

SPRING 2023 NEWSLETTER

April, May, June



I don't know about you, but I am ready for spring!!

With the spring thaw, we hope to announce an official groundbreaking for the Dreamville Kaukauna Apartments. The twin, 5-story, 180-unit apartments will offer views of the river, as well as the downtown area. The site, vacant for 20+ years, will be answering the need for market-rate apartments within walking distance of many shops, bars, and restaurants. Units will be made up of studio, one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments and range from \$900.00 - \$2,500.00/month.

A Message from Mayor Penterman

There are two other developments we are working on in our Commerce Crossing Business Park (old Greyhound Dog Track). They are a 60+ room Grand Stay hotel and another 160-unit market rate apartment complex. As this and the Dreamville development will help address our housing needs in Kaukauna, they do not address our need for low-income housing. We will continue to look for developers for our much needed low-income housing.

Our Municipal Pool fundraising began in late December. We are looking to raise \$1 million of the \$6 million. Amenities will include a new bathhouse/concession stand, a splash pad, a new high speed 175 ft. closed flume water slide, an aqua climbing wall, and an 18-hole mini golf course on the underutilized hillside volleyball court area.

Mayor Anthony J. Penterman

COME WORK WITH US!

The City of Kaukauna has excellent employment opportunities waiting for you! Check out our website at this [link](#).

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT AT KAUKAUNA UTILITIES

300 Island Street, Kaukauna - enter from Elm Street

Kaukauna Utilities and the City of Kaukauna are hosting an electronics recycling event on Saturday, April 22 at the Kaukauna Utilities Warehouse Facility at 300 Island Street from 8:00am - 11:00am. Event details and types of electronic items that will be accepted are available [here](#).

SPRING CLEAN-UP

Week #1 - April 17-20, 2023

Week #2 - May 22-25, 2023

Leaves, garden debris, small sticks, and twigs MUST be in a Yard Master or equal 2-ply Kraft paper compost bag that are designed for yard waste disposal. These bags can be purchased at local hardware and grocery stores. Additionally, residents can use open containers with handles, no larger than thirty (30) gallons, and not weighing more than fifty (50) pounds. Plastic bags, grocery bags, and cardboard boxes containing yard waste will not be collected.



April Calendar Photo Submitted by Ron Powell

CONSIDER OUR CODE

The City of Kaukauna Common Council has recently added a Code Enforcement Officer to City Staff to address an increase in citizen concerns with various code violations found on properties throughout the City of Kaukauna. One can readily observe many of these violations, such as uncut weeds, untrimmed trees and shrubs encroaching on public sidewalks, storage of junk and debris, structures dilapidated or in disrepair, vehicles parked on lawns, storage of trailers and commercial vehicles on residential streets –and the list goes on.

I encourage all citizens to “Consider Our Code.” The Municipal Code is your City’s set of laws, and it covers all of those items mentioned above. While the general public typically has very little interaction with the City Attorney’s Office, on any given day we are busy addressing issues that impact our citizens, businesses, property owners, and visitors to our great City. One of the many roles that the City Attorney is responsible for is assisting City staff and departments in upholding and enforcing our Municipal Code. The Municipal Code has been enacted and amended by your elected alderpersons over the many years since Kaukauna first incorporated as a City under the laws of the State of Wisconsin in 1885. Our Municipal Code is a set of laws designed to ensure protecting and balancing the rights and responsibilities of all stakeholders in a civilized urban setting, to create a safe, peaceable and orderly City for all.

Violations of the code can result in citations, orders to remove or abate violating conditions, and additional financial penalties for failure to comply. These unfortunate results can be avoided if we all consider our community and our neighbors and take a moment to Consider our Code.

Citizens can review the Kaukauna Municipal Code at this [link](#).

Do you have property management complaints? Please contact our Code Enforcement Officer at 920.759.5608.

