Olsburg Community PRIDE

February

2024

OLSBURG COMMUNITY PRIDE

Will hold it's Annual Meeting
Wednesday, February 7th
6:00 pm

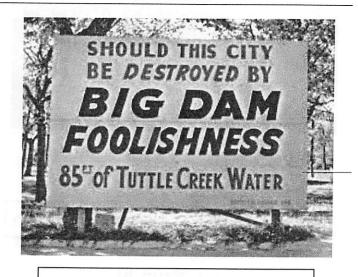
Olsburg American Legion Hall

(or attend by zoom call or video)

All are welcome and encouraged to attend to help decide the future path of our amazing Pride organization. For a zoom invite, please call or email ahead of time so invitation can be sent.

We look forward to seeing you and hope you will attend.
As stated in previous newsletters along with this one - this
has to be a community effort in order to be successful.

Please help - it's really a matter of Pride!



The Rock Creek Valley Historical Museum

Is putting together a temporary exhibit about the communities, people and happenings during the time when Tuttle Creek Dam was being built and the towns of Mariadahl and Cleburne. They would welcome any artifacts, stories or history related to that time.

All items will be returned at the completion of this temporary exhibit.

I know this community is rich in history – please share if you are able.

If you have something to share or questions regarding the exhibit, please contact Jenni Moore at 785-456-3975.

New Year means - New Info AND New Stories I know there are questions out there that you all have wanted answers to from time to time. It doesn't have to be "way back" in history – any questions welcomed and we will try and figure out the answer together! Here is one that was asked – does anyone have any info or memories they would like to share?

"What was the name of the lady that did sewing in Olsburg? She lived in the green house where Buffy & Gypsy Snyder now live. I know she used to sew all type of clothing from alterations to cheerleading uniforms."



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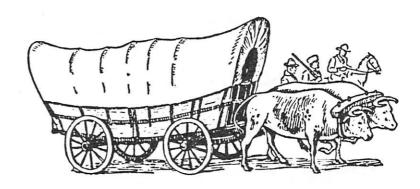
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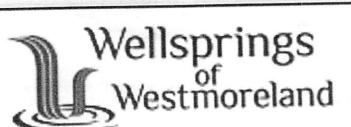
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City of Olsburg Summary of the January 3, 2024 Meeting

Seeing there was a quorum present to conduct business, the regular meeting of the Olsburg City Council was called to order by Mayor Aric Cassel at 7:03 pm.

Present were Mayor Aric Cassel, Council Members Mike Mayer, Cindy Pfaff, Karl Kasselman and newly elected Council Member, Kyle Rootring. Also, present were outgoing Council Member Mike Krause, City Treasurer Gregg Gibson, and City Clerk Jeannie Johnson. Absent was Council Member David Gibson.

Minutes from December 3, 2023 were approved.

The Oath of Office was administered to Council Members Kasselman and Rootring. Council Member Pfaff was elected President of the Council

Outgoing Council Member Mike Krause was presented with a plaque recognizing his 14 years of service on the Council and to the Olsburg Community.

There were no public comments.

The Treasurer's Report and bills to be paid were presented. The Report was approved.

Old Business: The Council authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the contract of sale for the property at 409 N. 1st Street, in the amount of \$6,000.00.

New Business:

- a. The Bricks' Off Premises Cereal Malt Beverage License was approved.
- b. 2024 PrairieStone Chemical Application for \$1,366.72 at City Park was approved.
- c. Street Light Installation There was some discussion regarding the need for street lighting on Shari Drive. There would be four streetlights along Shari Drive and one at 3rd and Birch. The cost of the streetlights will be approximately \$14.00 a month for each light.
- d. Street tube at 3rd and Birch Over the past several years, the south end of the present tube has been driven over by vehicles. Terry Johnson was on hand to discuss with the Council what types of drainage pipe are available and recommended extending the tube 6'-10' to the south in order to widen out the curve and discourage short cutting the corner.
- e. Mayor Cassel and the City Council discussed pay increases for City employees. City Treasurer Gibson indicated that with the City Clerk assuming more responsibilities a pay increase was not necessary for him at this time. Mayor Cassel said City Clerk Johnson has been working more than the two hours a day when originally hired. She also recently completed her fourth year of the City Clerk and Municipal Finance Officers Institute held at Wichita State University. The City Council congratulated City Clerk Johnson on her graduation from the Institute. After additional discussion, a \$75.00 a month increase for City Clerk Johnson was approved.

Bills presented were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm.

Olsburg Lutheran Church invites you to attend Lenten worship services. We begin on February 14 with Ash Wednesday services. Olsburg worships at 6:30 p.m. or Walsburg worships at 7:45 p.m.

We welcome you to worship with us on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m., too! Pastor Kaylie Ines is sure to have an uplifting message of hope and love! We look forward to seeing you soon!



