



Small, Serene, Simply Garnett.

December 3, 2018

City Hall Report

The billing department has been suffering from some illness which has left them in need of help. A big Thank You to Susan and Travis for coming to our aide by proofing the utility journals so that the bills could go out on time. Also, thanks to Julie, Kris, Susan and Travis for making sure all the bills were separated and ready to mail.

Human Resource office continues to be busy processing new hire files and employee exit paperwork. Chris and I met with CBIZ today to discuss our health insurance options for 2019.

Sincerely,

Nancy Hermreck
Interim City Clerk

Community Development Departmental Reports for December 11, 2018

**Airport Report
Garnett Industrial Airport
November 2018
Gary Ecclefield – Manager**

1. Completed November Report
2. Fuel Transactions and Invoices.
3. Sent Weather Data to the National Weather Service.
4. Changed lock on fuel tank at Airport shop.
5. Gas and Water dept. adjusted water hydrant at City Hangar. (leaking)
6. Winterized rain gauge and hydrants and put snow board out.
7. LGGR Autocross event at Airport was a success in spite of the cold weather.
8. NOTAM filed for Auto cross. (notice to airmen)
9. Received first measurable snowfall of 1.7 inches on the 8th.
10. Overhead heaters checked in City Hangar. We got two of the four working. Wolken Heating and Cooling to look at the other two. They need parts to repair.
11. Made calls to Syntech, Buypass, and Digital Financial Group pertaining to the monthly charges for processing our credit card fuel sales.
12. Emailed Syntech department to get list of other companies who process credit card sales.
13. Feuerborns harvested the soybean crop at the Airport.
14. Total moisture received for the month of November including snow melt was 0.92 inches total snow received was 5.5 inches.

Flight Activity

1. Currency flights and biannual flight review.
2. Several cross country flights made by local pilots including myself.
3. Flight activity and fuel sales were slow due to a lot of weather activity this month.

Projects

1. City Hangar and Airport Shop roofs need replaced.
2. Pave Fueling ramp.
3. Heights and Hazards review.
4. Pursue Master Plan.



November 2018

Economic Development Directors Report

- Continued to visit local business in Garnett and Anderson County
- Met with Anderson County Hospital CEO, Rich McKain
- Continued to attend Anderson county City Council meetings
- Met with Greg VanWey and Barbara Anderson to plan Strategic Planning meeting for ACDA Advisory Board
- Attend Neosho Community College Welding Board Meeting
- Continued to work on Anderson County Economic Indicators Report
- Attended K-State Grant Writing Workshop in Humboldt, KS
- Worked with Chamber of Commerce on Shop Small Business Saturday
- Attended Roger Brooks, DDA Webinar
- Facilitated ACDA Strategic Planning meeting
- Hosted three Economic Development Directors in Garnett for a networking meeting
- Organized and implemented an Anderson County Mayor's meeting
- Attended County Commissioners Meeting
- Worked on submittal for Rural Opportunity Zone with City Manager and Director of Community Development
- Attended Economic Development 101 in Mound City, KS
- Continued to update LOIS Property Search
- Worked on Land in Kansas, Department of Agriculture, Strategic Growth Initiative
- Attended Garnett City Commission Meetings
- Held second meeting for local business owners Morning Mingle along with Garnett Chamber of Commerce and Tourism
- Submitted prospect request proposals for former Taylor Forge property.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

December 3, 2018

GARNETT AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Membership-Invoices for 2019 Membership sent. Membership drive has begun, and currently have 2, possibly 3 to join. Current member count is 93.

Assisting with TownTalk as needed. Learning more about spreadsheets, record keeping, and deadlines. Also continuing to design flyers for various events and groups, as well as promoting those events. Susan is teaching all areas of local events-planning, promoting, financing, recruiting volunteers, and all the work that goes into these events, as well as after the event is finished.

Assisted with LGGPR. Was an excellent event in spite of the cold temperatures.

Christmas Parade was a success! 50 entries-Thank you to all who participated, and all the volunteers who helped make this happen.

Morning Mingle meetings continue. Developing relationships with business owners to see what their needs are, and how we can assist.

Weekly eblasts continue, as well as Chiefs promotion on tickets, which was continued into December. Promoting Chamber Bucks, as well as local holiday sales events.

Monthly duties continue: keeping bank accounts current, social media active, visiting businesses to meet their needs, assisting as necessary in City Hall.

