# Overbrook City News and Events December 2020



Good News! We are getting closer to the final design of our Water Distribution Project. Residents may notice Dig Safe flags or markings in their yards as our engineering firm is marking the current infrastructure locations.

CDBG-CV Grant – Round 2 of the business applications is underway. If you are a business inside the Overbrook City Limits, you have until December 4<sup>th</sup> to submit your CDBG-CV application. Those businesses that applied in Round 1 do not need to re-apply. Applications are available at <a href="https://www.overbrookks.com/documents/138/CDBG">https://www.overbrookks.com/documents/138/CDBG</a> CV OVERBROOK Business Application Packet 00 <a href="https://www.overbrookks.com/documents/138/CDBG">https://www.overbrookks.com/documents/138/CDBG</a> CV OVERBROOK Business Application Packet 00

**COVID-19 Safety** - The City Council strongly encourages all residents to follow the Osage County Face Covering Protocol. Please 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 – Tis the season!!! While most people work hard to purchase gifts to give to family and friends, there are those who work hard to steal them way from you. Here are a few simple tips that we all can do to keep the real Grinch's away during this holiday season. First. While shopping for that perfect gift, shop with a friend or two. There really is safety in numbers. Be aware of your surroundings and be alert for people who might be watching you. Have your car keys or key fob ready before you get to your car. Don't fumble for the keys. Lock your gifts in the truck of your vehicle if possible. If you run out of trunk space, place a blanket over the items in your back seat. Items left out to be seen make it too easy to see what a criminal may want to take. Whenever possible, keep your curtains or blinds closed at home. Open curtains invite the crooks to peek at what's inside under the tree. Finally, crush and recycle empty boxes that the gifts came in. Never just put the empty boxes out at the curb where anyone driving by can see what was given or got. We at the Overbrook Police Department wish everyone a verry Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. If you have any questions, please contact the Overbrook Police Department at 785-665-7230. Chief Terry Hollingsworth.

Overbrook Park and Rec – Overbrook Park and Rec is looking for someone to run the concession stand during 2021 high school baseball and 2021 OPR baseball and softball seasons. There may also be an opportunity to have a concession stand during 2021 Fall OPR soccer. Interested parties may contact City Hall at 665-7328 or email <a href="mailto:cityclerk@overbrookks.com">cityclerk@overbrookks.com</a> As of November 24<sup>th</sup>, OPR Basketball is still on. Sign-ups are available at <a href="https://www.overbrookks.com/documents/138/bb\_reg\_form\_2020.pdf">https://www.overbrookks.com/documents/138/bb\_reg\_form\_2020.pdf</a>

Overbrook Community Chest – We've enclosed a copy of the 2020 Community Chest Flyer. Your generosity through the years is greatly appreciated! Please help the Committee meet their 2020 goal of \$8,700.



Happy Holidays!

Community Note: Please be aware that large "shop like towels" are being deposited into the Overbrook City Sewer system. These towels are creating blockages and are negatively affecting the system by potentially short circuiting the treatment process and could lead to monitoring violations. The City is attempting to locate the source of these towels so that we can communicate with the business or individual the problems that are being created. The towels have been blue or white. Your help in assuring that the City's sewer system is kept in top running order is appreciated.

2021 Pet Tags are now available at City Hall. This year the tags are green clouds. Gift your cats and dogs with a tag to help ensure that if they are lost, that they may be more easily returned to you. (Registration is also required by City Ordinance.) All you need is current proof of rabies vaccination. The cost is \$5 for neutered pets and \$10 for pets that have not been neutered. We will process the auto-renew pet tags in the next billing process for those dogs and cats with 2020 tags and current rabies vaccination information. If you no longer have that animal, please let City Hall know.

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

## Overbrook Calendar of Events for December 2020

Monday, Dec 7

- Recycling Pick-Up Day

Tuesday, Dec 8

- Late Utility Payment Hearing Deadline 9:00 am

Wed, Dec 9

- City Council Meeting at City Hall 7:00 pm

Monday, Dec 21

- Recycling Pick-Up Day

Thursday, Dec 24

- Christmas Eve \*Please Note Trash pickup will be on 12/24/20 (later in day than usual)

Friday, Dec 25

- Christmas Day (City Offices Closed)

Thursday, Dec 31

- New Year's Eve \*Please Note Trash pickup will be on 12/31/20 (later in day than usual)

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

Every Third Monday

- Overbrook American Legion Post #239 meeting at 7:30 pm at the Post

- Overbrook Library Board Meeting 6 pm at the Library

- Planning Commission Meeting: 7pm at City Hall

Every Fourth Wed. **Every Saturday** 

- Veterans' Service Representative at Overbrook Public Library 1pm-4pm - TOPS Meeting at the Methodist Church at 7:30 am. For information

call Mary Anderson 785-665-7352

Every Third Saturday

Every Third Tuesday (except December) - Library Book Club meeting 7PM first meeting room at the Library - 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

