

Investors announce plan to build three plants

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Planning for the project started over a year ago, he said, when he saw a need for lower-cost energy for the city.

"We hope the city will be one of our customers," he said. "We're going to offer them a cost-effective rate."

The power plant will sell electricity to the city or other power companies.

"We are a wholesaler," Justus said. "We will not sell to retailers."

He said they looked at both ethanol and biodiesel because both require the same amount of steam power.

The power plant alone would only be 25 to 27 percent efficient, he said. When the waste products are used, Justus said, that number

jumps to 56 to 58 percent efficiency.

The power plant will be mainly coal-fired, he said, but it will be able to burn up to 40 percent agricultural waste.

Justus said the power plant will use about 400 tons of fuel per day to run, about four carloads a day. The coal cars will carry about 100 tons each, which should be a boon to the Kyle Railroad.

"It's going to be a big increase for them," he said.

John Golden, president of the Kemp Sugar Co. that owns the land the plant will be on, is a board member of the Midstates Port Authority. The public agency, now owned by 10 Kansas counties, saved the line from bankruptcy and leases it to Kyle, which is owned by a national firm, RailAmerica.

"This is going to be a great thing for the railroad," Golden said.

The groups are still working with railroad officials to negotiate a deal, Justus said, adding the railroads are even interested in using biodiesel from the plant.

He said the plant would create from 60 to 80 jobs on site, eventually accompanied by 100 to 200 spin-off jobs in town.

During construction, he said, the work should create 250 jobs.

Organizers, he said, are working to get the plant up and running by Thursday, Sept. 1, 2006.

"It's pretty aggressive," he said, "but we think we'll make it."

Justus said the plant is just the first step toward economic development.

"It opens the door," he said, adding that companies look toward de-

veloped industrial areas to add plants.

"I think in five years, it will be

neat to see that little industrial park," he said. "The industrial park is basically opening today."

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City accepts annexation petition

CITY, from Page 1a

"The only way we can sell power to the city is if the land is annexed as part of the city and is in the city service territory," Pickman said.

He said there are several outside partnerships possible with the new industrial park, including the plants supplying steam to the ADM Northern Sun plant, and possibly using the "grey water" from the city sewage treatment plant to make the steam.

Pickman said the plants would build in their own fire protection into the park, and would see the city and county fire departments as a backup.

Commissioner John Garcia asked about the extension of city services, and Pickman said that would be in the plan they will bring back after the land is purchased and the industrial park is established.

"We need water to make steam," he said, "and can possibly use the grey water from the treatment plant and would return the sewage from the restrooms to the waste treatment system."

Tom Armour, interim city manager, said that under state law, if the landowner is making the request for annexation there is no requirement for a plan.

He said the first step is for the commission to adopt a resolution to be sent to the county asking them to find in favor of the annexation. After the county has approved the action, the next step will be an ordinance annexing the property to the city.

"I think it is good to have local people jump up to help bring industry to Goodland," Golden said.

Dave Walker, a Goodland resident, asked Pickman about the size of the industrial park on the east side of K-27 and north of the Kyle Railroad.

Pickman said that privately

owned industrial park is about 60 acres.

Walker asked if the plants couldn't be put there and Pickman said there was not enough room, and it was better to have them located near Northern Sun.

Walker asked Golden who the principals of Kemp Sugar Co. were.

"I would like to have you sit down," Golden said to Walker.

"Who are the top people?" Walker. "I can look this up because it is a public corporation."

"I want the city commission to think about what you are doing. This is an island we will be responsible for, and it is being done to enrich a very small group of people."

Walker then asked Pickman who the principals are in the three companies that are planning to develop the industrial park.

Pickman said Walker would have to ask those people.

Golden renewed his request for the city to accept the annexation

petition.

Pickman said it seemed that people were forgetting the 60-80 jobs the new industrial park would bring to the city, and probably an estimated additional 200 jobs in related services.

Commissioner Josh Dechant made a motion to accept the petition and it was seconded by Commissioner Annette Fairbanks. When the commission voted unanimously for the motion, there was applause from the more than 20 people in the audience.

After the motion, most of the audience left, including Walker, but there were no further comments.

