



City Clips



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*** Mayor's Musings ***

About 40 community members gathered at the grade school cafeteria on August 19th to discuss Haviland's future. The meeting lasted about an hour and a half with the attendees forming into small groups and providing their own answers to a series of three questions. This resulted in about twenty pages of answers and ideas.

Some of the ideas were unrealistic because of our lack of population. You can't have the benefits of a large city without lots of people crowded around to help pay for everything. And that's why some of us live in Haviland so we don't have to fight the crowd. Re-opening the coffee shop or restaurant was mentioned several times but it is a tough go without a steady stream of customers coming and going. I understand by the grapevine (Facebook, for you kids) that the coffee shop is planning to re-open.

The most common thread written down was about paved streets. The city council currently has a project in the works to curb, gutter and pave about eleven blocks. This has been put together as a "project" to tie together some streets that are already paved and also to alleviate some serious drainage problems. If your street is not included you may ask why? As in the past each property owner is responsible for the cost for the work done next to his property and has the right to sign or not sign a petition for that part of the project. There are some areas where the council decided there would not be enough signatures obtained and the whole project could be killed so we left those streets out. The engineer was at the October 13th meeting with a petition in hand ready to give to the property owners to be signed; however, because of some changes the council wanted made, the petition will be revised and ready in the next week or two.

The next most repeated item was weeds, trash, junk, abandoned vehicles, rundown buildings and the general appearance of the town, especially the entrance to town. We have voted for an ordinance pertaining to "Dangerous Structures" which will go into effect after it is published. After it is published, we can decide on what action to take.

There was the usual "bring business and people to town". My opinion and the opinion of some of the people attending was to support the businesses we already have. One suggestion was to "commit to spending \$50 per month at a local businesses". As I have said before, Walmart and all the other businesses in Pratt pay no taxes in Kiowa County.

The next community meeting is Thursday, October 23, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Haviland Telephone Co. Meeting Room.

Water Project Update - USDA has approved loan funds in the amount of \$1,556,000 and grant funds of \$879,000. The project should be completed in approximately two years. I need to state here that the council and I are completely against this entire project and the fact that we are putting the city in debt for the next 40 years for something we feel is entirely unnecessary. We are being forced to do this by the KDHE and the EPA. For this, I apologize.

Robert Ellis, Mayor

*** NOTICE ***

Walkers - Runners - Bicyclists - Skate Boarders

Day and Night Rules

- ❖ When walking, jogging, running or skate boarding, go against traffic (left side of street or road).
- ❖ When bicycling, go with traffic (right side of street or road).
- ❖ DO NOT WALK, JOG, RUN, SKATE BOARD OR RIDE DOWN THE MIDDLE OF THE STREET OR ROAD.

Additional Night Rules

- ❖ Wear white, fluorescent or reflective clothing, arm or wrist bands, or some kind of light (flashlight, lighted head band, etc.) DO NOT WEAR BLACK!!
- ❖ Bicycles should have reflectors on the pedals and on the front and back fenders.

Drivers encountering individuals or groups that are not using or wearing some type of protective clothing or device on streets or roads after dark is extremely dangerous, to both the individuals and the drivers. Please use caution and help make Haviland streets and roads safe for all.

Keep Streets Clean

When mowing grass, raking leaves, trimming bushes, please don't allow grass clippings, leaves, etc. to end up in the street. These items will find their way into the storm sewer and often cause clogs. Thank you for your help with this.

Siren Testing

Kiowa County will be testing the storm sirens every Saturday at 12:30 p.m. for 30 seconds, except as follows:

- A Severe thunderstorm or tornado watch or warning is in effect at the time of the test, or has been in effect within six hours preceding the time of the test.
- Severe weather is forecast for any period up to 6:00 p.m. the day of the test.

Automatic Water Payment

The City has an agreement with Haviland State Bank so that you can authorize payment of your water/sewer/trash utility bill through a checking or savings account. This is a free service to our customers. You can bank anywhere in the country and take advantage of this service. If interested, call or e-mail the office, and the form will be sent to you.

Email Addresses

Please send us your e-mail address so that notifications about the current newsletter and other City notices and information can be sent to you electronically. This really cuts down on the cost of postage and paper. Send your request by an email to cityhall@havantelco.com.

CITY COUNCIL MEETS THE 2ND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE POSTED. PUBLIC WELCOME!

Local Haviland Weather

Did you know that you could find out Haviland weather by just dialing a local number? That number is 862-6000. It will tell you the time, temperature, humidity, wind, wind chill, precipitation for the day, and barometric pressure. Try it out!

City of Haviland

620-862-5317

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If you have questions, concerns, complaints, anything that warrants the council's attention, please call the City Office at 620-862-5317 or email cityhall@havantelco.com. For water or sewer emergencies, call Pake McCarley at 620-770-6046. If you plan to do any digging, call 1-800-DIG-SAFE (344-7233) before you dig.

