

## GENERAL REPORT

August 23, 2016

1. Scott Rogers has resigned his position on the Tourism Advisory Board and has asked to be appointed to the Garnett Community Foundation Advisory Board. There is an opening at the present time. If you have any questions for Scott, he plans to attend the meeting to talk about GAPP.
2. Clarence Hermann will attend the meeting for the signing of the Proclamation declaring September 16, 2016 as National POW/MIA Recognition Day.
3. Consideration of Resolution 8/9/16-1 and the Memorandum of Extension of Interlocal Agreement were both tabled at the August 9<sup>th</sup> commission meeting. The school district approved both documents at their last meeting. Terry needs to prepare a memorandum of extension agreement for the county to sign so they can continue participating at their current level.
4. The trash truck was received on Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. Payment has been sent and we are waiting to receive the title so it can be properly tagged and put into service.
5. I talked to City Code Financial and they are estimating it will be at least another two (2) weeks before they are ready to talk with Terry and me to begin revising our code book. I told them to take their time because of budget preparation. Apparently they have experienced some problems when scanning the older pages in our book.
6. Cleaning of the sewer line along Maple Street is done and it is time for the insituform process to be started. The company plans to be here to set up and start working between the dates of August 23-25 to complete the first seven (7) segments of the job. The remaining two (2) segments will be done the next week. Of course, this is subject to change depending on the weather. Jay plans to be here to coordinate this project.
7. Work on the north lake road is progressing. Farrel is being very careful to properly pad the large culvert pipes in hopes that very little settling will occur. I told him we will address this issue if that happens. This is a much bigger project than originally anticipated. Because of the possibility of heavy rain tonight (Friday) they have pulled the tube out and will wait until Monday to begin the final installation. Farrel is concerned that the north side of the road might cave in on the pipe; something we don't want to happen. Several departments will be able to help next week so this should go faster than it has this week.

8. The city is the recipient of a very sizeable donation to the Avenue of Flags in memory of Mary Lou Brinkmeyer. These donations came from the family in addition to memorial donations made in her name. A letter of thanks has been sent to the family. We recently purchased the remaining flags that were needed to replace ones damaged over years of being flown during the Memorial Day Holiday week-end.

9. We have one budget workshop behind us and another one planned after this meeting. Even though we may want to meet one more time after Tuesday night, hopefully you can authorize the maximums so we can meet the newspaper's publication deadline.

10. Two (2) community activities the city employees participate in are Meals on Wheels and Harvesters. The last time I did the meals, a lady told me how much she enjoyed seeing the commissioners last year. Two (2) employees do meals every Thursday. If there is ever a time a commissioner would like to go with us, please let me know.

Harvesters is the last Thursday of the month starting at 4:00 p.m. either at the community building or the Quonset hut. They always need help distributing food so mark this date on your calendars as well.

11. Killough has been milling and asphaltting several streets this week. We have run into problems with the repair of Prairie Plaza Street that runs on the south side of the Garnett Inn & Suites. Semi-trucks are using this street to gain access to the highway and have damaged it to the point where the original estimate will not come close to repairing it. Killough will give us a new estimate so a decision can be made as to what the commission wants to do. This is another street that was constructed without a proper base and the weight of the large trucks has pushed the asphalt into piles that will need to be removed before any resurfacing is done. I have also asked for a bid to install a new base then overlay. Please look at this road if you have time. You may want to consider designating this street as a no truck route.

12. We have received a preliminary engineering report on construction of a new water treatment plant. You might recall that Jim and I made the decision to change to another engineering firm because we weren't satisfied with the direction the other company was going. There have been survey crews in town this week, surveying the South Lake property.

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