

GARNETT HOUSING AUTHORITY

August 12, 2019

Members present: Ron Zimmerman, Susan Stanton and Betts Abraham. Steve Spring and Butch Rocker were absent. Karlyn Hulett, Housing Director, also attended.

Betts Abraham, Vice Chairperson, presided over the meeting in Steve's absence.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved by the board.

Karlyn gave the following report:

- Terry Solander will review our by-laws.
- Ron Zimmerman's term on the board was up on June 28th.
- Auditor came on August 1, 2019.
- Wolken Plumbing and Heating gave a quote for a tub shower conversion for Parkside 1 apt. 100.
- Jim Cooper called wanting to know about the outstanding debt for PPN. He feels due to the waiting list and the amount of property the Housing Authority has, it is vital we build more.
- Karlyn will be attending the Housing Conference on September 16-19th in Wichita.
- Current vacancies #1-1 #2-0 PPN-1 waiting list of 26 (several have stated they just want to get on the list but are not ready to move for at least 2 or more years).

Terry Solander didn't attend the meeting.

The board discussed the need for more apartments and decided we should wait a couple more years before this decision was made.

Ron is interested and agrees to maintain his position on the board.

The board went into executive session at 7:25.

The board reconvened at 7:45.

Ron moved we pay the bills. Betts seconded his motion. It was approved by the board to pay the bills.

Meeting adjourned.



CLERK'S CORNER

September Monthly Report

It's hard to believe that we are three months away from Christmas. Time sure has flown by this year. For the month of September, we had 10 new Utility Customers in Garnett. We had 259 Delinquent Notices mailed out for not paying by the 15th of the month. Of those 259, 21 were shut off due to nonpayment by the 25th of the month. Out of those 21, all but 5 have paid and have been reconnected. In the next few months, I plan on compiling some data to show if we have any habitual or repeat customers who have been shut off multiple times throughout the year.

Phones have been ringing off the hook with camping reservations largely due to Cornstock. Even though the event was cancelled, several campers still camped through the weekend. With the Fall Season upon us, I anticipate a reduction in camping next month although I'm sure we will have some die hards still coming out to get some camping in if the weather stays nice.

We are in the process of getting our new Postage Machine set up. Our current contract for the machine we use costs us \$251.43 a quarter with the contract expiring October 30th of this year. Our new machine will cost us \$165.57 a quarter saving us \$343.44 a year. Once we get an ethernet cable ran, we will be able to schedule a time for Pitney Bowes to come on site and train us on the new machine.

We continue to do some cross training when we get the chance. I'm currently training Nancy to take over all court duties as well as beginning to transition and move some duties between our Billing Clerks to lessen the burden when someone is off on vacation or sick. It will take some

time and patience as change is never easy however everyone has been up to the challenge so far. I've also been brainstorming an idea of us implementing an incentive plan to show appreciation for those that go above and beyond. Whether that be by a nomination of coworkers and they get some sort of prize, or maybe a drawing for a gift card. Something to boost morale and let our employees know we appreciate everything they do.

Lastly as we approach the end of the year, I'm hoping to have some budget room left to look at adding an automated payroll software to cut down the time it takes to process payroll. Currently it takes around 3 days to complete the payroll process and it is all calculated manually. With most of our work done with computers, I believe we need to take the next step to make the payroll process more efficient.

Thanks,

Travis Wilson
City Clerk/Municipal Court Clerk

Report for City Commission
For October 8, 2019
By Susan Wettstein, Community Development

The month of September has been a busy and challenging month, meeting with the engineers on the Airport Master Plan and KDOT grant funding, hosting a “Mystery” bus tour, as well as hosting the Fly Kansas Air Tour and promoting other special events happening in and around Garnett.

I am proud of both Julie Turnipseed, Director of Economic Development and Kris Hix, Director of Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce/City Admin, on their work with the Morning Mingle group. The participating businesses organized a salute event to the first responders, EMS and firefighters on September 11th. The Morning Mingle is open to every business, on every level and is hosted by Economic Development and promoted by the Chamber of Commerce to help foster key initiatives to network and market Garnett businesses. Participation is highly recommended.

