



CITY OF OSAGE BEACH

NEWSLETTER



AUGUST CITY CALENDAR

- 7 - Board of Aldermen Meeting
- 12 - Planning Commission Meeting
- 18 - Municipal Court
- 19 - Joint Sewer Board Meeting
- 20 - Board of Adjustment Meeting
- 21 - Board of Aldermen Meeting

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

OSAGE BEACH OUTLET MALL REDEVELOPMENT MOVES FORWARD WITH BASS PRO SHOPS ANNOUNCEMENT

The City of Osage Beach is proud to announce that Bass Pro Shops will open a 75,000-square-foot retail destination at the former Osage Beach Outlet Mall, marking a major step in the property's transformation.

Following its 2024 purchase by Sky Real Estate, the outlet mall is being redeveloped into a hub for shopping, dining, and family attractions—with Bass Pro Shops as the anchor. The store is expected to open in spring 2027, pending final City approvals, and will be the ninth Bass Pro Shops in Missouri.

Founder Johnny Morris shared his excitement to expand in Missouri and serve outdoor enthusiasts in the Ozarks. Developers say the project has been in the works since the beginning and will bring lasting value to the community. The new store will create 125+ local jobs and feature designs that reflect the region's outdoor heritage.

Mayor Michael Harmison called the announcement a game-changer for economic growth and tourism in Osage Beach.



Read the full press release on our website, [OsageBeach.org](#).

OSAGE BEACH SEWER DEPARTMENT: PROGRESS ON ODOR REDUCING MICROBES



Microbe release tote and oxygenator at a sewer station

Earlier this year, the City of Osage Beach Sewer Department launched a new initiative to tackle sewer odor using an environmentally friendly method. Between March and May, seven microbe drip stations were installed across the City to introduce beneficial bacteria—nicknamed "bugs"—into the system.

As of late July, all stations are fully operational, and oxygenators, or "bubblers," are running to help the microbes thrive. These microbes feed on fats, oils, and grease, which are the main sources of hydrogen sulfide—the gas responsible for foul odors in the sewer system.

Since implementation, the City has seen a significant decrease in odor complaints from residents. The system is already making a noticeable difference in day-to-day air quality.

In addition to improving the smell, this method helps protect critical infrastructure by reducing corrosion in lift stations and sewer equipment. The city continues to explore forward-thinking, cost-effective solutions like this to maintain reliable and efficient public services.



Microbe release tote





CHIEF'S CORNER

Welcome Officers Sooter and Robinett!

The Osage Beach Police Department is proud to welcome two new officers to the team: Officer Chloe Sooter and Officer Benjamin Robinett.

Both officers recently graduated and started their field training. They'll be on the road serving the community in full-time patrol roles in no time. Each new officer brings a unique background and a shared commitment to protecting and serving the residents and visitors of Osage Beach. Their addition strengthens our department and supports our ongoing mission of providing professional, community-focused law enforcement.

We look forward to watching them grow in their careers and are confident they will be a great asset to the department and the City.

Chief Todd Davis

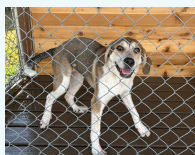


FREYA'S K-9 CONNECTION

The Osage Beach Police Department responds to animal control calls—but only within City limits. Our officers handle domestic animal concerns, including injured pets. If an animal is hurt, it is taken to a local veterinarian or temporarily housed in our small on-site kennel. Please note: animals can only be held for up to 5 days. If the animal is wild (like a hurt deer), we will still respond to ensure public safety. Residents are reminded that dogs must be licensed with the City. This helps us quickly reunite lost pets with their families.

We have 5 unclaimed dogs available for adoption. If you're looking for a new companion, contact us to learn more!

Police non-emergency:
(573) 302-2010



NEW WATERCRAFT RENTALS LAUNCHING AT CITY PARK



Lake access - Osage Beach City Park

Starting August 1, the Osage Beach Parks & Recreation Department will offer watercraft rentals specifically for groups of seven or more at City Park's lake access.

Groups can reserve from two kayaks and ten canoes to enjoy team-building activities on the water.

