

From the Waupun Mayor –

Hi everyone!

Our garbage service is bad and getting worse. My garbage was a day late this week, and I know many wait days for their garbage to be picked up. As I've been writing for weeks, the City will be moving to a new trash and recycling collection contract with GFL Environmental, beginning January 1, 2023. I appreciate your patience as we work through ongoing service failures with our current provider. GFL's service will continue as a curbside service with carts for both trash and recycling, similar to our current practice. In the coming weeks, we will be sending information out about the transition, including when you can expect to receive new carts. Please stay tuned for weekly updates as we move through the remaining weeks of the year. If your garbage isn't picked up, leave it out and call city hall at 324-7900. We do email Waste Management every missed address and we follow up until the garbage is picked up.

Would you like to donate a tree? Following the 2018 tornado outbreak and then the Emerald Ash Borer, our city parks have lost many trees, and while The City has been planting new trees, it's a slow process. Rens Nursery Retail is graciously offering trees at half price for anyone who'd like to purchase a tree to be planted in a city park. If you'd like to purchase a tree, please contact Dan McGurk at Rens.

I'm pleased to announce that a new fountain has been ordered for the mill pond. I'll have more details in an upcoming column.

The sculpture themed wayfinding sign stickers have been ordered! You should see the signs updated over the next several weeks, and speaking of sculptures, work has begun on the Recording Angel Centennial Dedication ceremony. An ad hoc committee led by Former Mayor Kyle Clark and Waupun Fine Arts' Sue Hafemeyer was created. Waupun Fine Arts, the Waupun Historical Society, and the City will be working together to host the rededication. If you'd like to participate or sponsor this event, please reach out to either myself or to the committee.

The 2023 city budget public hearing is coming up at the November 9 Common Council meeting. This week I discussed Waupun's proposed budget, and the challengers' smaller cities like Waupun face with WTMJ's (AM-620) Steve Scaffidi. If you'd like to listen here's the link: <https://wtmj.com/shows/the-steve-scaffidi-show/>.

Finally, the mayor's office has moved. I'm now located in the main hallway as you enter the building. I want to thank my wife Jenny, and the girls, who helped me organize and decorate it last weekend. I'll be hosting an open house/office hours event in the near future. Probably on a Saturday morning with complimentary coffee and some snacks, so stay tuned!

Thank you and God Bless,
Mayor Rohn

The City of Waupun Tuesday, November 8, 2022 General Election

What's on my ballot?

Access <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> and click on the WHATS ON MY BALLOT tile

Where do I vote and what are the hours of voting on Election Day?

Voting is held at the City Hall, located at 201 E Main Street. You may take the steps to enter the front of City Hall or enter the lower level-west entrance door to access the elevator. Voting hours are 7:00am to 8:00pm.

Can I vote early in-person?

Yes, you may vote in person in the City Hall Clerk's Office from Tuesday, October 25 to Thursday, November 3 (Monday-Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm) and Friday, November 4 (8:00am to 5:00pm)

What is the last day I can vote early in-person?

The last day you can vote early in-person is Friday, November 4 by 5pm

Can I get a ballot mailed to me?

Yes, we can mail you a ballot between the dates of Thursday, September 22 to Thursday, November 3.

There are several ways you can request a ballot be mailed to you:

1. Access <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> and click on Vote Absentee
2. Complete the WI Elections Commission Absentee Ballot Request form and return it to the City Clerk <https://elections.wi.gov/search/node?keys=el-121>
3. Email the City Clerk angie@cityofwaupun.org making a request for a ballot be mailed to you. Provide your full name, Waupun address, date of birth and the full address of where you would like it mailed. If we do not have a copy of your photo ID on file, you will receive an email making request for the document before a ballot can be placed in the mail.

What is the last date I can request an absentee ballot be mailed to me?

The last date you can request for a ballot be mailed to you is Thursday, November 3 by 5:00pm

How do I return the absentee ballot that was mailed to me?

There are several ways to return your voted ballot:

1. Postal Mail. When the Clerk mails you the ballot, included is a return envelope which postage is already applied. Be sure to have your signature and the signature/address of your witness on the exterior of the return envelope or it will be returned to you.
2. In-person. You may return YOUR voted ballot in the sealed return envelope **during** the City Clerk office hours (Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:00pm). **YOU CAN NO LONGER PLACE THEM IN THE DROP BOX. YOU CAN NO LONGER BRING IN ANYONE ELSE'S VOTED BALLOT.**

When do I have to have my absentee ballot to the City Clerk to be counted?

Your voted ballot, with your signature and the signature/address of your witness on the exterior of the return envelope, must be in the hands of the Clerk, no later than 8:00pm on Election Day.

