

## City Manager's Report

August 25th, 2020

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

The cooler weather has provided a nice reprieve from the hot summer weather in June and July. I have been working at the water plant with Water Plant Foreman Brian Dykes, learning the processes and requirements of daily operation. We have two new employees joining us at the Housing Authority, Jason Sumner and Michael Costa. Both of these gentlemen show great potential and we are happy to have them on board! I have been working with a local contractor to get estimates on repairing the rock pedestals and other stone infrastructure around the north end of the North lake.

I would really like to complete the review of the municipal code book within the next couple of months. Mayor Brecheisen-Huss has expressed that she would like to complete this before her departure in December. If each of you could please provide me the times and dates that work best for you, I will schedule the meetings (we can certainly do them via Zoom if that would be easier). We are planning to move the Celebration of Service to six (6) p.m. and the band concert to seven (7) p.m. on the Saturday of Labor Day weekend, September 5<sup>th</sup>. We will shoot off the Libertyfest fireworks shortly after sunset, presumably around 8:10-8:15. Please let me know if you will be willing to participate with either reading names for the Celebration of Service or with volunteering at the gate entrance to collect donations to fund Libertyfest.

I will unfortunately be unable to attend this Commission meeting in person as I will be in McPherson for a retreat as a member of the Kansas Municipal Utilities (KMU) Strategic Planning Task Force. I plan to still join the meeting via Zoom as I did our last meeting. Our agenda for this meeting is particularly light, as the only action item other than the bills and payroll (in the amount of \$183,383.80) is an application from Julie Smith to join the Garnett Community Foundation Board of Directors — we currently have one vacancy on the Board. Continued safety and health to all your families. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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