

January 2016 -- Happy New Year! Let's make it another great year in Overbrook, Kansas!

REMEMBER – The best place to keep up to date with City News and Events is on the City Facebook Page. Log into Facebook and search for “City of Overbrook”. “LIKE” us and get the news as it is posted! Our City Website is also a good place to check for City information – www.overbrookks.com

Thank you all for making 2015 an excellent year in Overbrook! Your support and participation in making our town the best it can be is very much appreciated by our city, our businesses, and our residents!

Pet Tags are DUE NOW! – The 2016-yr pet license tags should be purchased immediately. Tags are \$5.00 for neutered pets and \$10.00 if not. All pets whether kept indoors or out are required to have a tag. Don't risk a \$60 fine plus \$75 court costs. *NOTE: See attached City Ordinance #375 regarding Animal License fees and – READ “Section 3” of the ordinance explaining the AUTO RENEWAL information. If you have an animal with up to date rabies vaccinations that was licensed last year – YOU MAY RECEIVE A 2016 LICENSE AUTOMATICALLY THAT WILL BE CHARGED TO YOUR UTILITY BILLING ACCOUNT! Please take time to read the attached information!*

Overbrook Public Library “Privacy & Security” – we are all aware of the emphases companies and businesses are required to put on the protection of customer privacy and security of business records. Libraries are also required to adhere to similar guidelines. With that, our Overbrook Public Library has implemented policies protecting patron information and records. When you visit our Library, you will notice new “STOP” signs at both ends of the business desk directing patrons and all Library visitors to KEEP OUT of employee areas behind the business desk and in Library offices and storage areas. Thank you for supporting this requirement. Please see the flyer included with this Newsletter.

Overbrook Rotary Club “Chili & Soup Dinner” – Saturday, January 9 at the Library Community Room starting at 6pm – Enjoy Cliff O'Bryhim's famous Chili or a bowl of Potato Soup, plus dessert – all for a free-will donation. Entertainment includes the **SFT High School Jazz Band**; a special **Recognition Award** presentation; some fabulous take-home desserts sold in a **Dessert Auction**; and, the drawing of a 3-night **Valentine's Weekend Getaway to Branson**, including \$100 CASH for travel (tickets will be available at the door @ \$5 each). See flyer included with the Newsletter.

Overbrook Library Foundation Dinner Theater at the Methodist Church is coming soon (dates not yet set). This year's play is called “**Mayhem at the Museum**” – an original play written by Kevin Stone (Overbrook) and directed by Debra Jones. Plans are for 2 nights of the play with doors opening at 6pm both nights with meal served first followed by the play. Advance tickets at the Library are \$10 for adults and \$5 for 12 and under. “At the Door” prices are \$12 and \$6. The dates will be set soon.

City News . . .

* **Annual Incremental Increase in Water/Sewer Rates** – per Ordinances # 363 & 364 (section 4 on each), each calendar year through 2017, City water/sewer rates are adjusted incrementally at a 1% rate. KDHE standards require the City maintain a certain margin between actual cost of operation and income from the Utilities. This change will be seen on the utility bill you receive February 2016.

* **Overbrook Police Department:** *Winter typically means driving in snow and ice. Be prepared by keeping the gas tank full so if you get stranded you can run the engine to keep warm. However, if you're stuck in the snow, be sure the car's exhaust pipe is not obstructed causing carbon monoxide to leak into the car. Carry a small shovel in your trunk as well as a milk jug with sand or kitty litter for traction. An old backpack or duffle bag works great to store water and snacks, a flashlight with fresh batteries, and a blanket. Keep a charger for your cell phone in your car. These few items will help you survive and may save your life if you get stranded. The best decision is to simply not travel during bad conditions if at all possible. Remember, if you see or suspect a crime of any type, report it immediately to (785) 806-9500. – Terry Hollingsworth, Chief of Police*

* **Osage County Fire District 4 (Overbrook Fire & EMT)** *Winter house fires are always a concern. If you heat or supplement your heat with live-flame heating appliances such as gas heaters, wood stoves, or a fireplace be sure your flue is clear and clean and that there is adequate fresh air to prevent carbon monoxide buildup. EVERY home should have working Smoke Alarms as well as Carbon Monoxide detectors. Don't wait for a disaster before getting yours! If you have questions, contact Fire Chief, Russell Mitchell at 785-806-9501*