-Kevin W. Davidson, Kaukauna City Attorney

FIRST QUARTER SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

First quarter 2023 service anniversaries are listed below. Congratulations and thank you for your exemplary service!

1 Year

James Berven II - Library
Taylor Conger - Project Engineer
Lily Paul - Associate Planner
Shanon Swaney - HR Director
Terri Vosters - Community
Enrichment Service Director

5 Years

Jenny Schink - Library
Communications Coordinator
Brenda VandenHeuvel - PD Records
Clerk

10 Years

Brian Schaefer - Patrol

15 Years

Debra Nowak - Director/Naturalist at
1000 Islands

25 Years

Robert Momberg - Sergeant Police
Department
Craig Schneider - Assistant Fire Chief

BUILDING PERMITS

The City's building permit software has been updated and can now be reviewed 100% online. Whether you are a new user of the system or a returning one, **you will need to make a new account**. Simply go to the Building Inspection Department on the City's website and click the "permit applications" box on the top right of the page. From there you will be directed to Cloudpermit. Click "create now" and then follow the online prompts to make your account. You will now be ready to submit a permit. If you have any questions, contact the City Building Inspector at 920.766.6325.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Don't miss this great events:

- Library Spring Book Sale from April 26-29.
- Nature's Images Spring Art Fair at 1000 Islands on May 21 from 9:00am - 3:00pm.
- Kaukauna Pool is open the weekend of June 3 - 4 and opens for the season on June 9.
- Live! from Hydro Park Concert Series begins June 7 from 5:30pm - 8:30pm.
- Little Chute Community Band Concert at Grignon Mansion on Wednesday, June 14th from 7:00pm-8:00pm. Bring your lawn chairs.
- Kaukauna Farmers Markets begins on June 24 from 7:30am - noon.
- KATODA Free family swim night June 25.

WHITE GOODS POLICY

All major appliances must have a sticker before being placed out for collection. Stickers can be purchased at the Street, Park and Recreation (SPaR) office at 207 Reaume Avenue, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00am - 4:30pm.

- Refrigerant stickers (refrigerator, freezer, air conditioner and dehumidifier) are \$15.00.
- Non-refrigerant stickers (washer, dryer, stove, oven, dishwasher, microwave, furnace, and water heater) are \$10.00.

Please call the Street Department at 920.766.6337 with any questions.



May Calendar Photo Submitted by Porchoua Moua

SPRING PROGRAMS

Click [here](#) for spring programs from the Kaukauna Public Library, Grignon Mansion, and 1000 Islands Environmental Center. For other spring events in the City of Kaukauna, check out the Community Calendar, available on our website [here](#).

LANDSCAPE ORDINANCE

(FOR COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, INSTITUTIONAL, AND MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENTS)

- The Landscape Ordinance sets minimum landscaping requirements for new Commercial, Industrial, Institutional, and Multi-family developments. This ordinance was aimed at beautifying our community and increasing the tree coverage.
 - The number of trees and other landscaping is based on length of street frontage. For smaller properties less landscaping will be required and for larger properties more landscaping will be required.
 - This change will only affect new buildings and buildings that are putting on substantial additions. **These requirements do not apply to residential homes.**
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GARBAGE COLLECTION

In an effort to avoid property damage that is caused during automated garbage pick-ups, PLEASE maintain 4 FEET of clearance between your automated garbage can and any other items (i.e. mailbox, recycling containers, etc.). Also, please bag your garbage and tie your garbage bags before putting them into the collection containers to assist in keeping our neighborhoods clean. Please call 920.766.6337 with any questions.

DISPOSAL SITE

Access cards are available for City of Kaukauna *residents only* for a fee of \$25.00 per year (cards are valid for 365 days from purchase date). They can be purchased at our Streets, Parks, and Recreation (SPaR) building, 207 Reaume Avenue.

