

From the Waupun Mayor –

Hello Waupun!

The city's credit rating has gone up! While that might not be the sexiest issue to begin this week's Mayor's column with, it is good news, and it shows that Waupun is in a good position financially with responsible leadership. Waupun was an A1 and we are now at an Aa3 rating.

Late Wednesday night, two of the four tornado sirens activated on their own, which has prompted an investigation into why. Waupun has four outdoor tornado sirens, strategically located around the city. The locations are West Street located by the Wild Boar, North Madison Street at the cemetery entrance, South Madison Street at Dodge Park, and Industrial Drive near the business park. The two Madison Street sirens are the ones that activated themselves. As of this writing (6am on Friday) it appears the sirens were triggered by a low powered energy source that operates on the same tone frequencies as the sirens. Seeing that we've had no problems with our sirens in the past, it's likely that this is some sort of a new energy source. Waupun Emergency Management along with our tornado siren vendor are troubleshooting the problem. We will do our best to keep you updated going forward.

The City of Waupun Emergency Response survey is still live for a few more days. If you haven't already completed the survey, I ask that you do. The survey is located in a blue banner along the top of our website located at [CityofWaupun.org](http://CityofWaupun.org).

Finally, the Recording Angel Centennial Rededication team came together for a meeting at the sculpture on Wednesday morning. We worked out the logistics of the event and some of the last details that need planning. The rededication will be on Saturday October 7 at the sculpture, and that evening the Waupun Community Players will be presenting a play based on the Shaler kidnapping plot that included a ransom demand in exchange for not blowing up the sculpture. The show will be Saturday afternoon and evening in the historic City Hall auditorium.

Thank you and God Bless,  
Mayor Rohn

#### **Fire & Emergency Response Community Survey**

The City of Waupun Common Council initiated a study to examine staffing models for fire and emergency response service in the community. The Waupun Fire Department currently operates with two full-time and twenty-eight paid-on-call firefighters, and a contracted ambulance service. An Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) program was added in 2022 to support increasing call volumes and is staffed with volunteers.

Community Survey: Please take ten minutes to complete a community survey and share your expectations and thoughts on the City's emergency response services. The survey will remain open until August 23, 2023.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HC9T6PY>

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

**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](http://www.rotaryinwaupun.com) - \$40 until 9/1/23, \$45 after 9/1/23.

**SEPTEMBER 15-16 WAUPUNS VOLKSFEST 2023:**

**Friday Schedule:** 6PM – Edelweiss

**Saturday Schedule:**

8AM – Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast

9AM – WHS Band

10AM – Carol & The Keynotes

2PM – Jon Dietz & The Twin Lakes Trio

6PM – 2/5THS Party Band

Craft Beers from Knuth Brewing, Cercis Brewing, Lakefront, & 3 Sheeps. Beer and food served by Waupun Hockey & Figure Skaters. Desserts by Pelly Lutheran. Sponsored by Horicon Bank.

**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 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 Kaczmarski, 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 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:** 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.