

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

July 1, 2019

GARNETT AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Membership is currently stable. Working hard to meet the needs of our members, while recruiting new businesses.

The Lunch and Learn on Wednesday, June 5th, at the Dutch Country Café, went well. There were 10 in attendance. Multimedia marketing was the subject. Everyone was pleased with the information shared.

I attended the Kansas Leadership State Tour on June 11 with several staff members. It was a great learning experience! I also attended the meeting with John Schallert on making your business a destination with Susan, Julie, and Chris. Another great opportunity to learn and share with Chamber businesses. I also attended the GAPP dinner at the high school with Julie and Chris as well as Commissioner Cole and Mayor Gwin.

50 Welcome bags went out during the Lions Club Dual Sport Safari.

Planning has begun for the Chamber's next Quarterly Social. It will be hosted by Monroe 816. It will take place on August 8, 2019 at 6 pm at Monroe 816.

I have been working with Susan on Town Talk, both the City and the Chamber websites, and promoting several upcoming events.

Weekly eblasts continue. Monthly duties continue, including keeping bank accounts current, social media active, visiting businesses to meet their needs. Will continue to reach out to members, assist with training, websites, and finding the right resources to help them grow and thrive.

I visited with Carla Black, Business Service Representative with Southeast KANSASWORKS this week. She will be working with several local businesses.

Chamber Board and Tourism Board meetings continue, as well as Morning Mingle.

Kris Hix, Executive Director

Nuisance Violations

JUNE 2019

Weeds and brush are the main issues the past month. Nine letters were sent to property owners and/or tenants concerning weeds and brush. One of the largest projects was the railroad right of way which isn't completely done.

One trash letter was sent, and one inoperable vehicle letter was sent. Six letters are about ready to go out this week. Some of the issues are properties that have been repossessed and tracking the responsible party.

At least 6 properties were mowed by the city crews, Bob Mills and helpers.

Community Development Report for Commission
By Susan Wettstein

Thanks to the city crews that put the flags out for the 75th Anniversary of D-Day (June 6) and for the 4th of July. I also would like to thank the Commissioners who have volunteered to help take donations at the park entrance for Libertyfest, and to city employees who are donating their time to assist. The fireworks, like the patriotic banner project, is made possible by donations to the Garnett Community Foundation. There are no tax dollars that are used to fund the community fireworks display.

We packed the room for the Kansas Leadership Tour on June 11th. They were hoping for 20 and we brought 30 to the event. Kris Hix has been awarded a Leadership Edge Grant. We are looking at grant opportunities to hopefully bring the KLC to Garnett to provide leadership training to city employees.

There was a great showing of interest for the Jon Shallert Destination BootCamp Workshop held on June 24th. Julie Turnipseed, Director of Economic Development, is to be commended for her work on this, and to ACDA with the help of NetWork Kansas to provide incentive opportunities for area businesses.

We have been very busy promoting the very successful Lion's Club Kansas Dual Sport Safari, the Chamber Players Community Theatre, Farmer's Market, Library Ice Cream Social and the many meetings and activities. It's a full-time job just to try and keep things current on the City's website and scheduling social media.

Members of the Lake Garnett Grand Prix Revival had expressed concerns on whether the bridge issues at Lake Garnett can be addressed or if they need to cancel. They say that if they must cancel for any reason, they will not reschedule the event this year. I asked City Manager Weiner to visit with them last Friday to hear their concerns.

Kris Hix, Administrative Assistant and Chamber Director represented us at the presentation of a flag in the memory of Jeffrey Mersman at the VFW on Monday, July 1. She took some great photos and has posted them on social media.

Due to taking some time off to be with family, Town Talk should go out on Friday, July 5th.

