

Community Development Departmental Reports for January 8, 2019 City Commission Meeting:

Airport Report
Garnett Industrial Airport
December – 2018
Gary Ecclefield – Manager

1. Completed December Report
2. Fuel Transactions and Invoices.
3. Sent Weather Data to the National Weather Service.
4. Adult deer came onto the property and died next to the Airport Shop building. Called the Kansas Fish and Game Commission and they came and removed it.
5. Have been charging batteries in courtesy car, airport tractor, and both lawnmowers.
6. Called for bids to replace roofs on the City Hangar and Airport Shop buildings.
7. Electric Crew replaced bulb on green side of rotating beacon.
8. Spray planes being serviced and receiving annual inspections, readying for the 2019 season.
9. Based Aircraft Inventory about to change again. Plane in hangar six has been sold.
10. Total moisture received for the month of December was 2.55 inches.

Flight Activity

1. Currency flights.
2. A few transient flights.
3. Planes going out for annual inspections.

Projects

1. City Hangar and Airport Shop roofs.
2. Fueling Ramp pavement.
3. Heights and Hazards awareness.
4. Pursue Master Plan.



Economic Development

December 2018 Directors Report

- Continued attending monthly County Commissioners Meeting
- Attended Downtown Destination Association Webinar “Fixing Downtown, Where do we Start”
- Attended a Zoom Conference Call about Co-Starters sponsored by Network Kansas
- Attended SEK Annual Meeting and Board Meeting
- Continued working on Economic Climate Indicators Report
- Continued attending City Commission meetings
- Organized Community Forum on Strategic Growth Initiatives
- Completed and submitted Department of Agriculture Strategic Growth Initiative report
- Continued visiting businesses in Garnett and Anderson County
- Continue updating LOIS
- Worked on Sobba property project
- Submitted application and received notice that I was awarded scholarship to attend the Heartland Course for Economic Development



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G a r n e t t F i r e D e p a r t m e n t

December 2018

Violations are easier to spot with the leaves off of the trees. 14 inspections/ letters and notifications were made in December mostly on the south side of town. Two others were contacted and took care of the couch/ chair issue within 24 hours.

No citations have been issued as of yet and hopefully everyone will get into compliance. I will continue to move north with the inspections and letters.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

January 3, 2019

GARNETT AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Membership-Working on membership renewals. New members-Mercury Wireless, Air Medicare Network, and Second Chances Home Services will be added as soon as application is returned.

Assisted Susan with *Town Talk* calendar, special events calendar, and updating websites as needed. Learning more detailed information on web programs, web design, and effective promotions for businesses and events.

Worked with newspapers on creating ads throughout the holiday season promoting the Chamber, its members, and Chamber Bucks.

The Annual Banquet planning is in progress. Board ballots were sent out for voting. Awards nominations were received, and the PR for that is in progress. Will continue to promote banquet, sell tickets, and prepare for the event.

Morning Mingle meetings continue. Developing relationships with business owners to see what their needs are, and how we can assist.

Weekly eblasts continue.

Monthly duties continue: keeping bank accounts current, social media active, visiting businesses to meet their needs, assisting as necessary in City Hall.

Scribing minutes for Planning Commission and Tourism Advisory Board meetings.

Have begun working with Julie on the First Impressions Project.

Attended Tourism Board, and Chamber Board meetings, as well as Banquet Planning Meeting.

Remodel work done on Chamber building upstairs. Building inspected by insurance agent for coverage purposes. Working with them on detailed information about the building.

Kris Hix, Director

Parks/Recreation/Cemetery

Monthly Report

January 3, 2019

In December the guys broke out the chainsaws and have been hard at work. They finished up work on the North Lake spillway and have addressed the issues that have been brought up during the reservoir dam inspection and are now working their way around the North Lake. Where it is feasible, we are trimming from the water's edge up the bank about 50 or so feet then clearing a walkway every so often to reach this cleared area. This will leave an area for the fisherman to have access and also still provide a buffer from the park to the lake for shade and wildlife. When the weather permits, they are cutting and burning the brush piles as they work their way around. As of now they are probably a quarter of the way around the lake.

We have had a few funerals to end out the year and to start 2019. This means they are out digging the graves then going out and checking them for settling and adding dirt and sowing grass for the spring.

Basketball season is upon us. We have finished up the first and second grade program and start all the others the first weekend in January. The third/fourth grade has 5 teams and the fifth/sixth grade has 2 teams of boys in each age group and 1 team of girls combining the two grades. The fifth/sixth grades will travel to surrounding communities to play their games while we keep the third/fourth here in town. Also starting in January is the Little Dribblers which is for the preschool and kindergarten age kids. This is a very fun and exciting group to teach and watch play.