On September 12th, Economic Development hosted an SEK, Inc. Manufacturer’s Forum at East Kansas Agri-Energy. The “full house” of manufacturers and economic developers were amazed at the ethanol and renewable diesel plant facility and how many products are manufactured by EKAE from corn, besides ethanol and diesel fuel.

The ACT Workkeys, Work Ready Community concept is getting ready to launch on October 15th. There are several businesses that have signed up to participate. School representatives and business leaders are working with Julie Turnipseed, Director of Economic Development, to create a work ready workforce for existing business and industries in the community, and to show outside businesses looking to establish in Anderson County that we are collaborating an effort to meet their needs to fill jobs with skilled, highly motivated individuals. I encourage everyone to attend the launch event on October 15th at 12 p.m. (noon) at the bandstand on the Anderson County Courthouse lawn and learn more about the significance of what being a “Work Ready Community” really means for Garnett and Anderson County’s future.

Given less than a two-week notice, Garnett Tourism was challenged to create a “Mystery” bus tour for 57 people. A fully loaded motor coach left Topeka the morning of September 19th with passengers having no idea where they were going. Thanks to several entities, the tour included the Walker Art Gallery, Schmucker’s Herbs and Country Store, the Harris House, Anderson County Historical Museum and a sampling of entertainment coming in December to The Chamber Players Community Theatre. The lunch stop was at the Dutch Country Café. Thanks are due to city staff – Julie Turnipseed and Nancy Hermreck, for helping set up and serving pie and ice cream at the theatre, and to all the organizers of the stops. The tour operator was very pleased and will be coming back again soon.

If you missed the Fly Kansas Air Tour, you really missed something special. Over 40 aircraft landed at Garnett’s airport on Thursday, September 26th. Airplanes started arriving around 12:30 p.m. Many beautiful and unique aircraft were here. The visitors were very gracious and appreciated the warm welcome they received. Kudos to Pat Schettler, Airport Advisory Board Chairman, Gary

Ecclefield, Airport Manager, Chris Weiner, City Manager, Julie Turnipseed, Director of Economic Development, helpers Dave Lybarger, Roger Brummel, and I'm sure I'm missing several people's names. Thank you to the local citizens that came out to welcome the pilots and crew members. Also, thank you to the Street Department for recently removing the posts on the airport drive circle. This will help allow for spectator parking of vehicles during future airport events.

As you are aware, due to circumstances beyond anyone's control, Cornstock was cancelled. This is the statement that was released by the organization:

"Due to a significant weather threat that was brought to the attention of the Board of Directors for the Cornstock festival, the event was cancelled late Saturday afternoon. It is unknown if a reschedule is possible at this time with the entertainment, but the producer has been asked to investigate all possibilities.

The 15th year of the Anderson County Corn Festival, aka "Cornstock" met with significant wind on Friday, continuing into rain and lightning on Saturday, September 28th. Meeting with Anderson County Emergency Management and several communications with the National Weather Service, it was determined that the safety of the potentially large crowd should be first priority and the predictability of severe weather, including the possibility of lightning strikes, hail and strong winds during the peak hours of the concert were slated at 80 to 100 percent.

"It was perhaps one of the toughest decisions this Board has ever had to make, and one not taken lightly," said Gina Witherspoon, president of ACCF. "Our goal is to have a full concert of happy people enjoying great music and supporting local charities. It takes an entire year of hard work and gathering support to make the event possible. If the entertainment arrives on site, they must be paid even if never taking the stage. A great deal of money went out for expenses beyond just entertainment for an event."

The festival board is now looking at their financials and meeting with the producer to see what the options are. Cornstock, the Anderson County Corn Festival is a 501 non-profit, all volunteer organization. For announcements and further developments please visit the festival's social media and their website, www.cornstock.net.

Please Note: Cornstock, the Anderson County Corn Festival has a "no refund" policy. If a reschedule is made possible it will be announced when and if confirmed. Your patience and understanding, while frustrating for everyone, is appreciated."

