Onamia City Newsletter
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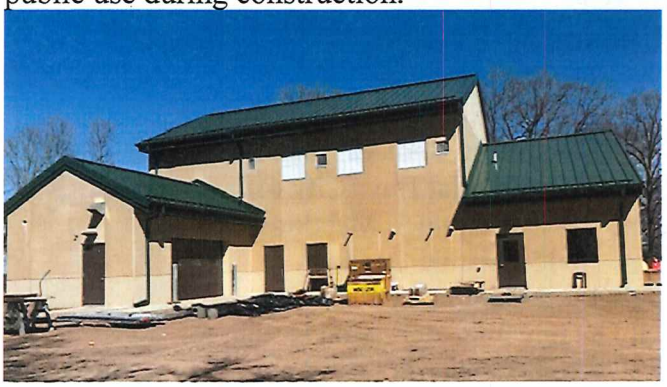
Water Treatment Plant Construction

It has been just over one year since construction of the water treatment plant began. About 71% of the construction of the building is completed. As the structure allows, the components that actually treat the water will be assembled and installed. A new well has been drilled and will be connected to the plant soon. The engineers and Rice Lake Construction report we are on time for completion in spring 2026. The park continues to be closed to public use during construction.



Spring Clean Up

Spring is here. Let the clean-up begin!! City Maintenance has already started street sweeping. To ensure the effectiveness of this service, we ask that if you see the maintenance team sweeping your street, please move any parked vehicles as soon as possible. Your cooperation helps keep our neighborhoods clean. Thanks.

When you rake and clean your yard, bagged leaves and small, bundled branches/sticks can be placed at the curb for pickup by the city workers. Please remove ***the trash and garbage*** before bagging the leaves. Grass clippings and leaves, branches and brush can be hauled to the city dump site located 1.5 miles west of Onamia. Remember to ***remove any trash or garbage*** before dumping it.

Auto tires, construction or demolition debris, old wood furniture IS NOT to be dumped at the city dump site. If you have questions about what to dump, call the city shop/maintenance department.

Also, if you have **old appliances** which need to be removed, the names and contact information for local recyclers are available from the maintenance department.

Klondike Korner Park

Klondike Korner Park is starting to green up!!! This park is a great asset to our downtown. However, it is in need of regular maintenance; weeding and mulching. If you are interested in helping please contact council member Joe Boeringa at 532-4449.

Onamia Depot Library Programs

Book Club, 1PM - 2PM meets the first Thursday of the month

Hearts of Caregivers Group 10:30 - 12PM meets on the 4th Thursday of the month

Foot Care Clinic 1PM - 2pm
First Thursday of the month

Book Sale and Bake Sale May 17, 10AM - 3PM

For more information about these and other programs sponsored by the Depot Library visit onamiaarealibrary.com or call 532-5210.

Pet Reminder

Just a couple reminders: 1) 2025 licenses for cats and dogs can be purchased at city hall ($5.00) and are good for one year (Jan. 1 to Dec.31). Proof of vaccinations is required to get your license.

2) To ensure everyone's safety, please remember that pets must be kept in a fenced area or on a leash when outdoors. When walking your pet, they must be on a leash or under control with an electronic collar. Pets running loose may result in impound fees and boarding costs. Finally, please be courteous and pick up after your pet to help keep our community clean. Thanks

Onamia Days

Onamia Days 2025 is June 13-15. This is the 90th year of our town celebration. This year's theme is: Back to the 90's. Our Grand Marshal is Everett Durrant. Attached is a preliminary schedule of events. This year the City of Onamia again applied for and was awarded a grant from the East Central Regional Arts Council & the Cultural Heritage Fund to cover the cost of the street dance music.

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Onamia Days buttons will go on sale starting May 19th at local businesses. They give you a chance to win some fabulous prizes during the weekend. Buttons are **not** required to attend the Street Dances on Friday and Saturday nights.

Discount Carnival Ride Tickets will also be on sale from May 19 through June 12th at Onamia Drug, both Woodlands Bank locations and Agnew Hardware Hank. THIS YOUR BEST PRICE!

Make plans now to attend our city celebration!!

July 3rd Celebration

Mark your calendar for the 2025 July 3rd Celebration. There will be food stands and beverages, live music by Shirts & Skins, a cash raffle and of course FIREWORKS!! There is no cover charge for the street dance. The East Central Regional Arts Council Grant is covering this cost also. Raffle tickets to pay for the Fireworks are on sale from Civic Members and local businesses.

New Utility Billing Software & Customer Portal Launch

We're excited to share that we are transitioning to a new utility billing software system that will provide an improved and more convenient experience for managing your water and sewer account. Starting with THIS **water and sewer bill**, you'll notice a new layout along with instructions on how to access our **online customer portal** with **MuniBilling**. This new portal will allow you to:

- Set up automatic payments
- Pay your utility bill online
- Update your contact and account information

This **first bill** includes **step-by-step instructions** and a **unique access code** to help you create your online account easily.

We're committed to making this transition as smooth as possible and are here to help if you have any questions along the way. Please don't hesitate to contact City Hall at 320-532-3311. Thank you for your continued support and for being a valued part of our community.

Need Police Assistance?

If you have an emergency, CALL 911. They will send an Onamia Police Officer if available or a County Deputy.

If you need police assistance **immediately** and it's not an emergency, Call 888-860-8250 and an Onamia Police Officer (if on duty) or County Deputy will be sent to you..

