



CITY OF OSAGE BEACH

NEWSLETTER

MAY CITY CALENDAR



- 1 - Board of Aldermen Meeting
- 12 - Municipal Court
- 13 - Planning Commission Meeting
- 15 - Board of Aldermen Meeting
- 20 - Joint Sewer Board Meeting
- 21 - Board of Adjustment Meeting
- 26 - Memorial Day; City offices closed
- 27 - Municipal Court

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

CLASS OF 2025 ALDERMEN SEATED; NEW BOARD PRESIDENT SELECTED



L-R: Hoffman, Collins, O'Steen

Three newly elected Aldermen for the City of Osage Beach took the oath of office during the Regular Board of Aldermen Meeting on April 17, 2025, at Osage Beach City Hall. Following the swearing-in, the newly seated Board unanimously selected Alderman Bob O'Steen as the new Board President.

The Class of 2025 includes incumbent Aldermen Justin Hoffman (Ward 2), Bob O'Steen (Ward 1), plus

newcomer Alderman Rebecca Collins (Ward 3). Hoffman and O'Steen retained their seats during the April 8, 2025 Osage Beach Municipal Election, while Collins unseated Board President and incumbent Alderman Richard Ross.

A breakdown of voting totals is available on our website.

BOARD SUPPORTS COMMUNITY HEALTH

Osage Beach Mayor Michael Harmison and Ward 2 Alderman Justin Hoffman lent their support to Lake Regional Health System's federal funding request for a new linear accelerator at the Osage Beach facility.

The accelerator is an advanced medical device used to deliver targeted, high-energy radiation therapy to cancer patients. This technology allows for more precise and effective treatment, reducing damage to surrounding healthy tissue and improving patient outcomes.

Harmison and Hoffman joined in a letter writing campaign urging congressional leaders to award Lake Regional's Community Project Funding request. The hospital, located in Ward 2, serves a diverse, growing population from retirees to residents in rural areas.

FALLEN OFFICER PHYLCIA CARSON HONORED LOCALLY & STATEWIDE



L-R: Lt. O'Day, Det. Sgt. Salerno, Cpl. Leyva, Chief Davis, Sgt. Shelton

The legacy of Osage Beach Police Officer Phylcia Carson was honored at both the local and state levels in recent weeks.

At the State Capitol in Jefferson City, on Saturday, May 3, Ofc. Carson's name was added to the Missouri Law Enforcement Memorial Wall of Honor. Her name was added along with those of five other fallen officers.

Osage Beach Police Chief Todd Davis, Lt. Michael O'Day, Det. Sgt. Brian Salerno, Sgt. Joel Shelton and Cpl. Pete Leyva participated in the ceremony.

Locally, The Pancake House on Osage Beach Parkway dedicated a memorial sign over her family's favorite corner table. Osage Beach Police Department officers were invited to the occasion.

Ofc. Carson was killed in August 2024 while assisting another officer in a vehicle pursuit.





CHIEF'S CORNER

Starting this month, we'll be conducting overtime patrols dedicated to enforcing traffic laws for moving violations and DWI enforcement. With the summer season bringing more vehicles, more visitors, and more activity on our roads, our priority is keeping everyone safe. The extra patrols will

be extended through October.

And speaking of seasonal traffic—it's officially golf cart season in Osage Beach! While many of our residents are seasoned golf cart pros, we'd like to remind everyone that visibility is always a concern.

Golf carts and utility vehicles sit much lower than most cars, making them harder to spot on the road. We're not here to rain on the golf cart parade, but we do encourage all operators to review the vehicle requirements and driver restrictions listed below.

Chief Todd Davis



GOLF CART SAFETY REMINDERS

Don't forget golf carts need special accessories like reflectors & flags to be street legal.



Golf cart drivers are permitted to operate on most Osage Beach streets with a posted speed limit of 30 mph or less. However, golf carts are prohibited on the following roads:

- Nichols Road (between Osage Beach Parkway and Dude Ranch Road)
- Passover Road (between Osage Beach Parkway and Parkwood Circle)
- Bluff Drive (between Osage Beach Parkway and Sunset Drive)

Additionally, golf carts are not allowed on federal, state, or county highways, except when crossing at intersections where the speed limit is 45 mph or less.

✓ Equipment Requirements

Golf carts on Osage Beach streets must have headlights and taillights (if used at night), a mirror, parking brake, horn, and specific red reflectors. It also needs a bright triangular

MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU

Never let it be said our officers don't have a sense of humor! Rookie Officer Jordan Murray let us have a little fun at his expense with a brand-new Star Wars-themed rite of passage we dreamed up (with some help from Corporal James Chapman).

bicycle safety flag that stands at least 7 feet above the ground (it may make you look like a Mario Kart character, but it's necessary so that other drivers can see you).