City departments put a lot of effort into the infrastructure necessary so that organizers can put on large events like Cornstock and the Lake Garnett Grand Prix Revival. Those entities and the charitable organizations they support appreciate the sacrifices of the City. There were a record number of campsites sold for Cornstock weekend this year totally 103 and generated \$3,295 in revenue for the City through camping fees.

Town Talk will be in the mail soon. Promotion of fall and winter events and activities keep our computer keyboards buzzing with website updates, posts on social media, eblasts and news releases. It seems non-stop from Halloween to Thanksgiving, to rolling into the Christmas season. A lot of community efforts put on by valuable Community Champions, who give of themselves with the goal of #MakingGarnettGreat.

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September 2019

- Assisted with Kansas Air Tour
- Met with Kansas Works to assist a local business Expansion
- Met with Miami and Linn County Economic Development Directors
- Attended NetWork Kansas YEC Webinar
- Met with Employers to educate them on Anderson County Work Ready Program
- Morning Mingle – First Responders Lunch on the Lawn
- Hosted SEK, Inc. Board Meeting and Monthly Meeting at EKAE
- Helped businesses with local retail promotion – October 12, 2019
- Attended Public Policy and Management Center Seminar on Dilapidated and Abandoned Housing
- Continue working with businesses looking to relocate.
- Have 6 Business Owners signed up for local Destination Creation Class – Jon Schallert Training
- Met with USDA on Industrial Property at Garnett Airport
- Work Ready Anderson County Launch Celebration & Ribbon Cutting scheduled for October 15, 2019 12 noon at the Gazebo on the Anderson County Courthouse Lawn

RE: Activity Report

- Zoning Appeals
 - Freddy Partida (property at 1312 S Maple, more commonly known as Taylor Forge Property), Special Use Permit. The Planning Commission has approved this permit and is now ready to move on to the City Commission for review, along with any concerned citizens to review and comment on the Special Use Permit.

- Alleyways and Easements
 - Drive through inspection of the City's alleyways and easements for excessive brush, weeds or trees that may interfere with a clear drive through for our City vehicles (Police/Refuse & Street Department vehicles).

- 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.

**Airport Report
Garnett Industrial Airport
September 2019
Gary Ecclefield – Manager**

1. Completed September Report.
2. Did fuel Transactions and Invoices.
3. Sent September weather data to the National Weather Service.
4. Courtesy car used by Heinen Bros. Pilots.
5. Applied decals, received from Hampel Oil, on our Avgas tank and Jet- A tank.
6. City Crews removed the short white steel posts from front yard.
7. Century Link Pilots used courtesy car.
8. County chip and sealed 1750 road.
9. Brought my blower from home and blew off fueling ramp.
10. AWOS tech, Jerry Miller, checked AWOS functions.
11. Pat Lynch from Kansas Weights and Measures checked fuel pump accuracy.
12. Lowered avgas prices from \$4.50 to \$4.20 per gallon. That makes our local price be \$3.90.
13. Serviced Gravely 60 inch zero turn mower.
14. AWOS backup power has failed. Needs a new one. It is 9 years old this year.
15. Met with Don and Cheri Fairfield about them wanting to lease a hangar site, build a hangar and base a Cessna 182 Skylane at our Airport.
16. Dudley Feuerborn did a lot of extra mowing for the Kansas Air tour event. Many Thanks to him.
17. Lowered fuel price for Kansas Air Tour to \$3.90 for the day.
18. Kansas Air Tour was a huge success. We had over 50 aircraft on the ramp that day including 2 helicopters and one Gyrocopter and one World War II jeep.
19. Checked our repair job on the fuel tank gauge. The tank gauge and the FMU inventory were within 4 gallons of each other.
20. Rain total for the month of September was 2.85 inches.

Flight Activity

The Airport has been very busy this month. We had four different companies spraying crops plus three of them were doing Aerial seeding. We have also had flight instruction and currency flights.

People from Century Link flew in to conduct some business at their Garnett location.

We had over 40 planes and two helicopters come in for the Kansas Air Tour event, so it's been an interesting month here.

