



# OTTERBEIN

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Police	911 or 884-0080
Billing Questions	583-4944
Clerk's Office	583-0089
Waste Management	866-797-9018
Streets	583-3430
Water Emergencies	765-761-7594

### Councilmen

Daniel Klumpe	414-0830
Jackey Apache	491-4594
Doyle Allison	307-8505
Amy Brown	376-0366
Rick Hadley	418-5742

**Reminder, since Fourth of July is on Monday, trash day will be a day behind on Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>. Still make sure you have it out the night before.**

## OTTERBEIN STREET FESTIVAL AUGUST 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### In Celebration of the 150 Years of Otterbein, Calendar of Events

#### Thursday:

11:00am-7:00pm	Otterbein 150 Historical Exhibit located in the Library
4:00pm-7:00pm	CJ's Nite Owl Americana Cookout
5:00pm-11:00pm	Amusement Rides by The Carnival Company
5:00pm	Opening Ceremonies
5:00pm-11:00pm	Beer Garden
6:30pm-8:30pm	Bingo

#### Friday:

8:00am-5:00pm	Town-wide yard sales
9:00am- close	Vendors
10:30am	Cake Walk
11:00am-6:00pm	Otterbein 150 Historical Exhibit located in the Library
Noon	Cake Walk
2:00pm	Cake Walk
4:00pm	Cake Walk
4:00pm-7:00pm	CJ's Nite Owl Americana Cookout
5:00pm-7:30pm	Masonic Lodge Fish Fry
5:00pm-11:00pm	Amusement Rides by The Carnival Company
5:00pm-11:00pm	Beer Garden
5:30pm	Cake Walk
6:00pm	Queen Contests
7:00pm	Cake Walk
8:00pm-11:00pm	The Flying Toasters

#### Saturday:

7:30am-9:30am	Otterbein Rotary Pancake & Sausage Breakfast
8:00am-Noon	Town-Wide yard sales & Scavenger Hunt
8:00am-3:00pm	Otterbein 150 Historical Exhibit located in the Library
9:00am-close	Vendors
10:30am	Cake Walk
11:00am	Tractor Pull
10:00am-Noon	Car Show Registration
11:30am	Cake Walk
Noon	Hula Hoop
1:00pm	Amy Oehlman's Hula Hoop Performance
1:00pm-11:00pm	Amusement Rides by The Carnival Company
2:00p	Cake Walk
2:00p-11:00p	Beer Garden
2:00pm-5:00pm	Music by Trey Hughes
2:00pm-3:30pm	Participant Judging Car Show
3:00pm	Library Summer Program Awards
3:00pm-4:30pm	"IBM Ring 219" Magician & Balloonist
4:00pm	Car Show Awards
4:00pm-7:00pm	CJ's Nite Owl American Cookout
4:30pm	Cake Walk
5:00pm	Parade

# Calendar JULY 2022

- 4<sup>th</sup> **Town Hall Closed - Holiday**
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Limb Pickup Begins
  - 12<sup>th</sup> Town Council Meeting 6:00 PM
  - 28<sup>th</sup> Town Council Meeting 6:00 PM
- \*\*\*Trash Every Friday\*\*\***



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5:00pm Parade  
 6:30pm Amy Oehlman's Fire Hoop & Eating Performance  
 8:00pm-11:00pm Street Dance-Group Therapy Band  
 9:30pm Raffle Drawing  
 10:00pm-10:15pm Fireworks Display by Ramsey Pyrotechnics

**Sunday:**

10:00am Community Church Service  
 11:00am Cake Walk  
 11:00am-Noon Golf Cart Poker Run Registration  
 Noon-2:00pm Golf Cart Poker Run  
 1:00pm-5:00pm Amusement Rides by The Carnival Company  
 3:00pm Sheltered Reality  
 \*\* Appt. Only Upon request Otterbein 150 Historical Exhibit

**Otterbein Street Festival is looking for people interested in participating in the Parade on Saturday August 6, 2022 at 5:00 pm. Do you have a golf cart? A club? Etc. If you want to participate or have questions please call Carolyn Watson at 765-491-1879.**

**Firework.** The term FIREWORK shall be defined as provided in I.C. 22-11-14-1.

(C) Location for use. Fireworks may be used or discharged within the town only on the user's property, on the property of someone who has consented to the use of fireworks, or at a special discharge location designated by the State Fire Marshal for the discharge of consumer fireworks.

