### City of Osawatomie

# Weekly Update



March 1, 2024



#### **COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS**



The John Brown Museum State Historic Site invites you to its spring Chautauqua at the Old Stone Church on Saturday, March 23 at 7:00pm. This free event features Jeanne Dagenet, an active volunteer of the Miami County Kansas Historical Museum and a citizen of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma, who will be presenting on the local Native American experience before, during and after the government-forced removals.

Did you know that we have several Level 2 EV charging stations available throughout the community? These dualsided stations were made available through \$5.2 million grant the City of Osawatomie shared seven other entities as part of a rural sustainability initiative Metropolitan Energy with Center and the federal Department of Energy. **Learn** more on our website!



Utility construction in the 6th Street reconstruction project has advanced to the alley between Pacific and Brown Avenues. Contractors are working on replacing and relocating water lines throughout the corridor ahead of street construction activities. Utility contractors are ahead of schedule and making great progress thanks, in part, to the unseasonably mild weather. Both lanes of traffic are still closed between Kelly Avenue and the levee. As was previously announced, after this first portion of construction is completed, City staff and contractors plan to keep southbound traffic open at all times for the duration of the project though the available lane may alternate depending on work being performed. Please pay close attention to route signage, cones, and work zone speed limits!

## NEWS AND REMINDERS

## BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AVAILABLE FOR MIAMI CO.

Looking for help starting or growing your business? The Miami County E-Community offers entrepreneurs with unique programs and resources to help tackle some of the challenges of owning a business. Additional business development programs are available through the Miami County Economic Development Office (located in Paola, KS) for businesses of all stages and sizes -- from startups to third generation!



#### **CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**





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#### what's a comprehensive plan



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 and how you can get involved with your friends and neighbors. CLICK HERE --> OsawatomieKS.org/2040

## 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.

#### **REMINDER: PET TAG RENEWALS DUE**

The City of Osawatomie requires that all dogs and cats over six months old be registered with the City Clerk's office. This helps reunite animals with owners in case they are lost and records responsible decisions regarding pet health (such as rabies vaccinations, microchips, and alterations). Proof of rabies vaccination and/or microchip number is required at time of registration. Learn more on our website.

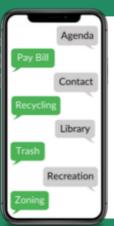


#### **CITY OFFICIALS WELCOME SENATOR JERRY MORAN**

City officials and other local representatives were honored to host Senator Jerry Moran on Wednesday, February 21st and discuss our community's unique needs and goals. A small-town Kansan at heart, Senator Moran (who is from Plainville) was very interested in all our different projects, including our journey to turn John Brown Memorial Park into a National Historical Park and our ongoing critical infrastructure improvements across the community. After a great morning of conversation, we couldn't resist sending him back to Washington DC with a few Osawatomie mementos including a copy of Margaret Hays' book "As Constant as the Rivers."







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