* **Overbrook Animal Control:** *Pets require extra attention during cold, winter weather. A supply of fresh, unfrozen water is very important. If they stay outdoors, assure they have enough straw or bedding in their house to burrow into. It's natural for dogs to “den” during cold weather. Remember to get your tags and watch that your pets are not running loose. Report animals concerns to Officer Russell Mitchell, 785-806-9501*

* **Winter Weather Street Maintenance** – to allow City Maintenance to clear snow to 2-lane width, please do not park on major access streets. And, if you do your own snow plowing please do not scrape the chip-seal street surface with your plow. It causes damage to the street and puts gravel into ditches and yards.

Calendar of events and activities for January 2016:

- Friday, January 1 - HAPPY NEW YEAR! City Hall is closed observing the New Year's holiday
- Saturday, January 2 - Biscuit & Gravy Breakfast at the American Legion from 7am to 10am
- Monday-Friday
January 4 - 8 - The Library will celebrate the 2nd anniversary of our Overbrook Public Library & Community Room
- Tuesday, January 5 - Park & Recreation Board meeting at 7pm, a joint meeting with City Council
- Wednesday, January 6 - Overbrook Library Board meeting at the Library at 7pm
- Thursday, January 7 - Overbrook Housing Authority meeting at Oak Plaza at 8am
- Crafterhours craft class at the Library, 6-8pm featuring "Fizzy Bath Bombs"
- Saturday, January 9 - Rotary Chili Dinner and SFT Jazz Band concert at 6pm at Library Community Room - plus, Rotary drawing for a Valentine's Weekend Vacation + \$100!
- Monday, January 11 - Recycle Pick Up Day!
- Overbrook American Legion Post #239 monthly meeting at 7:30pm
- Wednesday, January 13 - Monthly City Council Meeting at City Hall at 7pm
- Thursday, January 14 - Veterans Administration Services Representation at Community Room from 9am to 6pm to help area Veterans with questions and concerns
- Saturday, January 16 - Overbrook PRIDE, Inc. monthly meeting at 8 at American Legion
- City Tree Dump open from 8am to 10am (Weather permitting)
- Monday, January 18 - Martin Luther King Holiday - City Hall will be closed
~~- Recycle Pick Up Day!~~
- Tuesday, January 19 - Planning & Zoning Commission and Board of Appeals monthly meeting at City Hall at 7pm
- Tuesday's Table community dinner at Methodist Church at 5:30pm - open to the public at no cost and occurs the 3rd Tuesday of each month through April
- Monday Jan 25*
Tuesday, January 26 - Friends of the Overbrook Library monthly meeting at 7pm in the Library
Recycle Pick up Day!
**Note: 2016-yr Friends of the Library memberships and renewals are due!
Contact Mary Anderson (665-7352) or Carol Baughman (665-7180)**
- Friday, January 29 - Happy Birthday Kansas! Celebrate our state's 155th Birthday (1861)
- 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

Looking ahead . . .

Coming Soon - Overbrook Library Foundation Dinner & Play at the Methodist Church - starting at 6pm each evening. Get tickets in advance at the Library!

Saturday, February 6 - Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast at the American Legion, 7:30-10am

Saturday, February 13 - Overbrook Rotary Club annual Pancake & Sausage Breakfast, 7-11am

Sunday, March 13 - Daylight Savings Time changes - that's not that far away!

Have a terrific January in Overbrook! Remember . . . Save our stores! Shop in Overbrook!

Overbrook Public Library - Privacy and Confidentiality Policy

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The Overbrook Public Library, as part of its obligations to the Northeast Kansas Library System (NEKLS), strictly adheres to the NEKLS Patron Privacy and Confidentiality Policy, which states no information will be shared regarding a patron's name, library card number, contact information, borrower's records, frequency or content of patron's visits, or the number and character of questions asked by visitors.

As a part of ensuring patron privacy and overall security of sensitive information, the area behind the Overbrook library information desk is restricted to official library staff and vetted volunteers.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Galen Worthington
- Executive Director, Overbrook Public Library



This annual Rotary Club fundraiser features

Chili, Potato Soup & Dessert all for a free-will donation!

Saturday, January 9, at 6pm in the Library Community Room

There's also a DESSERT AUCTION featuring fabulous homemade desserts!

