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# Fall 2024

# Oswego Township Road District Rewsletter

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#### **Road District News**

**Snowbird Program** Due to the popularity of the service, the Snowbird Program is back! If you are 65 years or older or you are infirmed with a medical condition and you take care of clearing your own driveway, your Road District will come back with a smaller plow to remove the excess snow from the bottom part of your driveway. We cannot clear snow from your entire driveway but we can help those in need by removing the excess snow that the plows deposit on your driveway. Deadline to sign up for the 2024-2025 snow season is October 11, 2024. In order to qualify for this program, you must live in an unincorporated area of Oswego Township where the Road District plows your street. Please call the Road District at 630-264-4587 with your name, address and current phone number to sign up. All interested residents need to reapply to qualify for this upcoming snow season. This is an "on your honor program," please be respectful of the residents that truly require this service and only sign up if you truly need the additional help.

**2024 Construction Recap** When you drive the roads in Oswego Township, you may notice improvements by way of repaving Stewart Road (1.66 miles) and Reservation Road (1.5 miles). Chippewa Drive and Ottawa Court were treated to a pavement rejuvenation process. Curb, sidewalk and apron improvements were done on Pomeroy Road (.23 miles) and Beauwick Road (.14 miles). Concrete improvements and repaving were completed on Saugatuck Road (.42 miles) and Sonora Road (.23 miles). Miscellaneous sewer repair, concrete work and road patching were also done in various areas of the Township and we work to make improvements where we are able.

**Looking Forward** The Township will continue making improvements to our roadways and this includes the one bridge that the Township maintains on Reservation Road. At the annual inspection, we were notified that our bridge is in dire need of repair. Over a thousand vehicles a day travel this route and we are looking at a full replacement of this bridge. Along with State and County funds, we are looking at this construction to happen in 2026.

#### **Fall and Winter Updates**

Brush Pick Up Last Pick Up The last scheduled brush pick up of the year will begin on Monday, October 21st. The brush program is for trimming and pruning of trees, not the removal of whole trees. Please make sure to comply with the regulations or your pile may not get picked up.

When: Please have brush placed at the curb by 7 a.m. Monday morning to ensure pick up. Please make sure that vehicles are not parked within 20 feet of the pile in either direction or your pile will be left behind.

**How:** Lay branches as neatly as possible with the cut ends toward the street and parallel to each other. Please keep piles out of the street and gutter to prevent drainage problems.

**Acceptable:** Limbs over 2 feet long and no larger than 5 inches in diameter. For tied bundles, please use twine only.

Not Acceptable: Short clippings, root balls, bushes or bags of branches. Please do not place thorny tree branches inside piles. Place these branches next to the larger pile and our crews will take special care with them.

Leaf Pick Up Oswego Township will begin leaf pick up on October 28, 2024 and will continue through November for unincorporated areas of Oswego Township. If you do live in a residential country area, please call our office at (630) 264-4587 to report that you have leaves in need of vacuuming. Please keep your leaf piles out of the street and gutter and OFF of sidewalks. Piles must be placed in the grass, next to the sidewalk or in the grass next to the curb. Please do not use bags or cans. For more information, please visit the Road District page at www.oswegotownship.org.

**Snow Ordinance** As we head into the winter season, please remember that Oswego Township has a Snow Ordinance which prohibits parking on Township Roads during snow events with an accumulation of 2 inches or greater. This ordinance allows the Oswego Township Road District to remove snow properly, efficiently and safely for our emergency vehicles, school busses, and garbage trucks without any parked vehicles hindering this process. Vehicles risk being towed if they remain on the street with a 2" or greater **snowfall**. Once the snow removal process has been completed, parking will again be permitted on the streets.

#### Please visit www.oswegotownship.org for more information.



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**Other News** We are going to be looking for fences and other permanent structures on the Township easement as these pose safety issues. If you have a fence on the easement, you are in violation of (605 ILCS 5/9-117) (from Ch. 121, par. 9-117) of the Illinois State statute. There isn't a grandfather clause that allows the obstruction to stay. Please remove any obstructions before you are sited for the violation and are charged for the removal.

Our automated caller system Blackboard, has recently changed its name to Finalsite. If you were previously signed up, your information has been transferred. If you haven't signed up, please join us: <a href="https://oswegotwp.portal.finalsiteconnect.com/">https://oswegotwp.portal.finalsiteconnect.com/</a>. Be sure to check <a href="https://oswegotwp.portal.finalsiteconnect.com/">https://oswegotwp.portal.finalsiteconnect.com/</a>. Be sure to check <a href="https://oswegotwp.portal.finalsiteconnect.com/">https://oswegotwp.portal.finalsiteconnect.com/</a>. Be

Please remember that while Oswego Township has ordinances pertaining to the Right of Way areas, Kendall County has ordinances that pertain to personal property. Ordinances and permit information for items such as fencing, building/concrete work, and chickens/livestock, along with many other items can be found at www.kendallcountyil.gov. Kendall County has also established an informational hotline for human services offered in the county. Call 211 for information regarding rent/utility assistance, counseling, substance abuse, senior services, legal assistance and much more. More information can be found at www.findhelp211.org.

## **Important Dates**

9/10/24 – Township Board Meeting

6:30 p.m. at 99 Boulder Hill Pass

9/23/24 - Monthly Brush Pick Up

10/8/24 – Township Board Meeting

6:30 p.m. at 99 Boulder Hill Pass

10/21/24 - Monthly Brush Pick Up

10/28/24 - Fall Leaf Pick Up Begins

11/12/24 – Township Board Meeting

6:30 p.m. at 99 Boulder Hill Pass

12/10/24 – Township Board Meeting

6:30 p.m. at 99 Boulder Hill Pass

Please remember to check www.oswegotownship.org for current news and information.

### **Important Phone Numbers**

EMERGENCY - 911

Village of Montgomery Public Works – 630-896-9241

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Oswego Township Road District – 630-264-4587

Oswego Township Supervisor – 630-554-3211

Suicide Hotline – 800-273-8255

Child Abuse Hotline – 800-252-2873

Kendall County Sheriff Non-Emergency – 630-553-5856

Kendall County Veterans Assistance – 630-553-8355

Kendall County Building & Zoning – 630-553-4141