CITY OF HAVILAND

Robert Ellis, Mayor

Council Members

Kay Unruh Dwight Smitherman

Steve Larsh Ed Davis

Matt Ballard

Pake McCarley, City Superintendent

Shari McAfee, City Clerk

Millie Hannan, Treasurer

Joel Halverstadt, Code/Animal

Enforcement Officer



Some TV shows are pretty refreshing. You feel pretty good after you wake up.



"J" Turns

"J" turns continue to be a problem on Main Street. There are double yellow lines and NO J TURN signs on the first and second blocks of north Main Street. These were added to keep people from making "J" turns in front of businesses, and also from making "J" turns when backing out of a parking space. Both turns are dangerous to traffic and pedestrians. With addition of the signs, you can be ticketed. Please use caution, obey the signs, and stop making "J" turns.

Nisly Trash Service

Trash carts need to be set out by 7:00 a.m. each Wednesday, carts positioned with arrows on the lid facing the street.

Recycling is the 4th Wednesday of each month and is free. These carts are collected later on that day, but should be out by 8:00 a.m. Again, position the cart so that the arrows on the lid are facing the street.

If you have both trash and recycling, the carts need to be placed at least five feet apart, and not put next to a vehicle or any other obstacle. Do not leave emptied carts on the street.

If your trash or recycling is not collected, please call or email the office as soon as possible. Leave a phone message if calling before 10:00 a.m.

Trash will be collected on all holidays that occur on Wednesday with the exception of Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Recycle

The Kiowa County Solid Waste Department now has three recycle bins located behind Haviland Care Center 24/7; two for cardboard and the other for single stream.

THIS IS FOR RECYCLE ITEMS ONLY, NO TRASH!

Time Change

Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 a.m., Sunday, November 2, 2014. Remember to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed.



Ways to Conserve Water

Install water-saving devices. If you don't have water-efficient or low-flow fixtures, you can cut your water use with:

- Aerators (devices that mix air with water)
- Low-flow fixtures (such as shower heads), flow restrictors or cut-off valves
- Displacement devices (to reduce the amount of water used in older toilets).

Make sure all devices are properly installed.

Install a low-flow toilet. Look for a toilet with a WaterSense label on it.

City Web Site

The City now has it's own web site, www.havilandks.com. Still in the building process, you will need to visit often to see what has been added or changed. It includes a home page, city and community information, a community calendar, history, contact page, and links to other local sites. Check it out!



"Children today are tyrants. They contradict their parents, gobble their food and tyrannize their teachers."

~Socrates

(Stated approximately 400 B.C.)

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Women always worry about the things that men forget; men always worry about the things that women remember.



Mini Minutes

Complete minutes can be accessed at www.havilandks.com.

*July 14, 2014

Larsh motioned to approve the lease of a portion of the city land south of the old highway to the Farmer's Co-op from September through March or April for \$2,500.00. Davis seconded. Unanimous.

Davis motioned to approve leasing the city land south of the old highway to Ballard for \$160.00 per year. Unruh seconded. Votes: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention-Ballard. Motion passed 5-0.

Ballard motioned to pass 2013 Standard Traffic Ordinance No. 362. Larsh seconded. Unanimous.

Unruh motioned to add comprehensive and collision, with \$500 deductibles on each, to the pickup insurance. Davis seconded. Unanimous.

*July 21, 2014 Special Meeting

The 2015 budget was discussed. Larsh motioned to increase the 2015 mill levy to 53.000. Smitherman seconded. Unanimous.

Larsh motioned to accept the proposed increases to the water rates beginning on January 1, 2015. Davis seconded. Unanimous. Smitherman motioned to increase the reconnect fee on delinquent accounts that have been shut off to \$25.00. Unruh seconded. Unanimous.

*August 1, 2014 Special Meeting

Smitherman motioned to adopt Resolution #98 regarding the USDA Rural Development application for funding of upgrades to the water source, treatment and distribution system. Ballard seconded. Unanimous. Smitherman motioned to approve the Agreement Between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services from EBH for the water project. Larsh seconded. Unanimous.

*August 11, 2014

Smitherman motioned to pass Ordinance No. 363 regarding water rate increase. Unruh seconded. Unanimous.

Ballard motioned to approve the 2015 budget. Larsh seconded. Unanimous.

Smitherman motioned to adopt Resolution #99 GAAP waiver for 2014. Larsh seconded. Unanimous.

*August 27, 2014 Special Meeting

Updates were given from Alan Luttrell, engineer with EBH and John Haas with Ransom Financial regarding the street project and the water project.

*September 8, 2014

Smitherman motioned to grant Barclay College's request to close Elm Street from Hockett Auditorium to Pratt Street on Friday, October 3. Unruh seconded. Unanimous.