(D) Use or discharge of consumer fireworks prohibited except on certain dates and times. Consumer fireworks may only be used or discharged within the town by adults age 18 of age or older, or by children under age 18 when an adult is present, on the following dates and times, as provided in I.C.22-11-14-10.5:

- 1) Between the hours of 5:00 pm and two hours after sunset (approximately 11:00 pm) on June 29, June 30 July 1, July 2, July 3, July 5, July 6, July 7, July 8 and July 9;
- 2) Between the hours of 10:00 am and 12:00 midnight on July 4; and
- 3) Between the hours of 10:00 am on December 31 and 1:00 am on January 1.

(E) Enforcement. The Town Police Department is responsible for the interpretation and civil enforcement of this section.

(F) Seizure and forfeiture of consumer fireworks. Enforcement personnel from the Town Police Department may seize and dispose of consumer fireworks that are used in violation of this section.

(G) Penalty. In addition to the seizure and disposition of consumer fireworks that are used in violation of this section, whoever violates any provision of this section shall be fined not more than \$50. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day that a violation occurs or continues. Ord. 2015-0804B, passed 8-4-2015)

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2022 6:00 PM**

Council President Amy Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with all members present.

The Council held the hearing on Utility Disconnects. Jackey Apache made the motion to approve those listed to be disconnected. Daniel Klumpe seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Jackey Apache made the motion to approve the May 2022 Minutes as written. Richard (Rick) Hadley seconded the motion, and all were in favor. Amy Brown read the summary of Claim presented for a total of \$186,693.97. Daniel Klumpe approved the claims as presented. Doyle Allison seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Attorney Jud Barce updated Council on a few outstanding items he is working on.

Colin Sullivan with BF&S Engineering gave an update on projects. In regard to the surveys that need done along the trail site; BF&S will proceed at their risk and wait until we receive the grant to be compensated for the survey work. He presented the Contract for the survey work for a total of \$25,500. Amy Brown made the motion to enter into the contract. Daniel Klumpe seconded the motion, and all were in favor. He presented a Task Order for Program Management Assistance for Central Avenue Development for \$23,700. Rick Hadley made the motion to approve the Task Order. Daniel Klumpe seconded the motion, and all were in favor. He presented a Task Order for Central Avenue 2022-1 CCMG Assistance for \$14,200. Daniel Klumpe made the motion to approve the Task

Order. Jackey Apache seconded the motion, and all were in favor. Lastly, he gave an update on the Stormwater study, informing the Council that the flow monitors have gotten some good data and they will be moved to other locations soon.

Town Marshal Jason Pritchett gave a department report.

Town Administrator Ron Shoup gave a report on department tasks completed. He also informed the Council that the trees at the park. The company hired to remove the trees are to be here tomorrow June 3, 2022.

Deputy town Administrator Lukas Darling presented Ordinance 2022-0602A. An Ordinance Adopting Indiana Code 5-23, Authorizing the Release of a Request for Proposals/Qualifications under Indiana Code 5-23, and taking certain other actions related thereto. Rick Hadley made the motion to Adopt Ordinance 2022-0602A. Jackey Apache seconded the motion, and all were in favor. He presented Resolution 2022-0602A A Resolution Making Appointments to the Board of Zoning Appeals and Advisory Plan Commission. Amy Brown made the motion to adopt Resolution 2022-0602A. Daniel Klumpe seconded the motion, and all were in favor. He presented a quote from Spear Corporation to replace of gas CL2 Regulators at the water plant. Daniel Klumpe questioned only having 1 quote. Council was informed that it is the Company that always does the work on the system. Daniel made the motion to approve the quote, however, would like another company that could look at and know our system. Rick Hadley seconded the motion, and all were in favor. Lastly, he gave his report of items he has been working on.