### Looking Ahead ...

Friday, Jan. 1

- New Year's Day (City Offices Closed)

Monday, Jan 18

- Martin Luther King Jr Day (City Offices Closed)



### OVERBROOK COMMUNITY CHEST DRIVE OVERBROOK, KANSAS **OCTOBER 20, 2020**

Dear Friends,

It is COMMUNITY CHEST DRIVE time again. Each year it gives us the opportunity to help deserving organizations in

The United Way will not recognize our local Community Chest, therefore, those who designated their donation through United Way of Greater Topeka in years past can no longer do so. After reviewing the process of becoming a member of United Way, the Overbrook Community Chest Committee made the decision to remain a Community Chest.

We will be able to support the local agencies by patron help in giving directly to Overbrook Community Chest by staying a Community Chest and keeping our 501-c-3 status (tax exempt). Overbrook residents who designated pledges through their employer, will need to pay directly to Overbrook Community Chest to ensure that their donations are distributed to

## THE GOAL FOR THIS YEAR IS SET AT \$8700

RGANIZATION	2020 GOAL	MY GIFT
<ol> <li>Overbrook Betterment Fund</li> <li>Boy Scouts</li> <li>Girl Scouts</li> <li>American Red Cross</li> <li>Overbrook Public Library</li> </ol>	\$ 900.00	
	\$ 350.00	
	\$ 350.00	
	\$ 450.00	
Midland Hospice	\$1600.00	
Salvation Army	\$ 500.00	
Overbrook American	\$ 350.00	
Overbrook American Legion	\$ 350.00	
Kansas Children's Service League	\$ 350.00	
Jones Park of Overbrook	\$ 800.00	
Overbrook Fair Association	\$ 500.00	
Overbrook Veterans Memorial	\$ 300.00	
Overbrook Pride	\$ 650.00	
Help House	\$ 550.00	
Overbrook Historical Museum	\$ 500.00	-
Annual Overbrook Fireworks Display	\$ 200.00	
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Please indicate the amount you wish to give to each organization. Your contributions will be used to fill the needed quotas if designations are not made to individual organizations. Red Cross contributions continue to help make possible the swimming lessons and availability of the Blood Bank.

Please make checks payable to the OVERBROOK COMMUNITY CHEST. Place contributions together with your designations in the enclosed envelope and mail or leave at the First Security Bank or Kansas State Bank in Overbrook by December 31. Contributions received after that date will be accepted if it is not possible for you to meet the deadline. As a reminder, your contribution is tax deductible. YOUR GENEROSITY THROUGH THE YEARS IS GREATLY

# THE COMMUNITY CHEST COMMITTEE THANKS YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION

Peggy Tucker, Chair Ann Blosser, Vice Chair Marian Massoth, Secretary Liz Cordts, Treasurer Patti Cooper Carolyn Fairchild Penny Schulmeister Lois Shuck

January 1, 2021 marks the beginning of year two of our water and sewer rate increase plan implemented in the fall of 2019 with the passing of Ordinance #415. This plan was put in place in preparation for our upcoming Water Distribution Project which is set to go out to bid in early 2021.

### 2020 Rates:

\$15.21 base water rate, each additional 1,000 gallons of water is \$8.90 \$13.69 base sewer rate, each additional 1,000 gallons of water is \$4.45 The minimum water and sewer bill will be \$28.90 per month

The 2021 rates, per Ordinance #415 (effective with your bill due February 20, 2021), are as follows: \$16.73 base water rate, each additional 1,000 gallons of water is \$9.79 \$15.06 base sewer rate, each additional 1,000 gallons of water is \$4.90 The minimum water and sewer bill will be \$31.79 per month

#### 2022 rates:

\$18.24 base water rate, each additional 1,000 gallons of water is \$9.79 \$16.41 base sewer rate, each additional 1,000 gallons of water is \$4.90 The minimum water and sewer bill will be \$34.65 per month

### 2023 rates:

\$19.88 base water rate, each additional 1,000 gallons of water is \$9.79 \$17.89 base sewer rate, each additional 1,000 gallons of water is \$4.90 The minimum water and sewer bill will be \$37.77 per month

2024 and beyond: Until further notice a 2% rate increase on water rates will be effective annually each year on January 1st. When the City authorizes a Water Rate Change, the Sewer base rate will be adjusted to 90% of the Water base rate AND the Sewer Additional 1,000 rate will be 50% of the Water Additional 1,000 rate.

If you have any questions, please call City Hall at 665-7328 or email cityclerk@overbrookks.com Thank you!