

From the Waupun Mayor –

Hello Waupun!

I've been getting asked a lot lately about what's going on at Dodge Park, so here's the scoop. The tennis courts were shot and in disrepair. The Board of Public Works, who oversee the parks, has been working on what to do at Dodge Park. It was determined not to replace the tennis court with another tennis court due to having tennis courts at Waupun High School and at West End Park. It was seen as a duplication of services.

The decision was made to remove the old court and for now plant grass. The Public Works board is looking at multiple possibilities at Dodge Park, including a pickle ball court, a gaga ball pit, cement gaming tables, or permanent cornhole boards. The goal is to have something that is unique to Dodge Park and this would be in conjunction with the City of Waupun Outdoor Recreational Plan.

Of course, we need money to install anything, so the process of applying for grants has begun, and we'll see where we end up come budget time. I was also asked why the soccer nets at Dodge Park have a blue tarp on them instead of a net, and the answer is I don't know, because the city does not own the soccer goals.

In other news, I hope everyone enjoyed Celebrate Waupun! We had great turnouts over the three-day festival, and on Saturday we had three full buses for the trolley tours of Waupun's sculptures! It was a fun weekend and the weather mostly cooperated. Thank you to everyone on the Festivals Committee and Jeff Daane and the Public Works crew for all the work that went into the event!

UPDATES: Bayberry Lane is coming along nicely with blacktopping scheduled for July 5th. We're waiting on a grant to redo Wilcox Street, which is in such bad condition it is basically a cattle path. IF we get the grant, we'll do a big project on it next year, if we don't, we'll do a mill and overlay on it this year to at least improve the street's conditions.

The Park Program is doing really well this year with over 200 kiddos registered! We're running into some air quality difficulties, so we're looking at options of moving some events indoors at either the library or City Hall. If you're signed up, you'll receive email updates, so stay tuned.

Speaking of the parks program, July is National Parks and Recreation Month. So, kudos to Rachel at the Parks Dept. and the crew at DPW who maintain our parks, boardwalk, river access, Senior Center, ball diamonds, etc. All your work helps make Waupun a great place to live, work, and play!

Feedback on the new railroad crossing has been all positive! I'm glad we can check that project off our list. The new crossing along with the new garbage company seems to really be an improvement.

Finally, I hope you have a safe and enjoyable Independence Day weekend! Happy Birthday, America!

Thank you and God Bless,
Mayor Rohn

MIDTOWN MARKET – Saturdays – June thru September – 9AM to 12PM. 22+ vendors with additional drop-ins throughout the Market season. Night Markets: July 12th, August 16th and September 13th. For vendor information visit www.mrstoragewaupu.com/market

CONCERTS IN THE PARK: Concessions start at 5:30PM. Concerts start at 6:30PM. Free Will Offering. Held at West End Park in Waupun. Rain Venue is the Waupun Community Center.

July 6th – Del Rays

July 13th – Beaver Dam Community Band

July 20th – The Characters

July 27th – Acoustic Grove

For more information on Waupun Fine Arts – www.waupunfinearts.org, Waupunfineartsinfor@yahoo.com,
Facebook.com/Waupun-Fine-Arts

WAUPUN 2023 HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREATING:

Saturday, October 28 – 1PM to 4PM – Downtown Promotions “Halloween on Main”
4PM to 6PM – City Wide Trick-Or-Treating

WAUPUN AQUATIC CENTER POOL PASSES:

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

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 7:00am - 4:00pm, Monday-Thursday. Friday 7am – 11am. 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 – Bobbi Jo Kunz 920-392-9366.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Contact Susan Leahy 920-229-6360. City Hall hours: Monday's & Wednesday's 10:00am – 12:30pm.

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 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. The Waupun Business Alliance is located at 10 W Main Street.

WAUPUN UTILITIES

Open Monday-Thursday from 7AM to 4PM. Friday 7AM to 11AM 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 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.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

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.