

City of Osawatomie

# Weekly Update

December 22, 2023



## HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

City of Osawatomie employees are looking forward to another beautiful holiday season with family and friends, which means a few changes to our hours of operation for the next two weeks. Please check out our posted Holiday Hours before you head to one of our facilities over the next two weeks!

### City Hall + Non-Emergency Departments

- CLOSED Dec. 25, 2023
- CLOSED Jan. 1, 2024

### Osawatomie Public Library

- CLOSED Dec. 25, 2023
- CLOSED Jan. 1, 2024

### John Brown Museum State Historic Site

- CLOSED Dec. 23 - 25, 2023
- CLOSED Jan. 1, 2024

See you in January 2024!

## COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS



City staff and members of the City's Planning and Zoning Commission have announced the beginning of Osawatomie 2040 -- our community's next comprehensive plan!

Visit our website to learn about how comprehensive plans work, how you can get involved, and to take a quick 10-minute survey!

[OsawatomieKS.org/2040](https://OsawatomieKS.org/2040)

Beginning in January, any trucks visiting for the "Food Truck Wednesday" program will be inside the plaza at 530 Main Street, located on the North side of the block.

Electric pedestals were installed for food trucks earlier this year and picnic table seating is available every day. More amenities will be installed throughout 2024, including shade structures.





# NEWS AND REMINDERS

## **GLENDENING UPDATES PTW '24**

As part of the agenda packet made available for the upcoming meeting of Osawatomie City Council on December 28th, City Manager Bret Glendening has provided an informational update on the next two years of Paving the Way (our comprehensive street repair plan). [You can read the full packet here.](#) Glendening notes that, due to the uncertainty that remains for 6th Street because of the project's magnitude, the City will likely not be looking to enter into a design contract in 2024 for the 2025 streets previously slated for full-depth replacement (proposed and approved 2025 streets included blocks surrounding the middle school and 1st Street from Main Street to the levee). In order to keep the program's momentum, a more likely scenario will be to estimate a cost to mill and overlay Parker from 12th Street to the city limits, the 500 block of Main Street, as well as East Main Street to the on/off ramps of US 169 Hwy.

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

### **December Calendar**

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

DECEMBER 14TH, 2023  
DECEMBER 28TH, 2023



**where can i see council packets?**



*City Council agenda packets are made available the Friday before each regular council meeting. Packets, and any amendments made after publication, can be found on the official City of Osawatomie website. Paper copies can be requested at City Hall for those without regular access to a computer or the internet. Give us a call anytime to learn more at (913) 755-2146!*

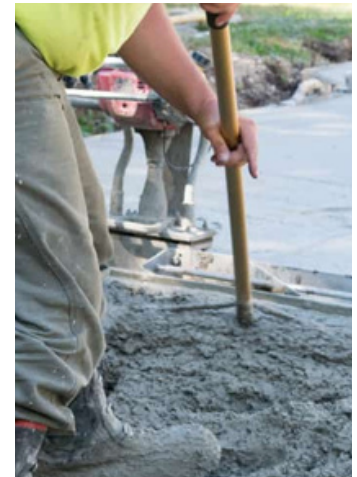


### **DID YOU KNOW?**

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

## **BROWN AVENUE COMPLETED**

Public Works Director Michele Silsbee is happy to report that Brown Avenue between 7th Street and 12th Street is all but complete! Thanks to the mild winter weather, contractors Killough Construction and Phoenix have been able to finish all outstanding asphalt and concrete work. Steps in the project yet to be finished include seeding and final grading.



## **"THE HUB" FINAL REPORT**

Consultant team members presented a selection of final recommendations from "Oz Commons: The Hub" at the 12/14/2023 meeting of City Council. Focus areas included the downtown space currently known as "Main Street Plaza," pedestrian connections, and the Asylum Bridge. Several community engagement opportunities were available throughout 2023. Feedback from these events helped shape the recommendations developed, and the nearly 100-page final report will be available to the public before the end of the year.

### **OZ COMMONS PHASE II FINAL REPORT**

#### **PRESENTATION:**

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





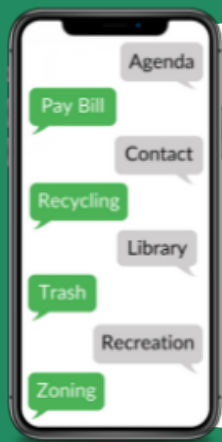
## Stay Connected!

TextMyGov is the new Fix-It Form! This text-based software allows residents to TEXT in reports about anything from streetlights to pot holes and more.

We also use "TextMyGov" to send notifications to residents who have subscribed to any of our three alert categories: Emergency Alerts, General Alerts, and Road Alerts. All alerts are sent via text message -- no internet and no social media required!

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## Ready for a Career?

Check back often for new listings across our many departments. We frequently are seeking full-time, part-time, seasonal and temporary staff to help Osawatomie grow.

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