



# Goddard Glance

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## STAR Bond Update

The Goddard STAR Bond Baseball/Softball fields are complete and have already hosted numerous tournaments. Currently, the Natatorium (Aquatic Center), Waterpark, Genesis Health Club and Childcare Center are under construction. The roof of the complex is nearing completion, then the interior work will begin. Further dirt work around the site has also increased in the last few weeks. The area at the left-hand side of the picture below is the aquatic park, which is privately funded and beyond the scope of the City's participation in the project. Upon completion of the health complex and natatorium, construction on the incoming hotel will begin.



## Prairie Sunset Trail & Linear Park

As a reminder for our new neighbors, the Prairie Sunset Trail runs from Garden Plain to Wichita, through Goddard's Linear Park! The gravel trail is great for running, biking or walking with dogs and families. As you walk through Linear Park, there are benches, workout equipment, dog stations, restrooms, covered pavilion and restrooms to utilize! For bikers, there is a bike rack and maintenance station near the park restrooms. Additionally, there is a substantial amount of parking and even an electric vehicle charging station at no cost to you! We hope you utilize all the wonderful amenities at the park and the trail! For more information on the Prairie Sunset Trail visit <http://prairiesunsettrail.org/>. For information on Linear Park, visit [goddardks.gov](http://goddardks.gov) and locate the 'community' tab.

## Lost and Found

Hi Neighbors! As a reminder, there have been numerous items found by the Goddard Post Office! The post office is located at 328 N Main St. If you have lost any items in the past year, they may be at the post office. The local post office keeps a box of miscellaneous items that have been lost in the community. If you find a lost item, you can always deliver it to City Hall and leave it with the Goddard Police Department at 118 N Main St.



## Utility Bill Late Payments

Neighbors, the Goddard City Council recently voted to not renew the grace period for delinquent payments on utility bills. This was extended in May, to last until July 31. The intent was to give community members time to set up payment plans or pay their bills entirely. Since then, the council made the determination that citizens should start setting up payment plans. As an added benefit, citizens that signed up for payment plans in August would have their late fees waived, so long as the full balance was paid within 90 days of setting up the plan. Shutoffs are set to begin this month for delinquent bills. However, we are still willing to work with neighbors in September to set up payment plans. There will be late fees added to the payment plans, but it will help those behind on bills maintain services. Those who do not attempt to set up a payment plan, or pay off their delinquent bills, may face shutoffs in September. Please contact the utility billing clerk to set up a payment plan or for any further questions at (316) 794-2441.



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## Cleanup After Pets

The City of Goddard would like to remind all citizens to please pick up after your animals if they use the bathroom. This applies to private as well as public property. Every pet owner is responsible for cleaning up their animal's waste in their backyard on a weekly basis or more frequently if the need calls for it. If animal waste is not cleaned up frequently enough to the satisfaction of the City, property owners will be cited. If your animal defecates on the sidewalk, street, or neighbor's lawn you must pick up that waste. Please help us all work towards keeping Goddard clean!



## Save Some Time, Pay Online!

As a reminder, City Water Bills can be paid online! In order to save time, you can create an account on the City of Goddard Website, [GoddardKS.gov](http://GoddardKS.gov). Under the 'How Do I...' tab, find the link titled Submit a Utility Bill Payment. In order to sign up, please have access to an account number and the exact address of the property receiving service. For any questions on setting up your online account, call City Hall at (316) 794-2441. As always, you can still pay the bill in person at Goddard City Hall on Main Street!



## Goddard Gratitude

Do you know someone that works hard for our community day-in and day-out that deserves some credit? Tell us about it! The Goddard City Council regularly recognizes exceptional residents and individuals committed to making our community a better place to live, work, and play! Individuals are regularly recognized for their service at City Council meetings on the first and third Monday of every month. To nominate an individual for their outstanding service and commitment to our community, please contact City Hall at 316-794-2441.

## Vacation Watch

As a reminder, while you are on vacation, the Goddard Police Department can drive through your neighborhood and check on your home. Our officers will ensure that nothing seems out of place and will check for signs of burglary or vandalism. To sign up for a Vacation Watch, visit [goddardks.gov](http://goddardks.gov), locate the departments tab and select vacation watch request under the police department section. We are thankful for our wonderful police officers and everything they do to keep Goddard safe!



## ReportIt Property Management

The Goddard Police Department encourages all residents to use a free online system that will help keep track of valuable --- and invaluable --- personal property. ReportIt is a free, secure online service allowing citizens to record serial numbers and upload images for phones, electronics, and other valuables. Should those items ever be stolen, Goddard Police Department officials say having the information will go a long way in accurately and quickly identifying your property. Citizens can access the site at [reportit.leadsonline.com](http://reportit.leadsonline.com).

The ReportIt service is a part of LeadsOnline, the online system that works with police across the country to track and recover stolen property. The Goddard Police Department uses LeadsOnline to help track and recover stolen property --- everything from jewelry to sporting equipment to electronics, computers, cameras, and other items such as designer clothing, collectibles, and other items with invaluable personal worth. The system allows detectives to search for the items using a variety of parameters, including item descriptions and serial numbers. When an item is sold to a pawn or secondhand shop, the product information is entered in the LeadsOnline database and is immediately viewable by participating law enforcement agencies across the country.

Citizens can store an unlimited number of serial numbers, item descriptions, pictures, and scans of receipts so items may be more easily identified in the event of theft. This record may also come in handy when filing claims with insurance providers in the event of loss. Citizens wanting to participate in Report It can register for the free service at [reportit.leadsonline.com](http://reportit.leadsonline.com) and begin building their personal property inventory list. Visit [GoddardKS.gov](http://GoddardKS.gov) and look for the ReportIt tab under the Police Department section to sign up!