Attended grant writing workshop with Susan and Julie. Learned valuable information about how to obtain a grant, as well as where to find grants, and determining which are suitable for different purposes.

Preparing for the January banquet which will be held on January 24, 2019.

Attended Tourism Board, and Chamber Board meetings, as well as City Commission.

City of Garnett
Office of Building and Zoning
Gary Giczewski, City Inspector

12/04/18

RE: Activity Report

- Zoning Appeals
 - Anderson County Hospital (St. Luke's) requesting a Variance to two (2) properties they are wishing to purchase to the south of the existing facility for future parking use. This to be presented to the Planning Commissioners at December 18th, 2018 meeting for a vote after all paperwork and public announcement is completed.

- ISO / Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS) classification
 - Awaiting Ordinance information from the City Attorney regarding adoption of the 2018 edition of the ICC Performance Codes for Buildings and Facilities, to be presented to the ISO for review and evaluation to update our (City's) BCEGS classification.

- Inspections & Plan Review
 - Performing inspections and reviews as needed by contractors
 - Observing properties for City Code violations and working with residences to help get them back into compliance when their properties start getting out of hand.

NUISANCE REPORTS

12/4/2018

I visited with Mike McDonald about his property in the 100 block of East 6th. He reports a sale is pending.

Spoke with business owners in the 100 block of East 4th concerning the brush and vines. One has complied so far.

Began on the south end of the city looking for nuisance and grass/ brush violations. Observed 14 violations and even today have not served all the notices. Those who will not answer the door will be sent notices.

Will continue to work north and get at least to 3rd street this month.

Parks/Recreation/Cemetery

Monthly Report

December 5, 2018

November has thrown us a few curveballs to start the month. We had to help prepare for the makeup date for the Grand Prix. Which included opening a bathroom or two after the initial winterization and making sure we had everything else around the lake in line for their event. After the Grand Prix the guys made sure all the bathrooms were winterized for the season and locked until spring. They were also out doing maintenance on the playground equipment fixing any hazards from the use over the summer. This included replacing chains on swings, seats and other miscellaneous items in the parks. They have also been out around the lakes checking the docks and walkways and replacing any boards that may be dangerous to walk on.

They have started the winter maintenance on the equipment as well. They have brought in some of the mowers and leveled decks sharpened blades changed oil and other tasks to winterize them and prepare them for use next spring. They will do this for all the mowers, tractors, and other equipment that we use regularly during the summer months.

Winter is the time we break out the chain saws and trim brush around the parks and lakes. We started at the spillway at the north lake and should finish that up this week and have also done work at the reservoir in preparation for the inspection that will be occurring soon. They should have both sides of the dam cleared and they will see what the inspector wants to do with some of the washing at the reservoir that happened during the heavy rains late summer and early fall. We will continue to trim brush around the lakes to give the fisherman more shoreline access over the winter.

Basketball season is upon us. We have started the first and second grade program and the third thru sixth grade will start practices this month. We had a very good turnout for the league this year and I am looking forward to a great season.

The recreation center is now 24 hours. We started issuing cards to our members at the first of November and have had a great success with people joining. We have worked through a few glitches at first but I think things are going great. We have seen an increase in our memberships and more and more people are getting online to register for programs and become members. We have changed our hours at the recreation center to give our workers out there a little break. We have been short handed out there since one of our employees retired earlier this year. I think going 24 hours will generate more revenue for the recreation center while we will be able to cut costs on employee hours and other items. Overall I think that it has been a success for us.

We have had our second trout delivery of the season on November 26th. There will be one more delivery before the season is over. I have not had the opportunity to speak with any of the fisherman to see if they are catching any trout, but at the same time I have not heard them complaining about not catching any either. I am going to take this as no news is good news.

Since winter is a "slower" time for parks and recreation I will take this time and start evaluating the programs we offer to look at their cost efficiency. It has not been done since I started so I think it is due time for this to get done. First of which will be the recreation center and the programs out there. Now that we are 24 hours we must make sure that we are doing all we can to be self-sufficient. It will be interesting to see how our programs rate when it comes to paying for themselves. We always try to keep our programs affordable so every child has a chance to participate. In the same breath we are always trying to improve our facilities and

equipment to keep up with the times. This evaluation will be a great tool to help us keep up with both of these things.

If you have any questions about the parks or the things that we are doing do not hesitate to ask.