Governing Body Contacts

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* * * R/O WATER AT THE FIRE STATION * * *
**WHEN GETTING WATER, PLEASE PARK DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE R/O STATION.
DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF OR BLOCK THE FIRE STATION DOORS!!!**

Water Rate Increase

The following monthly rates for the sale of water to all consumers by the Water Department of the City of Haviland, Kansas shall be charged and collected beginning January 1, 2015 (1st billing date will be January 31, 2015)

- 1) For the first two thousand gallons (2,000) of water, or portions thereof: twenty-two dollars (\$22.00);
- 2) For the next ten thousand gallons (10,000) of water, or portions thereof: two dollars (\$2.00) per each one thousand gallons (1,000);
- 3) For all water in excess of twelve thousand gallons (12,000): two dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2.25) per each one thousand gallons (1,000).

THE BURN PILE LOCATED AT THE DISPOSAL PLANT IS FOR BRUSH AND LIMBS ONLY! WHOLE TREES NEED TO BE CLEANED OF DIRT, ROCKS, ETC. BEFORE BRINGING TO THE PILE. ABSOLUTELY NO HOUSEHOLD TRASH, CONSTRUCTION TRASH, METAL, APPLIANCES, CONCRETE, CARPET, DIRT, ROCKS, ETC.! THIS SITE IS ROUTINELY INSPECTED BY THE STATE AND MISUSE COULD RESULT IN THE LOSS OF OUR PERMIT. THANK YOU.

City Utility Bill

Your city utility bill is mailed on the last working day of the month and due on the 20th of each month. Delinquent notices are sent on the 21st. Delinquent bills are charged a 10% penalty on the unpaid balance. Service will be terminated if payment or payment arrangements are not made within seven days. A reconnect fee of \$25.00 will be assessed if service is interrupted.

Code Enforcement Officer

Joel Halverstadt is the Code and Animal Enforcement Officer for the City of Haviland. If you have a complaint, a concern, or see dogs or cats running loose, please call Joel at 620-388-5634.

* * * Notice * * *

All sidewalks must be kept clear of obstructions. This includes but is not limited to parked vehicles, building supplies, equipment, machinery, limbs and brush per Ordinance No. 345 Section 3. This ordinance is available at the city office, or on www.havilandks.com. Blocking sidewalks is considered a nuisance, and citations will be given to offenders.

** Clips From the Past **

A large number of men of the community worked Monday on the tabernacle repairing it for the camp meeting services, which will begin there Thursday evening. Dinner was served Monday noon in the basement of the Friends church for the workers by a group of the women of the church.

Haviland Review
September 13, 1945

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Gene Green, of the Ellis Motor Co. is taking a short vacation at present, herding prairie chickens from the wheat wagons in western Kansas while the farmers are sowing wheat.

Haviland Review
September 25, 1924

The History of Haviland written by the 8th grade as a class project appeared in the January 18, 1934 issue of the Haviland Review.

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Haviland streets are all named, but how many residents know the name of the street they live on? We doubt there are a dozen unless they happen to live on Main Street. When it comes to locating a property the best we can do is to give it a geographical location such as the north, or west edge of town. How nice it would be if our streets were marked.

Haviland Journal
May 29, 1947

(Signs were installed in the 1960's.)

Businesses in Haviland

1887

- 1 dry goods and clothing
- 4 family grocery stores
- 1 hardware & implement store
- 1 hardware and grocery store
- 1 coal & feed store
- 1 blacksmith & wagon shop
- 1 meat market
- 1 lumberyard
- 2 hotels
- 1 new frame schoolhouse being built

A Quaker settlement, the population is about 100 residents. All but two families are Quakers.

Haviland Tribune
December 1887

Haviland Business-School-Church Register

If you would like your name added or deleted from this list, or if there are any errors, call the office at 620-862-5317 or email cityhall@havilandtelco.com. Additions or changes are printed in red.