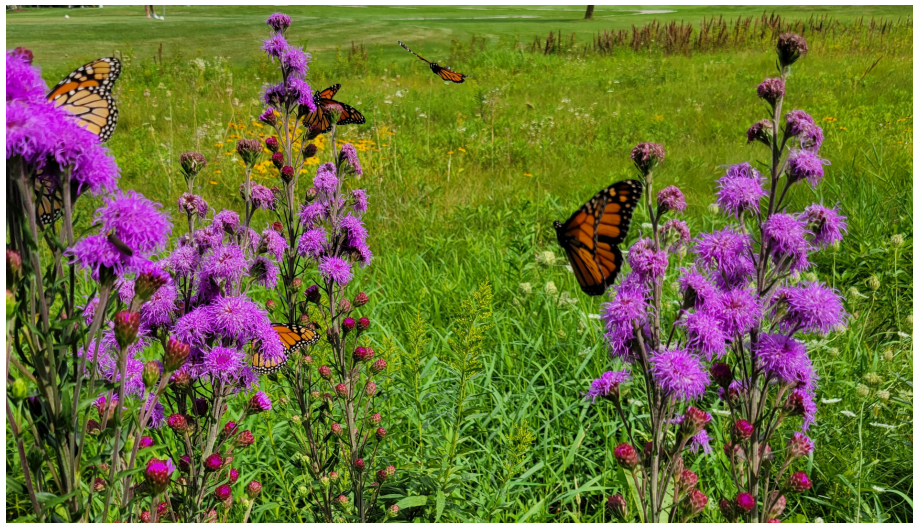
Location and hours of Disposal Site: The site is located at the intersection of W. Third St. and Bicentennial Ct., behind the SPaR building, and will be available to residents (via access card) from 6:30am-8:00pm, seven days per week.

When using the disposal site, please enter from W. Third St. and exit on Bicentennial Ct. **Please make sure to break down boxes before putting them into the dumpster.** Dumpsters overfill because of large boxes not being broken down.

CHICKENS IN THE CITY

Remember, a permit is required to have chickens within the City. Up to six hens can be kept within a well-maintained City approved coop and run area. Roosters and the breeding of chickens are not permitted. All permits are \$24.00 the permit must be renewed every year.

Permit available [here](#).



June Calendar Photo Submitted by Sandy Schaubroeck

TIRE COLLECTION

The City of Kaukauna will be conducting spring tire collection the week of **April 17-20, 2023** on your normal garbage collection day.

The Outagamie County Division of Solid Waste has agreed to collect tires from municipalities during the week of April 17-20 at no charge. Significant savings will be realized by the City of Kaukauna by having our spring tire collection coinciding with the County's free drop-off.

Kaukauna Street Department will collect a maximum of four (4) tires from residential customers only, rims must be removed. Tires still mounted on rims will not be picked up.

HOMEOWNERS USING HEAVY EQUIPMENT

Any homeowners planning a construction project within the City limits should be advised of the following City policies:

- Any contractor doing new or replacement work is required to remove and dispose of all construction debris at his expense. This includes tree removal and trimming.
- A homeowner using heavy equipment (backhoe, high lift, tractor, skid steer, etc.) is considered a contractor. Therefore, they are responsible for debris removal. The City will not pick up this debris.

BRUSH ORDINANCE

Brush is collected during the second full week of each month.

- Must be a minimum of 2' and a maximum of 6' in length. Brush 2'- 4' in length must be bundled and secured with twine or string.
- Bundles and/or branches shall not exceed 50# in weight. Bundles shall not be greater than 15" in diameter. Side branches on large limbs shall be removed.
- Must be placed at the curb or alley line no more than 24 hours prior to the time of collection. Maximum pile height shall not exceed 4'. Butt ends shall face the roadway.
- Roots shall be removed from brush.
- Brush shall only be placed for collection by the owner or occupant who performed the brush removal, not by any contractor performing such work. Contractor is responsible for removal of any brush created by his/her work.
- Brush placed for collection in violation of these requirements will not be collected.