Thanks

Phil Bures

Parks and Recreation Director

Community Development and Tourism

You would think that December is a month that things would wind down, but in all actuality, they ramp up at City Hall. Year-end tasks are much more extensive and time consuming than the public can imagine. Community Development is no exception. We must start 2019 before it gets here, or we end up running way behind. Working on our projected special events calendar and the number of events we take on ourselves requires a considerable amount of planning, hours of developing, and implementing promotion that for most would not imagine. With that said, I am very proud of my Administrative Assistant, Kris Hix, in her growth as an admin and director for the Chamber of Commerce. Her mindset and skill set continue toward a positive, creative working environment that is proving dividends to both entities.

I could go on and on about how all department heads within the realm of Community Development are gaining confidence and a new sense of accomplishment as the move toward taking ownership of their department and budget, and less dependency on micromanagement. I am proud of the people I work with and working with them is what motivates me every day; knowing while we have a long way to go, we are all are moving forward and in the right direction.

I have been given the task of trying to move my departments in getting more done. Rather than take the easier, negative approach in a demanding and criticizing way, I am taking the perspective of gathering my team and collaborating and set goals. I believe in leading by example, mentoring leadership and other skills, encouraging each other to be better each day, to get our departments to help each other and motivate each other is proving to be a better plan. This is proving to be a successful, positive step thus far in making this city a place everyone wants to be a part of. Pointing out what they are not doing, picking on their flaws, demanding sometimes unrealistic expectations is not how anyone wants to be treated. Inspiring people to look forward to coming to work and do their best, I believe, is in the best interest of the future of our organization and community. Therefore, I hosted a Community Development departmental meeting last Monday. These meetings will be held the first Monday of each month. This networking will help address key issues all departments are dealing with, but also collectively develop plans to keep this city moving forward. I will attach the agenda and the subsequent notes of the first meeting we had. I have had many compliments from every department head in attendance on how much they appreciated gathering together to learn how they do interconnect with one another's job.

Community Development is working on *Town Talk* and as tourism also, we are working on new brochure designs for 2019, and a theme to seek grant funding for a large community advertising campaign. All a part of our strategic plans, goals and objectives. We are working with organizations to encourage new ideas and ways to start new special events, tackle facility improvements, and to maximize the use of transient guest tax funds and bring in more visitors. This year, only half of the budgeted funds were utilized, and of those funds the ROI needs to be re-evaluated. Agreements for many of the 2019 special events will be coming forth to the City Commission for approval.

The design work will be in process soon for a new city flag. Thank you is due to Mr. Eddie Gruver for bringing this project to the City Commission, and to Reva Pracht at GES, who encouraged local elementary students to submit entries. The winning concept came from that effort.

Efforts are really being made to strategically put Garnett in a favorable situation economic development wise, both locally and statewide. Kudos to the city and county commissions for going full-time with economic development.

There was recently a situation at city hall where there were a couple of medical issues that prompted Nancy Hermreck, Travis Wilson, and me, to come out from our offices and come to the aid of the utility billing department. With Nancy's expertise in the City's software programming, and our collective knowledge and past years' experience in the utility billing department, the month end utility billing process and the subsequent mailing of bills went without a hitch. I have to say it was refreshing and with a sense of pride that I was given the opportunity to ensure that these co-workers could be absent to take care of their medical situations without worry. I am proud of Travis' ability to dive into a crash course in checking journals, and proud of the job we all did together to try and fill the shoes of our fellow city staff. While this is just one example of day-to-day operations that no one really needs to be made aware of, I wanted to share how blessed we are to have the opportunity to serve our citizens and community, and I don't take for granted what those girls do in the utility billing department.

Lastly, kudos to "cleaning lady" Betty Jasper, who decorates City Hall and takes care of our "Mayor's Caring is Sharing" donation box and ECKAN Angel Tree. Betty is always there to lend a hand and help.

Wishing the Commission, citizens and visitors of Garnett a Merry Christmas!

Susan Wettstein
Director of Community Development

Community Development Team Meeting
 Monday, December 3, 2018
 10:00 a.m.



