



'TIS THE SEASON

Downtown Osawatomie is ready for the holidays! Twinkling lights trim the downtown buildings, the streetlights have been wrapped in garland and topped with wreaths, and the Mayor's Christmas Tree is shining like a star.

Thank you the Grounds Guys of Olathe (who were also awarded the 2023 Osawatomie Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year) for all their hard work in stringing lights on rooftops and decorating City Hall.

Thank you to the City of Osawatomie electric team for hanging the tinsel decorations on 6th Street and dressing the streetlights on Main Street in garland, rope lights, and wreaths.

Our little hometown sure does look beautiful this time of year.

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS



The City of Osawatomie has added the first of two 2023 Ford F-150 Lightnings to its Utilities fleet as part of an electric vehicle and rural sustainability grant received in 2021. The \$5.2 million grant award, which was shared among an eight-member consortium, also provided funding for the installation of public access EV charging stations throughout the community. [READ MORE](#)

Osawatomie Public Library's Children's Department was temporarily closed beginning Monday, November 20th to allow for much needed flooring renovations to be completed. Some children and youth materials will be available in the Adult Department while renovations take place -- please see a library clerk for any additional assistance! Thank you for your patience. We can't wait to reopen soon!



NEWS AND REMINDERS

SHELTER SALE FINALIZED

City of Osawatometie officials finalized the sale of the former municipal pound to local rescue group Always & Furever Midwest Animal Sanctuary on November 28th, 2023. The sale, which totaled \$52,500, transferred the complete ownership and operation of the facility to Always & Furever and discontinued any affiliation with the City of Osawatometie. Certain clauses in the sale agreement dictate that the property may only be used as an animal shelter, and that the City retains first right of refusal to buy the property back should A&F wish to part with it in the future.

Always & Furever will continue to operate the facility, now known as "Always & Furever Osawatometie Shelter," to service animals in need in Miami County. People looking to adopt or foster, or who are looking for lost pets, should contact Always & Furever directly for more information.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

December Calendar

6:30PM | MEMORIAL HALL
411 11TH ST, OSAWATOMIE

DECEMBER 14TH, 2023
DECEMBER 28TH, 2023



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DID YOU KNOW?

The Osawatometie Police Department issues Calls for Service reports that track the type and number of services performed by officers. [CLICK HERE to view the archive.](#)

HOLIDAY HOMES TOUR - ON SALE NOW!

The Osawatometie Public Library is selling tickets for the annual Holiday Homes Tour! For just \$5, you'll get to experience the magic of Christmas inside some beautifully decorated homes in the community. Attendees will also be able to enter into a special raffle for a chance to win this cozy Christmas crate. Tickets are available at the Library or from any Library Board of Trustees member.



"OZCOMMONS" FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS RESCHEDULED

Oz Commons
Phase II
FINAL
PRESENTATION

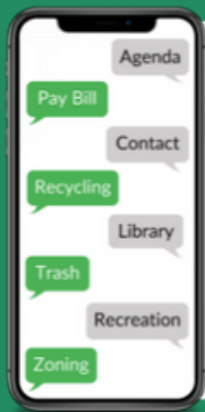
Attend next week's City Council meeting for a presentation on the Phase II report including:

- ✓ Overview of the Plan
- ✓ Community Input
- ✓ Recommendations



The final presentation for Phase II of Oz Commons has been rescheduled. Recommendations will be presented at the December 14th, 2023, meeting of City Council! The team will share an overview of the report and recommendations formed from community input, research, and their expertise. This project is a critical step in turning our vision from Phase I into a reality, continuing to enhance the bicycle and pedestrian network, and building off the unique community character in Osawatometie!

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