From the Waupun Mayor -

Hello Waupun,

That's a wrap, as they say, on the final Waupun Truck N Show. For 35 year's Waupun would transform into the "Trucking Capitol of the World" with the truck show. Over the past week or so, I've had several people come up to me and ask me about saving the truck show, or bringing it back in some way. "Can't something be done?"

I appreciate the sentiment. It's a huge weekend for our city and would bring in thousands of visitors every year. I appreciate the many people offering to "do something" to help. I'd love to see it, too.

The Waupun Truck N Show name is registered and the board voted to retire it. If it were to return it would need a new name. The Truck N Show is also getting rid of just about everything it owns, including all the signs, banners, and even Stanely the Gorilla.

If a group wants to do the work to bring back the show, the city would be supportive, but be aware of what you'd be getting into. The show takes volunteers, lots of volunteers, and becomes close to a full-time job the week of the event. The truck show board met every month, as planning for the next show began almost as soon as the show ended. And the volunteers, or lack thereof, is why the show ran out of gas. Back in its heyday, the Truck Show had over 40 volunteers, broken into committees, to plan the show. Over the years the number of volunteers dwindled down that after the 2022 event, the board pleaded for help. They got a few people, but when most people saw the commitment involved, chose to not be involved.

Whatever happens, it's appropriate to take a year off, allowing the current Truck N Show board to reflect on an amazing 35-year run. I think the City of Waupun will be getting a few of the red "Waupun Truck N Show" banners and we may display them around the former community center site.

Finally, to all who were involved with the Waupun Truck N Show, all I can say is "thank you!" Thank you for a great event that was so cool for Waupun.

In other news: Monday night will be the August Common Council meeting. We had to move the meeting date because of the primary election. On the agenda, we'll be discussing updating our dog leasning ordnance, urban chickens, the city's purchase policy, and update the council where we are on planning the 2025 budget.

As we work toward that budget, I want another aggressive budget that tackles some of the needs that are out there, including a new fire truck, city hall repairs, public safety staffing and code enforcement. So stay tuned as we work our way through.

Thank you and God Bless, Mayor Rohn

NEW! Camp Waupun:

June 3 – August 23, no camp July 4 (Campers can attend weekly or for the entire summer!)

They YMCA of Dodge County is excited to spend the summer learning new skills, developing new friendships, and creating lifelong memories with you in Waupun! Our mission is to support youth development, healthy living, and encourage social responsibility through our Summer Camp Program. We will discover new themes each week and take field trips to the Waupun Aquatic Center on Friday afternoon. Our camp staff go through rigorous training to prepare themselves for the best summer ever! We cannot wait to spend the summer with you! Camp Waupun:

Members: \$95/week Non-Members: \$125/week

Grade/Age: Kindergarten – 5th grade. Ages 5 – 12

Times: 6:30AM to 5:45PM

Location: Waupun Ice Arena, 510 E Spring St, Waupun, WI

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 2024 – WAUPUN ROTARY'S ANNUAL BEERFEST - . Waupun Rotary's Annual Beerfest held at Go-Dutch Solutions from 2PM to 6PM, 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 9/1/24, \$45 after 9/1/24.

SEPTEMBER 13 & 14 – WAUPUN VOLKSFEST 2024 – Held at the Waupun Ice Arena.

Friday Schedule:

3PM - BINGO

5PM - 2/5ths Party Bank

Saturday Schedule:

8AM – Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast

9AM – Warrior Blaskapelle

10AM - Carol & the Keynotes

2PM – Gary's Ridgeland Dutchmen

4PM – Stumpf Fiddle Contest

6PM – Dorf Kapelle

Craft Beers from: Knuth Brewing (Ripon), Cercis Brewing (Columbus), Spaten (Germany), 3 Sheeps (Sheboygan).

Beer and food services served by Waupun Hockey and Figure Skaters.

Desserts by Pella Lutheran

Headline Sponsor: National Exchange Bank & Trust

OCTOBER 26 – HALLOWEEN ON MAIN – 2PM TO 4PM OCTOBER 26 – CITY OF WAUPUN TRICK OR TREATING – 4PM TO 6PM

COMMUNITY GARDEN QUESTIONS - Please call 920-324-4000 or 920-318-3335.

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 – Kambria Ledesma 309-709-0092; 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-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..

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