Recommendations

1. City Hangar and Airport Shop roofs.
2. Fueling ramp pavement.
3. Fuel hose.
4. Cracks in primary runway.

Parks/Recreation/Cemetery

Monthly Report

October 1, 2019

The mowing has started to finally slow down a bit so we are getting everything caught up and hopefully can start doing some more fall type maintenance soon. We are starting to prepare for the Grand Prix which should be an easy transition since we have most everything in good shape in preparing for Cornstock.

We are in the middle of our fall sports seasons. The volleyball, flag football, tackle football and soccer are all going on right now. Many of our teams are having very successful seasons and it is always fun to watch the kids learn and grow as they play a sport. Joining this new league has been a true asset to the department and I see things only growing from here on out. We will soon be registering everyone for the winter sports soon. So everyone should be on the lookout for basketball sign ups coming out soon.

We will be hosting one last softball tournament on October 12th. This is a reschedule from when it had been rained out a few weeks ago. After this last tournament we will be able to do get the new maintainer out on the field and truly use it and all it has to offer. We will be leveling out all the fields along with aerating and seeding the outfields. We will also fertilize and spray for weeds as well. Hopefully this being the second fall we have had the chance to do this we will see more improvements on our fields in the way they look and the way they play.

Since school has started people have started to come back to the recreation center. However, we have lost one of our biggest supporters in the hospital. They are no longer allowing their employees to use the recreation center free of charge to them anymore. I am currently working with the hospital to work out a plan and a rate that we can put in place to hopefully keep some of them as members. Other than that, we continue to see new people join all the time. Once the weather turns off cold and the closer, we get to the new year the more our membership will expand.

Thanks

Phil Bures

Parks and Recreation Director

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

October 1, 2019

GARNETT AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Membership is currently 96 members. We are working hard to meet members needs, continue with daily operations, and meet our goals for 2019.

I will attend the Kansas Leadership Edge Conference in Wichita. I look forward to the skills and knowledge I will be able to apply to my position as well as share with others. I will also attend the Kansas Tourism Conference with Susan and I am excited to learn more in the Tourism area that I can use to better our community.

The Chamber is also gearing up for the 49th Annual Christmas Parade (we are in the planning phase), and we look forward to seeing the whole community participate. It will be held November 30, 2019 on the downtown square. The theme is set and will be announced next week. We are accepting Grand Marshal(s) Nominations until October 11. We will be promoting Small Business Saturday/Shop Small which also falls on November 30, as well as the Garnett Fire Department Chili/Soup Supper.

We look forward to the Lake Garnett Grand Prix Revival which takes place October 11-13. Local businesses are planning some activities that weekend as well. Marketing and promotions are in full swing.

Working with Susan, Julie and other committee members on the ACT Work Ready Communities Launch to be held October 15, 2019. I look forward to being part of this process.

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.

Chamber Board and Tourism Board meetings continue, as well as Morning Mingle. We encourage ALL businesses to participate in the Morning Mingle, as there are opportunities for networking, education, and promotions of local business.

In September, I attended the SEK, Inc. meeting at EKAE and toured the plant. The information gathered will be extremely beneficial to my position with the City and the Chamber.

The Chamber is working on growth, new projects and trainings, and continues to build business relationships within the community. On the City side, they continue to challenge me every day with new learning and ideas, fine tuning current skills, and learning to look ahead and plan accordingly. I am proud to continue to serve my City and my community.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kris Hix, Executive Director



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September 2019

September 1 Medical call

September 5 Medical Call. Helped with critical patient and found food burning on stove..

September 6 Injury Accident North 59 at GES

September 12th Gas Odor

September 21 Odor Investigation

September 22 Shooting Assisted in removing critical patient

Medical call

Standby for Overland Park explosives team

September 24 Automatic Alarm .Detector malfunction

Nuisance Reports September 2019

Grass and weeds are continuing to be the main issue. Most people are compliant.

Two new weed notices were sent. The power plant crew mowed 11 properties that the owners failed to comply.

I have trimmed brush and weeds away from power poles, street signs and intersection at the following locations

500 block East 4th in the alley two properties

3rd and Spruce

2nd & Spruce

10th and Walnut

12th & Walnut.