With a couple of months of 24-hour access under our belts we have worked out most of the glitches and is up and running very well. We have seen a significant increase in our memberships that can only be tied to the fact that we are now 24-hour. Granted memberships always grow around the first of the year, but we have never seen an increase like we have this year. We currently have 282 members this includes monthly, annual, family, single, and corporate members. This is the largest number of members we have had since we opened over 10 years ago.

With the new budget in place we have had the opportunity to look into hiring some help in places that we need it most. We have hired a part time maintenance employee that will be working a few hours as needed until spring where they will work a full forty hour a week to help keep up the mowing and other maintenance items that come up. We have also advertised for a Recreation Coordinator to help me out during the sports seasons, so I can focus on other things that need to be done from an administrative aspect.

I continue to evaluate our programs and see if we are being as cost effective as we can, when time permits. These evaluations will determine if there is a need to increase our current fees to offset the expenses we endure with each sport. We try to keep all of our fees reasonable as to not price out anyone that wants to participate in our programs.

If you have any questions about the parks or the things that we are doing do not hesitate to ask.

Thanks

Phil Bures
Parks and Recreation Director

Community Development Report for January 8, 2019
By Susan Wettstein

December was filled with a variety of projects and year-end work. We gathered information from event coordinators to set the stage for a very busy and proactive 2019. A special events calendar as of this date will be attached to the bottom of my report, as well as a copy of the year-end TGT Report outlining the special events that were awarded transient guest tax funds to promote their events in 2018.

As a part of the Community Development Five Year Strategic Plan for Tourism (2018-2022), we are working on set goals:

- Marketing and Promotion: We will be submitting a marketing grant through the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism this year. The development of a promotional theme and quoting expenses for our proposal is in process. Notable for 2018: Website visitorship in 2018 was 263,146. Average annual visitation to our website since inception is 242,437. Forty-eight percent of traffic to our website is through Facebook and 36% is Google driven, with the remaining a variety of search engines (like Bing, etc.).
- Special Events: The five-year goal is to increase the number of special events by one (1) annually. The Fall Fam Fest that Mayor Jody Cole suggested last year will be held this in conjunction with the Lake Garnett Grand Prix Revival weekend helping us reach the 1 event per year goal. There are other events that could make 2019 a big year for special events, including a possible disc golf tournament.
- Best Foot Forward – Increasing the level of hospitality and first impression appearance will be met with the continued push for employee participation by area businesses in the free, kansasatyourservice.com hospitality training, and our participation in the *First Impressions* Program.
- Infrastructure for Tourism – We have asked the Electric Department to provide cost estimates on additional electricity within the North Lake Park. This includes costs for additional campsites, updating the sprint track with affordable lighting for night use of the track facility, and additional electric to accommodate special events. We are also researching for grants and opportunities to help restore the WPA project (dam and rock facilities surrounding Lake Garnett).
- Training and Membership – New and only available in 2019, is free membership to Destination Development Association. The online access to tools and resources for community leaders, businesses and organizations needs to be utilized by everyone who cares about Garnett! www.destinationdevelopment.org

Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend a new community event organized by the Community Development Department and hosted by the City of Garnett. “Celebrating Community Champions and Everyday Heroes”. This event will take place on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at the Anderson County High School. A reception will kick-off the event in the Commons Area with refreshments and continue into the auditorium with recognition of our community champions and some special awards. This event is to recognize non-paid volunteers. Those include individuals who give selflessly of their time to city advisory boards, recreation programs (coaches, etc.), and community organizations. The public is encouraged to attend, even if they are not involved as a community volunteer, to see what this event is all about. Each civic organization will be given “stump speech” time to tell about their goals and the fun they have helping make Garnett great.

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“Signs of a simply good time.”



