

February 2026



HARRAH HAPPENINGS

The Monthly Newsletter from the City of Harrah



Did You Know?

The **February 26, 1914** issue of The Harrah News was to serve as the official public notice of several new town ordinances that had passed by the Board of Trustees ten days prior to the publication.

The **“Dog Law” (Ordinance No. 7)** was a comprehensive law to control the town’s dog population. The **Tax:** Residents were required to pay \$1.00 for each male dog and \$2.00 for each female dog. The **Deadline:** If the tax wasn’t paid by the first day of July, the Town Marshal was given the authority to give the owner 10 days’ notice. **Strict Enforcement:** If the tax remained unpaid after that notice, the Marshal was legally required to remove and put down the dog.

Marshal’s Fee: The Town Marshal was paid .50 cents for every dog he had to dispose of under this law.

Public Nuisance: It also specifically outlawed owners from allowing female dogs “in heat” to run at large, with fines ranging from \$1.00 to \$5.00.



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Sales Tax Collections: Collections for last month \$337,425.58

Thank you for shopping Harrah first!

Welcome Our New City Manager, Jacob Wood!

The City of Harrah is thrilled to introduce Jacob Wood as our new City Manager. Appointed by the City Council on January 9, 2026, Jacob is stepping in to lead Harrah’s day-to-day operations and help guide our community into a bright future.

A proud Choctaw High School graduate, Jacob is returning to his roots with a wealth of diverse experience. After earning a finance degree from Oklahoma State University, his career took him through the tech and food production industries—most recently serving as a Principal Product Manager in HCM technology. He also brings a global edge to the role, holding an international certificate in fund administration from the University of Malta.

Please join us in giving Jacob a warm Harrah welcome!

Weathering the Storm Together!

January certainly made its mark this year, closing out with a historic winter blast that will likely stay in the record books for years to come. The city hopes you and your families stayed safe and warm throughout the freeze.

As we move forward, please keep these winter tips in mind:

- Drip Your Pipes:** When temperatures dip below freezing for more than 3 hours, remember to keep your indoor faucets dripping to prevent burst pipes.
- Protect Outdoor Fixtures:** Ensure all outdoor faucets are covered or insulated.
- Billing Note:** If you dripped your faucets or experienced a leak during the storm, please note that the usage usually won’t reflect on your utility bill until the second month following the event.

**Animal Control
Code Enforcement**
can be reached at:
Harrah Police Dept.

405-454-1203

Fire Department:
If you are going to burn,
please contact the
Harrah Fire Department
at 405-454-2111.

This will enable them to
keep track of who all is
burning.

Police Department:
Visit the Harrah
Police Department's
website at:

www.harrahpd.com

405-454-1203



Save Water, Save Money: Rain Barrel Event is Back!

Mark your calendars for the 2026 Annual Rain Barrel Event!

Rain barrels are an excellent way to conserve water and reduce your utility bill by capturing and storing rainwater. Use this collected water for purposes like watering your garden, washing your car, or filling pet dishes.

Learn more about the approved uses for collected rainwater on the City of Harrah's official website. **Order Deadline:** Friday, May 3rd **Pick-up Location:** 19745 Manek Drive, Harrah

Pick-up Schedule: May 6th & 7th: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM May 8th: 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

2026 BULK TRASH SCHEDULE

February 16th – 20th

March 16th – 20th

April 13th – 17th

May 11th – 15th

June 15th – 19th

July 13th – 17th

August 10th – 14th

September 14th – 18th

October 12th – 16th

November 16th – 20th

December 14th – 18th

Please see the City's website for rules and regulations on setting out Bulk Trash!

Visit our official website for real-time updates on city projects, meetings, and events.

Cityofharrah.com

February Home Heating Safety Checklist:

Heating safety is the #1 Priority:

The 3-Foot Rule: Keep anything that can burn (curtains, furniture, rugs, bedding) at least 3 feet away from space heaters, fireplaces and radiators. Always plug space heaters directly into the wall outlet. Never use an extension cord or power strip, which can overheat and start a fire.

Ensure your space heater has automatic shutoff feature if it tips over. **Chimney Sweep:** If you use wood burning stove or fireplace ensure it has been professionally cleaned each season to prevent creosote buildup. **Ash disposal:** Only dispose of ashes in metal containers with a lid, store 10 feet away from any structures. **Smoke and CO alarms:** Test monthly by pressing the "test" button on every smoke and carbon monoxide alarm in your house. Check the date of the alarms on the back. Replace after 10 years. Never use the stove or oven to heat the house. **The bedtime routine:** Before bed each night check to see if the stove and oven are off, are space heaters unplugged and close the bedroom doors. (A closed door can slow the spread of smoke and heat.)

**Stay Safe While Staying Warm
This Winter!**



**REMINDER:
AFTER HOURS
UTILITY EMERGENCIES
CALL 405-454-2222**

**CITY OFFICES CLOSED:
February 16, 2026**

**MEETINGS @ CITY HALL:
CITY COUNCIL & HPWA
February 5, 2026
February 19, 2026
6:00 PM**

**PARK BOARD:
February 11, 2026
6:00 PM**

**Planning Commission:
February 9, 2026
6:00 PM**

**We are Hiring:
Parks & Recreation Coord Supervisor
Maintenance Tech
Patrolman
Reserve Police Officers
Volunteer Firefighters**

**For more details
Please visit website for more
information and applications under
Careers:
www.cityofharrah.com**