- A H CONTRACTING – 314 E. Walnut – 620-862-5424
- ANTIQUJE JUNCTION – 308 S. Lawrence – 620-862-7232
- BANCO INSURANCE AGENCY, INC. – 201 N. Main – 620-862-5206
- BARCLAY COLLEGE – 607 N. Kingman – 620-862-5252 – www.barclaycollege.edu
- BEAR'S DEN – 512 N. Kingman – 620-862-9880
- COLLEGE HILL APARTMENTS – 300 E. Elm – 620-862-5252
- D H REPAIR – 419 N. Orange (Wellsford) – 620-862-5360
- DAN WOODS BACKHOE SERVICE – 14247 57 Ave. – 620-770-0498
- DEGARMO SEWER RODDING – 512 E. Poplar – 620-862-5482
- FARMERS CO-OP – 102 W. Mulberry – 620-862-5225 – www.havilandcoop.com
- FARMERS CO-OP STATION – 108 W. Hwy. 54 – 620-862-5273 – www.havilandcoop.com
- GAIL BALLARD MUNICIPAL AIRPORT – W. Hwy. 54 – 620-862-5678
- HALL'S FLEA MARKET – 321 N. Orange (Wellsford) – 620-862-7131
- HAVILAND BARBER SHOP – 116 N. Main – 620-770-1229
- HAVILAND CLINIC – 106 N. Main – 620-862-5431
- HAVILAND FRIENDS CHURCH – 205 N. Kingman – 620-862-5258 – www.havilandfriends.org
- HAVILAND GRADE SCHOOL – 400 N. Topeka – 620-862-5277 – District Office 620-862-5256 – www.usd474.org
- HAVILAND HARDWARE AND GROCERY – 114 N. Main – 620-862-5202
- HAVILAND HEALTH CARE, LLC – 200 N. Main – 620-862-5291
- HAVILAND LIBRARY – 112 N. Main – 620-862-5350 – <https://kiowacounty.biblionix.com>
- HAVILAND POST OFFICE – 108 N. Main – 620-862-5477
- HAVILAND STATE BANK – 209 N. Main – 620-862-5222 – www.havilandstatebank.com
- HAVILAND TELEPHONE CO., INC. – 104 N. Main – 620-862-5211 – www.havilandtelco.com
- HAVILAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – 322 N. Main – 620-862-5267 – www.greatplainsumc.org/churches
- HEART OF AMERICA SCIENCE RESOURCE CENTER – 312 E. Hwy. 54 – 620-862-5654 – <http://hoasrc.org>
- HELPFUL HANDS MASSAGE THERAPY – 402 E. Elm – 620-388-7546**
- HERITAGE PLACE OF HAVILAND, LLC – 301-311 N. Main – 620-862-5627
- HOME AGAIN SENIOR LIVING, LLC – 321 N. Main – 620-862-5867
- JANE BUCHER ORIGINALS – 204 E. Chestnut – 620-862-7166
- JON FOLKERTS REPAIR – 25201 G St. – 620-546-4834
- KANSAS METEORITE MUSEUM AND NATURE CENTER – 21255 K St. – 620-723-2318 – www.kansasmeteorite.com
- KIM STEWART, MARY KAY DEALER – 23112 J St. – 620-862-5345
- MARTIE WILLIAMS LICENSED DAYCARE/AVON REPRESENTATIVE – 301 N. Emporia – 620-862-5361
- M J JONES CONSTRUCTION – 414 E. Poplar – 620-862-5675
- OSCAR'S HANDI-SERVICE – 608 N. Lawrence – 620-862-7178
- R K CONTRACTING – 506 N. Lawrence – 620-862-5677
- SABRINA'S SWEET TREATS – 412 N. Wichita – 620-862-5476
- SANDHILL OUTFITTERS – 21169 45 Ave. – 620-862-5351
- STEVE'S WELDING SERVICE – 13183 57th Ave. – 620-862-5313
- THE HAIRBENDER – 107 W. Walnut – 620-862-7182
- THOMPSON GREENHOUSE – 302 W. Cherry – 620-862-5381 – www.thompsongreenhouse.com



Late For Work

Tom had this problem of getting up late in the morning and was always late for work. His boss was mad at him and threatened to fire him if he didn't do something about it. So Tom went to his doctor who gave him a pill and told him to take it before he went to bed.

Tom slept well and in fact beat the alarm in the morning. He had a leisurely breakfast and drove cheerfully to work. "Boss," he said, "The pill actually worked!" "That's all fine," said the boss. "But where were you yesterday?"



Nitrate Quarterly Report

DRINKING WATER WARNING CITY OF HAVILAND WATER HAS HIGH LEVELS OF NITRATE DO NOT GIVE THE WATER TO INFANTS UNDER SIX MONTHS OLD OR USE IT TO MAKE INFANT FORMULA

Water sample results collected September 22, 2014 from Well #1 showed nitrate levels of 12 mg/L (which is the same as last quarter), Well #2 showed nitrate levels of 14 mg/L (which is the same as last quarter), and Well #3 showed nitrate levels of 15 mg/L (which is up from 13 last quarter). This is above the federal nitrate standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 10 mg/L. Nitrate in drinking water is a serious health concern for infants less than six months old.

What should I do?

