

GENERAL REPORT

June 14, 2016

1. Rachel Barraza has attended two (2) community foundation meetings and would like to be appointed to this board. These members serve three (3) year terms. Rachel has lots of energy and would make an excellent board member.
 2. At the joint city/county commission meeting, County Clerk Phyllis Gettler discussed whether or not the city would need to have a primary election since there are four (4) candidates for the position currently held by Greg. At the present time, the city has a charter ordinance that opted the city out of having primary elections. However, with all the changes in the election laws, Phyllis believes the commission needs to decide whether or not they want to have a primary in August, 2016. It is her understanding that beginning in 2017, all local ordinances will no longer be valid and primaries will have to be held if there are more than three (3) people running for a city commission post. Terry and I have discussed this matter and we really see no reason to have a primary because under the old system, your charter ordinance would say no. That being said, it is totally a commission decision.
 3. Chris Goetz has talked to me and Phil Bures about construction of a disc golf course at the North Lake. Chris has spent a great deal of time planning this course and has a wealth of knowledge from participating in this activity for many years. He is now ready to discuss the project with the City Commission. I will have copies of his plans available at the meeting.
 4. Ordinance No. 4148 provides the necessary authorization needed to enter into a lease agreement with the Goppert State Service Bank to lease purchase the 2017 trash truck and compactor. We received an interest rate of 2 ½%. John said the truck should be here in the next 3-4 weeks.
 5. Please take a look at the new, netting backstop at the Legion ballfield. KUDOS to park, electric and power plant crews for doing such an outstanding job on this project. I have travelled to several ballfields and netting is becoming very popular for backstops. It costs half as much as fencing materials and serves the same purpose. To me, doing this type of improvement, shows the pride we have in our facilities and recreation programs. Sponsors of the Legion ball program still need to install some new fencing.
- The local Legion team is hosting an eight (8) team tournament this week-end which should be very beneficial to our local businesses.
6. Les Garber and Eric Trammel have completed the camera work on Highway 59 in preparation of the crews to install the insituform. Jay Norco was here today (Friday) and went over the information with them. Jay anticipates that Insituform Technologies should be here within the next 2-3 weeks.

7. To date, there is a total of 84 patriotic banners that will be hung prior to the Fourth of July holiday. Susan will continue to take orders for next year.

8. I have talked to Killough Construction about this year's street work. They have us scheduled for late July or the first part of August. Work on the north lake road will have to be carefully coordinated because of all the events taking place at the lake during July and August. We believe the east side of the lake road will have to be closed at least a week for installation of the culvert followed by laying the asphalt.

As discussed with the county commissioners, I have prepared a list of streets that we would like to have chip and sealed in 2017 with the help of county road crews.

9. I continue to try and arrange a meeting with representatives from KsFiberNet and those cities who recently entered into a franchise agreement with this company.

10. Regional Business Excellence Award winners will be asked to attend the next meeting for the commission to present their awards. This includes Guest Home Estates, Sandra's Quick Stop, Maloan's Bar and Patriot's Bank. These awards are through the Kansas Department of Commerce.

11. The employee advisory board would like to invite the commissioners to attend an employee brunch on Thursday, June 17th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the fire station. The board has decided to host quarterly gatherings instead of a summer picnic.

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