There is a Southeast Kansas Tourism Meeting on July 18th I may attend. The Lieutenant Governor, Lynn Rogers, will be in Garnett on Monday, July 22nd. There will be a few state department representatives accompanying the Governor, who will be visiting the area during the day and the we are hosting their "Summer Listening Tour" at ACJSHS beginning at 6 p.m. It is important that we encourage all our citizens, both in Garnett and surrounding Anderson County to attend to give feedback to the Office of Rural Prosperity. A strategic plan will be created from the information obtained from the 12 locations that have been selected from across the state for the listening tour. I am sure City Manager Weiner will make sure the City

and County Commissions are aware and invited to the scheduled events once we have confirmation.

Julie Turnipseed will be heading back to Round 2 of the WorkKeys Training in Omaha this month. We look forward to the continuation of this community certification process.

The Garnett Tourism Advisory Committee is postponing their meeting to Wednesday, July 10th. The Airport Advisory Board will meet Friday, July 12th. Discussion will include the Kansas Air Tour. Garnett was selected as the second stop on the tour, which will bring 40 to 50 aircraft to Garnett on September 26th.

On August 6th, we will be hosting the Anderson County Floodplain Open House. It will be held from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the gym/meeting facility at the Church of the Nazarene, 258 W. Park Road. The public is invited to attend to see how the recently updated floodplain mapping affects them and their property. Representatives from FEMA, Kansas Department of Agriculture – Division of Water Resources and city and county staff will be on hand to answer questions. This should be a one-stop shop to be able to speak to flood mapping, regulatory and insurance experts.

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June 2019 Directors Report

- Continue meeting with potential new business owners and those looking to expand their business in Anderson County.
- Continue to meet monthly with retail business owners at Morning Mingle meetings.
- Continue to work with the businesses that attended the Jon Schallert Community Destination BootCamp. Business visits & Conference call with Jon.
- Created the Anderson County Work Ready Community Advisory Committee
- Continue to meet monthly with Anderson County Commissioners
- Continue making Business Retention and Expansion Visits
- Attended the Tiny House Festival Symposium in Louisburg, KS
- Met with the Economic Development Directors from Cherokee and Miami County.
- Attended the Kansas Leadership Center Lunch.
- Attended the LOIS Webinar
- Continue to respond to the Department of Commerce Request for Information for prospective new businesses suitable for Anderson County.
- Continue to meet with Economic Developers at the SEKRPC on CEDS in Chanute.
- Hosted Jon Schallert workshop at Dutch Country Café on “Increasing Sales and Profits as a Destination Business”. Forty-five people attended the workshop.
- Visited the six Community Destination BootCamp Participants for a personal visit from Jon Schallert to evaluate each of their businesses.
- Hosted the Anderson County Mayors Meeting

7/1/19

Electric Distribution Department

The crew finished up all of the KDOT project south of the roundabout on US 169/59 highway. All of the old poles have been removed and wires have been reclaimed. The transformer for the KDOT weather station at south fork creek has been relocated off of KDOT's right-of-way. New service wire installed, the new meter set should keep our meter reader out of the poison ivy that was down by the creek. New transformer pole set at Yoder's (The Old Manner's Place) new meter set installed and underground primary installed. All the pole hardware has been salvaged, the better poles were saved to be used as post for the guard rails on the bridge at the north lake.

We also replaced a secondary service pole on Neosho Rd.

We were able to coordinate with HayesBrand Molding to disconnect electric service for a few days while he replaced a cooling tower for some of their equipment. The 1200 amp 240 volt 3 phase 4 wire was removed, the 500 Kva transformer bank taken down, the H structure was removed. Neither of the 2 poles were broken, one pole showed some decay about a foot below the ground level. We set larger class poles for strength, and height to be set a little deeper around 7 ½ to 8 feet. Both holes were very wet after digging, back filled with rock and dry dirt. Reinstalled transformer platform, cross arms, the 500 Kva transformer bank, and reconnected 1200 amp service. This project had numerous details including distances, heights, widths, locations of equipment, and maintaining clearances. The line crew performed all of these with outstanding accuracy and precision. The line crew worked non-stop to complete the project, only breaking for lunch.

Helped the Street Dept. remove the road closed gates at the low water crossing on Home Run Drive. Drilled 2 new holes at the south end of parking lot at new ball complex for the road closed gates.