- ❖ **DO NOT GIVE THE WATER TO INFANTS.** *Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome.* Blue baby syndrome is indicated by blueness of the skin. Symptoms in infants can develop rapidly, with health deteriorating over a period of days. If symptoms occur, seek medical attention immediately.
- ❖ Water, juice, and formula for children under six months of age should not be prepared with tap water. Bottled water or other water low in nitrates should be used for infants until further notice.
- ❖ **DO NOT BOIL THE WATER.** Boiling, freezing, filtering, or letting water stand does not reduce the nitrate level. Excessive boiling can make the nitrates more concentrated, because nitrates remain behind when the water evaporates.
- ❖ Adults and children older than six months can drink the tap water (nitrate is a concern for infants because they can't process nitrates in the same way adults can). However, if you are pregnant or have specific health concerns, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? Nitrate in drinking water can come from natural, industrial, or agricultural sources (including septic systems and run-off). Levels of nitrate in drinking water can vary throughout the year. We'll let you know when the amount of nitrate is again below the limit.

What is being done? Funding has been approved from USDA for the installation of an ion exchange system. We continue to work with Alan Luttrell, Engineer with EBH & Associates to help us in the process of staying in compliance with the State. We are also working with John Haas, Ranson Financial with the financial process. Remember, that we do have an R/O unit attached to the fire station where you can get drinking water.

For more information, please contact: Pake McCarley or Shari McAfee at phone 620-862-5317, mailing address PO Box 264, Haviland, KS 67059-0264, or e-mail cityhall@havilandtelco.com.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by the City of Haviland.

State Water System ID#: K5000 Federal Water System ID#: KS2009703

Date distributed: Mailed/E-mailed to All Citizens October 27, 2014

Public Agenda Items

If you have a request or concern and would like to be included on the council agenda, please submit a written request ten (10) days prior to the meeting you want to attend. Meetings are the second Monday of each month.

MAIN STREET SPEED LIMIT

20 MPH

Please comply with the posted speed limit on Main Street. Driving over the limit is a danger to pedestrians and other drivers.

**** PLEASE SLOW DOWN! ****

Publishing of Ordinances and Resolutions

We are required to publish all new ordinances and resolutions in the City's designated newspaper, which is the Kiowa County Signal. Many of you do not take the paper, so with the quarterly newsletter, we now have another way to publish these items.

ORDINANCE NO. 363

AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND ESTABLISHING MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR THE SALE OF WATER TO ALL CONSUMERS BY THE WATER DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF HAVILAND, KANSAS; PROVIDING FOR RATE COLLECTION; AND REPEALING ALL OF ORDINANCE NO. 346.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HAVILAND, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. The following monthly rates for the sale of water to all consumers by the Water Department of the City of Haviland, Kansas shall be charged and collected beginning:

- a) January 1, 2015:
 - 1) For the first two thousand gallons (2,000) of water, or portions thereof: twenty-two dollars (\$22.00);
 - 2) For the next ten thousand gallons (10,000) of water, or portions thereof: two dollars (\$2.00) per each one thousand gallons (1,000);
 - 3) For all water in excess of twelve thousand gallons (12,000): two dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2.25) per each one thousand gallons (1,000).
- b) January 1, 2016:
 - 1) For the first two thousand gallons (2,000) of water, or portions thereof: twenty-six dollars (\$26.00);
 - 2) For the next ten thousand gallons (10,000) of water, or portions thereof: three dollars (\$3.00) per each one thousand gallons (1,000);
 - 3) For all water in excess of twelve thousand gallons (12,000): three dollars and twenty-five cents (\$3.25) per each one thousand gallons (1,000).
- c) January 1, 2017:
 - 1) For the first two thousand gallons (2,000) of water, or portions thereof: thirty dollars (\$30.00);
 - 2) For the next ten thousand gallons (10,000) of water, or portions thereof: four dollars (\$4.00) per each one thousand gallons (1,000);
 - 3) For all water in excess of twelve thousand gallons (12,000): four dollars and twenty-five cents (\$4.25) per each one thousand gallons (1,000).

SECTION 2. All charges for the sale of water to all consumers by the Water Department of the City shall be due and payable on or before the twentieth (20th) day of each month following the month of service, at the Office of the City Clerk, and if such charges shall not be paid when due, the Water Department of the City shall have the right, power, and authority to discontinue all water service to such delinquent consumer, and shall have the right, power and authority to assess a re-connect fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) before the service shall be restored.

SECTION 3. All revenues derived from water rates and charges shall be deposited in the City Treasury and credited to a separate fund known as the water revenue fund, and such revenue shall be used exclusively for the administration, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement extension, enlargement, betterment, depreciation, and obsolescence of the water system; and may be used to pay principal of and interest on any bonds issued on account of the water system, either general obligation bonds or revenue bonds, or both, except this revenue shall not be used for bonds issued for any such projects the costs of which are payable from special assessments, nor shall this revenue be applied to the construction or re-construction of water systems the costs of which is provided by law to be paid from special assessments in a benefit district.

SECTION 4. The sections of this ordinance are intended to be several and separate so that if any section hereof is held to be invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining sections shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. Ordinance No. 346 and all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication in the official City newspaper.

