

City gives cost-of-living raises at entry level

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the highest starting price he was given was \$10 and benefits. Hutfles added that money shouldn't be the only thing the city looks at when it comes to keeping workers. They should also focus on job satisfaction, he said.

Councilmen Patrick Mallory said someone could call just as many businesses as Hutfles who pay their workers wages that would blow the prices mentioned by Hutfles out of the water. He asked Taylor how much his employer, Midwest Energy, pays their starting workers. Taylor left the question unanswered during the meeting, but later said the starting wage for entry-level workers is about \$14 per hour.

In other business, the council:

- Approved a 2010-2011 city budget of \$23,208,964. Councilman David Voss and Hutfles both voted against the budget. A public hearing was held before the vote, but no citizens voiced any complaints.
- OK'd a Pioneer Memorial Library Budget of \$295,380.
- Agreed to approve a \$225,932 Recreation Department budget. Recreation Director Stacy Lee attended the meeting in case the council members had questions.
- Heard from Armstrong that the council will have to alert the public that they will be increasing tax revenue this year because they will be using the money for purposes other than debt service. She said the city has to do this even though taxes are down

from last year. Armstrong said the reason the city has to inform the public is because the state forces it to alert the public when they spend over a certain amount of money using tax dollars. But they make an exception when taxes are raised to make bond payments, she said. Last year taxes were raised to make bond payments for the fire station, so the hike didn't have to be disclosed to the public.

• Heard Duane Johnson, who lives on 225 S. Grant Ave., asked if the city could create a position for an ombudsman, who would tell people when their power is disconnected. He said he wished he had been contacted before his power was disconnected in July. Finance Director Debbie Zerrer said a notice is sent to people who haven't

paid on the 16th of every month with a penalty. Armstrong said the notice warns people that the bill plus the entire bill, including the penalty fee, needs to be paid by the 26th or power will be disconnected.

- Approved a five-year capital improvement plan from 2011 to 2015. Armstrong said the money is for replacing old vehicles, repairing and maintenance of roads, resurfacing the tennis court and other projects. A few projects the money will pay for includes two police vehicles, a new gym floor in the Community Building, resurfacing the tennis courts, sealing cracks in the street and maintaining the road from fourth street to City Limits.

Overland Park lawyer named U.S. Attorney

By Bill Draper

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. — An Overland Park attorney who specialized in discrimination claims under the Civil Rights Act has been confirmed as the next U.S. attorney for Kansas.

Barry R. Grissom, 56, and eight other U.S. attorneys were confirmed late Thursday night in a unanimous consent vote by the Senate, according to a spokeswoman for Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt.

Kansas has not had a permanent U.S. attorney since Eric Melgren resigned in 2008 to take a federal judgeship. Lanny Welch has served as interim U.S. attorney since then.

President Barack Obama in

April nominated Grissom, who was recommended by Kansas Gov. Mark Parkinson and Rep. Dennis Moore, both Democrats. Grissom was legal counsel for Moore's 1998 and 2000 campaigns and served on the committee for a major fundraiser in 2007 for Obama in Kansas City, Mo.

Grissom was vacationing in California Friday morning when he got word that he had been confirmed. He said no date has been set to assume his new position.

Grissom graduated from the University of Kansas in 1977 and the Oklahoma City University law school in 1981. He opened a general law practice in 1983, handling criminal and civil cases, before narrowing the focus of his firm to handling discrimination claims under the Civil Rights Act.

Board officials call fair a success

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"Another change was the 40-plus handicapped parking spaces," he said. "They were all filled and then some, which was another good thing."

Hines agreed, adding that people told her that without the parking, they could not have attended the fair.

"It always helps when someone says thanks," she said.

Hines said the board always welcome ideas from the public for something different it can consider

to help make the fair even better.

"The great thing is the community support," Anderson said. "It has just gotten better and better over time."

"The fair used to lose around \$20,000 a year, but contracting out so much of the entertainment has made a big difference. This year, we could possibly make a little, but even if we lose \$5,000, that is not quite a dollar per person in the whole county, and that's not much considering how many people come for the fair."