- I. Roll Call
- II. What's your goals for December and What's going on.
 - a. Airport
 - b. Code Enforcement
 - c. Planning and Zoning
 - d. Parks and Recreation
 - e. Economic Development
 - f. Admin/Chamber
 - g. Tourism
- III. What do you need help with?
 - a. Airport
 - b. Code Enforcement
 - c. Planning and Zoning
 - d. Parks and Recreation
 - e. Economic Development
 - f. Admin/Chamber
 - g. Tourism
- IV. Budget Review.
- V. News to use and plan on:
 - a. Strategic Plans - Vision 2030.
 - b. Volunteer Appreciation Event.
- VI. Mark your calendars:
 - Time cards due this morning.
 - Department reports due Tuesday, December 4th (tomorrow).
 - Town Talk information due Friday, December 7th.
 - Christmas party RSVPs due December 10th. Get your Hillbilly on!
 - Christmas party - December 14th.
 - Off Christmas Day, December 25th and New Year's Day, January 1st.
- VII. Other:

Next team meeting will be Monday, January 7, 2019.

December 3, 2018 Community Development Meeting Notes

Those in attendance were: Gary Ecclefield - Airport, Pat Tate - Code Enforcement, Gary Giczewski - Planning and Zoning, Julie Turnipseed - Economic Development, Kris Hix - Administrative Assistant/Chamber, Susan Wettstein - Community Development/Tourism.

- a. Airport - Is spreading gravel. Would like a dump truck load (or two) of 3/4" clean rock. Is working on things that can't get to during mowing season. Need guttering around building.
- b. Code Enforcement - Has 14 active code violations during recent inspections. Hand delivering letters and will be sending certified letters to those that will not answer. Hopes to get from south end of city to 4th Avenue completed by end of the month.
- c. Planning and Zoning - Working on ISO. Waiting on Terry - 2018 Codes. Gary wants to take the gas training along with gas department.
- d. Parks and Recreation - Phil was absent. Brian reported to Susan that they have been working on replacing all the chains on swings, performing maintenance. They are almost done with working on the spillway and are going to work on Cedar Valley Reservoir dam to clear brush. Then they plan to start working on cutting brush around Lake Garnett.
- e. Economic Development - Working on Growing In Kansas as we were selected to be a pilot project by the state. Hosting public meeting on December 12th at EKAE. Has been working on 2019 Economic Climate Project and Strategic Plan for E.D. Has responded to several prospect requests.
- f. Admin/Chamber - Mastering the art of spreadsheets! With the end of the parade work and now membership drive, plus annual banquet for Chamber, Kris has been working on posting the old ordinances on the city website and is working on the calendar for Town Talk.
- g. Tourism - Promoting holiday events and year end TGT after event reports. Working on 2019 special events calendar and planning for 2019. Town Talk will be going out the end of this month.

Discussion on needs and other:

Gary needs help in deciding what to do with the credit card system at the airport.

Pat needs his password reset on his computer. Cannot get email to work.

Gary G. will do an article with assistance by Kris with information on renter/property owner relations for better housing. What a renter can do if they have a complaint and what assistance programs are available for low income to get weatherization and other assistance. Housing will be a collaborative effort of zoning, code enforcement and economic development in 2019. Kris and Susan will assist however needed to create an environment that addresses rehabilitation of existing housing and overall beautification of neighborhoods.

Pat, with Susan's assistance, will create an article addressing the issues of people putting sofa's curbside and the options available for disposal to avoid enforcement issues.

Gary G. will contact the leader of the Boy Scouts to assist the parks department in getting the Boy Scout building painted and the eagle monuments repaired that are situated in the North Lake Park. Julie

suggested if the Boy Scouts can't do these repairs that perhaps we could ask GAPP to take this on as one of their projects.

Morning Mingles - Team effort of Julie and Kris to gather local businesses together to network. Proving to fill a need in the business community and helping connect businesses with resources and partnerships. Future meetings can include some zoning and code information, Facade Loan Program, and other useful information from the City.

Gary E. asked if there was a way to get the fairgrounds asphalted? We can visit with the county, as that is their property. He just thinks it would show pride in the fair and carnival if it was upgraded from a gravel parking lot.

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Electric Distribution Department

December 3, 2018

The electric distribution crew finished the Christmas decorations in great time. The Lighting ceremony went as planned. I wish to thank Andy Modlin for driving our service bucket truck in the parade, Duane Hastert and one of Garnett's police officers for timing of the Christmas lights count down.

A special thank you to Duane Hastert, Andy Modlin and Bryan Sobba. These men did a great job in my absence following my accident. They did an exceptional job of ensuring our citizens and customers received the quality of service they deserve. They have watched out for me in my recovery, making sure I don't exceed my limitations. They adjusted their schedules because of taking me out of the on-call rotation. This has since become even more difficult with Bryan leaving to go to work for Lyon Coffee Co. Electric. This loss to the electric distribution department will very much be felt through out the City. Duane and Andy are now trading on-call every other week. I am getting more use of my right arm every day. Not for sure when the doctor is going release me to go back to full work status.

