

CITY OF WASHBURN

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



Spring 2022

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Keeping the Plates Spinning

There are so many things going on at the city, and it's a challenge to keep all of the plates spinning. Here's an idea of what I mean:

There are meetings...lots of meetings. There are people with questions, needing permits, paying bills, and reporting issues. Then there are ongoing projects like updating the comprehensive plan, facilitating development agreements, and planning for a major highway reconstruction.

Then, we try to plan ahead and be forward-thinking to address complicated issues like a desperate need for housing and making sure that our ambulance service can answer all of the calls that come in. And how to fix the sidewalks...

We periodically have to circle back and follow up on things that were started, but have since been put aside for one reason or another and need some attention.

Sometimes these things cross paths and need creative solutions. One recent example of this involves the lower tennis courts (which are in dire need of repair) and the Housing Authority's desire to expand. Stay tuned to see if our creative solution can address not just one of these, but maybe both!

BROKEDOWN TRANSITION

The property has been transferred to the new owner and the next phase of work will begin this summer on the new Lost Apostle Brewing Co. brew pub.



Our Identity Has Been Revealed

One project that was started two and a half years ago has finally been completed – the Community Branding Project. This process began before I was Mayor, as the Bayfield County Tourism Director. I had spoken with Kellie Pederson from UW-Madison, Division of Extension about some of the work they can do to help communities develop their brand. We enlisted the support of the City, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Washburn Business Alliance to follow the lead of the UW-Madison Division of Extension staff through the process. With the help of everyone who took the survey and those on the committee representing many different aspects of our community, we managed to define our core brand identity.

The goal of this project was to get a sense of who we are as a community so that we can tell the world. If we can tell our story in a cohesive way that accurately reflects our spirit and character, it will help inform those who may be interested in stopping here for a visit, starting a business in the area, or even considering making Washburn their home. I encourage you to take a look at our Brand Book on the city's website to see more details about the process as well as the results: cityofwashburn.org/community-branding.html.

Happy Spring!

- Mayor Mary Motiff

City of Washburn Spring Clean Up 2022

Saturday, May 14, 7:00 am - 2:00 pm

Dumpsters are available for **CITY OF WASHBURN RESIDENTS ONLY**. Citizens will be able to get rid of all types of waste. **EXCEPT:** food waste & hazardous materials will not be accepted.



Fee schedule is subjectively set up as:

Large Car Load...	10.00
Pickup Truck Load...	20.00
Larger Trailers...	30.00
SMALL APPLIANCES Such As:	
Microwave Oven, Toaster Oven...	20.00
LARGE APPLIANCES Such As:	
Refrigerators, Freezers,	
Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers...	20.00
Stove, Water Heater,	
Washer, Dryer...	10.00
VCR/DVD Player...	5.00

TELEVISIONS

Large (27" diagonal or greater)...	40.00
Small (less than 27" diagonal)...	25.00
Wood Console TV/Projection TV...	50.00

COMPUTERS

Laptop, Hard Drive, Monitors, Scanners, Printers...	15.00
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TIRES

Car and Light Truck...	4.00 ea.
Semi...	15.00 ea.
Large Tractor or Grader...	32.00 ea.

CAR BATTERIES...

NO CHARGE

SCRAP METAL...

NO CHARGE

City Yard Waste Site, 1488 County Highway C



Spring Election

Tuesday, April 5th
Polls Open: 7:00 am - 8:00 pm

Referendum: Public Safety Services

Races Include:

Court of Appeals Judge
County Supervisor
Mayor
City Alderperson Districts 1, 2, 3
Washburn School Board Member At Large



WISCONSIN
Help for
Homeowners

WHH is a new statewide program that can help with overdue bills like mortgage payments, property taxes, and utilities. The program is available to homeowners with overdue housing-related bills, both with and without a mortgage, who meet income and other eligibility requirements, and have experienced economic hardship.

visit HomeownerHelp.WI.Gov or call 1-855-246-6394

Yard Waste Site

The City's yard waste disposal site will be open on the following days and times in 2022.

Beginning April 30 - November 5, 2022

Wednesdays	2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Saturdays	9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Acceptable yard waste materials to be disposed:

- Lawn and garden clippings
- Leaves, brush and small branches
- Tree limbs 6" in diameter or less must be in 10 foot lengths or shorter
- Tree limbs 6" to 12" in diameter must be in 6 foot lengths or shorter.