2nd & Vine

3rd & Vine

1st & Cleveland

6th & Main

6th & Cedar

13th & Main

Gary and I did inspect both of the Economy Inn properties and found minor violations. Most were faulty detectors. Only the lower floor of building two is used.

Monthly Report

Through the month of September we continued to work on out gas line serveys, walking all of out gas mains, service lines and checking meters for leaks. We completed 27 Kansas One-Call locates. We have done weed eating and spraying around curbs, sidewalks, city parking areas, as well as out regulator stations and meter houses. We spent approximately 24 hours per man helping with cleanup. The Refuse Dept. needed a man for 2.5 days when they had a man on Vacation which we supplied. We continue to check for dead water and gas meters and change them out as necessary. We continue to do many other jobs and duties on a daily basis. We continue to struggle keeping up with out mower maintenance. We have spent over \$500 throughout this month and still do not have it running properly.

Gas and Water

Raymond Arnett

Garnett Power Plant Monthly Report

Installed new swing gate at the Reservoir at the south end

Mowed and trimmed approx. 15 yards this month

Scada system is being installed now hoping to get it done in a couple of weeks

IDS is scheduled to start work on the cooling tower on the 21st of Oct.

Working on the Story walk for Library on the Rail Trail

Ready to set the Firetruck playground equipment

Trimmed all the trees down 4th Ave

September Report

We have gotten our Influent recorder working again. We had a problem with our Return Pump VFD for Unit 1, found out it wasn't the VFD but our return pump went down we're in the process of getting it pulled and another one put in. Will send in the one we pulled for repairs.

We picked up 5 trailer loads of metal on clean-up this fall. We rodded 3 sewer mains this month. We've been running the belt press almost daily because we can finally get rid of it at the landfill again. We opened the bids for the Sewer Point Repairs. We repaired a manhole cover just off Monroe St. between Orange and Spruce Streets.

Eric Trammell

Intern Wastewater Superintendent

September 30,2019

Street Department Report

We have done several stumps around town, also the golf course. Spent a couple days cleaning the brush dump for cleanup week. Burning, hauling leftover ash and what nots to landfill for backfill. Sprayed ditches for weeds. Fixed potholes at golf course and around town. Installed New bigger storm drain pipe at, reservoir on south end maybe it won't washout now. Added a length of drain pipe to a driveway. Poured a concrete flume to stop a washout issue exposing a gas main. Cleaned and switched the lagoons. Cleanup went very well, no issues or breakdowns. Installed four new rear tires on trash truck, also put new tires on the back of my service truck.

Sincerely,

Jason Wettstein



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GPD Monthly Report for September 2019.

On September 2, 2019, GPD was dispatched to a domestic disturbance in the 500 blk of W 6th Ave in Garnett. The victim, a 43-year-old female reported that her 25-year-old daughter had bit her during an argument. The 25-year-old female was arrested and booked into Anderson County Jail for Domestic Battery. The case was turned over to the Anderson County Attorney's office for review.

On September 2, 2019, GPD officer observed a 35-year-old female driving a vehicle that the officer knew to have a suspended drivers license. GPD officer conducted a traffic stop and arrested the driver for driving while suspended. The driver was booked into Anderson County Jail. The case was sent to the City Attorney for review.

On September 6, 2019, GPD officer observed a vehicle driven by a 46-year-old male and the officer knew the driver didn't have a valid drivers license. The officer also observed in the passenger seat was a 35-year-old male that was wanted on Distribution of Methamphetamine in Garnett. The driver attempted to elude the officer and was unsuccessful and both men were taken into custody without incident.

On September 7, 2019, GPD officer conducted a traffic stop for illegal registration. During the traffic stop the officer located drug paraphernalia, Methamphetamine, and Marijuana. The driver was booked into the Anderson County jail. The case was turned over to the Anderson County Attorney's office.

On September 9, 2019, GPD was dispatched to Short Stop gas station for a suspicious person in a vehicle in the parking lot at 1:30A.M. During the course of the investigation, the officer located Marijuana inside the vehicle. The driver was issued a citation. The case was turned over to the City Attorney.