2019 Special Events Calendar - Garnett, Kansas www.simplygarnett.com

January

24 Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet, Garnett Knights Hall
www.garnettchamber.org
785.448.6767



April

13 Spring City Wide Garage Sales
www.simplygarnett.com

20 Garnett Community Easter Egg Hunt hosted by Life Assembly of God Church, courthouse lawn
www.lifeag.us.com

27 5K Color Splat! Presented by Garnett Community Foundation
www.simplygarnett.com/community-foundation
785.448.6767



July

6 Libertyfest Community Fireworks Display, presented by City of Garnett employees & local organizations (Rain Date: July 7)
www.simplygarnett.com



TBA Hot Rod Truck and Tractor Pull hosted by Anderson County Fair Association
July 29-August 3 Anderson County Fair
July 30-August 3 Carnival Rides at the Fair
30 Parade Night at the Fair
31 Anderson County Fair Tent Night, Pie Contest
www.andersoncofair.com

October

11-13 Lake Garnett Grand Prix Revival (alternate date: Oct. 18-20)
www.lggpr.org

12 Garnett Fall FamFest
www.simplygarnett.com

26 Epic Ultra Fall Classic 50-mile, 50K Run
www.prairiespirit100.com

31 Children's Haunted House hosted by Friends of the Prairie Spirit Rail Trail
www.bikeprairiespirit.com

31 Light the Night/Trunk-or-Treat hosted by First Christian Church
785.448.3452

31 Game Night & Treats, Garnett Recreation Center, hosted by Life Assembly of God Church
www.simplygarnett.com



February

20 Celebrating Community Champions & Everyday Heroes, ACHS Auditorium
www.simplygarnett.com
785.448.5496, Option 5

28 "Saint Peter's Escort Service, LLC" presented by The Chamber Players Community Theatre
www.chamberplayerstheatre.org
785.304.1683

May

May 2-October 10: Garnett Farmers Market Season
www.simplygarnett.com/farmers-market

11 47th Annual Square Fair Crafts Festival hosted by Garnett BPW
www.garnettbpw.com

11 Air Fair at Garnett Industrial Airport
www.simplygarnett.com

11 Second Saturdays, Industrial Bottoms
www.facebook.com/SecondSaturdaysGarnettKansas

23 Garnett Remembers: Celebration of Service, recognizing patriotic banner honorees, courthouse lawn
www.simplygarnett.com

24-27 Avenue of Flags at Garnett Cemetery
27 Memorial Day Service presented by Garnett American Legion and VFW
www.simplygarnett.com/cemetery

May 31 - June 1: Kansas Dual Sport Safari, weekend motorcycle event by Garnett Lions Club
www.facebook.com/garnettkansaslionsclub

August

TBA Demolition Derby hosted by Anderson County Fair Association
www.andersoncofair.com

TBA Sprint Track Racing, hosted by Kansas City Karting Association
www.kckarting.com

24 Fun in the Sun Car Show, Colony
Bill Smith 620.363.2254

31 Colony Day Celebration
www.facebook.com/ColonyDaysCelebration

November

1-2 Holiday Open House Weekend hosted by Garnett Area Businesses
www.simplygarnett.com

2 St. Rose Craft Show & Bierock Sale
www.strosegarnett.eduk12.net

29 Small Business Saturday
29 49th Annual Christmas Parade and Lighting Ceremony, presented by the Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce
www.garnettchamber.org
785.448.6767

March

1-2, 7-10: "St Peter's Escort Service, LLC" presented by The Chamber Players Community Theatre
www.chamberplayerstheatre.org
785.304.1683

16 Women's Fair, hosted by Garnett BPW, at Anderson County High School
www.garnettbpw.com

30 Prairie Spirit Trail Ultra Races (100 & 50 miles)
www.prairiespirit100.com



June

1 3rd Annual Auto Show, hosted by the Southland Cruisers, Town Square
785.304.2999

6-9, 13-16 "It Runs in the Family" presented by The Chamber Players Community Theatre
www.chamberplayerstheatre.org
785.304.1683

29-30 Lake Garnett Enduro Kart Club Road Races
www.simplygarnett.com/kart-track



September

6-8 16th Annual Kansas State Trike In
Raymond Scales 620-238-1844

6-7 19th Annual Greeley Smokeoff
www.greeleysmokeoff.com

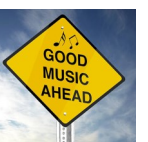
14 Fall City Wide Garage Sales
www.simplygarnett.com/bulletinboard

TBA Midwest mayhem Bull Ride, presented by the Anderson County Fair
www.andersoncofair.com

26-28 111th Annual Kincaid Free Fair
www.kincaidfair.com

28 "Cornstock" - 15th Annual Anderson County Corn Festival Concert on the Hill

TBA Long Cedar Disc Golf Tournament
TBA Cornhole Tournament
www.acornfest.com



December

1 Holiday Homes Tour, presented by the Friends of the Library
www.simplygarnett.com
785.448.3388

1 BPW Holiday Boutique at The Kirk House
www.garnettbpw.com
785.448.6767

7 14th Annual Colony Christmas Parade
colonykscity@yahoo.com

14 Westphalia Christmas Celebration
785.489.2382





GARNETT FIRE DEPARTMENT
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DECEMBER 18,2018

The department was reasonably busy last month with meetings and calls.

