



CITY OF OSAGE BEACH

NEWSLETTER

MARCH CITY CALENDAR

- 3 - Municipal Court
- 6 - Board of Aldermen Meeting
- 11 - Planning Commission Meeting
- 18 - Joint Sewer Board Meeting
- 17 - Municipal Court
- 19 - Board of Adjustment Meeting
- 20 - Board of Aldermen Meeting

All public meetings at City Hall are streamed live on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#).

NEW ECO-FRIENDLY APPROACH TO SEWAGE ODOR CONTROL

Osage Beach Public Works is implementing a new, eco-friendly solution to address the City's sewage odor problem. While the existing Vapex systems help control odors at specific sites, this new approach targets the issue across the entire system.

Here's how it works: Aerators are being installed at 58 lift stations, along with seven bacteria drip sites that will introduce beneficial bacteria into the sewage system—the same type already used at the sewage treatment plant. These aerators provide oxygen, helping the bacteria thrive and break down fats, oils, and greases in the waste.



Aerators help bacteria thrive

This process also reduces hydrogen sulfide (H_2S), the gas responsible for unpleasant odors. Think of it like the septic tank treatments homeowners use, but on a city-wide scale. Public Works researched various options and consulted with other municipalities before selecting this solution, which was approved in the FY2025 budget.

Beyond odor control, this method offers another key benefit: preventing corrosion. H_2S is highly corrosive, and damages metal and electrical components over time. Lowering H_2S levels will help extend the lifespan of equipment, reducing repair and replacement costs in the long run.

The system is expected to be fully operational by Memorial Day weekend.

SUBMIT PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS ONLINE



**Public Works
Fix It Form**

Requests submitted directly on our website are usually addressed within one business day.

K-9 OFFICER FREYA'S SUPER SNIFFER LEADS TO TRAFFICKING ARREST



Osage Beach Police Dept. K-9 Unit

The Osage Beach Police K-9 Unit made headlines in early February with two notable drug busts.

In the first case, the Mid-MO Drug Task force called in the Osage Beach K-9 Unit for assistance tracking a suspected drug trafficker who had entered into Osage Beach. One thing led to another, and K-9 Officer Freya's super sniffer helped recover a

significant amount of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia.



K-9 UNIT STRIKES AGAIN: PAIR ASKS FOR DIRECTIONS, ENDS UP IN COUNTY JAIL

Just days before the trafficking arrest, another drug bust happened right in front of the Osage Beach Police Department – and this one was nearly unbelievable. Three local law enforcement officers and their K-9s were training outside the Osage Beach Police Department when two men drove up asking for directions. Ultimately, the pair did not quite end up where they wanted to go.

WEEKLY POLICE STATISTICS REPORT

If you have information about a crime, we encourage you to submit a tip anonymously online or call the non-emergency line at (573) 302-2010.





NOTES FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR



City Hall is a vital resource as the go-to place for essential services, information, and community support. Need to pay a utility bill, apply for a building permit, obtain a business license, or connect with police? Do it all at City Hall!

City Hall is also the main venue for public meetings, including the bimonthly Board of Aldermen Meeting. You can join us in the Boardroom or watch on Facebook and YouTube. Your elected officials value community input, and their contact information is available on our website.

And, with the Board of Aldermen election coming up in April, did you know that you can register to vote at the City Clerk's office inside City Hall? The deadline to register is Thursday, March 6, so be sure to make your voice count.

If you can't take advantage of these services in person, think of our website as a virtual City Hall. We're currently working to update content and improve navigation. Check out the newly revamped Police Department and City Administrator sections.

Devin Lake, City Administrator



ARCHIVE CENTER

Looking for financial statements, sales tax reports, meeting packets/minutes and more? Visit the City's Archive Center, which contains a wealth of information about finances and operations.



CITY HALL BULLETINS

- The Board of Aldermen recently approved the purchase of a Titan Olympian Pro leaf vacuum truck, set to arrive in 2026. That means after this year's leaf pickup season, but it will be worth the wait. The truck can operate in all types of weather, making leaf collection more efficient and eliminating delays caused by rain or snow.
- The Missouri Veterans Commission is moving into City Hall this month. This means local veterans and their families will have even easier access to benefits and expert guidance on their rights. The office will be located on the first floor.



GET IN TOUCH

City Hall: (573) 302-2000
Police non-emergency: (573) 302-2010
Public Works: (573) 302-2020
Parks & Recreation: (573) 302-7460



25 YEARS OF FINANCIAL REPORTING EXCELLENCE



The City of Osage Beach has been honored by the Government Finance Officers Association for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 25th consecutive year. It's a remarkable achievement that reflects our long-standing commitment to financial transparency and accountability. This recognition highlights the dedication of our financial team in ensuring accuracy, clarity, and high-quality reporting so the public

has reliable access to the City's financial information. A special nod goes to City Treasurer Karri Bell, who received the Award of Financial Reporting Achievement for her outstanding contributions. Assistant City Administrator April White also contributed to the recognition in her former role as Accounting Specialist.