Clerk-Treasurer Treeva Sarles introduced Ordinance 2022-0616 An Ordinance Adopting a new Schedule of Rates and Charges to reflect the Repeal of the Utility Receipts Tax. This Ordinance will reduce the Water Utility Rates by 1.4%. The Public Hearing on this Ordinance will be on June 16, 2022, at 6:00 PM. She presented a financial report regarding the financing of outstanding projects. The original plan to obtain an Open Market Bond for the Water Project for the local match is not doable now, due to the increase in interest rates. She will present more as the rate consultant investigate more option.

With nothing else to come before the Council, Amy Brown made the motion to adjourn at 7:46 PM. Daniel Klumpe seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

## **WATER RATE REDUCTION PUBLIC HEARING**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2022 6:00 PM**

Council President Amy Brown called the hearing to order at 6:02 PM with members Jackey Apache, Richard (Rick) Hadley, and Daniel Klumpe present. Member Doyle Allison was absent.

Clerk-Treasurer Treeva Sarles explained the Rate Reduction is 1.4% and due to the Indiana State Repeal of the Utility Receipts Tax. There were no public present.

Rick Hadley made the motion to adjourn the Hearing at 6:03 PM. Daniel Klumpe seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

## **TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2022 6:00 PM**

Council President Amy Brown called the hearing to order at 6:04 PM with members Jackey Apache, Richard (Rick) Hadley, and Daniel Klumpe present. Member Doyle Allison was absent.

Clerk-Treasurer Treeva Sarles presented Invoice from A&T Tree Service for \$700. She had not added it to claims due to the invoice is for work completed but the entire job is not complete. Rick Hadley made the motion to approve the \$700 invoice for payment of work completed. Jackey Apache seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Amy Brown read the summary of Claims presented for a total of \$105,269.63 plus the \$700 just approved for a total claim of \$105,969.63. Daniel Klumpe made the motion to approve the claims as presented. Amy Brown seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Tara Cooper with A&T Tree Services asked the Council if they wish for them to finish the job. The Council unanimously agreed for them not to finish the job.

Town Administrator Ron Shoup updated Council on the park equipment project. They are almost finished with bringing the equipment over from Boswell. Council made it clear they are happy with the progress but once it is all over here, they want to see progress on the equipment getting installed at the park. He presented a quote from EJP for an Inverter for the Base Station for the Water Read System for \$1,385. Rick Hadley made the motion to approve the quote. Jackey seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Deputy Town Administrator Lukas Darling gave his report.

Clerk-Treasurer Treeva Sarles presented Ordinance 2022-0616 An Ordinance Adopting a new Schedule of Rates and Charges to reflect the Repeal of the Utility Receipts Tax. Amy Brown made the motion to Adopt Ordinance 2022-0616. Daniel Klumpe seconded the motion, and all were in favor. She updated the Council on Options for financing for the local match for the Water Project with Rural Development or the State Revolving Funds (SRF). She presented Resolution 2022-0616A An SRF Loan Program Signatory Authorization Resolution giving Amy Brown authority to sign application and loan documents. Jackey Apache made the motion to adopt Resolution 2022-0616A. Rick Hadley seconded the motion, and all were in favor. She presented a Task Order from BF&S for Water System Improvements Project Per Development Assistance. This is for them to update the PER and assist in the Application of potential Rural Development or SRF financing. This Task Order is for a not to exceed \$17,400. Rick Hadley made the motion to approve the Task Order. Daniel Klumpe seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

The Council discussed the July and August meeting schedules needing to change. The meetings are set as follows: The July 7, 2022, meeting is Cancelled. The Town Council will hold a Special Meeting on July 12, 2022, to only take care of necessary business with the remainder of the meeting focusing on a work session for the 2023 Budget with department heads. The July 21, 2022, meeting is postponed to July 28, 2022. August 4, 2022, is cancelled due to that is the opening night of the Street Festival. The August 18, 2022, meeting will be held as planned. All meetings will start at 6:00 PM.