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WASHBURN STORMWATER UTILITY RATES

Effective November 5, 2013

Monthly Charges

Residential	\$ 5.25 per parcel	Road Right-of-Ways	Exempt
Commercial	\$48.46 per acre	Lakes / Streams / Wetlands	Exempt
Industrial	\$42.80 per acre	Agricultural	Exempt
Institutional	\$48.46 per acre	Vacant / Undeveloped	Exempt
		Park / Open Space / Cemeteries	Exempt

Bills are rendered quarterly and become due and payable upon issuance following the period for which service is rendered. A late payment charge of 3% with a minimum of .50 cents per month will be added to bills not paid within 20 days of issuance. The late payment charge will be applied to the total unpaid balance for utility service, including unpaid late payment charges. Parcels with more than two living units are considered commercial.

WASHBURN REFUSE RATE – RESIDENTIAL ONLY

Effective December 16, 2021

Bills are rendered **\$38.25 per quarter** and become due and payable upon issuance following the period for which service is rendered. A late payment charge of 3% with a minimum of .50 cents per month will be added to bills not paid within 20 days of issuance. The late payment charge will be applied to the total unpaid balance for utility service, including unpaid late payment charges.

WASHBURN WATER UTILITY RATES

Effective June 16, 2016

Quarterly Service Charges (general metered service –Mg-1)

5/8" Meter	\$30.90	1 ½" Meter	\$105.06	6" Meter	\$330.63
3/4" Meter	\$30.90	2" Meter	\$166.86	8" Meter	\$389.34
1" Meter	\$43.26	3" Meter	\$244.11	10" Meter	\$444.96
1 ¼" Meter	\$67.98	4" Meter	\$287.37	12" Meter	\$565.47

Volume Charges	First 25,000 gallons used per quarter	-	\$5.36 per 1,000 gallons
	Next 175,000 gallons used per quarter	-	\$3.61 per 1,000 gallons
	Over 200,000 gallons used per quarter	-	\$2.68 per 1,000 gallons

Bills are rendered quarterly and become due and payable upon issuance following the period for which service is rendered. A late payment charge of 1% per month will be added to bills not paid within 20 days of issuance. The late payment charge will be applied to the total unpaid balance for utility service, including unpaid late payment charges. The utility customer may be given a written notice that the bill is overdue no sooner than 20 days after the bill is issued unless payment or satisfactory arrangement for payment is made within 10 days, service may be disconnected pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code Chapter PSC 185.

WASHBURN SEWER UTILITY RATES

Effective December 16, 2021

Quarterly Service Charges

5/8" Meter	\$81.71	1 ¼" Meter	\$91.91	3" Meter	\$135.89
3/4" Meter	\$81.71	1 ½" Meter	\$97.40	4" Meter	\$166.93
1" Meter	\$87.20	2" Meter	\$108.40	Unmetered	\$212.24

Volume Charges: \$8.66 per thousand gallons of water used

Bills are rendered quarterly and become due and payable upon issuance following the period for which service is rendered. A late payment charge of 3% with a minimum of .50 cents per month will be added to bills not paid within 20 days of issuance. The late payment charge will be applied to the total unpaid balance for utility service, including unpaid late payment charges.

WASHBURN PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION RATES

Effective June 16, 2016

Quarterly Charges

5/8" Meter	\$27.81	1 ½" Meter	\$139.05	6" Meter	\$1,390.50
3/4" Meter	\$27.81	2" Meter	\$222.48	8" Meter	\$2,224.80
1" Meter	\$69.53	3" Meter	\$417.15	10" Meter	\$3,334.11
1 ¼" Meter	\$102.90	4" Meter	\$695.25	12" Meter	\$4,446.51

Bills are rendered quarterly and become due and payable upon issuance following the period for which service is rendered. A late payment charge of 1% per month will be added to bills not paid within 20 days of issuance. The late payment charge will be applied to the total unpaid balance for utility service, including unpaid late payment charges. Two or more parcels that are adjacent to each other or divided only by roadway or waterway are billed as one.

WASHBURN PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE RATES – UNMETERED

Effective March 16, 2011

Quarterly Charges

2" or smaller connection	\$27.00	6" connection	\$169.20	12" connection	\$541.80
3" connection	\$50.70	8" connection	\$270.90	14" connection	\$678.00
4" connection	\$84.60	10" connection	\$406.50	16" connection	\$813.00

Bills are rendered quarterly the same as Public Fire Protection.