



## **City Manager's Report**

January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

Honorable Mayor Gwin and City Commissioners Brecheisen-Huss and Cole,

I hope you were able to enjoy the beautiful snow-covered community over the past week. We received significantly more snow than we were anticipating, but I think our staff handled the situation extremely well getting our streets cleared and the power outage restored as quickly as possible. The current weather forecast looks as if we may have slightly more snow along with extremely cold temperatures this upcoming weekend as well. Over the past couple of weeks I have been having a lot of conversations with our Department Directors regarding the past year and planning for 2019 and beyond. Additionally, I participated in various meetings as usual including a meeting with the Garnett Country Club Board of Directors regarding some challenging tree issues they are encountering, a meeting with Jody Troyer of Troyer's Prairie Gold at their new event center on the south side of town, a meeting with multiple community members regarding our operations at the Recreation Center, the Airport Board, a property and liability insurance consultant, among others. I've also been working with the State on our water plant loan, assisting with the development of an economic indicator report that Director of Economic Development Turnipseed is putting together, and worked with department directors on planned equipment purchases for this year. We are still awaiting a finalized proposal from KMGA on the Gas Purchasing Agreement that was presented at the last meeting.

This meeting's agenda has a lot of familiar topics again starting with the proposal for a left hand turn signal at the intersection of maple and park road. The second item is our annual agreement with the Kansas City Karters Association. Item C is consideration of the Charter Ordinance setting the structure of a five-member City Commission. City Attorney Solander is still

working on it as of Friday afternoon. If he gets it completed prior to the meeting, I will send it out for your review as soon as possible. Otherwise, we'll have to table it obviously. Item D is an ordinance adopting the 2018 building codes as you have indicated a desire to do. Items E and F are appointments to the Airport Advisory Board. Mr. Schettler and Brummel have indicated a willingness to continue to serve and Mr. Reeder has expressed interest in one of our two vacant positions on the Board. The airport board vacancies have been publicized as requested for months and we are pleased to have Mr. Reeder step forward with his interest. Given the difficulty in finding interested individuals to serve, as well as the tremendous asset that Mr. Schettler and Brummel are to the Board, I recommend their reappointment and the appointment of Mr. Reeder. The bills and payroll this past cycle total \$212,019.20.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions and I appreciate the opportunity to serve you and Garnett as your City Manager.

Sincerely,

Christopher T. Weiner, City Manager