Tim Wilcoxson from Altec contacted me last week about scheduling a meeting to go over the drawings of our new digger derrick truck. We will also have a conference call with Altec's engineers to discuss the drawings, and discuss if there are any other changes to the configuration or design.

We finished wiring the law enforcement's impound building. The building has all LED lighting plus GFIC receptacles on all the inner walls.

The new restaurant Dutch Country Café has a new transformer bank and an all new 600 amp electric service. Esh Rental Storage Units also have a new electric service.

November 2018

The fire department has continued to train and will soon be doing bookwork again as the weather gets colder. It simply gets too cold on the equipment to train outside in the winter.

The department responded to one medical call and two investigation calls during the month.

We did have a successful chili/soup supper on Saturday November 24th. We also began handing out smoke detectors to those who meet the criteria. These detectors were bought with grant money through FM Global Insurance Services.



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GPD Monthly Report for November, 2018.

On 11/1/18, GPD responded to the 500 Block of east 1st Street in Garnett for an aggravated battery. The reporting party advised that he witnessed individual(s) causing damage to Halloween decorations and when he confronted the individuals, they got back into their vehicle in an attempt to leave and witness stated that he jumped on the vehicle to prevent the suspects from leaving. The suspects then drove away and threw the witness off the vehicle and injuring him. 20 days later GPD located the suspected truck and conducted interviews with the suspects. The case is going to be forwarded to the County Attorney for review.

On 11/4/18, GPD responded to a domestic disturbance in the 200 block of west 6th Ave in Garnett. During the course of the investigation a 21-year-old male was arrested for domestic battery. The case was forwarded to the County Attorney for review.

On 11/5/18, GPD investigated a suspicious vehicle that was occupied by a 17-year-old male and a 14-year-old female at the South Lake. Both minors were found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia and alcohol. The minors were released to their guardians. This case was forwarded to the County Attorney for review.

On 11/6/18, GPD responded to 300 block of north Maple for a past burglary. Several storage units were broken into and items stolen from them. This case is currently under investigation.

On 11/7/18, GPD investigated a suspicious vehicle at the North Lake that was occupied by a 36-year-old male. Upon investigation the male was arrested for Felon in possession of a firearm, possession of methamphetamine and possession of marijuana. The case has been turned over to the County Attorney's office for review.

On 11/13/18 at 8:00 A.M., GPD responded to the Alternative School at 305 N. Walnut in Garnett to assist the USD 365 Police department. An 18-year-old male was arrested for consumption and possession of alcohol by a minor.

On 11/19/18, GPD responded to a domestic dispute in the 400 block of west 3rd Ave in Garnett. An investigation was conducted and a 37-year-old male was arrested for domestic battery. This case was turned over to the County Attorney's office for review.

11/20/18, GPD responded to a disturbance 300 block of west 3rd Ave in Garnett. The reporting party advised that a subject was kicking in the front door. The 19-year-old male suspect was arrested for Disorderly conduct and criminal damage to property.

11/19/18-11/25/18, The Special Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) was back in effect. This grant pays officers overtime to focus on specific traffic laws during holiday seasons. This focus was DUI's. GPD worked approximately 25.5 hours of overtime and had 2 DUI arrests, 2 drug arrests, and several other traffic citations were issued.

For the month of November, GPD took a total of 163 calls for service, conducted 60 traffic stops, and had 18 calls for service for animal control.

Starting 12/1/18, GPD is being contracted by Green Bush (The East Central Academy at 212 S. Pine) to have an off-duty officer work as a School Resource Officer. Green Bush will be invoiced for all costs associated with having an officer work at an overtime rate. Green Bush is also paying for an additional license for our records management software for use by the officer working as an SRO. Several officers had been working there already as a part-time job and being paid by Green Bush. By doing it this way it allows officers to follow GPD policy and procedures while working in the capacity of a law enforcement officer as well as to take enforcement action when needed.

Garnett Police Department was able to purchase several items this month. Two-gun safes, vest carriers, equipment pouches, polo shirts, shirts to wear under the vest, uniform patches, evidence supplies, gun cleaning supplies and new Glock generation 5, 9mm handguns. GPD was able to trade in old weapons for new handguns at no cost to the City of Garnett. The Police Department is now using Lexipol and was able to get started in December 2018 for no additional cost.

