

Hello Waupun!

As many of you saw watching the ball game last Sunday, the Mayor almost caught the Brewers' walk off home run ball. While I didn't end up with the ball, I was able to take a picture with it and was amused with all the calls and texts I was getting as the play was shown on FanDuel Sports Network. It was a great game to attend and sitting in the Aurora Bullpen is a pretty cool experience. Jenny and I had a great time and thank you to the Our Bar for the opportunity, and the coach bus transportation.

This Wednesday is the Waupun Plan Commission meeting, and one item for discussion will be whether to relax our ordinance when it comes to parking campers, boats, and RV's in driveways for longer than 48 hours. As the use of recreational vehicles continues to expand, and the fact we're looking at approving smaller lot sizes, this does seem like a good opportunity to review the ordinance. I can't speak for the council, but I get the sense that if the RV's are parked on the driveway, that this may be the time to relax the rules for the summer months. That said, this could mean it's harder to enforce the ordinance, and could it cause unforeseen issues. For example, does it push too many cars being parked in the street? I get requests from citizens to make many of our streets no parking on one side, because when cars are parked on both sides, it's so narrow. If you have an opinion about this, contact your alderperson and attend a meeting.

As you all know, work continues on Rock and Newton streets. Work is also continuing on the Harris Creek, both by Stobb Plumbing and north, from the Newton Street bridge, behind those homes, and towards the Rock River. Our hope is that when the creek project is completed, those houses will be taken out of the floodplain. While the creek looks much different than it did years ago, I have heard that even with last year's flooding, basements stayed dry. This project, along with the flood studies of Edgewood Drive and Hazel Lane, along with more stormwater ponds, are all proactive efforts by the city to help mitigate flooding issues. By the way, there are more storm water ponds than you realize. Did you know that at places like the hospital, or Kwik Trip, or even the DG Market, the ponds are underground? Waupun is sincerely trying to get ahead of the changing rain patterns, and to do what we can to help keep homes dry.

On Saturday at 9, I'll be co-hosting the Shopping Spree Show on WFDL here in Waupun. AM1170 FM 103.3. It's another Mayoral Special Super Shopping Spree, so do tune in.

On Wednesday, August 27, from 1:00 to 4:00, the Waupun Utilities Wastewater Treatment Facility will be having an Open House to show off the new ABNR system upgrade. Currently, Waupun has the cleanest wastewater discharge in the entire country. While the ABNR upgrade was expensive, we should take pride in the fact that we have such good wastewater discharge, we meet our DNR permits, and that we did it when we did. I recently saw that Mayville is looking to double their sewer rates as the DNR permits are catching up to them. Once again, Waupun was ahead of the curve. And just like with our Reverse Osmosis water plant, our wastewater plant is state of the art. Waupun really is a great little city to live in, and I'm thankful to be here.

Finally, congratulations to Reeve Nelson on winning this year's Waupun Parks Program Scavenger Hunt. Reeve wins a year pass to the aquatic center. On a side note, she's super smart. She explained to me that the Rock River flows into the Mississippi River, and that the Mississippi River flows into the Gulf of America! I chuckled and said, "Yes, it does!" My favorite part of this job has been interacting with the kids.

Thank you all and God Bless,

Mayor Rohn

**AUGUST 23 – DODGE COUNTY CLEAN SWEEP, N8856 CTH A, Beaver Dam – 8AM TO 12PM** – Drop off old & unwanted chemicals for farms, households & small businesses. **Clean Sweep Guidelines:** Put items in your trunk or as close to the hatchback as possible. Do NOT pack material in the backseat of your vehicle. Keep like materials together & place in cardboard boxes. We will NOT return cardboard boxes used to transport items. You must stay in your vehicle at all times. Materials should be properly identified with their original labels. DO NOT MIX materials

together. NO latex paint. **Please note:** Unknown materials can be brought in, BUT Dodge County and the hazardous waste disposal contractor reserve the right to refuse any material. Household/\$10 vehicle. Agriculture = Free (must pre-register). Small Business/VSQG must pre-register. To pre-register please call 920-386-3660.

**AUGUST 27 – WAUPUN UTILITIES WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY OPEN HOUSE – 1PM TO 4PM – 501 Fond du Lac St – Featuring ABNR upgrade.** Come see how we're protecting local waterways and advancing wastewater treatment for the future! Guided facility tours every 20 minutes. Learn about our ABNR system upgrade. Meet the treatment facilities team. Educational materials & displays. Free and open to the public – all ages welcome! Questions? Contact us at [waupunutilities@waupunutilities.org](mailto:waupunutilities@waupunutilities.org) or call 920-324-7920.

**SEPTEMBER 12 & 13 – WAUPUN VOLKSFEST 2025 – IN A TENT THIS YEAR at Tanner Park!**

**Friday Schedule:**

3PM – Bingo

5PM – Fish Fry (Served by Fox Lake Blazers)

7PM – Stein Holding Contest

**Saturday Schedule:**

8AM – Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast

8AM to 3PM – My Property Shop Car Show

9AM – Warrior Blaskapelle

11AM – Carol & the Keynotes

2PM – Stumpf Fiddle Contest

3PM – Apolka Tpse

4PM – The Mark Jirikovec Band

Craft beers from: Knuth Brewing (Ripon), Spaten (Germany), Hoya Hop House (Waupun)

Desserts by Pella Lutheran.

**SEPTEMBER 20 – PROJECT WATERWAYS – 8AM to 10AM** – Join our annual waterway clean-up. Join the community in preserving and protecting local water resources. Together, we can make a difference and ensure clean water for generations to come. Held at Shaler Park, 400 N Madison St.

**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 [www.theydc.org](http://www.theydc.org), 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 Kaczmariski, 920-324-2213; District 3 – Ryan Mielke 920-517-0854; 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](mailto:info@envisiongreaterfdl.com). The Waupun Business Alliance is located at 10 W Main Street.

#### **WAUPUN UTILITIES**

Summer Hours (Memorial Day - Labor Day):

Monday - Thursday 7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday 7:00 am - 11:00 am

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](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)