



Small, Serene, Simply Garnett.

September 28, 2018

City Hall Report

New employee, Travis Wilson is proving to be a great asset for the city. With only a short time to train with Colette he has picked up on the daily duties of the municipal court record keeping as well as the many other tasks that Colette completed.

City wide cleanup and Cornstock camping permits kept office staff extra busy this past month.

Sincerely,

Nancy Hermreck
Interim City Clerk

Community Development Departmental Reports for October 9, 2018

**Airport Report
Garnett Industrial Airport
September – 2018
Gary Ecclefield – Manager**

1. Completed September Report.
2. Fuel Transactions and Invoices.
3. Sent Weather Data to the National Weather Service.
4. Quantum Spatial completed survey of runway 19X01 for Garver Engineering.
5. KDOT completed pavement study.
6. KDOT completed safety inspection and shot approach angles on both ends of runway 19X01.
7. Jason Knipp and two engineers from the FAA, Chris Weiner, City Manager, Pat Schettler, Airport Board Chairman, Julie Turnipseed, Economic Development Director, Susan Wettstein, Department Director, here to assess the overall condition of the Airport regarding receiving an FAA Grant to renew the runway.
8. Have been hauling brush and trash that has been accumulating during the summer.
9. Still mowing and spraying herbicide.
10. Heckendorn mower back from the repair shop.
11. Checked all Airport lighting and replaced bulbs as needed.
12. Washed and checked all fluids and lights on the courtesy car and aired the tires.
13. Pilot/Engineer from Lee's Summit used car to assess flood damage in Garnett.
14. Pilot from Burwell, Nebraska used car to attend Cornstock.
15. Dudley Feuerborn mowed the North ditch.
16. Have been busy rocking eroded areas on the Airport.
17. Feuerborn crews cutting hay on the Airport.
18. September rain total was 7.22 inches.

Flight Activity

1. Intense crop spraying.
2. Aerial Crop seeding.
3. Currency flights by local pilots.

Projects

1. City Hangar and Airport Shop roofs.
2. Pave Fueling ramp.
3. Heights and Hazards. (Trees in Approach to runway 19)
4. Pursue Maser Plan.

City of Garnett
Office of Building and Zoning
Gary Giczewski, City Inspector

10/02/18

RE: Activity Report

- Building Permits
 - 202 W. 4th Ave (Rob Garcia & Justin Spurrier) wishing to do a Halloween ghost tour of the old home. Requires an inspection by myself and Fire Chief Pat Tate, upon approval a temporary permit will be issued for a \$25.00 fee; also required is a temporary certificate of insurance in case of injuries.
- Working with the Planning Commission on the City's Comprehensive Plan
 - Section 4 of 4 & 4 of 4 to complete by the end of this month to move on to the City Commissioners for October sessions.
- 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.

October 2nd, 2018

The weeds continue to grow and some people just don't care,
Also it is obvious that some residents and property owners don't care about
their property or neighborhood.

Three weeds notices were sent last week. One property owner out of the
three is now compliant. The other two did not respond. The city has already
mowed one of those properties.

Four notice to appear orders were sent out. At least two of those people did
call requesting more time and a 2 week extension was given and the
violations were not taken care of.

I continue to see some improvement but in other areas more junk and debris
seems to blow in.

Parks/Recreation/Cemetery
Monthly Report
October 2, 2018

September as expected was a very busy month for us at the Parks and Recreation Department. Starting with the Labor Day holiday and ending with Cornstock last weekend and 2 go-kart races in between, we have been going non-stop. Even with all these events we have been able to catch up a bit on our mowing. The cooler weather last week has also helped. We are now able to get on the tractor and mow some of those areas that have been neglected over the past month or so and get them mowed.

With the rains over the last few weeks there is some work that needs to be done at the reservoir. We were out there this week mowing the areas that we missed due to the water levels. With the help of the street department I think the reservoir is almost back to where it was before the flooding.

Football season is here, and we have had the opportunity to host two tackle football games this year which brings a lot of people into town. We could possibly host a playoff game as well if some things happen to go our way. We have also started the flag football season in which for the first year we are traveling to play some of our games. They do get the opportunity to play a couple of home games, so everything isn't on the road. The future footballers have also started, and they are having more fun. Along with football we have a travel soccer team that will be hosting a league tournament at our soccer fields here in a couple weeks.

