" x 18" but the village could go with 75" x 12" to enable businesses to advertise at the bottom for $50 per spot to help offset the cost of $1,700 per year. Comm. Wolf made motion to proceed with the transit advertising signs second by Jensen. Roll call-Ayes: Serena, Wolf, Jensen and Hileman. Nays: none. Motion carried. Thanked maintenance personnel for doing a good job with the roads.

Comm. Wolf – had no report.

Engineer Christensen – absent.

Clerk Pasternak – had no report.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hileman – Reported on the status of the Bike Shop at Crystal's Creation. Village personnel will now handle copies for residents differently due to an incident that occurred where a picture was taken of a document without permission. Residents will now be asked to leave their documents and come back for them later. Mayor Pro-Tem Hileman read the resignation of Village Clerk Becky Pasternak effective February 6, 2015 and informed the board that Clerk Pasternak has issued a check reimbursing the village for her notary bond. Mayor Pro-Tem Hileman commented that he isn't going behind anyone's back but he has received a call from the fire district asking for an advance of TIF funds. Mayor Pro-Tem Hileman is glad that the village is in a position to help as having an ambulance is important to the residents of Gardner but no decision has been made yet.

As there was no further business brought before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Comm. Serena seconded by Comm. Wolf, all signified by saying aye. No one opposed. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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Becky L. Pasternak, Clerk
Village of Gardner