👤 Driver Rules & Restrictions

Drivers must have a valid driver's license and maintain proper insurance as required by Missouri law. You may not drive faster than 20 mph, operate while impaired by drugs or alcohol, and devices must remain hands-free. Hand signals are required unless the cart has turn signals and brake lights.

For an in-depth look at the ordinance, you can access the City of Osage Beach Municipal Code online.

FREYA'S K-9 CONNECTION

- Mayor Harmison signed a proclamation declaring the week of May 12 - 18 *National Police Week* and May 15 *Peace Officers' Memorial Day*.
- Silent storm siren tests are performed weekly (in addition to the monthly audible test), to ensure the system is functioning properly. We're responsible for sirens in Osage Beach and Lake Ozark and will soon add the Village of Four Seasons to our system.
- Weekly Police Statistics

ICYMI: BUILDING LEADERS AT OBPD

In an era where recruitment and retention of law enforcement officers present increasing challenges nationwide, the Osage Beach Police Department is taking a proactive approach—investing not just in equipment and technology, but in the future of its officers.

One officer benefiting from this commitment is Sergeant Bobby McCrorey, a 42-year-old Oklahoma native whose career path took a few unexpected turns before landing him in uniform.

[Click here to continue the story on our website.](#)





PUBLIC WORKS: WATER DEPARTMENT



Tommie Stouffer shows Kevin Hamel how to pull samples.

Each month, the Public Works Water Department carefully checks water samples to make sure everything's up to standard. Five Bac-T samples are taken from different spots—two on the west side of town and three on the east side. The locations are rotated each month to ensure the entire system is being monitored properly.

Only certified water technicians are allowed to take these samples, as

required by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. That means they've gone through training and passed a test to show they know their stuff when it comes to disinfectants and water distribution.

In fact, there are multiple things our Water Techs must know, like learning proper tie-downs, which really matter when working with heavy equipment (and are required by DOT).

WATER QUALITY REPORTS



You can check out our [Annual Water Quality Reports](#) anytime in the

Archive Center on our website, OsageBeach.org. The 2024 annual report should be released within the next couple of months.



UPCOMING DATES: EVENTS & CLOSURES

May 4 – 10: Local Government Week & Municipal Clerks' Week

May 12 – 18: National Police Week

May 15: National Police Officers' Memorial Day

May 16: [Movies at the Park](#) ([Homeward Bound](#))

May 18 – 24: National Public Works Week

May 26: Memorial Day, City Hall offices closed

June 11: Fishing Derby at City Park Pond

June 13: [Movies at the Park](#) ([The Goonies](#))



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City of Osage Beach Public Works

WASTE OIL RECYCLING NO LONGER OFFERED

Unfortunately, we're no longer able to dispose of waste oil, but other options may be available through the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

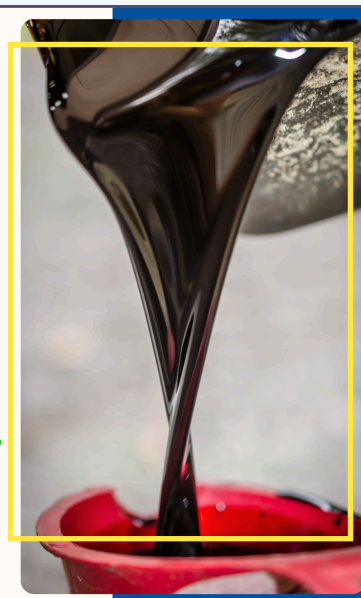


Don't throw it in the trash. Used oil is banned from landfills.

Do put it in a leak-proof can for recycling. ✓



Find a list of recycling centers & businesses at Missouri DNR.



PUBLIC WORKS: NOTES FROM THE FIELD

- The Public Works crew has been hard at work this month as they **tackle spring cleaning** tasks like road striping, mowing, clearing easements, and sewer maintenance. Please watch out for our crews working along the roadside.
- When **water outages** occur, an automated phone call alert is sent out to the primary phone number listed on your account. If you need to update your account information, call the Utility Billing Clerk at (573) 302-2000 x1034. Changes cannot be made online.
- So far, we've doled out **300 to 400 tons** (yes, TONS) of **compost** at the Public Works Facility. The free compost is all organic, made from leaves collected each fall around town. Come get some during regular business hours, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday - Friday. Our facility is located at 5757 Chapel Drive.

ANNUAL BACKFLOW INSPECTIONS REQUIRED

- Keep an eye out for a courtesy backflow inspection letter from Public Works. These **inspections are required each year** by Missouri DNR to ensure backflow prevention devices are functioning properly for customers who have irrigation systems and dock-supplied water lines. These devices play a crucial role in preventing chemicals and lake water from contaminating the water supply. The City does not perform these inspections; they must be conducted by Certified Backflow Inspectors.