Passed by the Council and approved by the Mayor this 11th day of August 2014.

Nisly Windy Day Suggestions

1. Place a brick or short board on top of the trash and/or recycle cart lid. It will fall off when the cart is lifted, or
2. Face the front of the cart away from the wind. This is a little more difficult, but the driver can still grab and lift the cart.

This is for excessively windy days only. On other pick up days, place the carts in the normal position, arrows on the lid toward the street.

ORDINANCE NO. 364

AN ORDINANCE EMPOWERING THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HAVILAND, KANSAS TO CAUSE THE REPAIR OR REMOVAL OF UNSAFE OR DANGEROUS STRUCTURES WITHIN SAID CITY; PRESCRIBING A PROCEDURE FOR THE COMPLETION OF SUCH REPAIR OR REMOVAL; PROVIDING FOR A HEARING THEREON AND FOR NOTICE THEREOF; AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO COMPLETE SUCH REMOVAL IN CERTAIN INSTANCES AND PROVIDING A PROCEDURE FOR THE FINANCING AND RECOVERY OF THE COSTS THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE IMMEDIATE REMOVAL WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE OR HEARING OF STRUCTURES WHICH CONSTITUTE AN IMMEDIATE HAZARD.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HAVILAND, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE. The governing body has found that there exist within the corporate limits of the city structures which are unfit for human use or habitation because of dilapidation, defects increasing the hazards of fire or accidents, structural defects or other conditions which render such structures unsafe, unsanitary or otherwise inimical to the general welfare of the city, or conditions which provide a general blight upon the neighborhood or surrounding properties. It is hereby deemed necessary by the governing body to require or cause the repair, closing or demolition or removal of such structures as provided in this ordinance.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS. For the purpose of this ordinance, the following words and terms shall have the following meanings:

- a) Enforcing officer means the Code Enforcement Officer or his or her authorized representative.
- b) Last known address includes the address where the property is located, or the address as listed in the tax record.
- c) Parties in interest means any owner or owners of record, judgment creditor, tax purchaser, occupant or other party having any legal or equitable title or interest in the property.
- d) Structure shall include any building, wall, superstructure or other structure which requires location on the ground, or is attached to something having a location on the ground.

SECTION 3. ENFORCING OFFICER; DUTIES. The enforcing officer is hereby authorized to exercise such powers as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this ordinance, including the following:

- a) Inspect any structure which appears to be unsafe, dangerous or unfit for human habitation;
- b) Have authority to enter upon premises at reasonable hours for the purpose of making such inspections. Entry shall be made so as to cause the least possible inconvenience to any person in possession of the structure. If entry is denied, the enforcing officer may seek an order for this purpose from a court of competent jurisdiction;
- c) Report all structures which he or she believes to be dangerous, unsafe or unfit for human habitation to the governing body;
- d) Receive petitions as provided in this ordinance.

SECTION 4. PROCEDURE; PETITION. Whenever a petition is filed with the enforcing officer by at least five residents charging that any structure is dangerous, unsafe or unfit for human habitation, or whenever it appears to the enforcing officer on his or her own motion that any structure is dangerous, unsafe or unfit for human habitation, he or she shall, if his or her preliminary investigation discloses a basis for such charges, report such findings to the governing body.

SECTION 5. SAME; NOTICE. The governing body upon receiving a report as provided in Section 4 shall by resolution fix a time and place at which the owner, the owner's agent, any lien holder of records and any occupant of the structure may appear and show cause why the structure should not be condemned and ordered repaired or demolished.

SECTION 6. SAME; PUBLICATION.

- a) The resolution shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks on the same day of each week. At least 30 days shall elapse between the last publication and the date set for the hearing.
- b) A copy of the resolution shall be mailed by certified mail within three days after its first publication to each owner, agent, lien holder and occupant at the last known address and shall be marked "deliver to addressee only."

SECTION 7. SAME; HEARING, ORDER. If, after notice and hearing, the governing body determines that the structure under consideration is dangerous, unsafe or unfit for human use or habitation, it shall state in writing its findings of fact in support of such determination and shall cause the resolution to be published once in the official city newspaper and a copy mailed to the owners, agents, lien holders of record and occupants in the same manner provided for the notice of hearing. The resolution shall fix a reasonable time within which the repair or removal of such structure shall be commenced and a statement that if the owner of such structure fails to commence the repair or removal of such structure within the time stated or fails to diligently prosecute the same until the work is completed, the governing body will cause the structure to be razed and removed.

SECTION 8. DUTY OF OWNER. Whenever any structure within the city shall be found to be dangerous, unsafe or unfit for human use or habitation, it shall be the duty and obligation of the owner of the property to render the same secure and safe or to remove the same.

