

Odessa Outlook

Monthly Newsletter

CALENDAR

November 8, 2021

Board of Aldermen Meeting

November 11, 2021

City Hall Closed in observance of Veterans Day

November 16, 2021

Municipal Court

November 18, 2021

Planning & Zoning Meeting

November 22, 2021

Downtown Lighting Ceremony

November 23, 2021

Park Board Meeting

November 25-26, 2021

City Hall Closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday

City Offices Closed for the Holidays

City offices will be closed on Thursday, November 11, for Veterans Day, as well as Thursday, November 25, and Friday, November 26, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Emergency services will still be available.

2021 Downtown Lighting Ceremony

Experience the magic of the holiday season at the Annual Christmas Lighting Ceremony on Monday, November 22, starting at 6:30 pm. Every year the community comes together to kick off the holidays with the City's beloved downtown lights. Enjoy choir performances, the parade, and a visit from Santa. For more information, please contact the Odessa Chamber of Commerce at 816-633-4044.

Online Utility Billing Page Updates Look

The online Utility Billing page is getting a new look! The design of the login page has changed to make it more user friendly. An example of what it now looks like is shown below. If you should have any issues with the page, please let us know by calling City Hall at 816-230-5577.

The screenshot shows the Utility Billing page for a user named Stefan Zaryczny. The page has a blue header with a navigation menu on the left and a main content area. The main content area includes a welcome message, a current balance of \$154.33, and a 'Pay now' button. There are three main sections: 'Last payment' showing a \$5.00 payment on 5/24/2021, 'Current bill' showing a \$20.58 bill on 7/30/2015, and an 'Announcement' regarding COVID-19 office closures. The page also features a 'Pay bills' button, a 'Manage auto pay' button, and a 'Schedule payment' button. At the bottom, there is a 'Contact us' button.

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Energy Assistance – LIHEAP

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) can help you pay your main heating and cooling bills. The program helps low-income people meet their immediate energy needs. To qualify for assistance, you must meet all of the following requirements:

- ◆ Be the person responsible for paying home heating and cooling costs
- ◆ Be a US citizen or have been legally admitted for permanent residence
- ◆ \$3,000 or less in bank accounts, retirement accounts, or investments
- ◆ Meet specific income guidelines that vary according to household size

Energy Assistance (EA) is a one-time payment for your primary heating source. Applications are accepted during the months of November through March. The Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP) can help pay your fuel bills when your utilities are shut off or threatened to be shut off. Winter ECIP is available November through May based on funding with the maximum you could receive of \$800.

For more information, please Contact the Missouri Valley Community Action Agency Family Resource Center at 660-584-3131.

Holiday Trash Reminder

There will be no trash/recycling service on Thanksgiving day, Thursday, November 25. The trash normally picked up on Thursday will be picked up on Friday, and Friday's trash will be picked up on Saturday.

Municipal Court – Fine Payment

Certain citations may be paid prior to court rather than exercising your right to have the case heard by a judge including minor traffic violations, plate violations, license violations, and animal violations. The complete schedule of fines can be found on our website at www.cityofodessamo.com. Violations that include any personal or property damage, DWI, or driving while suspended/revoked require a court appearance. Payment of fine constitutes a guilty plea, waiver of trial, and possible points assessed. Contact the Municipal Court Clerk, Jennifer LeBlanc, at 816-230-5577, ext 1, for additional information.