

# Odessa Outlook

Monthly Newsletter

## CALENDAR

**March 12, 2023**

Daylight Saving Time Begins

**March 13, 2023**

Board of Aldermen Meeting

**March 16, 2023**

Planning & Zoning Meeting

**March 17-18, 2023**

I Love Odessa Community Event

**March 18, 2023**

Odessa Community Clean Up Day

**March 21, 2023**

Odessa Municipal Court

**March 27, 2023**

Board of Aldermen Meeting

**March 28, 2023**

Park Board Meeting

## 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. Your voter registration card will indicate your location. The last day to register to vote is March 8, 2023. For more information, please visit [www.sos.mo.gov/elections/goVoteMissouri/register](http://www.sos.mo.gov/elections/goVoteMissouri/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. Candidates are:

**Alderman Ward 1**

Karla Polson

**Alderman Ward 2**

Bryan Barner

**Alderman Ward 3**

No candidates filed

With no candidates filing in Ward 3, it is an open write-in race and anyone's name would be counted. Open write-ins do not have to agree to run – anyone's name can be entered on the ballot and the County Clerk will certify the name(s). Candidates for Aldermen must be at least 18 years old, a registered voter, a resident of the city for one year prior to his/her election to office, and reside in the ward that they are representing. The City can offer the winner the position, and then if they decline, someone can be appointed by the Mayor and Board to fill the position. If you have any questions, you may contact City Hall at 816-230-5577 or the County Clerk at 660-259-4315.

## I Love Odessa Community Event

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 <https://www.fbcodessamo.org/we-love-odessa> 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!



**BOARD OF ALDERMEN****MAYOR**

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Alderman Steve Lockhart  
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**WARD TWO**

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Alderswoman Donna Ehlert  
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**WARD THREE**

Alderman Shawn Cramer  
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Alderman Mike Stevens  
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**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.

**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](http://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.

**City Fishing and Boating Permits**

In addition to your fishing license, you must have a city permit to fish at the Odessa Reservoir. A one-day permit is \$2.00 or \$8.00 for the season. A season boating permit is an additional \$8.00. You may purchase permits at City Hall and the Odessa Police Department. Please bring exact change if purchasing at the Police Department. A city permit is not required to fish at Lake Venita at Dyer Park. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 816-230-5577.