Three times we were called to investigate smoke odors in buildings.

12/1 Country Club Drive. Smoke odor and electrical issues. Caused most likely by lightning. Ruined appliances/heater and AC and electrical panels.

12/6/ Lakeview Addition Critical medical call.

12/6/ Odor call Dairy Queen Electrical issue caused by frozen compressor.

12/7/ Country Club Addition Assist EMS with unresponsive person.

12/14 Wash debris from street 5th & Oak

12/15 Medical Call Parkside

12/29 Medical call Willow street

12/31 Smoke in building Dollar Store Caused by electrical issues.

Will Hulcy has left the department. Training is still ongoing. We as a department toured the Hawkins Water treatment warehouse. Fire Chief and Asst Chief toured the ethanol plant along with Emergency Management and law enforcement.

Garnett Power Plant Monthly report for December

Finished putting up LED lights in the all the fixtures in the main Plant

Starting on OP room and hallway next

We did maintenance and changed belts on both overhead exhaust fans in the roof of the power plant

Welded hooks on the new bucket for the front end loader for use with the forks

Went to a conference in McPherson on a Prepay Gas Supply Project for the City working with KMGGA

January 3, 2019

Public Works Report

The year ended pretty much the same way it had begun, with a water main break. At 4:30 pm on New Year's Eve we were informed of water pumping out of the ground at East 2nd Ave. off of Catalpa. I would like to thank Ray Arnett and Nicolas Menacho for delaying their end of the year festivities to get it repaired, as there were two homes attached to that part of the system. The repair was done in just under three hours, and by hand digging alone, as the leak was in a sloped ditch and a water saturated muddy mess. I could have not asked for better help that night in knocking that particular task out.

The Gas and Water Department carried out all monthly activities as usual. Kansas One Calls, gas leak complaints, service line replacements, and numerous gas and water meter replacements were performed. I would also like to thank them in ensuring all paperwork for the year was completed. I have also completed the years regulator station inspections and replaced a fair number of pressure gauges throughout the system to ensure the gas pressures are exactly where they should be.

I would also like to thank our City Manager and the Commissioners for their understanding and agreement that the department's service truck was long overdue for a replacement. After four transmission repairs in 2018 it was apparent it was time. Beckman Motors made us a great deal on a new truck at the same price most of the used dealers were asking for on trucks two years old with forty-thousand plus miles. That truck should be ready for service within the next six weeks. It will be taken care of like it were my own personal vehicle, or else.

The Street Department continues to perform their duties well, and I am pleased with their progress. Jason Wettstein has done a great job, in managing that department, taking care of their equipment, and prioritizing the many tasks he is given on a daily basis. They just received a new skid loader mounted stump chipper, and I suspected we will start to see the removal of a great many tree stumps around town that have been adding up due to storm damage and removal of trees near power lines. The street sweeper has had new brushes installed and will continue cleaning gutters as time and weather permit. We are all aware of the many potholes around town, and once the weather warms up, we will begin tackling these again.

The inspection for the dam at Cedar Valley Reservoir was completed last month. It will be a few weeks before we get the report back on that. I do know there is one washout in the overflow spillway south of the dam that will need to be addressed. It is of considerable size, so it will require quite a bit of rock hauling to get this fixed properly. It's on my agenda.

The water plant recently had a piece of lab equipment give up the ghost, and as this performs several of our daily water tests I had to get it replaced asap. The old one was obsolete. The good news on this particular expenditure is the fact it is lab equipment and will therefore carry over to the new plant. Outside of that, things are going ok, though we may have to replace some PVC piping in our chlorine room to tide us over for the next two to three years. We should be able to perform these replacements ourselves which means we are just looking at the cost of the PVC lines themselves.

The Refuse Department has been doing well and the guys did a great job of keeping on top of pick-ups throughout the holiday season. Here's to hoping things keep running smoothly as we start the new year.

Sincerely,

Kenneth J Amaya

December 2018 Report

To the best of our knowledge the UV system is now up and running, after the power surge we received sometime in late August. We are having Mid – States Electrical do an evaluation of our system to see if we can prevent something of this nature from happening again.

