COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

The Spook Parade, hosted by the Osawatomie Chamber of Commerce, was held on Halloween. Hundreds of kids and families paraded through the 500 block of Main Street, and the Osawatomie Arts Commission hosted its second annual Costume Contest before the parade. Four categories were awarded, including Best Baby/Toddler, Elementary, Middle, and Group/Family Costumes.

Tis the season for clogged storm drains and slippery roadways! Make sure you're helping keep debris out of nearby drains by mulching or bagging fallen leaves rather than blowing them into streets or gutters. Piles of wet leaves create slip hazards for all modes of traffic, including pedestrians (like kids walking to school) and can cause backups in storm drains, which lead to pooling or standing water.

TRANSFORMER REPLACEMENT

City of Osawatomie officials continue to work on the community's electric distribution network and equipment needs following last week's power outages.

The 70,000lb transformer (pictured above) required expedited trucking permits to get it to the community from Garden City, two massive cranes, and two heavy-load trucks. Power lines were raised to allow the 14'-tall piece of equipment passage through residential neighborhoods on its way to the power plant. A crew of roughly 30 individuals from multiple agencies worked long hours over the nearly four day ordeal. While the majority of homes and businesses had power restored within hours, around 250-300 meters were without power from Tuesday evening until the early morning hours on Saturday.
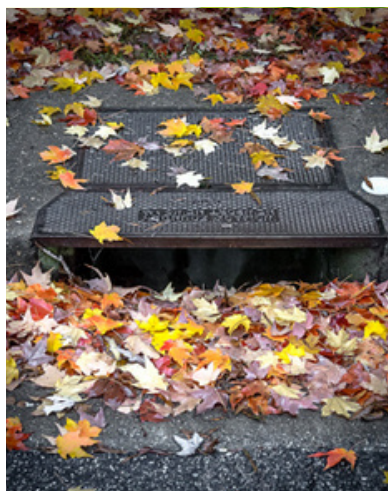
For a full recap of the electric issue, please visit our official City of Osawatomie website at osawatomieks.org.

NEWS AND REMINDERS

CAMPAIGN OF GRATITUDE

Happy November, Osawatomie!

Thanksgiving is approaching and, in the spirit of gratitude and thankfulness, we'd like your help in extending special THANK YOUs to our incredible employees. If you've recently experienced or witnessed a moment of exceptional service from a member of our team (or an exceptional response from a department or crew), please consider nominating them for special commendation during the month of November. Nominated employees will receive a token of our appreciation, and will be featured on the City's media.

To nominate an individual or a group of employees, simply text "THANKS" to 913-557-8777 and follow the prompts. Our TextMyGov automated chat system will confirm your nomination.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

November Calendar

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

NOVEMBER 9TH, 2023
NOVEMBER 30TH, 2023

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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.

MAIN STREET OFFICIALLY REOPENED

Following the completion of major stormwater upgrades between Brown Avenue and Main Street, the entirety of Main Street is now open! Public Works officials have announced that the intersection of 12th and Brown will be temporarily closed beginning Monday, November 6th, as concrete work and other road improvements continue on Brown Avenue.

"OZCOMMONS" FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS HEAD TO COUNCIL
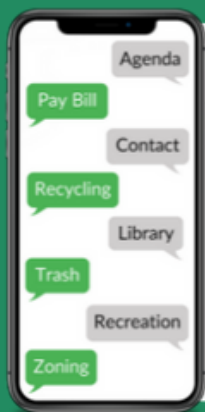

Oz Commons Phase II **FINAL PRESENTATION**

THE HUB

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 will occur at next week's council meeting on November 9th at 6:30pm in Memorial Hall. The project 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 of a downtown Hub from Phase I into a reality, continuing to enhance the bicycle and pedestrian network, and building off the unique community character in Osawatomie!

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