Livestock sale nets \$228,294 for kids

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1,317 pounds and was purchased by Hoxie Feed Yard for \$5.75 a pound. Cassie Wells of the Abilene Hustlers sold her Reserve Champion 1,228-pound market steer to Peoples State Bank for \$4

a pound.

The yearling bucket calf Grand Champion weighing in at 1,123 pounds. It was exhibited by Caitlyn Comfort of Solomon Valley and sold to Hoxie Feed Yard for \$7 a pound. The Reserve Champion belonged to Brent Wilson,

also of Solomon Valley. His 1,291 yearling calf sold to Colby Implementation for \$3.25 a pound

Fifty-three head of swine sold for a total of \$61,798; 11 lambs went for \$8,557; 26 goats sold for a total of \$14,175 and 32 head of market beef brought \$143,764.

Weather Corner



National Weather Service

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 65. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 96. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Isolated thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Partly cloudy; low around 67. South wind about 10 mph. Chance of precipitation, 20 percent.

Sunday: Isolated thunderstorms after 4 p.m. Mostly sunny and hot; high near 99. North wind between 5 and 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Sunday Night: Scattered thunderstorms, mainly between 7 p.m. and 1 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 67. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

Thursday: High, 87; Low 65

Precip: Thursday 0.03 inches

Month: 2.28 inches

Year: 16.78 inches

Normal: 16.41 inches (K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset

Saturday 6:50 a.m. 8:50 p.m.

Sunday 6:50 a.m. 8:49 p.m.

Monday 6:51 a.m. 8:47 p.m. (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Colby Water Use

Thursday 1,958,000 gal. (Colby Public Works)

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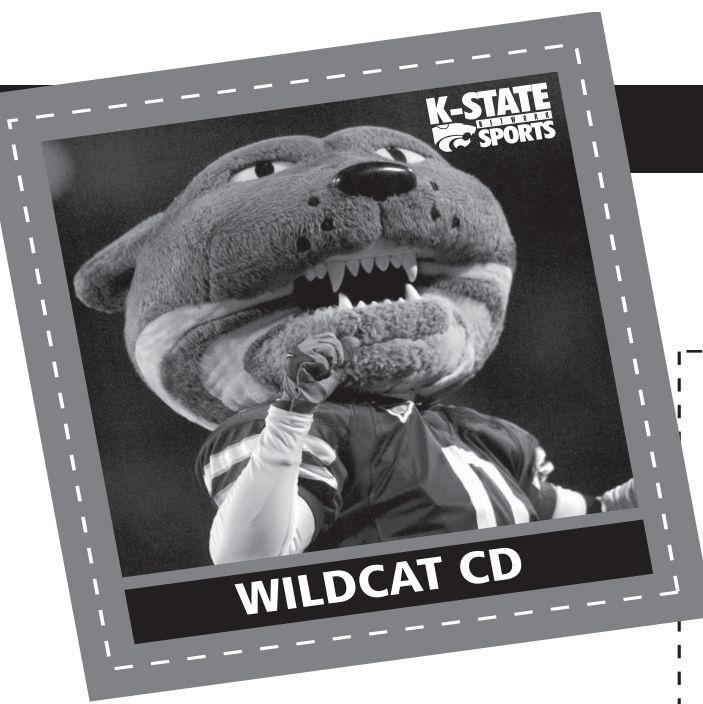
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Monday Evening

