

Overbrook City News and Events Calendar

December 2017

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City News

Official City Election results – Jon Brady elected as Overbrook Mayor; Carol Baughman re-elected as Council Member; and Cheryl Miller, a write-in candidate elected to the Council. They will be sworn in at a Special City Council Meeting at 7pm on Monday, January 8, 2018. Don Schultz will be retiring from City government following 2 years as a Council member and 8+ years as Mayor.

Overbrook Park and Recreation – a discussion held during the November City Council Meeting about actions that will be taken to control the Canadian Goose population at City Lake was greatly “over hyped” by the county newspaper. OPR, the City, and KS Wildlife have reviewed possible methods to control our goose population and help reduce the sanitation and blue-green algae-causing problems they create. Wildlife officials stated that a controlled shoot may be the most effective however, that was not what the City Council chose to do. A propane cannon will be used to scare the geese – no projectiles are fired; just noise. The public will be notified of the cannon firing schedule ahead of time. A light beacon floating on the lake surface at night to disrupt their sleep may also be used. During nesting season, eggs may be coated with oil so they will not hatch. These and possibly other actions will be tried before a decision will be made for a controlled shoot. AN IMPORTANT NOTICE - anyone found feeding the geese may be subject to a Fine or, sweeping up their poop! Signs have been posted at the lake and will be monitored. Overbrook is just one of hundreds of communities faced with this problem. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Overbrook Police Department – Chief Hollingsworth announced in late November that part-time Officers, Armonda Crist and Dena Manning have completed certification training at KLETC facilities in Yoder, KS. Both officers received high marks of achievement and are now fully capable of performing duties as needed. Congratulations to Officers Crist and Manning! Also, remember to be “Wise Men” during the Christmas season (smart with your personal property). Lock it, remove it, or keep it out of sight so you don’t lose it! Don’t give crime a chance!

Overbrook Maintenance Department – is operating under the direction of Interim Supervisor, Dan Gamblin. A part time laborer is being considered. An ad for a full time Department Supervisor will be posted soon. The department is operating well but somewhat short handed. If you contact the department regarding an issue, please understand they will respond as soon as possible.

2018-yr Overbrook City Pet Tags – pet license tags may be purchased now. Tags are \$5.00 for neutered pets and \$10.00 if not. All cats and dogs whether kept indoors or out are required to have a tag. Don’t risk a \$60 fine plus court costs. **Automatic Renewal Option:** (City Ordinance #375-Sec 3) “For those animals who had a previous year tag and have a current rabies vaccination on file at City Hall, we will process an auto-renewal next month when we generate the January utility bills. We will charge the permit fee to your utilities account and will mail the license and tag with the utility bill. If you no longer have the animal or have added additional animals, you will need to contact City Hall. This option is only available to animals with a current rabies vaccination on file at the time the license is issued.” – Please contact City Hall with questions.

City Water, Wells, and Distribution System update - Kramer Engineering from Topeka has been researching our water supply, treatment, and distribution grid over the past several months. At the November City Council Meeting, they presented the City with a thumbnail outline of summary information. Please see the page from Kramer Consulting included with this Newsletter. This outline will serve as a part of what will become a Project Plan to update our water system.

Year-end Tax-Deductible contributions – the Overbrook Community Chest will accept donations through the end of December. Also, the Overbrook Community Foundation can accept donations anytime and they will be used as Grant Awards for our community improvement projects.

Calendar of events and activities for December 2017: No OHA Meeting in December

- Saturday, December 2 - Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast at the Legion – 7 to 10am
- Shopping Extravaganza at Appanoose School Museum – 9am-2pm
- Community Christmas program at the Library – 3:30pm
- Sunday, December 3 - Holiday Home Tour starting with a Soup Dinner at the Overbrook United Methodist Church at 11am
- Monday, December 11 - Recycle Pick Up Day
- Overbrook American Legion Post #239 monthly meeting at 7:30pm
- Overbrook Library Board meeting at the Library at 7pm
- Wednesday, December 13 - Monthly City Council Meeting at City Hall at 7pm
- Saturday, December 16 - Overbrook PRIDE, Incorporated monthly meeting at the Legion
- Tuesday, December 19 - Planning & Zoning Commission monthly meeting at City Hall at 7pm
- Tuesday Table “FREE” Dinner at 5:30pm at the Overbrook United Methodist Church – Everyone is welcome to come eat and fellowship!
- Park & Recreation Board meeting at 7pm, at the Library

- Remember to attend one of our local Churches for Christmas Eve Sunday services!

- Monday, December 25 - Merry Christmas! – City offices will be closed – open Tuesday
- Recycle Pick Up move to TUESDAY 12/26!
- Tuesday, December 26 - Recycle Pick Up Day!
- Friends of the Library monthly meeting 6:30pm at the Library
- Friday, December 29 - Trash Day
- Every Wednesday - Overbrook Library “Story Time” at the Library at 10:15am
- First & Third Monday’s - Overbrook Fire and EMT meeting at the Fire Hall at 7pm

A note from Mayor Don Schultz –

Dear friends,

I have enjoyed writing this monthly City Newsletter and Event Calendar for the past 104 months –starting May of 2009! I hope it has been helpful to you. Thank you all very much for the support you’ve given me during that time. Together, we’ve accomplished a lot of good things for our town. I am very honored to have served you and to have had the opportunity to promote Overbrook as a wonderful place to live, raise a family, run a business, or just visit and relax for a while. I will always remember what you mean to me. God Bless! - Don

Looking ahead . . .

- January 6 - Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast at the Legion

December – Please shop in Overbrook – support our hometown and businesses!

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MEMORANDUM

November 8, 2017

To: Overbrook City Council
From: Kramer Consulting, LLC
Subject: Preliminary Engineering Report

1) Existing Facilities

- 5 deep water supply wells (original yield combined = 149 gpm, current yield = 93 gpm)
- 1 chlorination building
- 50,000 gallon elevated water storage tank
- 75,000 gallon elevated water storage tank
- Rural Pump House from RWD No. 5, Osage County
- Water Distribution System contains approximately 100,000 L.F. of water mains, with over half of the mains being Cast Iron Pipe.

2) Need for Project – Project Considerations

- High iron present in water supply
 - Treatment of wells is necessary
- Increase water storage capacity (2 day storage = 220,000 gallons needed, 125,000 available)
- Maintenance the two existing elevated water storage tanks
- Water main replacement due to high amount of corrosivity build up
- Increase number of valves in the system

3) Alternatives to Consider

Water Supply & Treatment

- Permanent water supply connection from RWD 5 – contingent upon many factors & cost
- Water Treatment Plant to remove Iron and Manganese from water supply wells
 - Chemically treat water supply wells to increase yield and water quality

4) Next Steps

- Contact RWD 5 to determine estimated cost for permanent water supply
- Compare production of water to purchasing water
- Engineers Opinion of Probable Project Cost for recommended improvements (water supply, treatment, storage and distribution)
- Review Preliminary Engineering Report with City Council with all findings and recommendations

