



CITIZENS' NEWSLETTER

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SEVERE WEATHER INFORMATION

The Community of Christ Church, located at 515 S First St, is the community storm shelter.



CITY OFFICES CLOSED TUESDAY JULY 4

City offices will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. We hope you and your family have a safe and happy holiday.

MISSOURI PRIMACY FEE AND SEWER CONNECTION FEES

The State of Missouri, through the Department of Natural Resources, requires community water systems to collect a Primacy Fee and a Sewer Connection Fee from each customer to pay for the administration of the Safe Drinking Water Act. This fee appears on the enclosed utility bill as a once a year charge. **All fees** collected are sent to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Level pay customers will see this amount as an addition to this month's level bill only.

ODESSA BUSINESS LICENSES

City Business Licenses are due July 1, 2017. If you run your business out of a building in town, you are now required to have an annual safety inspection before the license will be issued. The City will start assessing penalties for unlicensed businesses on July 2.

UTILITY RE-CONNECT REMINDER

Please Note: The City will do after hours utility reconnects for unpaid utilities only until 6:00 pm. Reconnects will resume the next morning of the following business day.

ODESSA FARMER'S MARKET

Local and regional vendors are bringing fresh produce, eggs, flowers, baked goods and crafts for sale every Thursday evening from 3:45 pm to 7:15 pm. Come on out and support the Farmer's Market. The market has moved to its new location at the corner of Main & Railroad St.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE SERVICES

Missouri Valley Community Action Agency will be at the Odessa Community Service Center on the second Friday of each month to provide energy assistance services. They will be there from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Call 660-584-3131 to schedule an appointment. Please call early if you think you might need assistance as funds can run out quickly.

11th ANNUAL OUTREACH DUCK RACES



The 11th Annual Duck Race is co-sponsored by Odessa Outreach and Odessa Parks & Recreation. The race is Tuesday, July 4, at the Odessa Aquatic Center and starts at 10:00 am. Ducks may be purchased for \$5 each at Odessa Diesel Repair, *The Odessian*, Tucker's Liquor, and Odessa Parks & Recreation. All donations are distributed to nonprofits. You do not need to be present to win but are encouraged to attend. There will be many prizes to give away.



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THE VFW WILL HAVE A FIREWORKS DISPLAY ON JULY 4 AT DYER PARK

6 HOLIDAYS OBSERVED BY HEARTLAND TRASH COMPANY

- * New Year's Day
- * Independence Day, July 4
- * Thanksgiving (4th Thursday in November)
- * Memorial Day (Last Monday in May)
- * Labor Day (First Monday in September)
- * Christmas, December 25

Trash will not be picked up on these dates, and will run one day later on those weeks.

On the weeks that trash is running one day later, recycling will also run one day behind. For pick-up of large items, please call Heartland (888) 561-5225.

LOCAL FIREWORK LAWS

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL AT ALL TIMES IN THE CITY OF ODESSA TO:



- Possess or ignite any fireworks on a public street, or
- Explode or ignite a bottle rocket firework, or
- Explode or ignite any form of fireworks within 600 feet of a school or church, or
- Throw any ignited firework from, into, or at a motor vehicle, or
- Possess or explode any form of fireworks within the City except on residential property on July 3, 4, and 5 between the hours of 8:00 am and 10:00 pm.

KEEPING YOUR ANIMALS SAFE DURING THE HOLIDAY

Remember that during the 4th of July holiday, many pets will be frightened by the sound of fireworks. It's better to leave them at home in a confined, cool, and safe space with fresh water and some soothing background noise to keep them calm. You can also talk to your veterinarian about medications that will calm a nervous pet.



MUNICIPAL COURT ~ FINE PAYMENT

Certain ordinance violations may be paid prior to court rather than exercising your right to have the case heard by a judge. Those violations include speeding (less than 20 miles over the limit), failure to register your vehicle, disobeyed stop sign, improper turn, excessive vehicle noise, not wearing a seatbelt, and dog at large (first offense). All other charges require a court appearance. The fine schedule is posted at the Police Station, on the City website at www.cityofodessamo.com, or you may call 816-633-7575 for the amount. You may pay your fine at the Police Station at 310 S. 1st St., Odessa MO. There is also a drop box in the lobby of the Police Station if you wish to pay after hours or on weekends. During those times the front door will be locked so you will need to call 816-633-7575 and a Deputy will respond to allow you to gain access to the lobby. You may also pay your fine online at certifiedpayment.net and use the Bureau Code 4710682.

HOW TO CONTACT YOUR MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

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- Alderman Ward Two ~ Steve Wright ~ Cell # (816) 918-6634 / e-mail: steve.wright@cityofodessamo.com
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