At last week's common council meeting, we purchased a few parcels of land to help Waupun grow, modernize, and expand both housing and business opportunities. First, we acquired a small, but necessary, piece of land along HWY 151 to allow for the connection of Shaler Drive. Buying this land, along with the increase in tax increment from the industrial park, along with a possible grant from Dodge County, hopefully we'll see Shaler Drive connected from HWY 49 (at new Kwik Trip) all the way to HWY 26 (at truck stop.)

And, if you've been out by the truck stop lately, you'll see the new 18 Wheel Truck Wash is near completion, and construction has begun for the new multi-unit apartment complex. You'll also see construction well underway for the new Eagle Flexible Packaging building going up in the industrial park. (Waupun has a lot going on!)

The second piece of land we purchased was on Libby Street across from the old Siligan plant. My goal is to get that developed as housing. The third thing we bought was the old Towne Woodworking building in downtown Waupun. The building is behind Brooks Shoes. The building is mostly in the way and a hazard toward safe parking. Our goal is to tear that building down and create more downtown parking spots. It's part of our next phase of downtown improvements, to redo the rear lots. We'll have more and safer parking, better rear entrances to business, and some ascetic improvements as well.

I would like to thank Jeff and Lisa for their help in us acquiring that building, and for all they do in general for downtown Waupun!

Mark your calendars for a couple upcoming events.

- 1. Memorial Day parade and ceremony is on Memorial Day. Parade at 9 and the ceremony about 10 AM.
- 2. The Waupun Summer Parks Program Summer Kick Off Event is scheduled for Thursday May 29 at 5pm. Always a fun way to kick off the summer season!

Finally, the new set of rotating sculptures will be here soon, and I have been working on beginning a campaign to add a permanent sculpture to our collection of Mr. Shaler. I'll have more details about that in next week's column.

Thank you and enjoy your weekend, Mayor Rohn

MAY 26 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE/PROGRAM: 9AM. Parade line up will begin at 8:30am at St Joseph Catholic Church. The parade starts at St Joseph Catholic church and will proceed to Shaler Park (if rain it will be held at the Waupun Community Center, 520 McKinley) where following the parade ceremonies will be held to honor our past military personal who have served and died. If there are individuals or service clubs interested in participating in the parade, please contact LaMont Page at (920) 296-3040 or by email, pagelam@icloud.com.

JUNE 6 – BIKE RODEO – 1PM TO 3PM – Free Event for ages 12 and under. Please bring your bike and helmet. Parent/Guardian must complete a waiver. Fun bike activities and prizes. Held at the Waupun Community Center, 520 McKinley St. Sponsored by Waupun Park Program, Waupun Police Department, and Waupun Kiwanis Club.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31 – CITY WIDE TRICK-OR-TREATING FROM 4PM TO 6PM.

### WAUPUN FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER - OPENS JUNE 7 - AUGUST 24, 2025

Open Swim – Monday thru Friday – 1PM to 6PM, Saturday & Sunday – 12PM to 7PM Pool hours are subject to change based on weather/attendance. Note: 3:30-3:45PM all pool break; everyday. Season Passes:

Individual Pass – Resident - \$105. Non-Resident - \$130 Family Pass (5) – Resident - \$210. Non-Resident - \$260 Military (Active or Retired) – 15% discount.

Family season pass includes up to 5 family members and its intended for immediate family only; all family members must reside at the same address. An additional 2 family members can be added for \$10 each. A maximum of 7 family members per family season pass.

Season pass registration can be done online through the YMCA at <a href="www.theydc.org">www.theydc.org</a>, or return the registration form with payment to Waupun City Hall prior to the pool opening starting on April 7, or the Waupun Family Aquatic Center starting June 7. Make checks payable to the City of Waupun.

#### Daily Passes:

Ages 3 years and under - FREE

Ages 4 years and older - \$6.50

Senior 60+ Discount - \$2

Please note that all patrons are required to pay to enter the Waupun Family Aquatic Center, whether swimming or not.

June 9-13 the pool will close at 5PM for lessons.

Father's Day – June 15 – Dad's get in for \$1.00 all day long!

**Reciprocal Days** – June 22, July 6 & August 3 – Waupun pass holders will be able to use the YMCA of Dodge County, Horicon Aquatic Center, Fox Lake Aquatic Center & Lomira Pool for FREE!

Senior Swim (50+) – Fridays 11AM to 12PM

Water Aerobics – Wednesdays 4PM to 5PM

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

# WAUPUN COMMUNITY CENTER (520 McKinley Street):

HOURS: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, from 8AM to 4PM. Tuesday & Friday, from 8AM to 2PM.

### 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 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 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