A big thanks to the Refuse Dept., Gas & Water Dept. and Electric Dept. crews for helping set out and pick up flags on Maple Street, & West 4th Ave. these past weeks. It's such a great honor to be able set and see our flag fly on these days. I had a gentleman stop me on Flag Day and thank us (City Employees) for doing this. We have relocated some of the flag pole holes, repaired some that were loose in the ground, and some that have been removed due to landscaping and construction. We have been putting up 61 flags the past few weeks.

Trimmed trees at:

2nd & Cedar, Olive & Monroe, 311 W 6th

Tree removals:

7th & Vine, 2 trees on 300 block of W 1st

Garnett Power Plant Monthly Report

New Cooling tower was delivered hoping to install this fall

Rebuilt blind for Clearwell Vent

Put boards back up on the sign at South Lake entrance

Built cover for the top board on the sign to keep water out

Attended Joint EMP Meeting of all 3 EMP's

We went to Paola to pick up playground equipment

We mowed 8 yards for the city per Pat Tate

The City will be starting new safety training with KMU

Beginning July 11th there will be two classes 10am and 1pm
so everyone can attend.

Garnett Housing Authority Report

July 2019

Riding mower continues to have problems, had the company out of Greeley, R & R, come take a look at it. They ordered a part, put it in and the part was bad. They re-ordered the part and now we are waiting for it to arrive. Mower is usable as long as we don't run it too long.

Our biggest issues right now are with the heat and having AC units go bad. Have had to have several worked on and a few replaced. We are in the process of getting a bid for a new unit for the West end of Parkside Place II. Had a couple others that were low on Freon and or needed some work done to them in Parkside Place. We will also be replacing an entire AC/Heating unit in Parkside Place I.

Dryer for Parkside II is going to be replaced, the coil burned up and it has shorted out. Work to repair it is just as expensive as replacing it.

Siding for Parkside Place II has been scheduled to begin being replaced. Weather pending it shouldn't take more than maybe 2 weeks.

Park Plaza North has all 26 apartments occupied.

Parkside Place II has all 32 apartments occupied.

Parkside Place I has 1 empty apartments currently.

Garnett Police Department

131 W 5th, Garnett, KS 66032

Activity Totals

06/01/2019 - 06/30/2019

	All Arrests	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	Other Arrests	Summons	Traffic	Criminal	Supplement Report	Field Interview	Reports	Total Activity
Totals	18	2	14	2	62	51	7	81	22	41	300

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Agency Statistics

June 2019

Reports Today: 0	MTD Reports This Year: 41
YTD Reports This Year: 217	YTD Reports Unapproved This Year: 11
MTD Reports Last Year: 33	YTD Reports Last Year: 211
MTD Arrests This Year: 16	YTD Arrests This Year: 115
MTD Arrests Last Year: 18	YTD Arrests Last Year: 107
MTD Citations This Year: 62	YTD Citations This Year: 344
MTD Citations Last Year: 68	YTD Citations Last Year: 418



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GPD Monthly Report for June 2019.

On June 3, 2019, GPD was dispatched to Short Stop gas station for a past theft. The suspect had already left the store. GPD conducted an investigation and based on video was able to identify a suspect. During the investigation GPD also determined that the same suspect also shoplifted from County Mart on the same date. On June 4th, 2019, a 19-year-old male was arrested on two counts of theft. The case was sent to the City Attorney for review.

On June 10, 2019, GPD conducted a traffic stop and the driver was in violation of his driver's license restrictions by not having an ignition interlock device as required. A 61-year-old male was arrested and booked into Anderson County Jail. The case was turned over to the City Attorney.

On June 11, 2019, GPD was dispatched to the 400 Blk of E 4th Ave for a domestic disturbance. GPD investigated and a 40-year-old female and a 34-year-old male were both arrested for domestic battery. The case was turned over to the County Attorney.

On June 13, 2019, at approximately 5:50A.M. GPD was dispatched to a male subject walking in the roadway taking his clothes off and appeared to be under the influence. GPD arrived on scene and arrested a 19-year-old male for pedestrian under the influence of drugs. This case was turned over to the City Attorney.