Progress on the 24-hour system is moving right along. We have gotten the door lock system installed and the key cards to operate the system are in as well. We have had some training on how the system works and how to enter the cards so we are ready in that regard. We will also start training on the new RecDesk software this week as well. We are in the process of setting up our site and making sure we have all the features we want in place and ready when we go live which is now weeks away instead of months. There are still a lot of the little details that need to be addressed but hopefully in the next couple of weeks we will set the date to go live and introduce the community to our new feature. I am very excited about this advancement and all the opportunities it has for our growth as a department.

Also, later this month the President of the Kansas Recreation and Park Association will be coming down to tour our city and some of the facilities. The 24-hour access will be a major talking point along with all the other improvements we have made to the recreation center since their last visit a few years ago.

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

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

GARNETT AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Membership-One new member-TrustPoint Insurance/Real Estate.

Working on getting estimates for roof repair, and work on the upstairs, and well as getting window repair completed.

Working with Economic Development to fill some of the empty office spaces downtown.

September Social was successful-planning to increase attendance for the next one.

Continued training in all areas with Susan and City Hall Staff.

Working on 250 welcome bags (getting information from businesses) for LGGPR Oct. 12.

Will begin promoting Small Business Saturday/Shop Small, get local businesses involved, and this will fall on November 24, 2018. Working with Julie on this.

Parade theme voted and announced. Continue planning, getting parade entries, and advertising. Working with Ambassadors and Volunteers to get things planned.

Weekly eblasts continue, as well as Chiefs promotion on tickets. Will continue to spotlight local businesses and meet their advertising/marketing needs.

Continue to keep kiosks and bulletin boards current, as well as keeping brochures etc. supplied where needed.

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

Volunteered at Cornstock-this will assist with event planning in the future, as well as meeting organizations/businesses in the community.

City Council

Economic Development Director Report

September 4- 28, 2018

- Businesses Visited 20-25 businesses in Garnett/Anderson County
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- Met with Dennis Arnold on Friday, September 7 & Friday, September 14
- Visited Thrive in Iola with Reuben Feuerborn
- Attended the Chamber of Commerce Social on Thursday, September 13
- Spoke with Shelley Paasch with NetWork Kansas on two occasions
- Attended Kincaid and Westphalia City Council Meetings
- Met the Anderson County Commissioners on two occasions
- Met with Carla Black from South East Kansas Works – Work Force Development
- Met with Rosanna Bauman Garnett/ Anderson County Farmers’ Market
- Attended the Prairie Spirit Trail Meeting
- Met with Michael Gencarelli of GENCO – toured both facilities
- Attended a meeting at the Garnett Industrial Airport
- Met with Mayor Melissa Hobbs in Colony.
- Attended the Joint Legislative Transportation Vision Task Force with Chris Weiner and Jerry Howarter
- Attended the Project 17 Economic Development Meeting
- Had a visit from Craig VanWey from the Department of Commerce
- Met with the Southeast Kansas Prosperity Foundation
- Met with Janet McRae from Miami County Economic Development
- Researched available properties for clients

Director of Community Development Report for City Commission
By Susan Wettstein for October 9, 2018 Commission Meeting

The month of September has been jam-packed with events, projects and new experiences. Work continues to acclimate both the City Admin/Chamber Director Kris Hix and new Director of Economic Development Julie Turnipseed with a variety of initiatives we want to tackle. Getting everyone on board with computers, the working of computer programs and applications, as well as introducing the new staff to people in the community and getting them familiar with their surroundings takes some time but is already proving itself productive and in time I hope will allow me to focus on other aspects of Community Development as they grow into their roles. The team effort being built between departments and the willingness to help each other for the common good is alive and well at the City of Garnett!

Meetings with the FAA and airport engineers continue to look favorable in the likelihood that the City could one day soon make application for grant funding to bring our airport up to standards. Members of the Airport Advisory Board are to be commended for their diligence on being active participants in this process.

As the busy outdoor special event season tappers off, it is important to recognize the significant work of city crews in their efforts to put in place infrastructure for the special events. From mowing to electricity, to delivery of barricades and trash receptacles, and so much more. It takes a city of hardworking, dedicated employees to bring the thousands of people to our small town and I know that all the event coordinators appreciate what the City does to help make their events successful.

News releases and information are going out to remind citizens about the important question being proposed to voters November 6th on whether, or not, to increase the size of the City Commission to a five-member commission.