SECTION 9. SAME; FAILURE TO COMPLY.

- a) If, within the time specified in the order, the owner fails to comply with the order to repair, alter, improve or vacate the structure, the enforcing officer may cause the structure to be repaired, altered, improved, or to be vacated and closed.
- b) If, within the time specified in the order, the owner fails to comply with the order to remove or demolish the structure, the enforcing officer may cause the structure to be removed and demolished.

SECTION 10. SAME; MAKE SITE SAFE. Upon removal of any structure, the owner shall fill any basement or other excavation located upon the premises and take any other action necessary to leave the premises in a safe condition. If the owner fails to take such action, the enforcing officer may proceed to make the site safe.

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SECTION 11. ASSESSMENT OF COSTS: FINANCE.

- a) The cost to the city of any repairs, alterations, improvements, vacating, removal or demolition by the enforcing officer, including making the site safe, shall be reported to the city clerk.
- b) The city shall give notice to the owner of the structure by certified mail of the cost of removing the structure and making the premises safe and secure and the costs of providing notice. The notice shall also state that payment of the cost is due and payable within 30 days following receipt of the notice.
- c) If any costs remain unpaid after 30 days following receipt of notice, the city clerk may sell any salvage from the structure and apply the proceeds or any necessary portion thereof to pay the cost of removing the structure and making the site safe. Any proceeds in excess of that required to recover such costs and the costs of providing notice shall be paid to the owner of the premises upon which the structure was located.
- d) If the proceeds received from the sale of salvage or from the proceeds of any insurance policy in which the city has created a lien pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3901 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto, are insufficient to recover the above stated costs, or if there is no salvage, the balance shall be collected in the manner provided by K.S.A. 12-1, 115, and amendments thereto, or it shall be assessed as special assessments against the lot or parcel of land on which the structure was located and the city clerk, at the time of certifying other city taxes, shall certify the unpaid portion of the costs to the county clerk who shall extend the same on the tax roll of the county against such lot or parcel of land and it shall be collected by the county treasurer and paid to the city as other city taxes are collected and paid. The city may pursue collection both by levying a special assessment and in the manner provided by K.S.A. 12-1, 115, and amendments thereto, but only until the full costs and applicable interest has been paid in full.
- e) If there is no salvage material, or if the moneys received from the sale of salvage or from the proceeds of any insurance policy in which the city has created a lien pursuant to K.S.A. 40-3901 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto, are insufficient to pay the costs of the work and the costs of providing notice, such costs or any portion thereof in excess of that received from the sale of salvage or any insurance proceeds may be financed, until the costs are paid, out of the general fund or by the issuance of no-fund warrants.

SECTION 12. IMMEDIATE HAZARD. When in the opinion of the governing body any structure is in such condition as to constitute an immediate hazard requiring immediate action to protect the public, the governing body may direct the enforcing officer to erect barricades or cause the property to be vacated, taken down, repaired, shored or otherwise made safe without delay. Such action may be taken without prior notice to or hearing of the owners, agents, lien holders and occupants. The cost of any action under this section shall be assessed against the property as provided in Section 11.

SECTION 13. APPEALS FROM ORDER. Any person affected by an order issued by the governing body under this ordinance may, within 30 days following service of the order, petition the district court of the county in which the structure is located for an injunction restraining the enforcing officer from carrying out the provisions of the order pending final disposition of the case.

SECTION 14. SCOPE OF ORDINANCE. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to abrogate or impair the powers of the courts or of any department of the city to enforce any provisions of its ordinances or regulations, nor to prevent or punish violations thereof; and the powers conferred by this ordinance shall be in addition to and supplemental to the powers conferred by the constitution, any other law or ordinance. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to impair or limit in any way the power of the city to define and declare nuisances and to cause their removal or abatement by summary proceedings or otherwise or to exercise those powers granted specifically by K.S.A. 12-1750:1756f.

SECTION 15. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication in the official city newspaper.

Passed by the Council and approved by the Mayor this 13th day of October 2014.



Sleeping on the Job

Things to say if you get caught sleeping at your desk:

10. "This is just a 15-minute power-nap like they raved about in the last time management course you sent me to."
9. "I wasn't sleeping! I was meditating on the mission statement and envisioning a new paradigm!"
8. "This is one of the seven habits of highly effective people!"
7. "I was testing the keyboard for drool resistance."
6. "Actually I'm doing a "Stress Level Elimination Exercise Plan" (SLEEP) I learned at the last mandatory seminar you made me attend."
5. "Darn! Why did you interrupt me? I had almost figured out a solution to our biggest problem."
4. "Someone must've put decaf in the wrong pot."
3. "Boy, that cold medicine I took last night just won't wear off!"
2. "I wasn't sleeping, I was trying to pick up a contact lens without hands."

