

CITY OF WASHBURN

QUARTERLY

NEWSLETTER



Winter 2022

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Greetings!

Snow season is upon us, and along with it all sorts of feelings ranging from excitement to exhaustion. Each snow event brings its own set of challenges with changing variables. We have some new equipment and some new staff at Public Works (Welcome, Sedric!) to help meet those challenges. We greatly appreciate all the extra work that occurs in the middle of the night to keep our streets drivable.

The 2023 budget has been approved and work continues on a number of projects that are already in motion:

Phase 1 Highway Reconstruction Project – a road segment has been constructed that will connect Bigelow Street to Holman Drive with a curve to allow traffic to flow safely during the highway reroute. Holman Drive will be paved in Fall 2023. Also, planning for business signage needs to begin soon.

The “Brokedown” Building – The owner had the asbestos removed and is finalizing demolition plans as well as working on construction plans for the Lost Apostle Brew Pub, which is scheduled to occur in 2023.

Housing Development – Bayfield County is working on a project on property they own next to Northern Lights that would include a mixture of senior housing (single family homes; some affordable and some market rate) along with a small number of affordable townhomes for families. See info in November’s Council packet.

Ambulance Service – Our two full-time EMTs begin their jobs on Jan. 2nd. Welcome to Heather Atherton and Eli Wilson – we’re so happy to have you on board! These new positions won’t solve all of our challenges, but it will help address some items and the load will be a little lighter on the rest of the “paid on call” EMTs. We are always looking for people willing to become an EMT so let someone at the city know if you’re interested.

West End Park Campground – Using the plan that was approved in 2015 as a guide, some improvements to the overflow area were approved along with a year-round restroom in that area. Further plans may be considered for rustic campsites in the open field area with the Parks Committee looking at options.

Comprehensive Plan Update – Plan Commission has been hard at work on this, and it will be headed for the approval process soon.

Back to winter - it is the 75th season for Mt. Ashwabay and we are very lucky to have this amazing resource in our area. Look for fun events and updates at www.mtashwabay.org. We won’t have Book Across the Bay ending in Washburn this year, but rest assured we are working on ways to bring it back next year. Stay tuned for opportunities to get involved!

Happy New Year!

-Mayor Mary Motiff

City of Washburn - 2023 Dog License Application

It is required by law that dog owners obtain a license for each dog owned. This year, dog licenses will also be processed by mail. You must show proof of your dog's rabies vaccination, so please enclose a copy of that with your application and payment. The fees are as follows:

Neutered/Spayed = \$6.00 per dog; All others = \$16 per dog. (Add \$5.00 per dog if received after April 1st.)

Please fill out the information below and return with the vaccination information and fee to the City of Washburn by using the drop box at the Washburn City Hall or by mailing to the City of Washburn, PO Box 638, Washburn WI 54891. Once we process your application, a dog tag will be mailed back to you. If you have more than two dogs or need an additional copy of this form, it is available at:

<http://www.cityofwashburn.org/permits.html>

PLEASE PRINT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Owners Name _____

Street Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number _____

Name of Dog (1) _____ Male or Female – Neutered ____ Spayed ____

Color _____ Breed _____ Age _____

Date of Rabies Vaccination _____ Expires _____

Vaccine Manufacturer _____ Serial Number _____

Veterinarian _____

Name of Dog (2) _____ Male or Female – Neutered ____ Spayed ____

Color _____ Breed _____ Age _____

Date of Rabies Vaccination _____ Expires _____

Vaccine Manufacturer _____ Serial Number _____

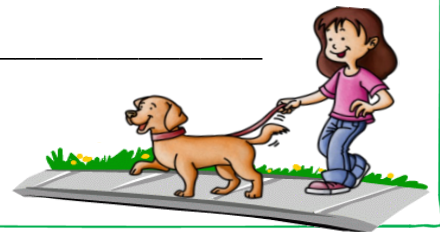
Veterinarian _____

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 **Coming up..**
Spring Primary Election
Tuesday, February 21, 2023

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



The diagram shows a red fire hydrant in the center. Two double-headed arrows extend horizontally from the hydrant, each labeled "3 feet", indicating the required clear zone. A path leads from the hydrant towards the right, where a snow shovel is shown clearing snow.