This new program encourages local organizations to make the most of our beautiful City Park and its outdoor amenities.

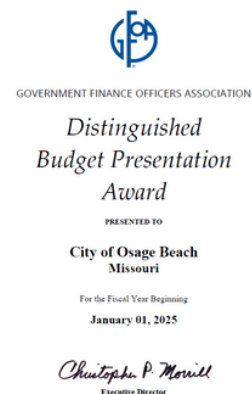
Follow @OsageBeachParks on Facebook and Instagram for more updates and family-friendly events.

CITY RECEIVES BUDGET AWARD FOR SIXTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR

The City of Osage Beach has once again earned the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for its Fiscal Year 2025 budget.

This marks the sixth year in a row the City has received this honor, recognizing the transparency, quality, and effectiveness of the City's financial planning. It also highlights the continued dedication of the Board of Aldermen, City Administrator Devin Lake, and the City Treasurer's Office.

The award reflects the City's strong commitment to sound budgeting practices and public communication.





NEW TO

OSAGE BEACH



During the month of July, Osage Beach welcomed several new businesses, including:

- Don Tonos Tanqueria LLC
- LOLO
- Schulte Home Repair & Construction
- The Coffee and Cocktail Bar
- K&B Custom Construction LLC
- M&M Construction Solutions LLC
- Ideal Fire Services
- Wild Ozark Flowers
- Aesthetic Cove LOZ LLC
- STL Pipeworks LLC
- LOZ Sugar Shack

UPCOMING DATES: EVENTS & CLOSURES

August 15 – Bark Park After Dark at City Park

September 20 – City Wide Rummage Sale

August 22: Movies at the Park (Moana 2)

October 11: Fall Festival at Osage Beach City Park

September 1: Labor Day; City offices closed



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You can choose to be alerted to one or more of the following categories:

- Osage Beach Emergency Alerts
- Bid Postings
- Administrative Purchases Bid List
- Construction Services Bid List
- Equipment Purchases Bid List
- Professional Services Bid List
- Surplus Property Sales List
- City Events & Holidays
- Mayor and Board of Aldermen
- Municipal Court
- Board of Aldermen Meeting Information
- Osage Beach News Alerts & Newsletter

August 2025 Community Connection |

HEARTBEAT OF THE CITY

The "Heartbeat of the City" feature shines a spotlight on the passions and personalities of City employees outside of work.

INTRODUCING...

Michael Macaitis, Building Maintenance

Mike joined the City just three months ago after moving from Omaha, Nebraska. As part of the Building Maintenance team, he helps keep City facilities clean and running smoothly.

Outside of work, Mike's biggest passion is cooking—especially his family's Italian recipes passed down from his mom. He also enjoys boating on the lake, exploring the area, and keeping up with Nebraska Cornhuskers football.

Mike and his wife have a 10-month-old Bernedoodle who loves trips to the Osage Beach dog park. "I feel blessed to work here," he says. "The people make it fun every day."



Angie Bouwens, Accounts Receivable Clerk

Angie has worked for the City since April 2024 in the Finance Department as the Accounts Receivable Clerk. Outside of work, she enjoys flower gardening, acrylic painting, and collecting rocks—especially ones with fossils or crystals.

Her creative passion is building flower arrangements, and she hopes to turn it into a retirement side hustle someday. Her proudest work was making all the flower bouquets for her daughter's wedding.

Angie and her husband Cris love sitting on the dock watching boats with their rescue dog, Emie. They're proud grandparents to Theo and are excited to welcome another grandson in January.



"I really like my job and my co-workers," Angie says. "I've never worked at a place where so many care about you succeeding."



GET IN TOUCH

City Hall: (573) 302-2000

Police non-emergency: (573) 302-2010

Parks & Recreation: (573) 302-2000 x3000

Public Works: (573) 302-2020





UPCOMING EVENTS

AUG

22

8 PM - 10 PM

***Movies at the Park:
Moana 2***

SEP

20

7 AM - 2 PM

***City Wide
Rummage Sale***

OCT

11

10 AM - 4 PM

Fall Festival

Mark your calendars for our fall event lineup!

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