Our replacement sludge hauling truck has been purchased, and the dump bed is being installed as I speak, we hope to receive it sometime in January of 2019.

I have written a description of the old Ford sludge hauling truck, and Susan will show that it and the 2000 gal. tank that was made for it will be up for sale. Though the old truck doesn't owe us anything I have hopes of getting 2 – 3 thousand dollars or more from the sale being the tank goes with it.

John L. Olson

Sewer Supt.

1/3/19

Electric Distributions Department.

We spent some time with the salesman and engineers from Altec industry on the design of the new digger derrick. They were able to show us in a 3 dimensional drawing of our truck each component in detail. We had a change in the tool box draws on the curb side. There was some unused space in the original design, so by making the sliding draws longer we were able to utilize this space. We wanted the pole rack on the curb side. The next step is the truck will go into production. We should receive notification to go up to St Joseph, Mo for a final inspection sometime next Aug.

The line crew has been removing hanging tree limbs over streets and sidewalks throughout the city. Most of the limbs were from the severe thunderstorm back in July. They have been working with the street department cutting back street easements.

We have also been working on four different utility easements where primary electric needs to be moved or utility's need to be extended. One customer has requested an official document stating how far away from the easement can he build. This customer has a business outside of our city limits along a state highway. I have visited with the state engineer about what setbacks from the edge of state right away. I was told that the setbacks were handled by the county planning committee. The property owner would need to bring this matter to the county planning committee. I have looked in our ordinances for some type of document that describes what can be built on or how far back can a land owner build next to an easement. I have begun to draw up some kind of document that would clarify this.

We have started removing the Christmas decorations around town and placing them in storage. We will also be removing the fuses and disconnecting the Christmas lighting this week.

Garnett Police Department

131 W 5th, Garnett, KS 66032

Activity Totals

12/01/2018 - 12/31/2018

	All Arrests	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	Other Arrests	Summons	Traffic	Criminal	Supplement Report	Field Interview	Reports	Total Activity
Totals	18	1	13	4	67	45	21	55	11	30	265



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GPD Monthly Report for December 2018.

On 12/04/2018, GPD took a burglary report from the 200 block of E. 7th Ave for a theft of a hunting blind, valued at \$180.00.

On 12/7/18, GPD responded to the 900 block of E. Monroe Ave in Garnett for a domestic violence case. Based on the investigation a search warrant was conducted and several guns were seized, stolen guns were also seized and narcotics. This case is under investigation currently.

On 12/08/18, GPD conducted a traffic stop and two subjects were arrested. One of the subjects was arrested on a warrant and the other was arrested for DUI. Officer Baumgardner conducted a DRE on the individual that was under arrest for the DUI.

On 12/13/18, GPD was dispatched to Auburn Pharmacy for a past burglary. Auburn's was the victim of theft and several thousands of dollars' worth of prescription medication was stolen. Based on the investigation Auburn's Pharmacy of Garnett was one of several Pharmacies that have been burglarized in the past couple of months. This case is still under investigation currently.

On 12/13/18, GPD responded to the 500 block of E 6th Ave for a subject that called 911 and claimed he had been shot. Once GPD and I arrived we noticed that subject had in fact not been shot but was in a physical altercation and was the victim of a battery. Allan Young (21-year-old) was arrested for Battery and turned over to the Anderson County Jail staff.

On 12/21/18, GPD was dispatched to an erratic driver call coming into Garnett on 59 HWY. GPD conducted a traffic stop and arrested the driver for DUI.

On 12/22/18. GPD was dispatched to the 600 block of E Monroe for a suspicious vehicle call. GPD performed a traffic stop on the vehicle and the driver was arrested for DUI drugs and possession of marijuana.

On 12-30-18, GPD conducted a traffic stop for speeding. The driver was under the influence of alcohol and was arrested for DUI.

For the month of December 2018, GPD took a total of 170 calls for service, conducted 70 traffic stops, and had 8 calls of service for animal control.

Kurt King
Chief of Police

Garnett Police Department

131 W 5th, Garnett, KS 66032

Agency Statistics

December 2018

Reports Today: 1	MTD Reports This Year: 30
YTD Reports This Year: 407	YTD Reports Unapproved This Year: 7
MTD Reports Last Year: 26	YTD Reports Last Year: 468
MTD Arrests This Year: 18	YTD Arrests This Year: 219
MTD Arrests Last Year: 13	YTD Arrests Last Year: 249
MTD Citations This Year: 68	YTD Citations This Year: 772
MTD Citations Last Year: 43	YTD Citations Last Year: 1100