

GENERAL REPORT
January 26, 2016

1. I continue to gather information on a proposed camping site at the North Lake. There wasn't a quorum at the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, however those present liked the idea of additional camping spots at this lake with one of them suggesting to try and expand what is already located on the east side. Some discussion was held about improving the facilities at the Cedar Valley Reservoir. I did report that repair work had started on the boat dock for CVR. So, I'll continue my review of all facilities and have this as a discussion item in the next few months.

2. Chief Pekarek and I met with the local LGGPR committee, with two representatives coming from the Kansas City area. We discussed several items, including security around the North Park on the event week-end. Kevin will explain the services his officers will provide both days.

The agreement has been rewritten to request the north park be closed from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 8 and 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 9th. They gave me a list of areas they feel need to be improved on the lake road surface so I can request estimates. They would also like to see guard rail installed across the dam so I will get estimates for that as well. The Kansas City representatives are working on corporate sponsorships to possibly help with the road work expense. More local volunteers are needed so all of us will work on that. Of course this committee is new so hopefully the members can take on certain responsibilities prior to and during the event.

3. I mentioned at the last meeting that it would soon be time to approve the annual operation and maintenance report for north and south park improvements. You will recall that the projects were completed with a grant from the Department of Wildlife & Parks. The city is assuring the state department that we will continue to maintain them.

4. Charles Allen would like to be reappointed to a two (2) year term on the Airport Advisory Board. This group is starting to work on Airport Days to be held in conjunction with Square Fair.

Reuben Feuerborn would like to be reappointed to a three (3) year term on Anderson County Economic Development. In relation to this, I will ask Dennis to attend your next meeting to provide a report.

5. Resolution 1/26/16-1 is a corrected version of the one you approved at the last meeting. Bank officials at GSSB noticed that the resolution required three (3) signatures on various transactions and they only require two (2). So the resolution was redone for your consideration.

5. The bond is for the newest member of the city's staff.

6. Weather conditions prevented Tom Adams from completing installation of the north pump station this week. Predictions are for warmer weather next week so he is hoping to get this project completed then.

7. I mentioned earlier that the new Kansas City Power & Light contract will need to be considered in the near future. However, in visiting with Bob, it appears it could be spring or early summer before I can bring it to the commission for review.

8. City staff has completed the first phase of the computer conversion. We will now get ready to apply the new system to billing and court recording.

9. A preliminary design plan on the proposed water treatment plant has been submitted to the Kansas Department of Health. Jim had some additional questions about the design and I am questioning the engineering fees. I will contact KDHE in a week or two to see if they can determine possible funding avenues for this project.

10. I participated in a conference call with KDOT officials and the engineering firm who had worked on the southbound turn lane by GES. We learned that stricter guidelines have to be followed so MKEC will redo the design for the state to review. I have been charged with contacting the school district to see when a good time would be to start on this project.

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