Hello Waupun,

This was a busy week as I had something almost every night. Tuesday was the Waupun Community Fund event at Hoya Hop, Wednesday was the downtown ally reconstruction informational meeting, and Thursday was the Envison Greater Fond du Lac/WEDC Ignite Rural Business Accelerator Program Pitch Event. Congratulations to Kurt Wismer and GRiT on winning the \$30,000 grand prize! Thank you to Envision for hosting the event at the Waupun City Hall auditorium. It was a beautiful venue for a really cool event! It's neat to see so many young entrepreneurs from around Fond du Lac County!

This Tuesday is Veterans' Day, and the annual Veterans' Day Ceremony will be at the City Hall Auditorium at 10:45am. The sirens will sound at 11am, and the ceremony will wrap up about 11:30. It's followed with a free lunch put on by the American Legion Auxiliary at the American Legion Hall. I hope to see you there.

On a personal note, I have always been uncomfortable with how we honor veterans on Veterans' Day. Do Veterans deserver a holiday? Absoubtly! But I've never understood why we close the post office and the bank, while most veterans go to work on their holiday. I've long felt that Congress should revisit Veterans' Day, and instead of a paid day off for government employees, we should honor veterans on their special day. One way is to make sure we thank vets on Veterans Day, and we can do that by attending their ceremony on Tuesday. And while I understand the importance of work and being open, I do encourage all of us in Waupun, if possible, to attend. It's less than an hour long, and that's not too much to ask to thank those who make our freedom possible.

Thank you to all of our amazing veterans here in Waupun! Thank you for your service, thank you for your sacrifices, and thank you for putting your lives on the line, for 250 years, to keep all of us safe and free!

Finally, as I'm sure you've noticed, Homan Auto put up two very large flags at both of their new car locations here in Waupun. I'm excited to announce that Homan's are graciously donating the old flagpoles to the City of Waupun. I would like to install them at Heritage Park (the Windmill Park) so we can fly the American Flag, state flag, city flag, and the National Flag of the Netherlands alongside the windmill. Thank you to Homan Auto for the donation of the flagpoles, we're hopeful to install them come spring.

Thank you and God Bless,

Mayor Rohn

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.

NOVEMBER 8 – WAUPUN UMC FALL CRAFT/VENDOR FAIR & BAKE SALE – 9AM to 2PM – Held at Waupun United Methodist Church & Wesley Center, 114 S Forest St, Waupun. Free admission and lunch available to purchase.

NOVEMBER 12 – ADULT CRAFT NIGHT – 6PM TO 7PM – TASSEL TREE ORNAMENT – Create a cute and festive Christmas tree ornament using yarn & other adornments! Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

DECEMBER 7 – CHRISTAMS CAROL SING – 6PM – Enjoy an evening of featured performances and singing favorite Christmas Carols! A free will offering will support Waupun Holiday Help. Held at First Reformed Church, 422 W Franklin St, Waupun. Livestreaming available on Facebook at First Reformed Church Waupun

Applications are available at Waupun City Hall, Waupun Food Pantry, the National Exchange Bank, and Waupun Area School District offices. Completed applications need to be returned no later than Friday, November 21 to City Hall, Food Pantry, or National Exchange Bank. Distribution of gifts and food coupons will be on Saturday, December 13, at the Waupun Fire Department. In addition, we are looking for individuals, families, and organizations from the Waupun area who would be willing to adopt a family and purchase gifts for their children. Applications for donors can be obtained by contacting Jessica Buchholz at the National Exchange Bank (920-324-5551).

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