From the Waupun Mayor –

Hello Waupun!

This past Tuesday was the groundbreaking on our new Senior/Community Center! You may be wondering why we have elected to call this the Waupun Community Center, when we already have a building known as a community center?

Well, the new building encourages the type of activity you would see in a traditional community center; with yearround access, and as this building opens, our plans include expansion of the hours of operation and programming to meet the needs of all generations. Both Waupun Food Pantry and REACH Waupun will be tenants of the building, bringing community resources together for the first time under one roof. And as far as renaming the current facility, the City will continue to work with Waupun Hockey on their full replacement project and is in full discussion with selling naming rights to that building to support needed building improvements.

The 2024 budget is coming along nicely, and I'm excited to say we're committed to keeping Waupun a great place to live, work and play, because this budget is prioritizing Waupun's needs! The proposed budget puts additional funds towards our police and fire departments, it invests in city buildings by taking care of necessary roof repairs, and tuckpointing at both the city hall and Carnige Library building (Historical Society). This budget is putting money into streets, opens a new Community/Senior Center, invests into childcare stabilization, improvements at the aquatic center, and helps out youth sports.

It's also a responsible budget that pays off some debt, is looking into fleet management practices, moves towards an employee heath clinic, all while slightly lowering taxes.

As you know, we're now just a week away from Centennial Rededication of the Recording Angel sculpture, scheduled for Saturday at 10am. On Saturday evening, at 6pm and 8pm, are the Waupun Community Players performances of their play, " A Poison Pen Letter to an Angel."

On Friday, October 6, WTMJ radio will be broadcasting live from Real Sportscards in downtown Waupun as we kick off our celebratory weekend. That afternoon will be the Homecoming Parade, and that evening will be the downtown beer walk. Should be a fun weekend!

Thank you and God Bless, Mayor Rohn

OCTOBER 3 – HISTORY OF THE RECORDING ANGEL – 6PM: Waupun Historical Society brings our beloved "Recording Angel" sculpture to life. Presented as a gift to the city of Waupun in 1923, a 100 year old dedication anniversary will be held later this year in celebration of the Forest Mound Cemetery sculpture. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

OCTOBER 5 – 2023 SENIOR EXPO – 9AM TO 1PM: 50+ exhibitor booths. Special events throughout the day. 9:15 am – Master Gardeners. 10:15 am – Health & Home Safety. 11:15 am – Yoga with Rachel Kaminski. 12:15 pm – BINGO. Visit the HearingLife Booth to get your FREE hearing screening. Starting at 11 am – FREE lunch for the first 200 lunches! Courtesy of New Medical and Visiting Angels! Held at Central Wisconsin Christian School, 301 Fox Lake Rd, Waupun, WI. For more information visit: SeniorExpoCouncil.com.

OCTOBER 7 – RECORDING ANGEL RE-DEDICATION – 10AM: Public Invited. Participation by Waupun Jr/Sr High School & Central Wisconsin Christian School. Held at the Forest Mound Cemetery, 225 E Spring St, Waupun.

OCTOBER 7 – A POISON PEN LETTER TO AN ANGEL – Brought to you by Waupun Community Players. Showtimes are 6PM & 8PM. Free Admission! Cocktail hour between shows with cash bar. Held at the Waupun City Hall, 201 E Main St.

OCTOBER 9 – NOVEMBER 13 FALL YARD WASTE PICKUP: The City's Fall Yard Waste pick-up is designated for October 9, 2023 thru November 13, 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.

OCTOBER 9 COMMUNITY SERVICES OPEN HOUSE: Families, business owners and community members are invited to attend the Community Services Open House on Monday, October 9th, to learn more about the Departments that provide services within the City. The event will take place at the Public Safety Building (Fire and Police Department) at 16 E. Main Street from 5 – 8 p.m. Representatives from Waupun Utilities, the Department of Public Works, the Police and Fire Departments, City Hall, Public Library, Senior Center, Lifestar Ambulance, Fond du Lac and Dodge County, and Focus on Energy will be onsite displaying equipment, providing information and answering questions that people have. Some things that folks can look forward to include: bucket truck rides (Utilities and Fire Department), auto extrication (Fire Department), squad car tours, impairment goggles demonstration (Police Department), blood pressure checks (Lifestar Ambulance), mobile command unit tour (Dodge County), Smart 9-1-1 (Fond du Lac County), Equipment display (Utilities & DPW), voter registration (City Hall), "Wheel of Fortune" (Library), and Senior Center information (Senior Center).

OCTOBER 10 – ADULT CRAFT NIGHT – FABRIC PUMPKINS – 6PM TO 7PM: Toilet paper pumpkins are such an easy and festive fall craft you can make with just a few basic craft supplies. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

OCTOBER 21 – 8TH ANNUAL FOREST MOUND CEMETERY WALK – 4PM TO 6PM. A new date! A new time! The same great event so many folks enjoy! Join volunteers with the Waupun Historical Society as we tell stories of Waupun's past. Arrive early for stories in Autumn twilight, and arrive later for tales after dark by lamplight. A freewill donation will be greatly appreciated. Held at the Forest Mound Cemetery, 225 E Spring St, Waupun.

OCTOBER 25 – SPOTLIGHT ON LOCAL BUSINESS – KARSTEN REAL ESTATE, 4 Fond du Lac St – 6PM – Karsten Real Estate features the expertise of John's 30 year career in the industry. Join us as John describes the ins & outs of real estate, including: talking with a lender, online home searches, needs vs wants, changing market trends, engaging a realtor & patience. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

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. 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-Friday from 8AM 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 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