Overbrook City News and Events August 2020

Good News! The City of Overbrook has been awarded a Community Development Block Grant

Coronavirus by the state of Kansas and Governor Laura Kelly in the amount of \$167,000. According to Governor Kelly the purpose of the grant is to strengthen local economies, improve the lives of Kansas residents, and keep our economy open for business. This grant is available in two categories: Economic Development and Meal Programs. Economic Development Grants provide communities with funding to help local businesses retain jobs for low-to-moderate income people by covering working capital expenses such as inventory, wages, and utilities. Meal Program grants can be directed toward organizations such as Meals on Wheels, local food banks, or to support organizations providing meals for children impacted by the loss of school meal programs. Garrett Nordstrom, grant administrator, will assist the city in following the necessary steps for dispersal of funds. We will keep everyone informed.

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Blue Green Algae - Overbrook Lake has been placed on a Blue Green Algae Watch. That means that harmful algae is possible and may be present. The following is advice from KDHE: Water may be unsafe for humans/animals. Avoid area of algae accumulation and do not let people/pets eat dried algae or drink contaminated water. Wading is discouraged. Boating and fishing are safe. However, inhalation of the spray may affect some individuals. Avoid contact with water, and wash with clean water after any contact. Clean fish well with potable water and eat fillet portion only.

COVID-19 Safety - The City Council continues to encourage all residents to wear masks in public, observe social distancing, and to wash hands frequently. Wearing a mask not only protects you, but it protects others as well. Be kind and thoughtful as we strive to all stay well.

Overbrook Police Department – We here at City Hall have been looking at ways to help make our community safer and more aesthetically pleasing. One way is to trim back low hanging trees over the streets and sidewalks. There is a city ordinance that requires that tree limbs hanging less than 12 feet from the road or sidewalk must be trimmed. Also, trees and shrubs which block street signs or right of ways at intersections should be trimmed back. School buses often hit low branches and either break them right off or weaken them after multiple times of striking them. The Maintenance and Police Departments will be getting together soon to come up with a plan to help those who may not be able to do the work themselves due to health issues or those who cannot afford to have it done. Remember. 12 feet off the ground over the roads or sidewalks. If you have any questions, please contact the Overbrook Police Department at 785-665-7230. Chief Terry Hollingsworth

Kids' Fishing Derby – The Kids' Fishing Derby is tentatively planned for September. More details will be posted in next month's newsletter, on the city website <u>www.overbrookks.com</u> or on the City of Overbrooks' Facebook page .

Overbrook Osage County Fair – Due to continuing COVID-19 concerns, the Overbrook Fair Board has voted to cancel the 2020 Overbrook Osage County Fair. All events associated with the fair are cancelled (demo derby, carnival, parade, etc.). The Fair Board does plan to allow exhibitors to show their projects and to hold the 4-H Livestock Auction. Look for more information on the Overbrook Osage County Fair Facebook page and website, <u>www.overbrookfair.weebly.com</u>.

Overbrook Pool – Things have been going "swimmingly" at Overbrook Pool. The plan is to have the pool open as long as possible until school begins. Keep on having a good time! If you have any questions, contact Anne Fawl at 785-640-0570.

Overbrook Farmers' Market – Our local Farmers' Market will be open on Mondays from 4pm to 6:30 pm and will continue through the second Monday in September. You can find the market in downtown Overbook on Market Street just west of Maple Street. Come shop for beautiful produce, hand crafted soaps, farm fresh eggs, local honey, and lots of other wonderful goods.

Would you like your bill and or newsletter e-mailed to you? If this is an option that suits your needs, all you have to do is call or e-mail us at Overbrook City Hall and we will honor your request. Our phone number is 785-665-7328 and Jim Koger's e-mail is <u>cityclerk@overbrookks.com</u>

Overbrook Calendar of Events for August 2020

Monday, Aug 3	- Recycling Pick-Up Day	
Tuesday Aug 11	- Late Utility Payment Hearing Deadline 9:00 am	
Wed, Aug 12	- City Budget Hearing & Council Meeting at City Hall 7:00 pm	
Saturday, Aug 15	- Overbrook Fire Department Open House 8am-2pm	
Monday, Aug 17	- Recycling Pick-Up Day	
Monday, Aug 31	- Recycling Pick-Up Day	
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Please note: The scheduled meetings, listed below, may be held virtually or postponed due to COVID-19. Please contact organizers for up-to-date information.

Every First & Third Monday	- Overbrook Fire Department meeting at the Fire Hall at 7pm
Every Second Monday	- Overbrook Fire Board Meeting at the Fire Hall 7:30 pm
	- Overbrook American Legion Post #239 meeting at 7:30 pm at the Post
Every Third Monday	- Overbrook Library Board Meeting 6 pm at the Library
	- Planning Commission Meeting: 7pm at City Hall
Every Fourth Wed.	- Veterans' Service Representative at Overbrook Public Library 1pm-4pm
Every Saturday	- TOPS Meeting at the Methodist Church at 7:30 am. For information
	call Mary Anderson 785-665-7352
Every Third Saturday	- Overbrook PRIDE Meeting 8 am at the American Legion, 102 Maple
Every Fourth Tuesday	- Friends of the Library 6:30pm at the Library Conference Room
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Looking Ahead ...

Monday, Sept 7	- Labor Day
Sunday, Sept 13	- Grandparents Day
Sunday, November 1 -Daylight Savings Time ends – Turn your clocks back 1 hour at 2:00 am (or before	
	go to sleep Zzzz)

(If your group or organization wants to appear on the City Calendar, please contact Overbrook City Hall at 665-7328)

