The dam is fixed, and the river looks normal again, hopefully the new valve will last as long as the old one did.

Last night was the beer walk, and it appeared to be well attended from what I saw hanging around for a little while. It's fun having so many events happening downtown. The next fun downtown event will be the new **Downtown Waupun Fall Family Festival**, which is scheduled for **Saturday, October 18th, from 1–5 PM** in Downtown Waupun. Main Street will be closed for the event to allow for food trucks, kids' activities, and pumpkin-themed fun. There will be some candy, but this replaces the downtown trick or treat event. The downtown trick or treat event was so successful that it was becoming cost prohibitive for businesses, and residents were complaining that downtown was causing a lack of kids during residential trick or treating. Residential trick or treating will take place on Halloween from 4 to 6.

I'd like to thank Waupun Utilities for helping the Forrest Mound Cemetery re-string their flagpole. One of the benefits of having a community owned utility company is they are local, and help local nonprofits and local organizations when possible. Getting to the top of the pole was something the cemetery staff really couldn't do, and Waupun Utilities had the pole re-strung in about five minutes.

Speaking of the cemetery, I thought it would be appropriate to take a moment to thank Steve Buchholz for his many years of service as head of the Forrest Mound Cemetery Association. Steve is a second-generation Buchholz to lead the cemetery association, and it can be a lot of work and Waupun is thankful for his service.

On Thursday I had my annual photo with the Poppy Princess. This year it's extra special as the Poppy Princess is my daughter Maggie! She will be selling Poppies Saturday morning, and the locations include Kwik Trip East, Piggly Wiggly, and Walgreen's, so maybe we'll see you Saturday morning.

This weekend is the last weekend until bulk pickup. Your stuff is supposed to be on the curb by 6am of your garbage day, that said, if you put it out today, someone will likely see your junk as their treasure, so I recommend getting the stuff out on the curb.

Thank you and have a great weekend,

Mayor Rohn

SEPTEMBER 29, 30 & OCTOBER 1 BULK PICK-UP - The Fall bulk item pick-up with GFL will be held the week of September 29. Bulk pick-up is a service that is provided to all City of Waupun residential properties (4 units and under). Bulk items will be picked up on your normal trash pick-up date. Items may not be placed at the curb earlier than 24 hours before your scheduled pick-up date. If items do not meet bulk pick-up guidelines a door- hanger will be hung at the property the day of pick-up. A picture will be taken of the remaining items, and you will have 3 days to remove them. Please remember bulk pick-up is for large items that do not fit in a garbage or recycling container. GFL will be providing containers for wood related items only during bulk pick up as well. The dumpsters will be located at the Department of Public Works Garage, at 903 N. Madison St. The days and hours of operation will be Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 8am to 3pm during the bulk pickup days only. Residents will be required to show proof of residency. Material other than wood related items, will not be accepted and will be turned away. You may check out the guidelines for what is considered bulk on our City web-site at www.cityofwaupun.org.

OCTOBER 6 – NOVEMBER 10 FALL YARD WASTE PICKUP: The City's Fall Yard Waste pick-up is designated for October 6, 2025 thru November 10, 2025 (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 13 – DECAYED AT THE CEMETERY – 10 YEARS OF HISTORY & LORE AT THE FOREST MOUND CEMETERY – 6PM – Character of cemetery walks past will join us as the Waupun Historical Society brings to life stories from Waupun's history through the people who contributed to our community's fabric. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

OCTOBER 14 – ADULT CRAFT NIGHT – 6PM TO 7PM – REVERSIBLE PUMPKIN/SNOWMAN – Wood discs dressed up as either pumpkins or... SURPRISE, a festive snowman on the reverse side! Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

OCTOBER 16 – HALLOWEEN TRIVIA NIGHT – 6PM – Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St. Teams up to 4 people. Costumes encouraged. Sign up at the circulation desk.

OCTOBER 18 – DOWNTOWN WAUPUN FALL FAMILY FESIVAL – 1PM TO 5PM – Held on Main Street is downtown Waupun. Get ready for a festive afternoon filled with fun, food, and family-friendly activities. Main Street will be closed to traffic so you can safely explore, play, and enjoy all the action. The fun in-store: Food Truck, Mini Pumpkin Decorating, Temporary Tattoos, Gourd Bowling, Face Painters, Family Walk /Run/Stroll Event, and that's just the start!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31 – CITY WIDE TRICK-OR-TREATING FROM 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 – 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. The Waupun Business Alliance is located at 10 W Main Street.

WAUPUN UTILITIES

Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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