October will be a busy month in attending trainings relating to economic development, community development; the Opportunity Zone designation, and tourism. The next couple of months are crucial in setting the tone for next year's events and projects.

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October 1,2018

The Garnett Fire Department continues to be busy in the month of September. Since the middle of the month the department has responded to four calls with one of them being a medical call. That patient did utilize the First File Program which the Fire Department did help to sponsor. The information was readily available for those who responded.

Fire Prevention week begins October 8. The department will visit Anderson County Head Start, Garnett Elementary, and St. Rose Schools.

We will have an open house Thursday October 11th from 4:30PM until 7:00 PM. Hot dogs will be served and the public can meet the firefighters.

Captain J D Mersman was able to obtain a grant to purchase smoke detectors which will be available for Garnett property owners. Landlords are required to provide smoke detectors for their property. The detectors were purchased locally.

Garnett and Anderson County Fire will host the skills trailer on October 20 at the city station. This is another chance for the firefighters to learn and practice skills.

We will also be on hand at the Garnett Gran Prix races at the Garnett Lake on October 13th and 14th

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October 4, 2018

Public Works Report

Gas and water distribution have done well this past month in maintaining operations, having nearly completed our annual gas leak surveys, with one section remaining. They have handled all Kansas One Call locates, City Hall work requests, bare steel service upgrades, after hours service calls, and cathodic protection inspections. Time and equipment permitting, they have also stayed on top of lawn maintenance as well as they were able at both of our water towers and at all regulator houses and stations. I have also completed the gas casing inspection on inserted lines under various intersections for the year. Recently we have finished installing new service taps for New Life Baptist church, providing a two-inch gas service and four-inch water service for their fire suppression system.

Water plant operations have been running normal with no major malfunctions or issues. Our circular basin still needs to be serviced for motor packing replacements, which help protect the gears from dirt and debris, but the gear box is being inspected regularly for proper oil levels, and we have not had to replace shear pins as much as we were earlier in the year. The drag chains for the sludge removal of our settling basins are running as smoothly as the day we replaced them. I am still waiting to hear from KDHE on the status of the NPDES wastewater discharging permit.

The Street Department is running non-stop. I feel I need to comment on this issue having recently taken charge of this department. I know in the past there are many who felt the department was not doing as much as they could've been, but I can attest that is not the case at this present time. I have come to realize that this particular department receives more work orders than any other within the city, to the point these guys can get overwhelmed. Aside from handling every customer request as well as they are able to, they are at the whim of every request City Hall can throw at them. This is not a complaint, as they understand full well it is their job, just an observation and point of understanding. From maintaining every city vehicle, tree and brush removal, road patching, drainage ditch repair, road maintenance both inside and outside of city limits, special trash removal, rock hauling, groundskeeping, setting up for special events, assisting other departments in clean-up after major repairs, traffic control, equipment repair, street sign installations, and I could go on and on. I know all of this to be true, because as a working director in the field I have been a part of all these actions over the past month. There is so much to do out there that even now I feel guilty sitting in my office writing this particular report. So, I won't be going over every last thing we have done in detail, but merely relay to you that we are busy and doing all we can on a day to day basis. I'm thinking about taking a bit of video from jobsites so that everyone can see what we are doing. Just a thought.

The sanitation department has been running smoothly, and I would like to thank John Helms and his crew for making that so. Also, I would like to thank them for all the added "special" pick-ups I have called and requested being handled without argument. In fact, I want to thank everyone for City-wide Cleanup. I thought it went rather well.

Sincerely,

Kenneth J. Amaya

September Report

We have still been catching up on housekeeping here at the plant, many small items had to be left behind when Les Garber retired, with the help of Dever Scott, (who has now moved on) and with his replacement Rusty Harvey, we are slowly catching up. Rusty is showing great progress in the 11 days he has been here. We are going to enroll him in the California online wastewater course, he should do well.

We are still dealing with 5 Star Pump and Controls, who has had our normal flow pump for the North Plant for the last 4-5 months, they are having problems finding parts for this pump, hopefully it will be finished this week and we can install it and its twin, and have the North Plant back up and running.

We also picked up metal for the city wide cleanup, hauling 5-6 loads instead of the usual 1-2, by changing the normal route, we got ahead of the Junkers and thus got more metal to sell.