If I have questions on anything related to voting, who do I call?

Please contact Angie Hull, City of Waupun City Clerk/Treasurer at 920-324-7915 or email angie@cityofwaupun.org

WAUPUN HOLIDAY HELP: Applications are available at Waupun City Hall, Waupun Food Pantry, the National Exchange Bank, and Waupun Area School District offices. It is also available on the Reach Waupun website. Completed applications need to be returned no later than December 1 to City Hall, Food Pantry, or National Exchange Bank. If the application was completed on the Reach Waupun website, the application is automatically submitted. Distribution of gifts and food coupons will be on Saturday, December 10, at the Waupun Fire Department. In addition, we are looking for individuals, families, and organizations from the Waupun area who would be willing to adopt a family and purchase gifts for their children. Applications for donors can be obtained at City Hall, on the Reach Waupun website, or by contacting Jessica Buchholz at the National Exchange Bank (920-324-5551).

OCTOBER 10 – NOVEMBER 14 SPRING YARD WASTE PICKUP: The City's Fall Yard Waste pick-up is designated for October 10, 2022 thru November 14, 2022 (weather permitting). This service is for the disposal of leaves, grass, garden waste, and branches that are generated from routine yard maintenance. Leaves and brush shall not be deposited on the street. Leave grass clippings and leaves at the curbside loose, do not bag. Separate leaf piles and brush piles. Branches shall not exceed 3 inches in diameter. No tree stumps or tree root systems will be collected. The service is not intended for tree removal or lot cleaning.

NOVEMBER 9 THANK YOU VETERANS ANNUAL SOUP LUNCHEON: Held at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 315 E Jefferson St, Waupun. 11AM to 1:30PM. Free meals for Active Duty Military, Veterans, their families & friends. Carry-out available. Handicapped accessible – Madison At entrance. Delivery available for homebound (call ahead). Bring a photo of your veteran to share on our "Honor Board". For more information contact Fr Jerry Molitor at holytrinity.waupun.vicar@gmail.com or call 920-948-2327.

NOVEMBER 12 WAUPUN UMC FALL CRAFT/VENDOR FAIR & BAKE SALE: 9AM to 2PM. Free admission and lunch available to purchase. Held at Waupun United Methodist Church and Wesley Center, 114 S Forest St, Waupun.

NOVEMBER 12: Inspired by Vietnam Recollections & Poetry of 1969. 10AM. Featuring Veteran Gerry Stiemsma. In honor of Veteran's Day, Gerry will be sharing his experiences during the Vietnam War. Join us for what's sure to be a moving program, with the genuine emotion that comes from first hand experience during wartime. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

NOVEMBER 12 "RUNWAY TO THE HOLIDAYS" FASHION SHOW: 6PM TO 9PM. Join us at Historic Waupun City Hall and enjoy a Fashion Show featuring a variety of local businesses! Following the Fashion Show, shop the retailers featured in the show during our exclusive shopping event! Attendees will enjoy appetizers and a complimentary beverage included with their Fashion Show ticket. Additional beverages will be available for purchase including sangria, wine, beer and soda! We are also offering only TWO sets of VIP LOUNGE TICKETS! Grab a few friends and purchase one of the two VIP Lounge Section tickets! Enjoy the show from the luxury of your own VIP space including two loveseats, champagne, strawberries, chocolate, and custom take-home champagne glasses, compliments of Werner Harmsen and Wind & Unwined, of Waupun. Tickets go on sale on October 24th! For more information visit www.discoverdowntownwaupun.com.

MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY:

NOV 25 – Home Alone – 1PM – PG/1HR 43M

DEC 3 – Christmas Movie Marathon – More info TBA

DEC 28 – Harry Potter & the Half Blood Prince – 1PM – PG/2HR 33M

Brought to you by the Waupun Public Library (123 S Forest Street)

WAUPUN WINTER MARKET

The Winter Markets are held on the 3rd Thursday of the months October thru March from 4PM to 7PM. Join us for a vendor shopping experience from local artisans, direct sales vendors, farmers, crafters and more. Enjoy a food option each month provided by Go-Dutch Solutions. The market is held at Go-Dutch Solutions (328 S Division St). If you would like to be a vendor at the market go to www.godutchsolutions.com. Dates for the market are:

December 15, 2022

January 19, 2023

February 16, 2023

March 16, 2023

WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS - states that for a period of 48 hours immediately following an accumulated snowfall of two inches or more, vehicles cannot park on city streets or alleys between the hours of 2:00am and 6:00am. Snowfall is measured at the Waupun Safety Building. During these early morning hours the Public Works Department is out cleaning the streets. If cars are parked on the streets during this time City staff has the authority to have the vehicle removed and stored at the owners expense. For further information regarding winter parking regulations please visit the city website www.cityofwaupun.org (Government, Municipal Codes), and review Chapter 6, Traffic Code section 6.05(5).