Kurt King
Chief of Police

Garnett Police Department

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Activity Totals

11/01/2018 - 11/30/2018

	All Arrests	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	Other Arrests	Summons	Traffic	Criminal	Supplement Report	Field Interview	Reports	Total Activity
Totals	14	1	10	3	44	26	13	40	12	22	185

Garnett Police Department

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Agency Statistics

November 2018

Reports Today: 0	MTD Reports This Year: 22
YTD Reports This Year: 380	YTD Reports Unapproved This Year: 10
MTD Reports Last Year: 28	YTD Reports Last Year: 442
MTD Arrests This Year: 14	YTD Arrests This Year: 202
MTD Arrests Last Year: 17	YTD Arrests Last Year: 236
MTD Citations This Year: 44	YTD Citations This Year: 708
MTD Citations Last Year: 84	YTD Citations Last Year: 1057

December 3, 2018

Public Works Report

It's begun. November brought in winter early and we've already repaired two water main leaks. Here's hoping it not a sign of things to come, but if it is, we'll deal with it.

Martin Underground, which was recently burying a new fiberoptic service line for KDOT (contracted by KSFiberNet), has finished their project, and for the most part it went smoothly. Underground boring has become fairly common, but it is a challenge avoiding possible damage with the numerous existing utilities already in place. As such, a lot of time and effort is spent ensuring we get any and all lines marked to the best of our ability, and we are often called back out when a boring company comes across old abandoned lines during a project.

Quite a few older gas meters have been replaced in the system, and with colder weather and increased gas usage comes requests from City Hall to check meters that do not appear to be registering properly. We will continue to monitor and replace any old or malfunctioning meters in the system as needed. There was time spent ensuring various water meters prone to freezing, especially those installed in the walkways around the square, were insulated with foam disks in the top section of the meter pits. Aside from that, all Kansas One Calls, gas leak complaints, and City Hall work orders were addressed in a timely matter during the month.

In the Refuse Department we had an issue with the DEF system on our newest truck, which caused the truck to shut down into limp mode. It was hauled to Olathe for servicing, and fortunately for us it was still covered under warranty. That saved us from the sixteen-hundred dollar repair fee. Since it was already in the shop, the truck was due for maintenance and fuel filters were replaced, so we did incur a servicing fee.

I would like to thank the powerplant and gas and water employees who assisted the Refuse Department in the picking up of trash during the holiday season schedule. This ensured all members of the city workforce could enjoy the holiday with their families.

The amount of work put out by the Street Department this past month is commendable. They continue, with the help of the Electric Distribution Department, to remove tree limbs and shrubs from the alleyways and ditches around town. A never-ending endeavor to say the least, but they are doing what they can. The sweeper, after having to also be repaired this past month, has been used several times to sweep as much of the leaves as possible from our gutters, but not all the trees have shed their leaves and the wind always seems to deposit more a day later. Keeping storm drains clear of debris is also a constant task this time of year.

We had a very snowy and blustery Sunday two weekends back, and I would like to thank Jake, Roy, Shawn, and Gary for spending their Sunday evening plowing and salting streets and intersections. Winter is just getting started, so I have a sneaking suspicion this was just the first of many snows to come.

There has also been an influx of city vehicles and equipment needing major service repairs, and as of late, I have seen a lot of engines being torn down, repaired, and rebuilt in the city shop. The new 4-in-1 bucket for the loader was also installed last month and is in service.

The computer that runs our SCADA system at the water plant had an issue with its back-up battery supply and had to be rebuilt. Thanks to Troy Hart for doing that.

Sincerely,

Kenneth J Amaya

November, 2018, Report

While dodging rain showers this month, we have removed No. 3 blower and it has been sent in for its checkup. We are now removing the rotting foam from the enclosure and cleaning up the unit housing, we will replace the sound dampening foam and have the unit ready for the blower, this way it will be an easier installation in the cold weather.

With the electricity going off and on there has been damage again to the UV system (possible from a surge), we won't know the extent of the damage until new parts come in. The system is ageing, and parts are becoming harder to find, some have to be modified in order to fit or work in our system.

We are once again looking into what it will take to protect the plant from electrical hazards and hopefully can prevent the next electrical disruption when it is installed.