GET IN TOUCH

City Hall: (573) 302-2000

Police non-emergency: (573) 302-2010

Public Works: (573) 302-2020

Parks & Recreation: (573) 302-7460





WE ♥ PUBLIC SERVANTS

In early May, communities across Missouri celebrated Local Government Week—a time to honor the essential work of city employees.



In Osage Beach, where we're the "Heart of Lake of the Ozarks," our dedicated staff of 120 keeps the city running smoothly through diverse roles in more than a dozen departments.



Front to back: Annie Wallander, Bethany Gregory, Angie Bouwens, Kegan Powers

Coinciding with Local Government Week is Municipal Clerks Week. This is the hardworking team that answers the phones and helps customers at the City Hall front window. They're the backbone of our operation, and we couldn't do it without them.

Every department plays a key role in serving our community, and we're grateful for their daily efforts to keep the city going.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT



The 10th Annual Osage Beach Easter Egg Hunt finally went off without a hitch—once the weather finally cooperated!

Despite being pushed back a week, hundreds of kids and their families showed up to hunt eggs across the baseball fields at City Park. A lucky few pedaled home with brand-new bikes, courtesy of Target and the Lake of the Ozarks Shrine Club.

A special thanks to co-sponsor Victory Church for grilling up the biggest pile of hot dogs in town.



 **RESERVE OSAGE BEACH PARKS & REC FACILITIES**

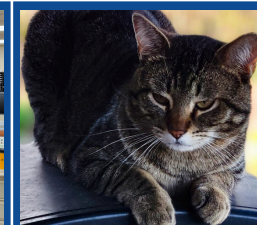
HEARTBEAT OF THE CITY

We're very excited to introduce a new section in this newsletter, called "Heartbeat of the City." This feature shines a spotlight on the passions and personalities of City employees outside of work. Our team is full of fascinating individuals with diverse interests, and we think our residents will enjoy getting to know the people behind the job.

INTRODUCING...

Colten Wright, Water Department: Colten is a bi-vocational pastor. That means he holds a full-time job in addition to full-time pastoral duties at Linn Creek Baptist Church. He leans on his Bachelor's Degree in Biblical Studies to preach, teach and counsel when he's not on the clock for Public Works. Colten has been with the City for nearly two years.

Annie Wallander, Municipal Court: Annie, our Court Clerk, is affectionately known as "Nana" because she's like a work grandma to everyone (that's 120 extra kids, whew!). Her big heart was on full display last summer when she adopted a stray kitten that had climbed into a leaf blower at City Park. Parks & Rec Manager Eric Gregory carefully took the blower apart to rescue the tiny kitten, then brought him to Annie, who fell in love. That kitten, now named Parker, is all grown up! Annie has been with the City for four years.



Kevin Hamel, Water Department: Kevin hails from a musical family who traveled the church circuit singing Southern gospel when he was growing up. Kevin carried his love for music into adulthood as a wedding singer, church music director, and even won a CCM Magazine contest to record an album, *River of Love*, in Nashville. He recommends listening to his favorite track, "Rescue Me," a bluesy song featuring harmonica ([listen here!](#)). Kevin will soon mark his first anniversary with the City.



SUMMER

rights

AT THE PARK

MAY

16

Friday, 7:30 p.m.

MOVIES AT THE PARK

Homeward Bound: The Incredible Journey (G)

JUNE

11

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

FISHING DERBY

15 & under at City Park Pond; equipment provided.

27

Friday, 8:30 p.m.

MOVIES AT THE PARK

The Goonies (PG)

JULY

11

Friday, 7:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

BARK PARK AFTER DARK

Bring the pups and beat the heat after sunset.

18

Friday, 8:30 p.m.

MOVIES AT THE PARK

Moana 2 (PG)

25

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Osage Beach City Park | 950 Hatchery Road | OsageBeach.org



OSAGE BEACH PARKS & REC PRESENTS...

MOVIES at the PARK

CITY PARK, 950 HATCHERY RD.

SHOWTIMES VARY
MAY 16: HOMEWARD BOUND
JUNE 27: THE GOONIES
JULY 18: MOANA 2

MORE INFORMATION: OSAGEBEACH.ORG

A young girl with light brown hair and a wide, joyful smile is the central focus. She is holding a small, silvery fish on a string. The background is a blue and white wavy pattern, suggesting water. The text is overlaid on the image in various colors and fonts.

Osage Beach Parks & Recreation

KIDS FISHING DERBY

**Osage Beach City Park Pond
950 Hatchery Rd.**

**Wednesday, June 11
5 p.m. – 8 p.m.**

Free event for kids 15 & under
Equipment, hot dogs & snacks provided

**Fun
Prizes!**