

From the Waupun Mayor –

Hello Waupun!

This week I had an exciting opportunity to join Fond du Lac County Executive [Sam Kaufman](#), County Supervisors [Michael Beer](#) and Jon Venhuizen, along with County Parks Director Terry Dietzel for a walk through of the County Park. We discussed ideas for park improvements, new amenities, and beautification. In the near future, our county park will be getting some much-needed improvements! While in the very preliminary stages, the county is looking to replace the road, fix up the parking lot, add a walking path or trail, and new activities. We had a great discussion about what those might be, including horse shoes, pickle ball, basketball, and maybe even bringing back the band shelter! We also discussed some beautification options, including cleaning up the river bend to once again expose the WPA project, restore the old flag pole, and to install a nice welcome to Waupun County Park sign. I want to emphasize that this is just in the early stages of planning for the park, but that it was a great conversation and I want to thank County Executive Kaufman for getting our county park on the county's list for improvements.

Another project we've begun is the process of reviewing city ordinances, as some are outdated, and some just don't work. A few of the ordinances we're reviewing include boat and campers in driveways and riding your bike on a sidewalk. Currently, you aren't allowed to ride a bike on the sidewalk if you're over 10 years old, but as a parent of young girls who lives on a narrow, busy street, I think we should tweak that. Pedestrians would always have the right to walk, and bikers would be required to yield to pedestrians, however, when you see how distracted drivers are nowadays, it might be safer to let kids-and maybe adults-ride on a sidewalk, at least on really busy streets locations.

As for boats and campers, during the summer months many residents just want to leave them in the driveway because they're taking them out every weekend; because of that, it's gotten hard to enforce the 48 hours rule. I'm looking to amend this to allow for boats and campers in a driveway, during summer months, for a longer time frame, allowing folks who go fishing a couple times a week or camping every weekend to utilize their driveway. We would still have limits and we wouldn't allow a boat to be stored out front for a winter, but I think we can ease back a little to help folks in the summer.

We're also at the very preliminary stages of beginning the 2024 City of Waupun budget process. My priorities are to add another person to our public works department. We're down to 13 employees and we keep growing as a city. We add streets, green spaces, and now a new senior/community center, so we defiantly need more help over there. I'm also looking into funding the 18th police officer position to help ease overtime, part time help for the summer parks program, and pay raises.

A personal project of mine is working with the historical society to have a nice plaque or sign in the hallway at City Hall that will list all of Waupun's Mayors and their years of service. Thanks to Zac Dickhut from the Historical Society, we learned that I'm probably Waupun's 51st mayor, and I think it would be cool to have something that remembers everyone who served Waupun over our 184 years.

Thank you and stay cool!

Mayor Rohn

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

AUGUST 5 – WAUPUN FINE ART & CRAFT FAIR & CHALK CHALLENGE – 10AM TO 3PM. A one day Fine Art and Craft Fair at West End Park in Waupun featuring 60+ vendors from all over Wisconsin. Easy access, shade and green space. Lunch and beverages by non-profits. Entertainment by the popular Scotty Meyer and our Chalk Challenge! 60+ Fine Art and Craft Vendors, Chalk Challenge, Easy Street Access, Food and Beverage, Music by Scotty Meyer.

To apply for the chalk challenge visit: <https://my.boothcentral.com/v/events/waupun-fine-art-and-craft-fair-5>

Feel free to email your questions to: info@waupunfinearts.org

AUGUST 8 – ADULT CRAFT NIGHT – 6PM TO 7PM. Herbarium Light Bulbs. Japanese herbarium bottles are easy to create and make a wonderful décor statement in your home. These pretty dried flowers in oil specimens are also great for gift giving. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

AUGUST 15 – ANCESTRY.COM – 6PM. Ancestry.com is one of the leading American genealogical databases that is used by professional and beginning genealogists alike. With Eleanor Brinsko's guidance, let's take a look at the different versions available, how to navigate (& save!) documents, and how to traverse the different search options available.

SEPTEMBER 9 – ROTARY'S ANNUAL BEERFEST – 2PM TO 6PM. Waupun Rotary's Annual Beerfest held at Go-Dutch Solutions, 328 S Division Street. Craft beer tasting with over 12 breweries, local bites and live music! Tickets on sale now at www.rotaryinwaupun.com - \$40 until 9/1/23, \$45 after 9/1/23.

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 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 – 12:30pm.

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.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.