August 9, 2010

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Bachelor Pad				Dating in the Dark		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KBSL/CBS	How I Met Rules	Two Men	Big Bang		CSI: Miami		Local	Late Show Letterman	Late	
KSNK/NBC	America's Got Talent		Last Comic Standing				Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	Late	
KSAS/FOX	Teen Choice 2010				Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	Intervention	Intervention			Hoarders			Obsessed	Intervention	
AMC	Michael Clayton							Rubicon	Mad Men	
ANIM	Pit Boss	Pit Boss			River Monsters			Pit Boss	River Monsters	
BRAVO	Housewives/NJ	Housewives/NJ			Housewives/NJ			Housewives/NJ	Housewives/NJ	
CMT	Extreme Makeover	Your Chance To Dance			Captain Ron				Smarter Smarter	
CNN	Rick's List	Larry King Live			Anderson Cooper 360				Larry King Live	
COMEDY	Good Luck Chuck	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Futurama
DISC	Ulti. Car Build-Off	Ulti. Car Build-Off			The Colony			Ulti. Car Build-Off	Ulti. Car Build-Off	
DISN	Phineas and Ferb	Wizards	Wizards		Good Luck	Good Luck	Sonny	Sonny	Hannah	Hannah
E!	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami	Kimora: Fab Lane		Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	Next Door
ESPN	MLB Baseball				Baseball Tonight			SportsCenter	Baseball	NFL Live
ESPN2	NFL Yrbk.	NFL Yrbk.	2010 Poker		2010 Poker			E:60	Nation	Poker
FAM	Secret-Teen	Huge			Secret-Teen			The 700 Club	Whose? Whose?	
FOOD	Unwrapped	Unwrapped	The Best	The Best	Diners	Diners		Good Eats	Unwrapped	The Best
FX	Click							Mr. 3000		
HGTV	Property	Property	House	My First	House	House		Selling N	First	House
HIST	Chasing Mummies		American Pickers		Pawn	Pawn		Hardcore History		Chasing Mummies
LIFE	Reba	Reba	Memory Keeper					Will	Will	Frasier
MTV	Jersey Shore		Fantasy	Fantasy	Berger	Warren th		Fantasy	Berger	Jersey Shore
NICK	Matters	Matters	Chris	Chris	George	George		The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny
SCI	The Fifth Element				Warehouse 13			Requiem	Requiem	Gundam
SPIKE	Deadliest Warrior	Rambo						Scrappers	Madden	Knockout
TBS	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy		Lopez Tonight	Name Earl	Name Earl
TCM	Splendor-Grass							Reds		
TLC	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Fabulous Cakes			Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss
TNT	The Closer		The Closer		Rizzoli & Isles			The Closer		Rizzoli & Isles
TOON	Adventure	Flapjack	Total	Stoked	King/Hill	King/Hill		Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken
TRAV	Samantha-Asia		Bourdain		Bourdain			The Human Journey		Samantha-Asia
TV LAND	The Nanny	The Nanny	Raymond	Raymond	Top Gun					Roseanne
USA	NCIS				WWE Monday Night RAW			Covert Affairs		Psych
VH1	Money Hungry		Money Hungry		Scream Queens			Money Hungry		Scream Queens
WGN	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		WGN News at Nine			Scrubs		S. Park
Premium Channels										
HBO	Monsters vs. Aliens		Espiritu-Salsa		I Love You, Man					
MAX	Private P	Kung Pow:	Enter the Fist		The Box					Training Day
SHOW	White Stripes		The Real L Word		Weeds	Weeds		The Real L Word		Teller
										Punisher

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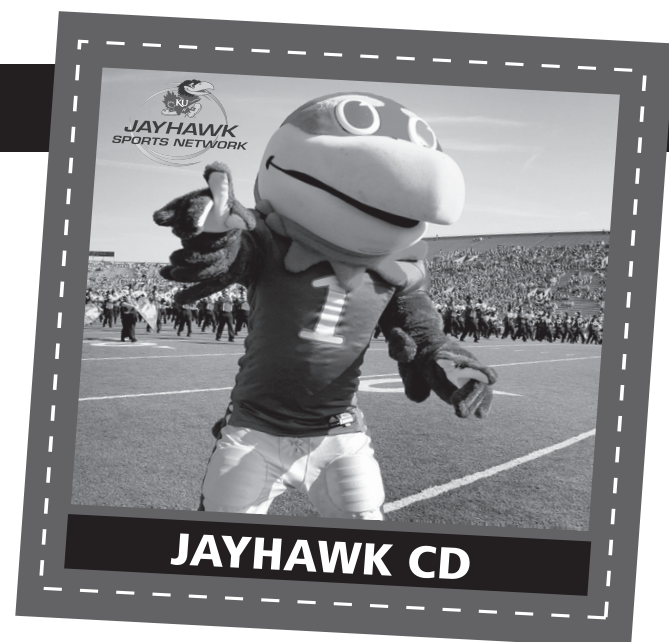


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