

City Manager's Report July 9, 2019

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

As you can tell from our departmental reports, this time of year continues to be busy for all departments. Director Amaya was able to obtain bids from local contractors for the repair of the bridge at the North Lake. After the consideration of all bids, we have chosen to go with Tom Adams Construction for the project. This project should be completed well before the Lake Garnett Grand Prix event in October. Director Amaya has also obtained bids for the repair of the ongoing erosion at the reservoir and this project has been contracted to Zook Excavating. The public works department has been busy with KDHE gas and water inspections both of which we were found to be compliant with no deficiencies. Please see Director Amaya's Public Works report for more details on these inspections. The Parks and Recreation Department is gearing up for more ball tournaments over the next couple of weeks. Director Bures and his staff are preparing the North Lake Park for the arrival of the Anderson County Fair. The rest of the Community Development Department is prepping for many upcoming events from the Lt. Governor's Listening Tour to the Floodplain Mapping Open House, find more information on these events included at the end of this packet. I have received a proposal from Killough Construction on potential asphalt projects and am still awaiting Bettis' proposal. Vance Brothers is also working on a chip and seal proposal for us.

The agenda for this meeting includes two temporary expansion resolutions for Trade Winds Bar and Grill, one for Cornstock and one for the Lake Garnett Grand Prix Revival. These are the same resolutions that we have done annually to allow these events. As you know, we need to schedule budget workshops for the completion of the 2020 budget. I hope you have all had time to review the budget proposal over the past month. I will be out of town from July 26th through August 4th which does not leave us much time to iron out the budget in order to meet the July 25th publication deadline. This is the deadline for the newspaper to have the budget published on July 30th which is required to pass a budget by the statutory deadline of August 15th. Please let me know what days or evenings you all have available over the next few weeks so that we can meet this deadline. This cycle's bills and payroll total \$202,513.94.

June's Employee of the Month is Police Lieutenant Todd Turner. Todd consistently goes above and beyond his job duties for the betterment of the community. He has recently put in an extremely high number of hours working on multiple different investigations. Todd is always friendly and takes pride in his work. Looking at June's financial report we are doing relatively well halfway through the year. However, almost all of our tax revenue has been received at this point and we will likely start to see consistent declines in the fund balances of our taxing funds. We have received notice of the issuance of a draft permit for our wastewater plant, establishing the nutrient removal thresholds as we have previously discussed. We have sent this on to our engineer, Jay Norco, and are awaiting Jay's input on how to proceed. I have also included an annual budget document that I have put together in an effort to educate the general public regarding our budget and the budgeting process. The budget proposal included with this document has been tweaked slightly to include some changes made to accommodate Library needs as well as updating a few line items based on new available data. These changes have resulted in a slight reduction in the proposed mill levy increase, a \$5,000 decrease or 0.21 mills lower than the original document.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions and I appreciate the opportunity to serve you and this wonderful Garnett community as City Manager.

Sincerely,

Christopher J. Weiner

Christopher T. Weiner, City Manager