

March 2026



HARRAH HAPPENINGS

The Monthly Newsletter from the City of Harrah

Did You Know?

The Great Church Fire of St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church. The hallmark of Harrah’s community spirit was forged in the heat of a tragedy over a century ago. On March 13, 1923, (103 years ago) the original St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church was destroyed by fire. The blaze was sparked by smoldering charcoal following the funeral of Christina Beal (Bialas), a beloved community member whose family had originally donated the land for the church. Despite the loss, the town didn’t skip a beat—families immediately began gathering in private homes to pray and launched a building fund within days. That resilience remains a core part of our city’s DNA today!



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Sales Tax Collections: Collections for last month \$286,497.92

Thank you for shopping Harrah first!

Park Progress & Community Updates

Exciting changes are coming to Harrah! Construction is moving full steam ahead on two of our most anticipated local projects:

- Blacksmith Park:** Crews are currently focused on structural elements, including shaded seating and walkways that celebrate our town’s industrial history.
- Jorski Chevy Park: Jorski Chevy Park Update** Jorski Chevy Park is officially open as of February 28th! Ribbon Cutting will be March 28, 2026, at 11:00am. Don’t guess—just scan! Use the QR code below to see today’s food truck lineup and plan your perfect park picnic.

If you own a food truck and would like to operate at the park, registration forms, calendar and links are now available on the website or scan the QR code. Come out and enjoy Harrah’s newest outdoor space!



•**Stay Informed:** by visiting Cityofharrah.com or follow the City of Harrah and Harrah Parks and Recreation on Facebook.

Your voice matters in shaping Harrah’s future. Please take note of the upcoming election for City Council members:

Election Date: Tuesday, April 7, 2026

Open Seats: Council members for Ward 4

Tim Rudek is unopposed in Ward 2 and will continue in his seat.

Voter Registration Deadline: Friday, March 13, 2026

How to Prepare: Unsure of your ward or registration status? The City of Harrah website now features a direct link to the Oklahoma Voter Portal.

**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



City-Wide Yard Sale 2026

It is time for some spring cleaning!
Join your neighbors from April 30 –
May 3 for our community yard sale
event. To make things easy, the city is
waiving all permit fees.

How to Participate:

- Register:** Sign up at City Hall
between April 8 and April 29 to get
your address featured on our official
website and Facebook map.
- Signs:** Official city-issued signs are
available but not required at City Hall
for \$3.00 each and are permitted for
use throughout town. You are also
welcome to use your own signage
within your own yard.
- Cleanup:** To keep our streets
beautiful, please remember to collect
all your signs once the sale has ended.

Rain Barrel Event 2026 Capture free
rainwater for your garden or car wash!
Pre-order by May 3 and pick up your
barrel at 19745 Manek Drive. Pick-up
runs May 6–7 (8 AM–5 PM) and May 8
(until 11 AM). Visit the City of Harrah
website for approved usage tips and to
order.

2026 BULK TRASH SCHEDULE

- 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

**Severe Weather: Are You Ready,
Harrah?**

In Oklahoma, weather can change in an
instant. The City of Harrah encourages
all residents to review their safety plans
before the spring storm season begins.

•**Know Your Safe Place:** Whether it's
an underground shelter or an interior
room (like a closet or bathroom) on the
lowest floor, make sure everyone in your
family knows where to go when the
sirens sound.

•**The "Outdoor" Warning System:**
Remember, Harrah's storm sirens are
designed to alert those who are outdoors.
They are not intended to wake you up or
be heard deep inside your home.

•**Have Multiple Ways to Get Alerts:**
Don't rely on just one source. Use a
combination of:
A NOAA Weather Radio (battery-
powered).
Local news apps and TV stations.
Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA)
enabled on your smartphone.

•**"Turn Around, Don't Drown":** Never
drive through flooded roadways. Most
weather-related deaths in Oklahoma
occur in vehicles during flash floods.

🚨 **Severe Weather Quick-Tips**

•**Register Your Shelter:** If you have a
storm cellar or safe room, ensure it is
registered with the city, so emergency
responders know where to look for you
after a storm.

•**Prepare a "Go-Bag":** Keep a kit in
your safe room with water, a first-aid kit,
a flashlight, extra batteries, and any
necessary medications.

•**Pet Safety:** Don't forget your furry
family members! Bring pets inside early
and have a leash or carrier ready near
your shelter.

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

CITY OFFICES CLOSED:
No Closings**

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

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

**Planning Commission:
March 16, 2026
6:00 PM**

**We are Hiring:
HR Director
Parks & Recreation 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**

Spring is just around the corner, and that
means some upcoming breaks for our
students! HPS will be closed on March
13 for Parent Teacher conferences,
March 16–20 for Spring Break, and
March 23 for a Teacher Workday.

As our students enjoy their time off, we
kindly ask all residents to be extra
mindful while driving. With more kids
out enjoying the fresh air, let's work
together to keep our streets safe.