



COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

**SCAM
ALERT**



City of Osawatomie staff members will never call you in an attempt to collect past-due utility bills or to collect a payment to avoid shut-off of utility services. If you receive a call like this, HANG UP and do not provide them with personal information!

To help us track down these scam attempts, please report any calls to the Osawatomie Police Department.

The final recommendations from Phase II of our multi-year downtown planning project (known as Oz Commons) are now [available for download on our website!](#) These proposals include analyzed results from the 2023 resident engagement opportunities and build off the recommendations compiled in 2021 during Phase I planning. Data in the recommendations help City staff apply for grants and other funding for years to come!



6TH STREET CONSTRUCTION STARTS FEB. 12, 2024

City of Osawatomie Public Works Director Michele Silsbee has published a series of construction updates related to the previously announced full-depth reconstruction of 6th Street. The nearly \$6.3 million project is planned to encompass almost the entire year after kicking off in Nov. 2023 with necessary preconstruction activities and City staff has tentatively planned the first full street closure to allow road construction to formally begin.

Beginning February 12, 2024, weather and conditions permitting, both lanes of traffic will be closed from Kelly Avenue to the levee in order for contractors to install stormwater on both sides and make significant changes to the street design and elevation. This closure will include half of the 6th and Kelly intersection. **Conditions permitting, this closure will last approximately one month** and marks the official start of the "street and storm" portion of the reconstruction project.

NEWS AND REMINDERS

"BUSINESS BASICS" CLASSES **COMING SOON!**

Miami County's E-Community group has partnered with America's Small Business Development Center, Johnson County Community College, and the K-State Research and Extension Office to provide two opportunities for local businesses to enroll in "Business Basics in a Day" workshops.

Each session will focus on feasibility, building basic business plans, evaluating legal structures, forming financial projections, and reviewing other essential functions like marketing and bookkeeping.

Two dates are available: Saturday, March 23rd and Friday May 3rd. Registration is \$75 and runs from 8:00am to 4:00pm with lunch provided.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

February Calendar

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

FEBRUARY 8TH, 2024
FEBRUARY 22ND, 2024



[what's a comprehensive plan](#)



City staff and members of the City's Planning and Zoning Commission have announced the beginning of Osawatombie 2040 -- our community's next comprehensive plan! Visit our website to learn about how comprehensive plans work and how you can get involved with your friends and neighbors. CLICK HERE --> OsawatombieKS.org/2040



DID YOU KNOW?

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

CHAMBER PLANS LEGISLATIVE EVENT

The Osawatombie Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the annual Legislative Breakfast at **7:00am on Saturday, February 10th, 2024**. This year's event features Senators Molly Baumgardner, and Caryn Tyson and Representatives Samantha Poetter and Carrie Barth. A free buffet style hot breakfast is included for all members of the public. There is no cost to attend this event.

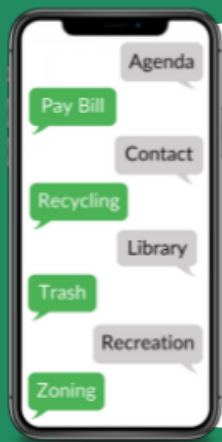
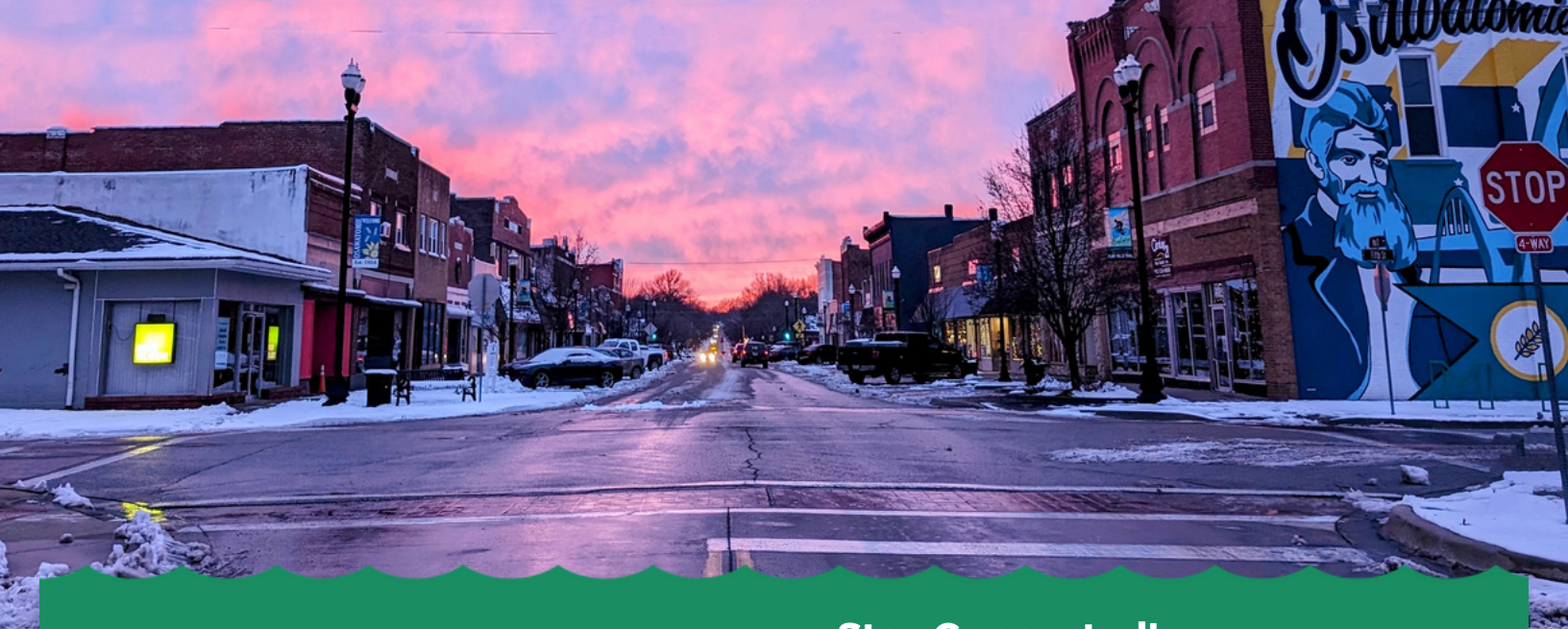


OSAWATOMIE PUBLIC LIBRARY AWARDED "TM4K" GRANT

Osawatombie Public Library has been selected to receive a Thinking Money for Kids Program Kit from the American Library Association (ALA) and the FINRA Investor Education Foundation. This grant program is a collection of expertly vetted resources to help libraries teach financial education concepts for children ages 3 to 12, both in the library and in children's homes. Kids will have the opportunity to learn about financial topics — like earning, saving, spending, sharing and budgeting — in a way that is both meaningful and fun! Starting this spring, visit the library for in-person kids' programs or take home a tablet loaded with fun and educational financial games.



osawatombieks.org



TextMyGov

City of Osawatomie
**Text the city to
find information
and report issues!**
Try it today,
Text "Hi" to **913.557.8777**

[Learn More](#)

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!

IT'S FREE.

FAST. EASY.

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.

APPLY NOW



Osawatomie
KANSAS

439 Main Street
info@osawatomieks.org
www.osawatomieks.org