City of Osawatomie

Weekly Update



February 17, 2023



PICKLEBALL 101

The City of Osawatomie is pleased to help sponsor another round of Pickleball 101 for newcomers to the sport, or for those looking for a little extra "one-on-one" instruction. Dave Ellis will be teaching a free class on February 24th inside the City Auditorium. Participation is limited and spots are firstcome, first-served. Call 913-755-1295 to reserve your spot today!

WHAT IS REQUIRED: YOURSELF BRING A PICKLEBALL PADDLE OR USE ONE OF OURS

PICKLEBALL 101+ CLASS

FEBRUARY 24TH, 6:00-7:30PM

CITY AUDITORIUM

439 MAIN ST

OSAWATOMIE

CLASS WILL BE LIMITED TO 6 PARTICIPANTS

PLEASE CALL OR LEAVE A MESSAGE: 913.755.1295

HOLIDAY CLOSURE

Presidents Day is Monday, February 20th, 2023 and all non-emergency City offices will be closed in observance.

Utility payments, or other fines or fees, may be paid online through our online billing portal OR utility payments are accepted at the self-service kiosk at 509 5th Street. See you Tuesday!

RIVERS OF CHANGE

The Osawatomie Public Library received a \$10,000 community Culture Preservation grant from Humanities Kansas to record and preserve stories that are unique to our community. This storytelling-based grant project is called "Rivers of Change: Surviving Floods in Osawatomie" and focuses on Osawatomie's long history with floodwaters and life between two rivers. Dr. Menefee. Director of Osawatomie Public Library, is seeking personal from community members (past and present) related to floods, growing up along the riverbanks, or simply the unique ways that rivers have impacted our daily lives. The stories can personal be memories or family tales, as long as they're local to Osawatomie. To volunteer your story, contact us today!



News and Reminders

PREFERENCE SURVEY OPEN

City staff is seeking resident feedback on the design and outcomes of the 6th Street project! The City's engineering consultant, BG Consultants, has already begun work on the design for 6th Street; you may have noticed them walking and driving the corridor marking utility lines or measuring distances. As the design process continues to move toward the summer construction kickoff, we want to hear from Osawatomie residents (and particularly those residents who live along 6th Street and business owners in the corridor) on their priorities and vision for a new 6th Street.

The survey dives further into the proposed enhancements along the corridor, including the addition of greenspace, bicycle lanes, and other improvements. <u>CLICK TO ACCESS</u>

PUBLIC WORKS ROUND UP





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what's next for streets?



A new update is available for the upcoming phases of our multi-year Paving the Way Street Rehabilitation Plan. <u>VISIT US ONLINE</u> to see which streets are on deck for 2023 (it's not just 6th Street!) and take a peek at which streets were recently approved by City Council as priority for 2024.

Sign up for road work alerts by texting OZROADS to 91896.

Did You Know?

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

The City of Osawatomie's Public Works crew has been hard at work this winter keeping our streets treated, clear, and safe for traffic no matter the weather! After each winter weather event, Public Works Director Michele Silsbee compiles data into a Winter Storm Response report that tracks event cost, labor, resources used, and precipitation received. Each storm is different and Silsbee

and her team are ready to tackle whatever Mother Nature throws our way.

The next time you see the plows, give a big wave! They've likely been at work since before the first flakes started to fall!

Did you know that road salt is ineffective in extreme cold? When the weather plummets, our street team has to deploy other methods to help keep us safe.

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW FOR 2023 LIGHTS ON THE LAKE FESTIVAL

The Lights on the Lake summer festival returns July 1, 2023 at Osawatomie City Lake with headliner Creedence Revived and supporting acts Drew Six and Damien Gunn! Creedence Revived is the world's premier Creedence Clearwater Revival tribute bands and we are so excited to have them grace our main stage in July.

TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE NOW

- Adults and Kids 13+ | ONLY \$17.00
- Kids 12 and Under | FREE!







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Ready for a Career?

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

APPLY NOW



