



Newsletter

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AIRPORT

Runway Extension Project. The concrete pouring is complete. The runway edge drain is complete and clean-up on the runway has begun. The painting process has commenced on the south end of the runway and will be moving to the north as the clean-up on the runway continues. New taxiway and runway lights are being installed on the new portion of the runway. New Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) lights and Runway End Identifier Lights (REIL) are being installed on both ends of the runway. Staff anticipates the runway will be open in the next week or two.

GOLF COURSE

With the approaching start of the 2018-19 school year, we are starting to lose some of our much appreciated seasonal golf maintenance workers. I'd like to thank Matt McComb, Avery Rademacher, and Rylan Blasi for all the work they put in over the summer months. Another thank you is in order for Steve Gill and Brad Stocking for the continuous work they have graciously provided for several years and most notably over the past week, to keep our golf course in the best shape possible.

A busy week of club events is upon us with the Wellington Junior City Championship on Friday, August 10. The Parent-Child Championship will take place on Sunday, August 12. Our Kansas Cup team will conclude its regular season with a trip to Emporia on the afternoon of Friday, August 17. This provides a great prelude to one of our largest club events of the year, the Jerry Gill Stroke Play Invitational taking place on August 18 and 19. The annual Wellington Golf Association Cross Country Scramble & Annual Meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 22.

PUBLIC WORKS

Aquatic Center. The Aquatic Center's last day of operation this year will be this Sunday, August 12. The following day is the doggie dive and Park staff will begin draining the pool shortly thereafter.

Building Department. Code Enforcement Position - We have received 40 applications for the open position of Code Enforcement Officer. Staff will review the applications and schedule interviews over the next couple of weeks.

Sanitation. E-Waste Collection Day at the City of Wellington Recycling Center is Saturday, AUGUST 11, 2018, between 9:00 AM and 12:00 PM. Collecting unwanted, working and non-working electronic devices. For more information about the operating hours, please contact Jeremy Jones, Public Works Director, at 620-326-7831. For questions concerning specific items to be collected or data destruction, please contact Pete at 316-305-6896 (evenings) or Julian at 316-305-6895 (evenings). NO CRT monitors, NO old tube-type TV's.

Street Department. Street Dept. Staff painted crosswalks this week for the beginning of school on August 21. Boundary Road Improvement Project - The pre-construction meeting was held Wednesday with work slated to begin Monday, August 13. This will require full closure of Boundary Road from the highway north approximately 500 feet.

BOUNDARY ROAD CLOSED FOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT: Beginning Monday, August 13, 2018, Boundary Road will be closed from US Highway 160 to the North, approximately 500 feet, during the Boundary Road Improvements Project. Cornejo & Sons, LLC is the Contractor for this project. Estimated completion date for these improvements is mid-November 2018.



UTILITIES

Water Production. Staff back-flushed the river intake line, and restarted the river pump. Working with PEC on Rehabilitation study. The free-chlorine burnout ended on August 4th. Staff is now back to disinfecting with total chlorine.

Water usage from August 4th to August 9th.

Water treated: 9,145,200 gallons Daily Avg.: 1,306,457 gallons

Water sent to town: 8,767,000 gallons Daily Avg.: 1,252,428 gallons

Lake level: 1208.11 or 9" low

River flow: 82.9cfps

River pump: On

River water pumped for the week: 15,141,000 gallons

River water pumped for the year: 282,882,264 gallons

Water Distribution. William Staley received notice from KDHE that he passed the test for Water Operator III. Congratulations Water Operator III Staley!

MISCELLANEOUS

As everyone is likely aware, the ribbon cutting for the Cowley College – Sumner Campus was conducted yesterday, August 9. Classes will begin later this month in the completed Technology and Innovation Center and work continues on the Short General Education Center. Thanks to everyone involved in creating, building, and opening the Sumner Campus. Thanks to Assistant City Manager of Utilities Jason Newberry and Public Works Director Jeremy Jones in their work and time on this project. Thanks to other city staff, especially the water distribution and electric distribution staff, that were involved in parts of the project. Everyone's effort is greatly appreciated.

A Blackhawk helicopter was on display at the Cowley-Sumner Campus Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.



Meetings. The Council will hold a work session on Thursday, August 16, at 6:30 pm, at City Hall. The purpose of the work session is to discuss blight/code enforcement. Various other issues may be discussed. The next regular City Council meeting will be held on August 21, 2018.