If you are not in a hurry and just want to talk with one of our officers call 532-3131 and leave a message. Thank you

Upcoming Events:

May 11: Mother's Day
14: City Council Meeting 6pm
17: Library Book & Bake Sale 11am - 2pm
26: Memorial Day (City office is closed)
June 11: City Council Meeting 6pm
13-15 Onamia Days
15: Father's Day
July 3: July 3rd Celebration (watch for signs)
4: Independence Day (City office is closed)
9: City Council Meeting 6 pm

Yes, We Are Open!

City Hall – 8:00am – 4:00pm Phone 532-3311
Website: onamiamn.com
Police Dept. – 532-3131
Maintenance Dept. – 532-5322
Library Link – Tues 11:00am - 3:00 pm
-Thurs 2:00pm – 6:00pm
Phone – 532-5210
Website: onamiaarealibrary.com
City Parks – Daily until 30 minutes after sunset.

Our City Council:

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Onamia Days June 12-15, 2025

Onamia Area Civic Association

Theme: **Back to the 90's**

Thursday, June 12		**Location**
5:00 PM	Medallion Hunt First Clue	Civic Facebook and Website (onamiamn.com)
7:00 PM	Little Miss and Little Gents' Pageant	Herington Park
Friday, June 13		
8 AM - NOON	**Last chance to buy Advanced Sale Carnival Tickets**	**Agnew Hardware Hank**
11:00 AM	Hamburger Stand	Herington Park
	Beer Garden - staffed by Civic and Onamia Lions	Herington Park
	Junior Olympics	Soo Line Field
	Information Booth	Main & Kathio
11:30 AM to 3 PM	Rootbeer Float Sale - Served by MLA	Herington Park
12 Noon	OFD Brat Stand	Herington Park
	Prize winning button numbers posted	Herington Park
	Medallion Hunt Clue	Info Booth, Civic Facebook & Civic Website
Noon to 6 PM	Pie Booth	Herington Park
1:00 PM	**Family Fun Show Carnival Opens**	**Herington Park**
5:00 PM	Medallion Hunt Clue	Info Booth, Civic Facebook & Civic Website
7-11pm	Street Dance - Stone Daisy	Herington Park
	Sponsored by: ECRAC & Clean Water Land & Legacy Amendment	
Saturday, June 14		
10 AM to 2 PM	Vendor Fair	Cedar Street
	Set up at 8 am	
9:30 AM	Information Booth	Main & Kathio
10 AM to 12:00 PM	**Kids Activities**	
	10:00 Kids Parade	Main Street
	Line up at 9:45 am	City Hall
	10:15 Minnow Races	Herington Park
	Sponsored by: Rum River Electric & Mar Tek Electronics	
	11:00 Coin Hunt	Herington Park
	Sponsored by: Woodlands National Bank	
	12 Noon Olson's Peddle Pull	
	12 Noon K-9 Demonstration & SWAT Team	
	Sponsored by: Mille Lacs County Sheriff's Office	
11:00 AM	Hamburger Stand	Herington Park
11:30 AM to 3 PM	Rootbeer Float Sale - Served by MLA	Herington Park
12 Noon	Beer Garden - staffed by ALR	Herington Park
	OFD Brat Stand	Herington Park
	Family Fun Show Carnival	**Herington Park**
	Medallion Hunt Clue	Info Booth, Civic Facebook & Civic Website
	Prize winning button numbers posted	Herington Park
Noon to 9 PM	Pie Booth	Herington Park
5 PM to 7 PM	AWF Program	Herington Park
	Meet and Greet at 4pm	
5:00 PM	Medallion Hunt Clue	Info Booth, Civic Facebook & Civic Website
7-11pm	Street Dance - Leavin' Page Town	Herington Park
	Sponsored by: ECRAC & Clean Water Land & Legacy Amendment	
Sunday, June 15		
8 AM to Noon	Pancake Breakfast	Fire Hall
	Sponsored by: the Onamia Lions	
9:00 AM	Car Show	Cedar Street
	Awards time to be announced	
9:30 AM	Information Booth	Main & Kathio
10:00 AM	Ecumenical Church Service	Herington Park
	Hosted by Community Churches	
11 AM to 7 PM	Hamburger Stand	Herington Park
11:30 AM to 3 PM	Rootbeer Float Sale - Served by MLA	Herington Park
12 Noon	Medallion Hunt Clue	Info Booth, Civic Facebook & Civic Website
	OFD Brat Stand	Herington Park
12:00 to 7 PM	Beer Garden - served by Civic Assoiciation	Herington Park
	Prize winning button numbers posted	Herington Park
	Family Fun Show Carnival	**Herington Park**
	Register Button Number for Final Prize Drawing	Information Booth
1:00 PM	Dr. Donovan Memorial Walk	Soo Line Trail
	Gather 12:30	Holy Cross Parking Lot
2:00 PM	Grand Parade	Main Street
	Check in 1 PM	Bus Garage Lot
3:00 PM	Meat Raffle & Virtual Racing	Benson's Hometown Bar & Grill
3 PM to 6 PM	Music by Bill Campbell	Herington Park
	Sponsored by: ECRAC & Clean Water Land & Legacy Amendment	
	Pie Booth	Herington Park
6:00 PM	Final Button Drawing	Herington Park
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