On September 9, 2019, Members of the Garnett Police department were serving a search warrant at a residence in Garnett. While conducting the search warrant, a 67-year-old male came to the residence and claimed some of his stolen property was at the residence that was stolen over 2 years ago and he wanted the property back. The subject advised he never reported the property as stolen. The subject was advised we could not just turn over property to him without proof the items were in

fact stolen and belonged to him. The subject then got irate and started yelling and cursing at officers. The subject then got into his vehicle and speed off throwing gravel all over an officer as well as patrol cars. The subject was stopped and arrested for several charges based on his actions. The case was turned over to the City Attorney for review.

On September 13, 2019, GPD was dispatched to Country Mart for a pop machine being broken into and all the money stolen out of it. It was also later discovered Miller Hardware was also the victim of the same crime as their pop machine was also broken into. These cases are currently under investigation.

On September 16, 2019, GPD was dispatched to 400 blk of W 3rd for a domestic disturbance with a knife. Once officers arrived on scene and an investigation was conducted, a 44-year-old male was arrested for domestic battery and booked into Anderson County Jail. The case was turned over to the Anderson County Attorneys office.

On September 17, 2019, GPD was dispatched to the 400 blk of E 3rd for a domestic disturbance. During the investigation officers located a handgun that was reported stolen from Garnett a couple weeks earlier, as well as drugs and drug paraphernalia. This led to a search warrant at the residence. A 16-year-old juvenile was arrested for burglary, possession of a firearm by a felon, defacing identification marks on a firearm, possession of marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia. The case was turned over to the Anderson County Attorney's officer for review.

On September 21, 2019. Garnett Police Department held a child seat inspection and installation workshop. However, due to the weather the attendance was low. GPD will be attending another event at the Anderson County Hospital on November 7th.

On September 22, 2019, GPD was dispatched to the 1300 blk of S Walnut St for a shooting. The victim, a 67-year-old male, had a single gunshot wound to his chest. The victim was able to identify the gunman who shot him. A standoff with the gunman, David Osler, 56-year-old male, lasted for about 3 hours. Osler finally surrendered to the police without incident. During the standoff, Osler fired at least one round off while he was in the residence. Osler was arrested and charged with attempted first-degree murder and is currently being held on a ten-million-dollar bond in the Anderson County Jail. Currently Garnett PD has over 300-man hours dedicated to this investigation and it is still ongoing.

On September 29, 2019, GPD was dispatched to the 200 blk of E 2nd for a domestic disturbance. During the course of the of the investigation, it was determined a husband and wife were currently going through a divorce and got into an argument over a cell phone and the argument turned physical. A 27-year-old female was arrested for domestic battery and booked into the Anderson County Jail. The case was turned over to the Anderson County Attorney office for review.

On September 16, 2019, Larry Kasney started with the Garnett Police Department as a new hire.

During the month of September GPD has received 6 referral cases from Department of Children and Family for crimes against children. The alleged crimes range from 10 years ago to current day. The two GPD detectives have been working these cases as well as the shooting case around the clock.

For the month of September, GPD took a total of 187 calls for service, conducted 73 traffic stops, and had 19 calls of service for animal control.

Kurt King
Chief of Police

Garnett Police Department

131 W 5th, Garnett, KS 66032

Agency Statistics

September 2019

Reports Today: 0	MTD Reports This Year: 36
YTD Reports This Year: 330	YTD Reports Unapproved This Year: 7
MTD Reports Last Year: 31	YTD Reports Last Year: 320
MTD Arrests This Year: 20	YTD Arrests This Year: 176
MTD Arrests Last Year: 26	YTD Arrests Last Year: 166
MTD Citations This Year: 48	YTD Citations This Year: 496
MTD Citations Last Year: 75	YTD Citations Last Year: 590

Garnett Police Department

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Activity Totals

09/01/2019 - 09/30/2019

	All Arrests	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	Other Arrests	Summons	Traffic	Criminal	Supplement Report	Field Interview	Reports	Total Activity
Totals	19	3	11	5	48	32	9	105	24	36	292