Overbrook Rotary Club's 3rd annual give away of a

Valentine's Weekend Getaway To Branson!

Tickets: \$5 per each
Tickets will be available that evening!

3-nights in 2-bedroom Deluxe Condo at Wyndham's Meadows Resort Fri, Sat, & Sun - Feb 12, 13, & 14, 2016

Plus, \$100.00 TRAVEL CASH

The drawing will be held on Saturday evening, January 9. Winner need not be present to win.

Entertainment for the evening includes:

- The SFT High School Jazz Band
- And, a special **Recognition Award** presentation

All proceeds from this event will be used for local projects Rotary does in our community!
Thank you for supporting our local Rotary Club!



- A. Call to Order and Roll Call
- B. Approval of Agenda
- C. Consent Agenda
 - C.1 Minutes – 12/09/15 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 - C.2 Warrants
 - C.3 Request to Shred City Documents
 - C.4 Maintenance Department Report
 - C.5 Animal Control Report
 - C.6 City Clerk Report
 - C.7 Code Compliance Report
 - C.8 Planning Commission Report
 - C.9 Recreation Commission Report
 - C.10 Library Board Report
 - C.11 Housing Authority Board Report
 - C.12 Pool Report
 - C.13 Water Distribution System Report
 - C.14 Emergency Planning Group Report
 - C.15 Report regarding Alley Project
- D. Special Reports
- E. Public Comments
- F. Utility Billing Account Hearings
- G. Council Action/Discussion items
 - G.1 Treasurer Report – Cathy Sowers
 - G.2 Discussion with Police Chief Terry Hollingsworth
 - G.3 Discussion with Code Compliance Officer Tyler Torneden
 - G.4 Jones Park Easement Discussion – Jon Brady
 - G.5 Presentation of Candidate for Zoning Administrator
- H. Unfinished Business
 - H.1 Old Gym Discussion- Carol Baughman
 - H.2 20 MPH Limits Signs/Speed Bump follow-up
 - H.3 OPR Admin/Pool Mgr/Budget discussion
 - H.4 Review proposed updates to Employee manual
 - H.5 Other Unfinished Business
- I. New Business
 - I.1 Other New Business
- J. Council Member Comments
- K. Mayor's Report
- L. Adjournment

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 91, SECTION 91-625, SUBSECTION (B) REGARDING THE FEES CHARGED FOR ANIMAL LICENSES IN THE CITY OF OVERBROOK, KANSAS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF OVERBROOK, KANSAS:

SECTION 1: PERMIT FEE: The permit fees for the permit year beginning on January 1 of each calendar year are as follows:

1. For each non-neutered male animal \$10
2. For each neutered male animal \$5
3. For each un-spayed female animal \$10
4. For each spayed female animal \$5

SECTION 2: LATE FEE: As of March 1st each year a \$5 late fee will be charged per tag, making the cost for tags purchased after February as follows:

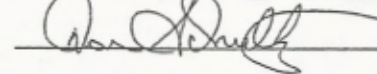
1. For each non-neutered male animal \$15
2. For each neutered male animal \$10
3. For each un-spayed female animal \$15
4. For each spayed female animal \$10

SECTION 3: AUTO RENEWAL: 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 when we generate the February utility bills. We will charge the permit fee to your 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 still 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.

SECTION 4: IMPOUND FEES: Impound fees are the responsibility of the animal owner. Before the animal can be claimed, owner must purchase City of Overbrook tag (when applicable), pay all outstanding fines related to the issue that led to the animal being picked up, and provide proof of payment to be able to pick up the animal.

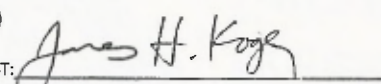
SECTION 5: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 13th DAY OF August, 2014.



DON SCHULTZ, MAYOR

(SEAL)

ATTEST: 
JAMES H. KOGER, CITY CLERK



(Note: A break may be scheduled at the Council's Discretion.)
This Agenda is subject to change in order/content without prior notice. Council Meetings are open to the public and the Council encourages any and all citizens to attend. The Agenda may be limited to previously identified items at hand. If you would like to be added to the agenda to speak to the Council, please contact Jim Koger, City Clerk, at 785-665-7328 or by email at cityclerk@overbrookks.com.