On June 16, 2019, GPD was dispatched to a single vehicle crash at Kaw and Elm street. GPD investigated and the driver stated that she was speeding and chasing another vehicle and hit a dip in the roadway, going airborne, losing control of the vehicle, and crashing. The 17-year-old female was issued citations for reckless driving, expired registration and no proof of insurance. The case was turned over to the City Attorney for review.

On June 17, 2019. GPD was dispatched to a residence for an unwanted person. A 19-year-old male was criminally trespassed from the residence several days prior and returned to the residence. The 19-year-old male was arrested for criminal trespass. The case was sent to the County Attorney for review.

On June 19, 2019, GPD was dispatched to several storage buildings in Garnett for past burglaries into multiple storage units. This case is currently under investigation.

On June 21, 2019, GPD was dispatched to a residence for a past domestic disturbance. The party reported that her boyfriend of several years had rammed her car with his vehicle while she was inside her car. The 54-year-old male driver was arrested for aggravated battery. The case was turned over to the County Attorney.

On June 25, 2019, GPD conducted a traffic stop on a motorcycle. The driver had no motorcycle license, no proof of insurance and the motorcycle was not registered. The 21-year-old driver was placed under arrest and found to also be in possession of brass knuckles on his person. This case was turned over to the City Attorney for review.

On June 27, 2019, GPD took a report of financial misuse of a credit card. The reporting party advised her debit card had been used for several transactions in the U.S. that she did not authorize in the amount over \$1000.00.

On June 29, 2019 at approximately 1:34 A.M, GPD contacted a 17-year-old female that was out past curfew and in possession of tobacco. She was issued citations and turned over to her guardian.

From April 11, 2019 to June 24, 2019, the GPD was asked to assist with a drug investigation into the county. Through the course of this investigation, numerous warrants were applied for and executed. On June 24, 2019, a 39-year-old female currently out on parole was stopped. During a subsequent search of her vehicle, 54 grams of methamphetamine were located. The female was arrested and this case was forwarded to the County Attorney.

For the month of June, GPD took a total of 285 calls for service, conducted 71 traffic stops, and had 15 calls of service for animal control.

Kurt King
Chief of Police

Airport Report
Garnett Industrial Airport
June – 2019
Gary Ecclefield – Manager

1. Completed June Report.
2. Fuel Transactions and Invoices.
3. Sent June Weather Data to the National Weather Service.
4. Water leak at the meter has been repaired and service restored.
5. Noticed we now have a powered parachute stored in hangar 6 belonging to Dr. David Hull.
6. Attended Airport Budget meeting with Susan Wettstein, Economic Development Director, and Chris Weiner, City Manager at City Hall. (6-1019)
7. Was out of town 6-12 thru 6-14, John Helms looked after the Airport for us.
8. Dudley Feuerborn and crew have all crops in at the Airport.
9. Jerry Miller, AWOS Tech and Sarah Irick, new FAA AWOS Inspector, from Wichita were in to calibrate and verify the AWOS unit at the Airport.
10. Serviced mower deck and blades on Gravely mower.
11. Spray planes are flying spray runs.
12. Filled and graded utility ditch in drive washed out by recent heavy rains.
13. Have a Cessna 182 Skylane temporarily hangared in #6, here for mechanical repairs.
14. Green Beacon bulb replaced.
15. Large travel trailer parked at City hangar is for Pence Aerial Services. They had Travis Timmons come up from Texas to help fly spray planes.
16. Mowing and spraying herbicide has been intense this year due to the large amounts of rain fall. Still doing a lot of mowing even now.
17. Total official rain fall for the month of June was 6.46 inches. Our average is 3.5 inches.