SIGN UP FOR NOTIFY ME

Notify Me is the City's text and email alert service that allows you to stay informed about a wide range of topics and events happening in Osage Beach. By signing up, users can receive customized notifications tailored to their interests, such as updates on bid and surplus opportunities, newsletters and stories, and job postings. Emergency alerts are reserved for high-priority situations like water outages and road or facility closures. To subscribe to newsletters, sign up for "Osage Beach News Alerts & Newsletter."

[Set up Notify Me notifications](#)

UPCOMING DATES

Now to March 14 - [Youth League Baseball/Softball registration](#)

March 6 - Last day to register to vote for April election

March 25 - MDC Pond Management Class

April 8 - Board of Aldermen Election

April 19 - [10th Annual Easter Egg Hunt](#)

April 30 - [Business license renewals due](#)





PUBLIC WORKS



UPGRADED GRIDSMART TRAFFIC FLOW CAMERAS

Osage Beach is enhancing traffic flow by upgrading sensor cameras at six intersections across the city. Public Works crews recently installed the third new Gridsmart system at Osage Beach Parkway near the Osage Beach Outlet Marketplace.

These advanced cameras detect approaching vehicles to efficiently control traffic signals, but they are not used for law enforcement nor are capable of surveillance. Two more intersections are set for upgrades later this year, with the final installation scheduled for 2026.

GOODBYE, WINTER WEATHER!



The Lake of the Ozarks region was buried under 8" to 9" of snow during the Feb. 18 storm, but Public Works crews worked 12-hour rotating shifts—just like they did in

January—to treat and plow the roads. It was a team effort, with the Water, Sewer, Building, and Parks Departments stepping in to support the Transportation crew. Overall, 175 tons of salt and 100 tons of sand was used to get roads back to normal. Plenty more material is in reserve for any late-season winter storms.

ICYMI: Snowplows christened at Public Works

We unveiled the new names of our snowplows to great fanfare! We're not kidding - [the video is at 132,000 views and counting on Facebook](#). The lake area community nominated and voted on seven creative names, making this a true community effort. Each plow was christened with signs—the same kind we use for our streets—just in time to take on the big storm. [Meet the street fleet!](#)

PARKS & RECREATION

NEW BARK PARK IMPROVEMENTS

More upgrades are happening at the Osage Beach Lowe's Bark Park—just in time for (fingers crossed!) great spring weather. Parks & Rec recently added new obstacles for pups to enjoy, and Wren was happy to show us how it's done. Plus, thanks to the Bagnell Dam Association of Realtors, two brand-new benches have been installed for visitors to sit back and relax while the pups play.



SUMMER MOVIE NIGHTS

This summer, join us for movie nights at City Park every 3rd Friday in May, June, and July! We asked YOU to vote for your favorite family-friendly films, and the winners are The Goonies, Moana 2, and Homeward

Bound: The Incredible Journey. So grab your blankets and lawn chairs and get ready to enjoy a few family classics under the stars. We'll announce start times and pair dates with movies soon.



OSAGE BEACH PARKS AND RECREATION

YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 14

\$50

- T-ball (ages 3-6*)
- 8U coach pitch (ages 7-8*)

GAMES IN OSAGE BEACH

\$70

- 10U, 12U & 15U (ages 9 - 15*)

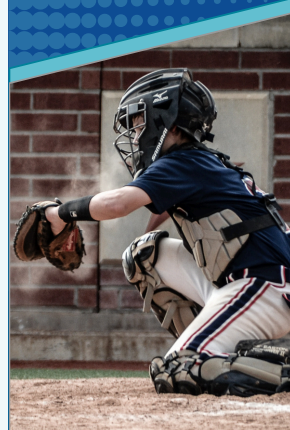
GAMES IN OSAGE BEACH & CAMDENTON

Practices begin April 7
Games begin May 5

To register, visit [OsageBeach.org](https://www.OsageBeach.org) and click on "Youth Sports Registration" on the front page.

Parks & Rec: (573) 302-7460

*CHILD'S AGE AS OF MAY 1ST, 2025



City of Osage Beach +
Victory Church



EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 19



EGG HUNT TIMES

AGES 2 & UNDER....12 PM
AGES 3-5.....12:15 PM
AGES 6-8.....12:30 PM
AGES 9-12.....12:45 PM

*Face painting, balloon
animals, Easter bunny
photos, & free hot dogs.*

11 AM – 1 PM

CITY PARK, 950 HATCHERY RD.