

## From the Waupun Mayor –

Hello Waupun!

This past week was National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, a week set aside as a thank you to those who have a most challenging job, that as a 911 emergency dispatcher. I'd like to thank all the 911 dispatchers, but especially those at the Fond du Lac County Emergency Government Center, whom the City of Waupun works with. I'd like to also thank Council President Pete Kaczmarek, a retired dispatcher himself, for representing Waupun and attending the Fond du Lac County Dispatch Center open house. Pete was able to thank them for their behind-the-scenes jobs, and to deliver a Mayoral Proclamation from me thanking them. The calmness and professionalism of our local 911 emergency government officials is something to be admired!

On Thursday, Waupun was fortunate to be visited by the State of Wisconsin's Secretary of the Department of Administration, Kathy Blumenfeld! Secretary Blumenfeld came to Waupun for an update on our new Senior/Community Center project, and stopped in for yoga class at our current Senior Center location. Secretary Blumenfeld was able to meet with members of the center, to learn all about the cool programs we offer for our senior population, and the plans we have for a new community center at the McKinley Street sight. Secretary Blumenfeld seemed to really enjoy her first visit to Waupun and I think I talked her into a return visit, when she'll tour our new wastewater treatment plant and the Shaler sculptures!

Speaking of the new Senior/Community Center, we are really looking for it to being a new community center! A building that will primarily be a senior center during the day, but also a community center for all. With a full-size gym, and areas for citizens of all ages to stay active, especially during the Winter months, we want this new building to be as asset for all of Waupun. As you know, the current community center is primarily used as the home to Waupun Hockey during the Winter months.

As for hockey, the city is entering into a new contract with Waupun Hockey Association for use of the building. This contract is being done now, largely to help Waupun Hockey lock in on prices for the new floor refrigeration system. Replacing the floor isn't cheap, and we're looking for sponsors to help, and this includes selling the naming rights to the building. If you're someone who'd like to see youth hockey continue to thrive, and have the means, and would be interested in giving a legacy donation, please let me know.

Lastly, I was asked this week if we're replacing the Mill Pond fountain, and the answer is YES! The Waupun Community Fund, led by Tyler Schultz, has secured the monies necessary for a new fountain, and the common council did approve purchasing a new fountain. As with everything right now, we're waiting on the supply chain, but the new fountain should be operational by mid-Summer. Tyler and I are going to plan a fun little ceremony to thank the donors and then turn on the fountain! Stay tuned!

Thank you and God Bless,  
Mayor Rohn

**FREE TREES** – Good News! Living Lands & Waters (LLW) Million Trees Project will be donating trees again. We should be receiving about 900 trees here in the city of Waupun. The trees are free and will be available at the City Garage at 903 N Madison St. between 7am and 3pm until they are gone. This year they are offering Hickory, Swamp White Oak, and Red Oak. The trees are FREE! They will be 1-3' tall bare rooted saplings. They should be available on April 14th.

**APRIL 10- MAY 1 SPRING YARD WASTE PICKUP:** The City's Spring Yard Waste pick-up is designated for April 10, 2023 thru May 1, 2023 (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.

**APRIL 11 ADULT CRAFT NIGHT 6PM TO 7PM.** Painted Wine Bottles. Don't toss your empty wine bottles – turn them into a beautiful home décor with a little craft paint. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

**APRIL 20 SPOTLIGHT ON LOCAL BUSINESSES – REAL SPORTSCARDS 6PM.** Featuring Tom Kulczewski. Hear the story of how Real Sportscards started – how they transformed their building on Main Street into the card shop it is today, complete with sports lounge & studios and extensive inventory for any collector's interest. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

**APRIL 26 WAUPUN PUBLIC LIBRARY: A HISTORY. 6PM.** Join us to recount the rich history of the Waupun Public Library, from its humble beginnings in the insurance office of Edwin Hillyer, to Waupun being chosen to receive Carnegie funds for a dedicated library building, to the present-day gem on Forest Street. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

**Mark your calendars!** The Waupun Area School District **4-year-old** kindergarten registration begins **February 1, 2023**. To attend 4-year-old kindergarten, students must be 4 years old by September 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Registration for the 2023-24 school year will be online beginning Feb. 1, 2023.** Directions are below: 4K registration information can be found on the Waupun Area School District webpage ([www.waupun.k12.wi.us](http://www.waupun.k12.wi.us)) by clicking the black box that says "4K Program". Here you will find the 4K information sheet, brochure, handbook and link to the registration. The information is currently available **but the registration for the 2023-24 school year will not be activated until February 1, 2023.**

#### **MAY 13 – CITY WIDE RUMMAGE SALE**

**WAUPUN AQUATIC CENTER POOL PASSES:** City Hall will be selling pool passes from April 10 to June 2.

##### **Individual Season Pass:**

Resident - \$90

Non-Resident - \$100

##### **Family Season Pass (5):**

Family Season Pass is intended for immediate family only; all family members must reside at the same address.

##### **5 Family Members to a Family Season Pass**

Resident - \$180

Non-Resident - \$200

##### **A maximum of 7 family members per Family Season Pass**

An additional 2 family members can be added for \$10 each.

##### **Daily Pass: (Purchase at the Pool)**

Ages 3 years and under FREE

Ages 4 years and older \$6

Senior 60+ Discount \$2

Please note that all patrons are required to pay to enter the Waupun Family Aquatic Center; weather swimming or not.

**CITY OF WAUPUN PARK PROGRAM:** Are your kids ready for fun in the park? This year's summer park drop-in program will be filled with new activities. From art exploration to interactive play to special events, your kids won't want to miss this summer fun. Each week, we will follow an activity schedule at our parks with all the equipment and supplies needed to play and create.

Click on the link to join in on the fun! Registration and fee: <https://forms.gle/DUowrXS8dRUdUG198>

**Ages:** 7+ (Under 7 years old with a caregiver)

**Dates:** June 12 – August 18, 2023 (Closed on July 4. May cancel due to bad weather and staff availability.)

**Regular Locations:** Dodge Park, Pine Street Park & West End Park

**Times:** Monday – Friday, 9:00am – Noon & 1:00pm – 4:00pm

**Special Event Locations Listed on Calendar:** Waupun Public Library, Harris Mill Park, Community Center, Aquatic

Center, Field Trip

**Contact:** Rachel Kaminski at 920-324-7930 or [parks@cityofwaupun.org](mailto:parks@cityofwaupun.org)

**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 Kaczmarek, 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 – Bobbi Jo Kunz 920-392-9366.

#### **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](mailto: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 BUSINESS ALLIANCE**

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 Business Alliance at 920-324-3491 Monday – Friday, 8AM to 5PM or you can email at [info@envisiongreaterfdl.com](mailto:info@envisiongreaterfdl.com). The Waupun Business Alliance 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 vary with each park. To reserve a park, call 324-7930. Leave a message if

no one answers. For more information: <https://www.cityofwaupun.org/parksrec/page/parks-and-recreation-home>. Parks are scheduled to open April 1st, weather permitting. They close October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**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](http://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.waupunareanimalshelter.org](http://www.waupunareanimalshelter.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](http://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](http://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.