

April 23, 2019
Garnett, Kansas

The Governing Body of the City of Garnett met in regular session on April 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall with the following individuals present Greg A. Gwin, Mayor; Jody Cole and Brigitte Brecheisen-Huss, City Commissioners; Chris Weiner, City Manager; Terry J. Solander, City Attorney; and Travis Wilson, City Clerk. Student Representative Will Mechnig was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gwin called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by Reverend Art Black giving the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Governing Body reviewed the April 9th, 2019 City Commission Meeting minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Brecheisen-Huss to approve the April 9, 2019 City Commission Meeting minutes. Commissioner Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Kevin Colbert expressed his concern with the heavy semi traffic, quarry dump trucks, and excessive speeding vehicles on Neosho road since the road was resurfaced.

Corey Steiner expressed his concern with the general traffic and the increased speeding on Neosho road.

Bud Kyler expressed his concerns with the heavy traffic on Neosho road.

GOVERNING BODY

Commissioner Cole thanked everyone who attended the First Impressions meeting and asked how we use the information that was presented. City Manager Weiner commented we would use our Strategic Planning along with putting together a Steering Committee and some town hall meetings to craft a plan of what we want our community to look like going forward. Commissioner Cole commented there was a big turnout for the Easter Egg hunt and thanked everyone who helped put that on. She commented on setting up some dates to go over the code book.

Commissioner Cole asked if Phil was going to provide any more information on the Health and Wellness position. City Manager Weiner commented that Phil, Director Wettstein, and himself are working on the financial piece to present to the Commission and how it will work within the budget. Commissioner Cole asked how many residences are signed up for the Garnett Area Paint Project. City Manager Weiner was unsure of the number of signups and would find out.

Commissioner Brecheisen-Huss thanked all involved with the First Impressions meeting. She also commented that the Easter Egg hunt was very nice and fun and really enjoyed the message that

was given. Commissioner Brecheisen-Huss thanked Scott Rogers for his work on the Welcome Sign.

Mayor Gwin commented on KP&F getting approved and mentioned during budget time we may have to cut expenses from something else, reduce services, or have a significant MIL increase.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Rusty Harvey was recognized as Employee of the month.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- Proclamation declaring the month of April 2019 as “Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness” month: Mayor Gwin read the Proclamation.
- Presentation of Police Department Remodel Proposal from WDM Architects Kirk Jurgensen: Kirk Jurgensen gave his presentation to the Commission. He commented to remodel the existing building it would cost between \$425,000 to \$575,000. To build at another site, it would cost between \$845,000 to \$1,140,000.
- Discussion of Special Election for Charter Ordinance Number 28: City Attorney Solander commented the Commission has a choice and there is nothing that mandates an election. If you do have an election, it would have to be called by a separate ordinance and passed within thirty (30) days of the petition’s filing date. The election would have to be held within ninety (90) days of the petition’s filing date. City Attorney Solander suggested adopting Charter Ordinance 29 which would mirror Charter Ordinance 28 and adopt an election ordinance at the same time. Commissioner Brecheisen-Huss commented that the voter turnout would be lower with it being an off-year election and requested a mailed election to reach every registered voter. Mayor Gwin commented he would prefer to tag it onto an existing election and didn’t see a lot of benefit rushing it. Commissioner Cole preferred having the election when it wouldn’t cost more money.
- Consideration of Semi-Monthly Bills in the amount of \$146,174.10. After discussion, Mayor Gwin motioned to approve the semi-monthly bills in the amount of \$146,174.10. Commissioner Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The City Manager’s Report was received and discussed.

City Manager Weiner mentioned the KMU Conference will be May 8th through May 10th.

City Manager Weiner mentioned we hired Michael Graves to the Garnett Police Department.

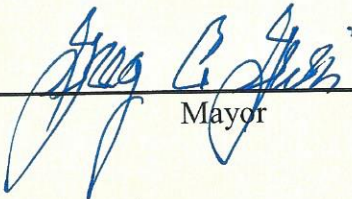
City Manager Weiner commented on the upgrades to the SCADA system and the Cooling Tower.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Frank Windle thanked everyone involved that helped move his house.

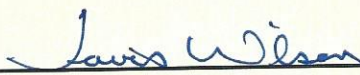
ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Gwin adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.



Mayor

Attest:



City Clerk