AND THE #1 BEST THING TO SAY IF YOU GET CAUGHT SLEEPING AT YOUR DESK: "Amen!"



County Health Department

The Kiowa County Health Department is here to serve you. They can help with a wide range of services and want to be sure that folks are staying healthy. Call for an appointment so they can answer any questions that you may have. Call 620-723-2136 or send an email to mitzi.hesser@kiowacountyks.org.

Services provided:

- **Immunization** for children and adults
 - Private pay
 - Insurance billed
 - Vaccine for children who have no insurance
- **Family Planning Service** (sliding scale fee) completely confidential for all ages
- **Physicals**
 - Kan-Be-Healthy (for medical cards)
 - Preschool and school entrance
 - Well child checks (lead screening, office calls)
- **Foot Care**
- **Screenings**
 - Blood pressure
 - Blood sugar
 - Urinalysis
 - Ear wash
 - Pregnancy test
 - Hemoglobin
- **Allergy Injections**
- **Health Promotion Talks and Information**
- **WIC** – (women, infant and children nutrition program)
- **Safe Haven Place** (newborn infant protection act)



Definition of a City Clerk

We, the willing, led buy the unknowing, are doing the impossible for the ungrateful. We have done so much for so long with so little we are now qualified to do anything with nothing.



County Information

KIOWA COUNTY GOVERNMENT – www.kiowacountyks.org

All Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- **County Offices** are located at 211 E. Florida Ave., Greensburg.
 - **All Emergencies** 911
 - **Appraiser's Office** 620-723-3301
D. J. McMurry – Office is located in the Northeast corner of the main floor of the courthouse.
 - **County Attorney** 620-723-2721
Scott James – Office is located in the Southwest corner of the upper floor of the courthouse.
 - **County Clerk** 620-723-3366
Kristi Cooper – Office located in the Southwest corner of the main floor of the courthouse.
 - **County Health Nurse** 620-723-2136
Mitzi Hesser – Office located in the Northwest corner of the lower floor of the courthouse.
 - **District Court** 620-723-3317
District Magistrate Judge Ann Dixson – Office located in the Northeast corner of the upper floor of the courthouse.
 - **Emergency Management** 620-723-4154
Ray Stegman – Office located in the Southwest corner of the lower floor of the courthouse.
 - **Long Term Recovery** 620-723-1343
Matt Christenson – Office located in the Southwest corner of the lower floor of the Courthouse.
 - **Register of Deeds** 620-723-2441
Karen Butler – Office located in the Northwest corner of the main floor of the courthouse.
 - **Road and Bridge** 720-723-2531
Gunnar Stauth – Offices located at 1002 S. Grove.
 - **Sheriff's Office** 620-723-2182
Kendall Lothman – Office located at 123 E. Wisconsin.
 - **Treasurer** 620-723-2681
Brenda Osborne – Office located in the Southeast corner of the main floor of the courthouse.
- **County Commission**
 - District One** – John W. Unruh – Eastern Kiowa County (Haviland)
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 - District Two** – Bert Lowry – Central Kiowa County (Greensburg)
 - District Three** – Ron Freeman – Western Kiowa County (Mullinville)
Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays and the last working day of the month at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room located in the Northeast corner of the lower level of the courthouse.
- **South Landfill** 620-723-1034
Hours are Tuesday-Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. except holidays. The landfill is located at 10263 31st Ave., or about 3½ miles south of the end of Greensburg's Olive Street on the west side of the road.
- **County Agents** 620-723-2156
FACS Agent – Pam Muntz and Agriculture Agent – Barrett Smith. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Office is located in the center office of the Commons at 320 S. Main St., Suite 110.

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His and Her Diary for the Same Day

Her Diary

Tonight, I thought my husband was acting weird.
We had made plans to meet at a nice restaurant for dinner.
I was shopping with my friends all day long, so I thought he was upset at the fact.
Conversation wasn't flowing, so I suggested that we go somewhere quiet so we could talk.
He agreed, but he didn't say much.
I asked him what was wrong; He said, "Nothing." I asked him if it was my fault that he was upset.
He said he wasn't upset, that it had nothing to do with me, and not to worry about it.
On the way home, I told him that I loved him. He smiled slightly, and kept driving.
I can't explain his behavior, I don't know why he didn't say, "I love you, too."
When we got home, I felt as if I had lost him completely,
As if he wanted nothing to do with me anymore.
He just sat there quietly, and watched TV. He continued to seem distant and absent.
Finally, with silence all around us, I decided to go to bed.
About 15 minutes later, he came to bed.
But I still felt that he was distracted, and his thoughts were somewhere else.
He fell asleep. I cried. I don't know what to do.
I'm almost sure that his thoughts are with someone else.
My life is a disaster.

His Diary

Boat wouldn't start, can't figure out why.



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