Flight Activity

1. Mostly crop and pasture spraying.

Projects

1. City Hangar and Airport Shop roofs.
2. Fueling Ramp pavement.
3. Runway crack repairs.
4. Pursue Master Plan.

Parks/Recreation/Cemetery

Monthly Report

July 2, 2019

The rain has finally stopped but the grass continues to grow. We are still mowing everything as often as we can. With a great crew we are able to keep up with everything that needs to be done and keep the parks looking good. The guys have spent the last week trimming the cemetery every morning preparing for the 4th of July holiday. We are also mowing our way around the lakes and reservoirs as well in anticipation for a lot of people to be out and about taking an extended holiday weekend. The guys are also helping with the new landscaping on the 5th street island by watering it when it is necessary.

Baseball and softball season are drawing to a close as we are wrapping up the final regular season games and hosting a couple year end tournaments. This past weekend we hosted the 12U softball tournament. It was two very hot and long days, but the tournament was a great success. There were 9 teams total we played 18 games over the two days' time. The Garnett team sponsored by Jones Tree Service played a great tournament and ended up taking second place to a tough Princeton team. We will be hosting the 10u boy's tournament July 11-14th there will be 15 teams coming to town for this one.

If you do not know it takes a lot of people and time to make one of these tournaments go off without any problems. Over the weekend we had 4 gatekeepers working several hot hours in the sun taking money as people entered the park. We had 3 paid concession stand workers and several volunteers in the stand serving cold drinks and food to all the people at the games. They did this in a concession stand without air conditioning because it quit working a few weeks ago and we are waiting for it to be replaced. We had 7 umpires that rotated on and off the field for all the games. Being an umpire is a very thankless job and they did an awesome job with very few complaints throughout the weekend. Big kudos go to Brandon and Heater Palmer for organizing the staff that worked in all these areas and over saw every aspect of the weekend. Brandon also helped with running the tournament along with Tyler Wolken who was learning the ropes for next year. Like I said this entire group went above and beyond as they always do to make sure the City of Garnett and the Parks Department always puts their best foot forward. They get to do all of this again in another week for the boy's tournament.

The recreation center is holding true with memberships thus far this summer. We have added a new program that will be starting this month and that is Zumba. We have had a great response since announcing that we were starting the class I hope this holds true for registrations. I have also been working on the Health and Wellness position that I spoke to the commission about during our budget planning session last year. I am eager to present to you what I have come up with and hopefully you will see the value in this position and we can get someone on staff soon in time to develop programs and ideas before the first of the year to help the resolutioners get in the gym and stay there.

Pool season is in full swing and I am happy to say that we have a great pool staff from top to bottom. They have been working hard to keep the pool a fun and safe place for people to visit on those hot summer days. We are wrapping up our swimming lessons for the summer and have also had a few pool parties as well. Overall it has been a very busy pool season now that the weather has decided to cooperate and let the sun shine for a few weeks in a row.

I have also been working on expanding what we do on the recreation side of things. I am working with the Osawatomie and Louisburg Recreation Commissions to form a league with our communities for us to offer more opportunities for our patrons. With the formation of this league we will be able to offer fall soccer and a more competitive volleyball league. It will also add some stability to our flag football league as well. In the past we have not had enough kids to play fall soccer here in town, by joining this league it will give them a place to play while also having some games here in town as well. With the volleyball we will now be able to form teams and play actual games instead of doing just an instructional league.

There are many new things and big things on the horizon thanks to the addition of staff. With the hiring of Tyler, the new Recreation Coordinator I am able to get out and form the new league that we are doing. I am also available to help with the formation of new programs as well. If and when we are able to get a health and wellness coordinator on staff, we will be able to focus on every aspect of recreation that we have to offer in the community. The things that we could do are endless, and I look forward to the future.

Again, thanks to you and your ability to see that staff was needed and allowing me to hire people has made these opportunities a reality. I hope to see this continue and look forward to the next few years to take the Parks and Recreation Department further than ever expected.

