

City has new lawyers

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Ron Vignery, will be the prosecutor for Municipal Court.

In other business, the commission:

- Approved a bid from Sporer Land Development of Oakley for \$238,539 to do safety improvement on the north end of the main runway at the city airport. Engineer Darin Neufeld of Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates said Sporer was the only bidder on the project out of the five who took out plans. He said the bid is about \$18,000 under his estimate, and well within the limits of the Federal Aviation Administration, which will pay for 95 percent of the total project. The city portion will be about \$12,000. The project is expected to begin later this fall after review and approval from the government.
- Approved payment of \$139,117 for work completed by Miller Construction at Pioneer Park; \$10,803 to Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates for engineering work at

the park; and requested reimbursement of \$92,564 from the Department of Transportation for the state's portion of work completed.

• Paid \$59,943 to Strukel Electric of Garand as the final payment on the airport lighting project; \$5,939 to Evans, Bierly, Hutchison for engineering work on the airport lighting project; and requested reimbursement of \$23,146 from the Federal Aviation Administration for the project.

• Approved a change order on the airport lighting project to complete the final cost accounting. The change order was to increase the total by \$2,144 bringing it to \$408,830. Neufeld said the change was included in the final figures approved by the commission for payment to Strukel.

• Announced that Chuck Lutters, public works director for the past year, was resigning as of Friday to take a job with Renewable Energy Resources at the new plants being built west of the city. Dechant, Fairbanks and Billinger thanked Lut-

ters, a former city commissioner, for his efforts. Billinger asked Lutters to make notes of things he feels the city needs to look at in the future and things that have been started but may not be completed.

• Invited the commissioners to attend a county meeting on Tuesday to discuss the design of a storage building and the remodeling of the Southwestern Bell Building. The county is considering having an architect design a storage building where the tennis court is east of the courthouse. The county commissioners are looking at the long-term needs of the county and law enforcement as part of the design.

• Heard reports from Garcia and Daniels that the street sealing program appears to be the best the city has had in several years. Garcia and Daniels said they were impressed with how well the rock is sticking to the surface with the new oil emulsion used this year.

"I am impressed with the rock and sealer," Commissioner John Garcia said. "It is money well spent."

Farmer says work easier, harder

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the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks for its walk-in hunting program. He says this will help pay for his retirement.

Unruh said some things are easier and others are harder now than when he started.

There are more programs to help farmers now, he said, loans are easier to get, and technology has provided some conveniences. But, he said, starting up a farm is probably harder now with costs being so high.

Now farmers can get federal crop insurance, Unruh said, disaster payments and assistance. They didn't have that until the 1970s, he said; now there's a bit more help if you fail.

But the cost of things has gone up. "I bought a tractor for \$5,600," Unruh said. "Now they are about \$130,000 to \$150,000."

You get more of a tractor for that, he said. They have computers that tell how much plant population there is on each row, a buzzer to warn if anything is off and automa-

tion to guide themselves, making rows as straight as arrows. It's fool-proof, he said.

Even if equipment is maintained well, Unruh said, most farmers have to update somewhere every five years or they will be too far behind. You could use old equipment if you had to, he said, but this new stuff is nice.

Unruh grew up in the business: his parents farmed in Greeley, Hamilton, Wallace and Logan counties.

"That's what I grew up with," he said. "I knew how to do it."

Nonetheless, Unruh said, starting out on his own was a hassle. He said he borrowed money, bought whatever machinery he could and rented land.

He said his father co-signed some loans for him, but he didn't inherit a farm.

Things were pretty nip-and-tuck back then, he said, but it's probably harder now.

If young people don't have help from their family, he said, they will have a very hard time.

Over the years, Unruh grew irri-

gated corn, dryland and irrigated wheat, dryland milo and white sugar beets. He owns 1,200 acres that will be in the reserve program, and he rented more.

"Until a year ago," he said, "I was farming 6,400 acres."

He said his son farmed with him until a couple of years ago, when a back injury forced him to find other work. Now it's time for the father to retire.

"Farming has been good to us," Unruh said, "and is still profitable, but I need to retire. I'm 66 years old. I don't want to work until I'm 80."

Leonard Unruh and his wife JoAnne married in 1960 and had one son and three daughters.

Their son Marshall Unruh is the undersheriff in Wallace County.

Their daughters are Brenda Herl of Colby; Alicia (Matt) Hoffer, who are stationed in Germany (he is in the Marines); and Jennifer Eaton, who works for the Union Pacific Railroad in Harvard, Texas.

Farming has a lot of drawbacks, Unruh said, but a lot of pluses. It's a good future, he said, "a terrific way of life."

Oklahoman tapped as manager

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came for the interview last week.

"I looked over Goodland," Hill said. "Since I have been in city government for the past 20 years, I have a different view when I drive into a city. I was impressed with the streets, the cleanliness and the sense of pride in keeping the city clean and attractive. You are right on I-70 and the first impression is important."

"Going into the convenience store and Howard Johnson's, the people were very friendly and helpful. That is important because these are the ambassadors for the community. If their attitude is crappy, it gives the visitor a bad taste. I am sure others people will remember when they have had a bad experience at some time."