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL is addressed in Chapter 7 of our municipal code. Property owners are given 24 hours after the end of a snowfall to remove snow and ice from sidewalks. Failure to do so is cause for the city to clean up the area and will result in a minimum fee of \$100.00. The City provides notice of these winter rules in the local paper and will put door hangers on any property they have to clean up. Pictures of the property are taken before the property is cleaned for verification of violation. Visit the city website, and review Chapter 7, sections 7.07 and 7.08 for additional information on snow and ice removal requirements. You can also call City Hall or the Police Department for further clarification.

FOND DU LAC COVID-19 TESTING MOVING INDOORS FOR COLDER WEATHER Beginning Monday October 31, 2022, COVID-19 testing held at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds will move to the lobby of the Expo Center to accommodate for the colder weather. The Expo Center is building "R" on the Fairgrounds Map. When arriving for testing, individuals may park in the Expo Center Lot and enter through the main doors of the Expo Center. Testing will be walk-through instead of drive-through. The days of the week and times at this site remain the same:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 8:00am-4:30pm. Testing will continue to be available at Ripon College on Mondays from 11:30am-4:30pm through December 19, 2022. As a reminder, anyone ages 2 or older can utilize these testing sites. Symptoms are not required. No appointments, insurance, or identification is required. Although appointments are not required, individuals must have an account with CovidConnect2. If an individual has received COVID-19 testing from Accelerated Clinical Labs after 8/3/2022, they do not have to create a new account. Accelerated Clinical Laboratories will provide test results in 1-2 days. Individuals may find additional testing sites within Fond du Lac County by visiting our website, or throughout the state by visiting the DHS website. Contact: Kim Mueller, Health Officer, kim.mueller@fdlco.wi.gov (920) 929-3085.

WAUPUN AREA VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL PROJECT: The Waupun Area Veterans Memorial Wall is located in Shaler Park and is a lasting tribute to all Waupun area veterans who have served or are now serving their country. Those veterans have served the country in times of war and peace from the War of 1812 up through present day. The project was started in 2004 and there are currently over 1214 veteran's names on the walls and more are added every year. For more information, or to have additional names added to the walls, call the project director at 920-324-4641. Application forms are also available at the National Exchange Bank & Trust in Waupun.

CITY HALL

Open 7:30am- 4:00pm, Monday-Friday. For assistance, call 920-324-7900.

CALL YOUR COMMON COUNCIL

Mayor Rohn Bishop 920-210-1063; District 1 – Jason Westphal, 920-210-5140, District 2 – Pete Kaczmariski, 920-324-2213; District 3 – Will Langford 262-224-1035; District 4 –Mike Matoushek 262-470-5975; District 5 – Dan Siebers 920-205-3065; District 6 – Nancy Vanderkin, 920-345-1151.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Contact Susan Leahy 920-229-6360. City Hall hours: Monday's & Wednesday's 10:00am – 12:00pm. Friday 11:00am – 12:00pm.

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT QUESTIONS

Call Associated Appraisal Consultants 1-800-721-4157

SENIOR CENTER

301 E. Main Street, Waupun, WI 53963. Phone (920) 324-7930. Hours: Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays from 8:00am—4:00pm, Tuesdays, Fridays from 8:00am—2:00pm. Email: parks@cityofwaupun.org

WAUPUN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00am - 8:00pm, Friday-Saturday 9:00am - 4:30pm. Sunday CLOSED. Curbside pick-up is available. 920-324-7925.

WAUPUN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Tuesday from 8AM to 12PM. Thursday from 1PM to 5PM. Additional time can be made available for appointments and special projects. For any questions you can call the Waupun Chamber at 920-324-3491 Monday – Friday, 8AM to 5PM or you can email at info@waupunchamber.com. The Waupun Chamber is located at 10 W Main Street.

WAUPUN UTILITIES

Open Monday-Friday from 8 AM to 4PM. For assistance, call 920-324-7920. An answering service is available to take your call outside of normal business hours.