We hope to start working on the North Lake Dam pillar that was damaged at some time by a vehicle, it's the first one in line starting on the west side. Should be an easy

fix when we can find the time. We also will be cleaning and sprucing up the other pillar that was repaired several weeks ago, and with luck finding the time to repair one of the old rock picnic benches on the east side.

John L Olson

Pollution Control Supt.



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GPD Monthly Report for September, 2018.

On 9/1/18, at 3:44 A.M., GPD arrested a 37 year old male at the Economy Inn with a Felony warrant out of Nebraska.

On 9/3/18, GPD responded to a past vehicle burglary. A 29 year old female reported her vehicle was broken into and her wallet was stolen on the 600 block of W 4th Ave, within a 3 hour period.

On 9/6/18, GPD was dispatched to the 400 block of E 7th Ave for a domestic disturbance. After an investigation on scene a 27 year old male was arrested for Aggravated Domestic Battery. This case was turned over to the Anderson County Attorney Office for review.

On 9/8/18, at 12:03 A.M, GPD conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle that was called in as an erratic driver. GPD officer felt like the driver was possibly under the influence of a drug. Officer Baumgardner was contacted and performed a DRE evaluation and the 42 year old female was arrested for DUI.

On 9/9/18, GPD was dispatched to 200 block of E 3rd Ave for a domestic disturbance. After an investigation on scene a 40 year old male was arrested for Aggravated Domestic Battery. This case was turned over to the Anderson County Attorney Office for review.

On 9/13/18, at approximately 4:08 A.M, GPD spotted two juveniles near the Garnett Library. The female was 17 years old and the male was 15 years old. Both juveniles were issued citations for being out past curfew and one of the parents were issued a citation for allowing their child to be out past curfew. Both juveniles are on felony probation through district court and this is a common occurrence.

9/15/18, at 9:40P.M., GPD Officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 200 block of W. Park Rd. Based on the Officer Baumgardner observations and contact with the driver he felt like the 34 year old female was under the influence of a drug. Baumgardner performed a DRE evaluation to confirm his suspicion and the female was arrested for DUI, as well as possession of Marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

On 9/17/18, three people were arrested at three different locations on warrants. Two of the warrants were through the Garnett Municipal Court and the other warrant was through Neosho County District Court.

On 9/21/18, GPD followed up on a complaint about 3 young children living in unsanitary environment. Based on the complaint and the investigation by the GPD, the children were removed from the parents' home and placed in Police Protective Custody. The children were turned over to a family member pending a Child in Need of Care case through Anderson County District Court.

On 9/22/18, (Comstock Concert) GPD only had one arrest and that was after the concert was over. A 24 year old male struck a security guard at the concert. The subject was arrested for battery and disorderly conduct.

On 9/23/18, 12:15 A, M, a 22 year old female was arrested at the North Lake Campgrounds for a domestic Disturbance. The Female was transported to the Anderson County Jail.

On 9/23/18, just after 2:00 A.M, two people were arrested for DUI in two different location by GPD at the same time. Both individuals were transported to the Anderson County Jail.

On 9/27/14, GPD arrested two people on arrest warrants, both warrants were through the Garnett Municipal Court.

On 9/30/18, GPD took a report of a car burglary at the Garnett Library. The victim reported while inside the library someone entered her vehicle and stole her wallet. The victim's Credit card was then used later on at a local business. This case is under investigation.

For the month of September, GPD took a total of 211 calls for service, conducted 67 traffic stops, and had 29 calls for service for animal control.

Kurt King
Chief of Police

Garnett Police Department

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Activity Totals

09/01/2018 - 09/30/2018

	All Arrests	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	Other Arrests	Summons	Traffic	Criminal	Supplement Report	Field Interview	Reports	Total Activity
Totals	23	3	11	9	75	33	18	62	20	30	284

Garnett Police Department

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Agency Statistics

September 2018

Reports Today: 1	MTD Reports This Year: 30
YTD Reports This Year: 320	YTD Reports Unapproved This Year: 8
MTD Reports Last Year: 39	YTD Reports Last Year: 383
MTD Arrests This Year: 24	YTD Arrests This Year: 161
MTD Arrests Last Year: 17	YTD Arrests Last Year: 208
MTD Citations This Year: 75	YTD Citations This Year: 590
MTD Citations Last Year: 97	YTD Citations Last Year: 887