"I think it is very progressive community, and

good things are going to happen, and some very positive developments without being very environmentally detrimental."

Hill was introduced to Pickman, who was at the commission meeting on behalf of the power plant. Hill said he was glad to see that Pickman was in town so he could answer some questions.

The new manager said his wife Rita is head of the countywide 911 call center in Guymon. A 1977 Guymon High School graduate, she is on the state 911 wireless board, appointed by the Oklahoma governor.

The couple has three children, a daughter Tanya, 31, of Oklahoma City, who works for America Online; son Diren, 26, out of the service and living in Garden City; and a daughter, Kelly, 20, who is a student at Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Weatherford, Okla.

Sports television schedule

SATURDAY MORNING

11:00 13/7 FOX MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at St. Louis Cardinals. From Busch Stadium in St. Louis. (Live) (CC)
22/28 ESPN X Games From Los Angeles. (Live) (CC)

AFTERNOON

12:00 7/11 CBS Horse Racing The Hambletonian. A one-mile race for 3-year-old trotters, from East Rutherford, N.J. (Live) (CC)
23/29 ESPN2 ATP Tennis US Open Series — Legg Mason Classic Semifinal. From Washington, D.C. (Live)
1:00 4/6 ABC X Games BMX, freestyle park finals; moto x finals; surfing finals. From Los Angeles. (Live) (CC)
7/11 CBS PGA Golf The International — Third Round. From Castle Pines Golf Club in Castle Rock, Colo. (Live) (CC)
2:00 22/28 ESPN WTA Tennis US Open Series — Acura Classic Semifinal. From San Diego. (Live)
4:00 23/29 ESPN2 MLS Soccer Club Deportivo Chivas USA at Real Salt Lake. From Rice-Eccles Stadium in Salt Lake City. (Live) (CC)

SUNDAY MORNING

10:30 22/28 ESPN Baseball Tonight (Live) (CC)
11:00 22/28 ESPN 2005 Pro Football Hall of Fame Induction From Canton, Ohio. (Live)
60/79 UNIV Fútbol de la Liga Mexicana UNAM

vs. Guadalajara. (En Vivo)

AFTERNOON

12:00 3/9 NBC 8/8 NBC Countdown to Green (Live) (CC)
12:30 3/9 NBC 8/8 NBC NASCAR Racing Nextel Cup Series — Allstate 400 at the Brickyard. From Indianapolis Motor Speedway in Indianapolis. (Live) (CC)
1:00 4/6 ABC X Games BMX freestyle dirt finals; moto x freestyle finals. From Los Angeles. (Live) (CC)
7/11 CBS PGA Golf The International — Final Round. From Castle Pines Golf Club in Castle Rock, Colo. (Live) (CC)
23/29 ESPN2 ATP Tennis US Open Series — Legg Mason Classic Final. From Washington, D.C. (Live)
99/39 WGN MLB Baseball Seattle Mariners at Chicago White Sox. From U.S. Cellular Field in Chicago. (Live) (CC)
3:00 22/28 ESPN WTA Tennis US Open Series — Acura Classic Final. From San Diego. (Live)
4:30 22/28 ESPN SportsCenter (Live) (CC)
5:00 22/28 ESPN Baseball Tonight (Live) (CC)
23/29 ESPN2 WNBA Shootaround (Live)
5:30 23/29 ESPN2 WNBA Basketball Indiana Fever at Washington Mystics. From MCI Center in Washington, D.C. (Live) (CC)

Crossword Puzzle

Presidential Timber

ACROSS

- March 17 honoree, for short
- Pastrami peddlers
- Barn hooter
- Saudis and others
- ___-garde
- Actress Vardalos
- "I'll Always Love You" singer
- Bobble the ball
- Falco of "The Sopranos"
- Slithery swimmers
- Architect Frank ___ Wright
- Motion detector, e.g.
- Synthetic fabric
- "In Cold Blood" writer
- Sot's malady, for short
- SASE, e.g.
- Concert sites
- On the briny
- A sib
- Salsa quality
- Kid in a dugout
- Cleanser in old TV ads
- Conscription org.
- "Death of a Salesman" playwright
- "___ luck!"
- Takes as one's own
- La Scala offering
- Red-ink figure
- "Quo Vadis?" emperor
- Columnist Marilyn ___ Savant
- "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" co-producer
- Psyche part
- Two on a par four, e.g.

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American Profile Hometown Content

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- Any "Seinfeld," now
- Selena portrayer Jennifer
- Bauxite, for one
- ___ Victor ("His Master's Voice" co.)
- Roast hosts, briefly
- Suspect's story
- Itar-___ (Russian news agency)
- Repairmen's figs.
- "Aba ___ Honeymoon"
- Old Russian ruler
- Agrees to
- Really can't stand
- Mineo of "Exodus"
- Power problems
- Calendar units: Abbr.
- Use dynamite
- Brit. reference work
- Sweet Spanish wine
- Reagan, as Nancy called him
- Orange ___ tea
- What's in vogue
- Achy spots
- Pizzeria fixture
- Walt Kelly's possum
- "I'm ___ human"
- Fr. holy women
- Hamelin rodent
- Driver's lic., et al.

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