

City Manager's Report

July 10th, 2018

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

I would like to thank everyone who came out to Libertyfest and supported the event. I would like to give a special thanks to Mayor Cole and her family, Commissioner Gwin, Police Officer Robert Donovan, new Chamber Director Kris Hix, Jim and Myers, and Randy and Terry Singer, who all graciously donated their time to collect donations at Libertyfest to help us put on next year's show. It is because of people like them and like everyone in attendance who donated, that make community events like Libertyfest possible. Bob Mills and I attended a valuable workshop on Parallel Generation for customer owned electrical generation (solar panels for instance) this past week, I attended the regional economic development meeting in Fort Scott, and have spent considerable time continuing to work on the budget conversion process. We are finalizing our grant paperwork for the Airport Master Plan update and have received our compliance letter from the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) with no out-of-compliance issues. I would like to commend our Gas and Water staff for their efforts in conducting their operations in a fashion which is safe, effective, and up-to-code (as this is no small task). We have a short week this week with the Fourth of July being a City recognized holiday.

This meeting's agenda is fairly light with only a few items: Item A is Ordinance 4196 relaxing the living requirements for Planning Commission Board Members. This ordinance was tabled last meeting and the requested modifications have been made, so it is ready for your approval if you still wish to do so. Item B is to set a date and time for a workshop to discuss the 2019 budget. Item C is the consideration of the bills and payroll in the amount of \$191,718.63.

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This month's Employee of the Month is Power Plant Maintenance Manager Joe Owens.

In the absence of Director Mills, Mr. Owens stepped up and kept the plant going as normal. Joe

oversaw the completion of the year-long project overhauling our number three engine and

started the rebuilding of the directional airplane from the airport. Mr. Owens always has a

positive attitude and works to improve himself and the City.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions and I appreciate the opportunity

to serve you and this wonderful community as your City Manager.

Sincerely,

Christopher J. Weiner

Christopher T. Weiner, City Manager