



CITIZENS' NEWSLETTER

Keeping Our Citizens Better Informed

CITY OFFICES CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

All City Offices (with the exception of the Police and Ambulance Departments) will be closed on Monday, September 2, 2019, in observation of Labor Day.



LABOR DAY TRASH SERVICE

The trash service company, Heartland Waste will observe a holiday on Monday, September 2 and will **not pick up trash that day. For the rest of that week, trash service will be delayed one day.** Please remember to set out your trash one day

CITY WEBSITE HAS BENEFICIAL INFORMATION

Check out the information available on the City's website at www.cityofodessamo.com. It is a line of communication to keep citizens informed about what is going on in your hometown. Warnings, upcoming meetings, approved meeting minutes, job openings, applications, Ordinances, upcoming events and so much more.



LAST MONTH OF ODESSA FARMER'S MARKET THURSDAYS



Thursdays in September from 4:30-7:00 pm, our local and regional vendors bring fresh produce, honey, flowers, eggs, handmade soaps, baked goods and craft items for sale. Located at the corner of Main & Railroad Street. Hope to see you there.

CITY DOG TAGS ARE REQUIRED

Just a reminder that City dog tags are due every October. Bring a copy of your dog's current rabies vaccination certificate to City Hall to renew your tag before October 1, 2019. It's \$3.50 per tag.



UTILITY BILL REMINDER

Utility meters are read around the 15th of each month and the bills are mailed on the last business day of the month. If you need assistance with your electric bill, there are places you can call, but you need to call them when you first get the bill. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE BILL IS DUE TO ASK FOR HELP!** Your utilities will be shut off if your bill is not paid by the disconnect day. You can call the Odessa Community Service Center at (816) 230-7558 or Missouri Valley Human Resources at (660) 584-3131, and they may be able to help you.

MAKING OUR HOMES MORE ENERGY EFFICIENT

We all should try to do what we can to make our homes more energy efficient. Fall is a good time to take a look at our homes and see how we can conserve energy. One of the quickest dollar saving tasks we can do is caulk, seal, and weather strip all seams, cracks, and openings to the outside. You **WILL** save money by reducing air leaks to your home. Lowering the thermostat on your water heater to 115 degrees will also save money. Wash only full loads of clothes and dishes. Use cold water to wash most of your clothes. These are just a few ideas.





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SEVERE WEATHER INFORMATION

The Community of Christ Church located at 515 S First Street is the City Storm Shelter and will be open for severe weather.

PLEASE DRIVE SAFELY

School is now back in session. Please watch out for children walking on or near the streets, riding their bikes, or catching the bus on their way to and from school. Kids don't always pay attention to traffic on the streets. So please remain alert and drive safely through our town.



LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE

The last day to register to vote in the November 5, 2019 General Election is October 9, 2019. Voting is the chance to have your voice heard. One vote can make a difference.

TIME TO CLEAN UP BRUSH PILES

Now is the time to get rid of those brush piles in the yard before rodents and other animals decide to take up residence there for winter. A dumpster is located at 400 N 1st St for residential yard waste.



MUSIC IN THE PAVILLION

Come out and enjoy a free concert, Friday, September 7, from 3:00-7:00 pm. The concert will be held in the Pavilion at Dyer Park behind the Community Center located at 601 W Main Street in Odessa. There will also be an open mic for those who would like to showcase their talents. If you have any questions, please call J.W. Blankenship at (660) 909-8043.

RESTRICTIONS ON OUTDOOR BURNING



The City of Odessa does allow outdoor burning, but there are laws to follow:
Outdoor burning is **NOT** allowed on any street, alley, other thoroughfare, or public place.

Outdoor burning is only allowed on private property.

Outdoor burning is **NOT** allowed between sunset and sunrise.

Outdoor burning is only allowed during daylight hours.

Only materials organic in nature that have not been chemically treated may be burned.

You must obtain permission for a controlled burn from the Fire Department (816) 633-7182.

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A PET~ PLEASE OPT TO ADOPT

The Odessa Animal Clinic oftentimes has several wonderful animals available for adoption. Rescued pets can make great companions. Adoption fees include the spay/neuter procedure and a rabies vaccination. The hours of the Odessa Animal Clinic are Monday-Friday 7:30 am to 6:00 pm and Saturday 7:30 am to 4:30 pm.



ODESSA BOARD MEETINGS

Board of Aldermen ~ September 23 at 7:00 pm / Planning & Zoning ~ September 19 at 7:00 pm
Park Board ~ September 24 at 7:00 pm / Municipal Court ~ September 17 at 1:30 pm