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPEALING SECTION 8-305 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GOODLAND, KANSAS AS IT PERTAINS TO INVESTIGATION FEES FOR THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GOODLAND, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. Section 8-305 of the Code of the City of Goodland is hereby amended to read as follows:

At the time of the filing of the application, a fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) shall be paid to the City Clerk to cover the cost of investigation of the facts stated in the foregoing application. The payment of such fees shall not be required from any producer, grower or agent or employee of such grower, engaged in the sale of agricultural, farm, garden, or aquacultural products grown by such growers within the State of Kansas.

SECTION 2. Section 8-305 of the Code of the City of Goodland is hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall take effect July 5, 2005 and be in force from and after said date and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed and approved by the Commission of the City of Goodland, State of Kansas, on the 5th day of July, 2005.

Rick Billinger, Chairman of the City Commission of the City of Goodland

ATTEST:
Mary P. Volk, City Clerk

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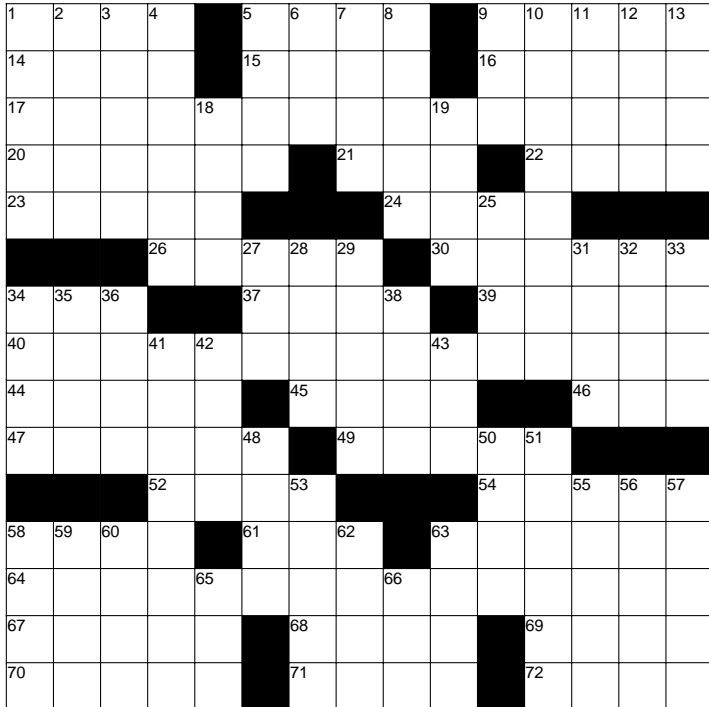
ACROSS

- Bring to 212 degrees
- One of the Three Bears
- Diet guru Jenny
- Oscar winner Paquin
- Grid great Dickerson
- "La ___ Vita"
- Got trained
- 1936 loser to Roosevelt
- Coral or Aral
- Civil wrong
- Winter hazard
- Dull as dishwater
- Considers
- Promise to a fundraiser
- Healthful getaway
- Letter starter
- All choked up
- Made a right, say
- Drove onward
- Fodder holder
- Ram's mate
- Muffles, with "out"
- Knuckleheads
- After curfew
- "___ on a true story"
- Anthem opener
- Forum greeting
- Piece of cake!"
- Came to the door, perhaps
- Spud
- ___ avis
- "It's a Sin to Tell ___"
- Name in fine china
- Self-satisfied
- Husky's burden

DOWN

- Full count's three
- Hoopster Shaq
- Nonsensical

Pug-nacity



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- Covered with fat
- Hammerhead part
- Suffix with dull or drunk
- Olive throwaways
- Had flu symptoms
- USN officer
- Float ingredient
- Ken-L Ration competitor
- Cake decorator
- Daring exploit
- Bit of marginalia
- O.K. Corral lawman
- Chorus member
- Byrnes of "77 Sunset Strip"
- Subway Series team

- Sir, in old India
- Copenhagen citizen
- Sprang up
- Bronte's Jane
- Poker variety
- Tabby's sound
- Jason's craft
- Move, in the realty biz
- Honeymooner
- Novelist Ferber
- Unc's son
- Take the lead
- Big Apple stage award
- Brazilian dances
- Tinker-Chance middleman
- Be in a bee

- "Dallas" matriarch
- Marked for exclusion
- Feed bag filler
- "Piece of cake!"
- Regarding, in memos
- Red-coated cheese
- Layered do
- Before, to bards
- Capote nickname

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