With nothing else to come before the Council, Jackey Apache made the motion to adjourn at 6:46 PM. Daniel Klumpe seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

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### **"More Transitions and Adjustments in Modern Times, as Otterbein Reaches Its Centennial," by John Edgerly**

The loss of the town's high school to a central, educational complex can't be under-rated in terms of psychological or commercial losses for either Otterbein or for any similar community within Indiana, or the nation in general. The jury yet remains out on whether "bigger" schools' equal "better" ones-in academic terms as much as athletic achievements. While the smaller schools lacked the funds for advanced sports equipment, playing fields, and expanded libraries or technology, the inter-personal exchanges and learning contact between teachers and students contained merit and flourished deeper within smaller classrooms and more congenial, "hon-number-in-a-factory" buildings.

The town of Otterbein unquestionably/economically felt this impact. Granted, the adjacent downtown shopping area still received the younger kids' business and that of their parents, and older students would congregate at either Burns' or Thompson's drugstores-but it clearly wasn't the same, where inter-community sporting rivalries (i.e., Otterbein versus Fowler) were a feature of the past.

Having been located to take advantage of the new 52 bypass, the Korner Inn ("Mudhole") stayed part of the short-order-seeking crowd's in-town destinations, along with the Town Cafe, the Grand Prairie, and the Sunshine Cafe (at Meadow and East Oxford Street.--the old Mark Briar gas stop) still taking in customers along the Oxford Street corridor of former U. S. 52. Hudson's Town Hardware (at 1st and South Main Street.) continued, as did the local branch of the Oxford State Bank, the Boess', "Nite Owl Inn" further south (at the 112 South Main Street former Farmers and Merchants Bank locality) with an open space, where a rival tavern: the "White Page," once stood, the Johnson Regal Grocery Store across South Main Street (at 2nd and South Main--now the new town hall/community center), a laundromat to the north (later, taking capitalizing on a new taste craze and being converted in the 1960s-70s into a "Pizza King"), town character/colorful resident Mr. Norris' since-1958 "Al's Place" pool hall next door, the 1961-dedicated post office--with a President Mr. Kennedy plaque--at 1st and South Main (across from Hudsons), and the 1934 Otterbein Public Library; an American Legion Post #125 addition, constructed in 1963 at the structure's eastern rear, and the veterans' memorial stone.

Along with the coming of what became Kerkhoff Associates (now, KA Components) in the old Burns Drugs location, another huge change blazed in 1964: a short distance across North Main Street to the east (north of Bryant Auto), a fire erupted in the inactive Fitting Hatchery. This location adjoined Beutler's IGA--where the fire grew, then spread into a food locker, a long with what upstairs had been Otterbein's telephone office (before the town converted to personal dialing in 1959 and the Masonic Lodge #561--both over the grocery. The nearby, Wade plumbing-supply business also would be consumed by this conflagration, which not only drew in fire-fighting units from Otterbein, but also Oxford, Fowler, Pine Village, West Lafayette, Battle Ground, and Purdue University. Resulting from this destructive fire, during the cleanup process the grocery's second floor was removed, and a separate lodge would be built east with a parking lot to come between); this new #561 Masonic Hall would be cornerstone and completed by 1966.

This same year Otterbein High School graduated its final, 1966 class and published its concluding "Inferno" yearbook. By 1970, Benton Central would be hosting a Sectional basketball tournament at its new "Bison Arena."

The town of Otterbein and its citizens were coping with inevitable changes, on the verge of soon celebrating (in 1972) their community's centennial (1872-1972). Held from July 6-8 here in Otterbein, and featured a parade, Mrs. Nelson (later, Larson) as Centennial Queen, and even "old-time" tomfoolery: i.e., all males were encouraged to grown 1872-styled, full beards and were either "fined or jailed" without the facial shrubbery (although they could skip this with a "beard badge").

Another event that brought back memories of earlier blazes: the 1962 fire at Thompson's Drugs and the previously noted, 1964 Beutler IGA/hatchery fire-but one that would far over-shadow all others in its ferocity and imagery: the July 7, 1972, inferno that destroyed the Mr. Strasburger-operated Otterbein grain elevator, at far West 1st (past Hancock Street). This enormous fire-ignited by lightning strikes was widely photographed and reported upon in the Saturday, July 8 edition of Lafayette's *Journal and Courier*. And more changes were destined to come to Otterbein in the half-century between the community's 100<sup>th</sup> celebration, and Otterbein's 2022, "Otterbein 150" sesquicentennial.