WAUPUN TAXI

HOURS OF OPERATION: Waupun Taxi provides shared-ride taxi services in the City of Waupun. Hours are: Mon. – Thurs., 6 a.m. – 6 p.m., Fri., 6 a.m. – 6 p.m., 9 p.m. – 2:30 a.m., Sat. 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., 9 p.m. – 2:30 a.m. No Sunday service. Phone number is 324-2426. During this public health emergency Waupun Taxi is allowed to make certain pharmaceutical deliveries. Ask your pharmacist if your medications can be delivered. No charge for the delivery

service. To qualify your pharmacist must agree, and you must pay the cost of your medications (if any) over the telephone or internet. But Waupun Taxi will not add on any extra charge for the delivery. Call your pharmacist.

PARK RESERVATIONS: If you are planning picnics, graduations, or family gatherings, you may wish to hold your event in one of our City park shelters. Park fees are: \$50 City Resident and \$75 Non-City Resident. To reserve a park, call 324-7930. Leave a message if no one answers. Parks are scheduled to open April 1st, weather permitting. They close October 1st.

THE ELDERLY IN OUR COMMUNITY DESIRE YOUR HELP!

There is a significant need in and around Waupun for a variety of services for the elderly. Some of these services include house cleaning, moving/downsizing, lawn/landscaping services, home repairs, snow removal, technology help and more. To that end, the ONE Waupun ministry is organizing the ongoing efforts to connect those in need with those that are able to donate some of their time. We plan to start offering these services to the seniors in Waupun soon; however, we first need to generate a list of people that are willing to serve. Even if you can only help occasionally, it all helps. We need both men and women volunteers. Also, we realize that some of you may be reluctant to serve right now because of COVID, but please fill out this survey with the idea that this virus should be less of a concern in the coming months. To learn more about this service and to sign up as a volunteer, please go to www.onewaupun.com and click on the "Service" link at the top of the page.

WAUPUN DOG PARK (903 N. Madison St.): Waupun is pleased to offer an area for local dog owners to bring their dogs to run and play, as well as socialize with other dogs. It is open from sunrise to sunset, 7 days a week, year round. Please use the driveway entrance to the Waupun Area Animal Shelter. You may stop in at City Hall (201 E. Main Street) for an information guide that contains the rules and regulations.

WAUPUN ANIMAL SHELTER INC.: Hours: Monday 4PM to 7PM, Thursday 2PM to 6PM & Saturday by appointment only. 920-324-3200. Please visit our website www.waupunareaanimalshelter.org to see all of the wonderful animals that we have available for adoption and a listing of our current needs.

WAUPUN AREA ANIMAL SHELTER SELLS BRICKS: The Shelter is selling bricks @ \$30.00. The 4 x 8 bricks will hold 3 lines (13 characters per line) and the icon of your choice. Order forms are available at the Animal Shelter. For questions, call the animal shelter at 920-324-3200.

HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM: Information on the Housing Grant Program can be obtained by calling MSA Professional Service, Beaver Dam, at 920-392-5142. Web Address: www.msa-ps.com

GLACIER RIDGE LANDFILL DUMP SITE: Glacier Ridge Landfill in Horicon has a dump site that is open Monday – Friday from 6:15 am to 4:30 pm. It is located at N7296 Cty Rd V, Horicon (off of Hwy 33). If you have questions you may call them at 920-387-0987.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING SERVICE: ELECTRONICS RECYCLING SERVICE: Bargains Galore Thrift Store is an E-Cycle Wisconsin Registered Collector of electronics (computers, CPU's, copiers, phones, mice, keyboards, printers, scanners, fax machines, other electronics and/or any household items with a cord). Recycling Fees effective 10/22/18: TV's under 27" - \$20, TV's 27" & over - \$50, Consoles, Projections & Over 50" - \$75, Monitors - \$20, Microwaves - \$20, Stoves, Dishwashers, Washers & Dryers, etc. - \$20. Refrigerators, Freezers, Air Conditioners & Dehumidifiers are NOT accepted. (All other electronic recycling is free.) Drop-off hours: Thurs. 10–8, Fri. & Sat. 10–2. 810 W. Main St. Waupun. (920) 324-8677 or www.BargainsGaloreThriftStore.com

AFFORDABLE TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE FOR AGE 60+:

We can take you anywhere within the city limits of Waupun with the exception of the laundromat or pet-related places. We can take you to doctor appointments, hair appointments, grocery shopping, to restaurants, to banks, to the library, to anywhere! Transportation for ages 60+ within the city limits of Waupun. Multiple stops can be scheduled in 15-minute or more increments. Riders must be able to navigate two steps safely to board the vehicle.

Van can seat up to nine passengers. Cost: \$1 each stop. Rides must be scheduled the day before by noon by calling 324-7930. Rides can be scheduled as early as 9AM. The last non-medical ride is at 2PM and the last medical ride appointment is at 3PM.