Thanks

Phil Bures

Parks and Recreation Director

July 1, 2019

Public Works Report

The Kansas Corporation Commission arrived on June 11th for a three-day inspection of our gas system. I am happy to report that for a second year in a row we have passed with no violations. There were a few recommendations, all of which have since been addressed, and our 2018 inspection is complete. Thanks to all gas distribution personnel for their efforts in ensuring all reports, work, and recommendations were completed correctly and on time.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment arrived on June 18th for a Public Water Supply Sanitary Survey Inspection. This inspection was for our current water plant, water towers, and water distribution system. I am happy to report that this survey incurred no violations. We were given some recommendations which have since been addressed. The main one being the drafting of an Emergency Water Supply Plan tailored to our city. Much thanks to Susan Wettstein for drafting and completing this plan for us in a timely fashion. Thanks to Brian Dykes for ensuring all plant records were readily available, and to all water plant and water distribution personnel for performing their duties properly.

On June 20th I began mandatory water sample gathering for KDHE for Lead and Copper Monitoring. I would like to thank the residents of Garnett that are involved with this monitoring for their patience and cooperation. All participants had their samples ready the following morning and they were hand delivered to the KDHE Labs in Topeka for testing. Once I receive the test results I will personally meet with all participants to explain said results and what they mean, as is required by the State.

The bridge at the North Lake that is currently closed is set to be repaired in the coming weeks. After many discussions with engineers, contractors, and a bidding process we have settled with Tom Adams Construction Company to perform the job. We have been assured the job will be done in accordance with the recommended engineering specs and in a timeframe well ahead of the Grand Prix event in October.

In the same manner as the bridge, the Cedar Valley Reservoir auxiliary spillway that has been damaged severely due to flooding, will now be repaired by Zook's Excavating, in accordance with engineering recommendations.

Concerning the 2019 Street Plan that was recently approved by the Commission, Jake Wettstein and I recently met with a representative from Killough Construction to begin the bidding process. We are still waiting on Bettis Asphalt to send someone to do the same. Unfortunately, both companies have made it known that due to the overly wet weather at the start of the year it may be some time before they can start work after the bidding process is finished. Regardless, the Street Department has already begun concrete work on a few areas that need to be addressed before any asphalt work is done.

We've finally had a chance to put the asphalt heater to use and have been repairing some areas we tend to patch repeatedly, and the results look promising for a longer-term repair. It's a longer process, but it is a more solid patching that is melted into the existing asphalt. Time will be the ultimate judge, along with how much water is thrown at us by the weather. There are many more places to patch, but it will be dependent on all other Street related duties which cycle from day to day on just how much and in what time frame we get to them. Problem areas that have water drainage issues, or above average flows are being assessed as to what we can do to minimize the flow of water, or if that is not an option, install concrete gutter pans in those areas.

All vehicles and equipment that were being repaired during my last report has been brought home and is back in service.

Sincerely,

Kenneth J Amaya

June 2019 Report

We hauled 11.46 tons of sludge to the Anderson County Transfer Station. We have been receiving water from Southern Star Pipeline due to testing of their pipeline.

We had an Anoxic Mixer go out in Unit 1, it's been sent in for repair. We ordered a new one for a spare and it has been received and put into service. The last day of the month we had another blower go down. It's being sent in for repairs. We got our sump pump for the headworks building and have gotten it installed.

Eric Trammell

Intern Wastewater Superintendent

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

7/03/19

RE: Activity Report

- Zoning Appeals
 - Andy Frye has applied for a “Special Use Permit” to replace a 4’ white PVC fence with a 6’ wooden privacy fence located at S24, T20, R19 (no physical address available since its an empty lot) property in the Lakeview Addition to the City of Garnett. The Planning Commission had met on 6-18-19 @ 6:00 pm at City Hall along with any concerned citizens and approved the Special Use Permit. We are now forwarding the Permit request to the City Commission for their review and comment(s), again with any concerned citizens. Letters to citizens within two hundred feet (200’) have been notified via USPS.

- Floodplain Mapping
 - A mapping meeting for Anderson County will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 from 2 to 7 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene 258 W. Park Road in Garnett, KS. At that time the public can review the map and provide comments on the draft floodplain map changes. State representatives will be on hand to answer any questions the public may have. The meeting time and place will also be advertised in the Review newspaper prior to the meeting.

- 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.