Mid-week Lenten service Schedule

Soup supper begins at 6:00 p.m. with worship following at 7:00 p.m.
February 21 at Walsburg
February 28 at Olsburg
March 6 at Walsburg
March 13 at Olsburg

Holy Week Schedule

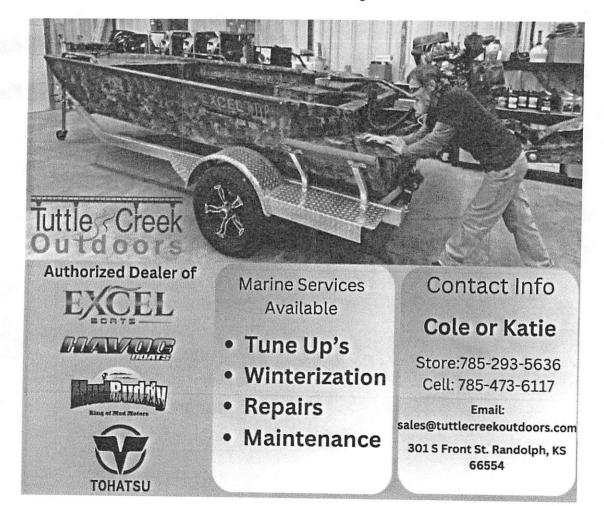
March 20 at Walsburg

Palm Sunday, March 24 regular celebration worship services at Olsburg at 9:00 a.m. and at Walsburg at 11:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday service at Olsburg at 7:00 p.m. Good Friday service at Walsburg at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Day

Sunrise service at Walsburg time to be announced Easter Celebration at Olsburg 9:00 a.m. Easter Celebration at Walsburg 11:00 a.m.





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This time of year is truly a time for giving thanks and for appreciating those who do their best to make our lives better... Many don't understand the impact our Pride program has on the community and just how much is accomplished. We compiled a list of projects within the last 5 years and wanted to share with all of you. It is our hope that you will join us... the same dedicated few need input and ideas as well as extra hands to get the work done. Please, please consider joining us as we try to continue to Empower our Community to be a better place.

- Community of Excellence status with the Kansas Community Empowerment program for 2017-2019, (did we receive for 2020-2022), 2023-2025
- Increased reserve funding over the past 5 years by over \$45,000
- Monthly Community newsletter reaching over 500 people per month providing information to keep everyone informed and engaged in Community
- Hwy 16/13 Sign updates repainting of the structure and updated display signs
- Olsburg Dala Signs on both ends of town updated welcoming traffic into Olsburg
- Dala Horse Project Beautification added by talented local artists for all to enjoy.
- Park to Park Walking Trail to provide safe path for all community members to enjoy the physical, mental and social benefits from connecting with nature.
- Website Enhancements promoting organizations, businesses, events and more
- Assisted with the free kids' meals during summer for several years
- Community Freezer Meal Program with Olsburg Boosters 4-H Club for several years to provide meals to community members that needed a little extra help
- Annual Santa bags for community children
- Annual Easter Egg Hunt for community children
- Annual Festival for Community Gathering & Enjoyment
- Assisted with revamp of the American Legion Signage
- Joint forces with Randolph PRIDE on We Care Program which receives anonymous requests to support the needs
 of youth of Blue Valley Randolph 384 School District
- Welcome Committee Program Welcoming new residents to town and sharing info and gifts from our local businesses.
- Annual Utfard Fundraiser that brings in outside support from various states to our Community has raised over \$77,000 over the past 5 years
- Olsburg Swimming Pool A true labor of love for all to enjoy.
- Hosted Community Shred Day
- Hosted the Dirty Dala Offroad Bicycle Race
- Published Updated History Book in color print
- Designed Community T-Shirts
- Created Guide to Olsburg featuring all the Barn Quilts and Dala Horses
- Beautification Committee supplied flowers and watering to both Parks
- Donations paid out exceeding \$14,000 in the last 5 years to support various organizations of the Community –
- Formal Volunteer Hour Tracking Program in place which aids in applying for Grants

Possible Projects for the Future

- Splash pad for younger kids could be part of the Pool or outside of pool area as well
- Updated playground equipment & area maintenance at both parks
- Expand items on walking trail ideas could be plant various KS trees with signs for a Earth Day project perhaps (FFA/School involvement), pollinator attractor flower areas (Master Gardeners group has done this in various places for their community service projects could also involve 4-H), bird watching signs by benches, couple fitness stops.



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- Andrew Hammeke 4 Ryn Hammeke Crystal Reser
- 5 Lynn Webster Dan Higgins Shelby Berggren
- Gabrielle Schreiber 7 Allie Cassel
- Jeremy Geiger 8
- **Kyle Rootring** 9
- Philip Monser 10
- Tawyna Johnson 14 Dennie Braddock Michael Powers
- Jason Drouillard 15 Kenny Johnson
- 16 **Brad Graves** Joann Williams
- RJ Bokelman 17 Jim Turner
- 18 Daryl Youngman Karen Cassel
- Richard Johnson 19
- MacKenzie Staub 24 **Brian Kingery**
- Michael Johnson 28 Cory Bingham
- Jerry Daniels 29





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Happy Anniversary

5 - Allen & Shannon Poppe

14 – Brian & Nicole Johnson

14 – Jayson & Katie Werner





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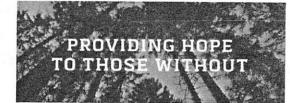
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Today was the absolute worst day ever And don't try to convince me that There's something good in every day Because, when you take a closer look, This world is a pretty evil place. Even if Some goodness does shine through once in a while Satisfaction and happiness don't last. And it's not true that It's all in the mind and heart **Because** True happiness can be obtained Only if one's surroundings are good It's not true that good exists I'm sure you can agree that The Reality Creates My attitude It's all beyond my control And you'll never in a million years hear me say that Today was a good day.

I will admit - at first glance, this is a lot darker than the upbeat items I usually share here. I didn't write this, but when I saw it - it truly spoke to me.

It's all about attitude and perspective.

Now read it from the bottom to the top...

Everyday can be a good day!