

FEBRUARY 2023

City of Odessa, Missouri

Odessa Outlook

Monthly Newsletter

City Offices Closed for the Holidays

City offices will be closed on Monday, February 20, in observance of Presidents Day. Emergency services will still be available.



Odessa Community Clean Up Day

The City of Odessa will be holding a Community Clean Up Day on Saturday, March 18, 2023, from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. This is a free service for Odessa residents only.

Dumpsters will be available at Dyer Park (601 W Main) for your brush and yard waste, electronic waste and large household items (refrigerators cannot contain Freon). Brush and natural vegetation may also be dropped off at the City's Northwest Wastewater Treatment Plant (7174 Hughes Road). We cannot accept trash, junk, or other debris at this drop off site.

No household hazardous waste or tires will be accepted at either site. For hazardous waste, please contact Jan Vahrenberg in Mayview at 816-263-1072. She allows most hazardous waste but no tires. Drop offs are welcome every third Saturday of the month between 1:00-4:00 pm in downtown Mayview on E Highway across from Michelle's Restaurant. If you have any questions regarding this event please contact Christi Dickey at City Hall at 816-230-5577, extension 2.

I Love Odessa Community

The "I Love Odessa" community event is being held once again, March 17-18. The "I Love Odessa" team is looking for projects in our community that include construction, yard work, service, home repair, etc. In order to qualify, you must submit your project along with the details required to complete it. The project must be able to be completed within two days. You must also reside within the Odessa school district. To request a project or volunteer, visit www.fbcodessamo.org and complete the form online. A member of the "I Love Odessa" team will contact you to discuss your project. You can also contact the First Baptist Church Odessa at (816) 633-5535 for more information!

CALENDAR

February 13, 2023

Board of Aldermen Meeting

February 16, 2023

Planning & Zoning Meeting

February 20, 2023

City Hall closed in observance of Presidents Day

February 21, 2023

Municipal Court

February 27, 2023

Board of Aldermen Meeting

February 28, 2023

Park Board Meeting



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**Voting in the April Election**

The annual election of officials of the City of Odessa will be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2023. Voting locations are the Community Building at Dyer Park and the New Horizons Presbyterian Church on Hwy 131. Please check your voter registration card for your location. The last day to register to vote is March 8, 2023. Visit www.sos.mo.gov/elections/goVoteMissouri/register for more information on how to register. You may even register at Odessa City Hall. Positions up for election are an alderman in each of the three wards, all of which serve a term of two years. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 816-230-5577.

Get Help with Heating and Cooling Bills

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is designed to assist low income individuals who pay a large proportion of their income in meeting their home energy needs. This Program targets elderly, disabled and households with young children. The State of Missouri Family Support Division applies for and receives LIHEAP funding and then contracts with Missouri Community Action Agencies to conduct the eligibility determination for LIHEAP applications.

LIHEAP has two components: Energy Assistance (EA) and Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP). Eligibility requirements for LIHEAP are based on income, household size, available resources and responsibility for payment of home energy costs. To get more information or download an application please visit <https://mydss.mo.gov/utility-assistance/liheap>. You may also contact the Lafayette County Community Outreach Specialist at the Family Resource Center in Higginsville at 660-242-5594 for assistance.

When Snow is in the Forecast

During a snow storm, city crews will treat the streets with sand and salt. They will normally begin around 6:00 am on the morning of or the morning after the storm. The major streets of Main, Mason, Dryden, Johnson, Phillips, First, Third, North Fourth, South Fifth, and South Ninth streets will be treated and plowed first. Other streets will be done as quickly as possible depending on the conditions. Please avoid parking vehicles on streets when snow is forecasted.

