

# CITY OF WASHBURN QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



Winter 2023-24

## FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Greetings -

There's a lot going on around town and I'm happy to share that this should be the last year without lighted holiday decorations on Bayfield Street! An ad-hoc committee has been appointed to come up with a plan for "beautification" for the downtown area once the road reconstruction project is complete next year. See the highlighted information for additional details on how to make your opinion known.

You may have noticed that Holman Lakeview Drive has been paved, Bigelow Street resurfaced, and a connector put in between the two in preparation for Phase 1 of the Bayfield Street project in the spring. It's a big project – not just the road, but also the sewer and water infrastructure will be completely replaced on Bayfield Street.

This project is going to be disruptive, but it is very necessary and long overdue. The downtown businesses, in particular, are going to feel an impact by having traffic rerouted away from their front doors. It would be great if we could all make an extra effort to support our local businesses as much as possible starting now and continuing through construction season.

Bayfield Street is going to look great and be in good shape for many years to come, but it will be messy, inconvenient, and challenging while it's happening. Then we'll have a break for a few years before Phase 2 of the project begins.

There is a button on the home page of the City of Washburn website that will take you to the project details and updates. Remember, if you ever have questions about city-related topics, please call City Hall. Our staff is very knowledgeable and helpful.

Happy winter!

### INPUT NEEDED

The community survey, which takes about 3 minutes to complete, will be available Jan. 2 – 19 on the City of Washburn website, Facebook page and at the QR code below. Your responses on how to beautify Bayfield Street will assist the Ad Hoc Committee as it develops recommendations for City Council. A community meeting in March will provide another opportunity for input.



*-Mayor Mary Motiff*

# City of Washburn - 2024 Dog License Application

The law requires dog owners to obtain a license for each dog owned. Dog licenses can be processed in person at City Hall or by mail to the address below. For applications received by mail, a dog tag will be mailed to you. For more than two dogs, print additional applications online at [www.cityofwashburn.org/permits](http://www.cityofwashburn.org/permits).

Proof of rabies vaccination is required. Enclose a copy of proof of vaccination with your application and payment.

**Neutered/Spayed = \$6.00 per dog · All others = \$16 per dog  
Add \$5.00 per dog if application is received after April 1**

Name of Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Dog (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Male / Female Neutered \_\_\_\_ Spayed \_\_\_\_

Color \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Rabies Vaccination \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_

Vaccine Manufacturer \_\_\_\_\_ Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Dog (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Male / Female Neutered \_\_\_\_ Spayed \_\_\_\_

Color \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Rabies Vaccination \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_

Vaccine Manufacturer \_\_\_\_\_ Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_

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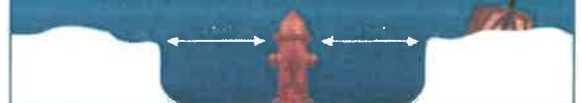


**Coming up...**  
**Spring General Election**  
Tuesday, April 2, 2024  
**Potential Spring Primary Feb. 20th**

## Keep Fire Hydrants Clear of Snow

*Every second counts in an emergency*

- Remove snow and ice from the hydrant
- Clear an area approximately 3 feet around the hydrant
- Clear a path from the hydrant to the street



Dear Community Members,

The City of Washburn is home to several parks within its boundaries. With help from the community, a number of these parks have undergone improvements in recent years to modernize them and make them more appealing to the community and visitors to our area. One of the City's parks is now in desperate need of assistance.



Thompson's West End Park has a large wooden playground directly adjacent to the park's beachfront. The playground equipment at Thompson's West End Park has fallen into disrepair over many years of use and the extreme weather known to our home up here in the North. Portions of the playground equipment have degraded to the point that they are not usable. Other portions of the equipment no longer meet required safety standards.



We are proposing replacing and modernizing the playground equipment at Thompson's West End Park to meet current safety standards and to revitalize the play area so that children may use and enjoy the equipment for years to come.

To achieve this goal, we are asking for your support. We aim to raise \$80,000 in generous donations to assist in removing the old playground equipment and to purchase and install the new equipment.

We appreciate any support that you can give towards this project. As we are an informal group, the City will be processing all donations. And donations made to the City for this project are tax deductible.

Donations can be made online at: [www.cityofwashburn.org/pay-for](http://www.cityofwashburn.org/pay-for), and click the General Donation button. Or by check, please make it out to City of Washburn and address it to PO Box 638, Washburn, WI 54891, with Thompson's West End Playground in the memo line. The proposed new equipment and project updates will be available on Facebook via Friends of Thompson's West End Playground page.

Thanks again for your generous support.

Sincerely,

*-The Friends of Thompson's West End Playground*

(A group of residents from the City of Washburn and neighboring communities with children and grandchildren that utilize the playground.)



