

FALL 2023 NEWSLETTER

October, November, December



And just like that it is already Fall, which means gearing up for the presentation of the 2024 annual budget. Budget timeline:

- September 19th - presentation of 5-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
- October 3rd - presentation of non-personnel items and proposed tax rate
- October 17th - presentation of personnel items to Council
- Week of October 23rd - budget books printed and distributed
- October 26th - submit public hearing notice to Clerk for Class 1 posting at least 15 days prior to hearing
- November 1st - proposed budget presentation to Committee of the Whole at 6pm
- November 21st - public hearing and budget adoption

A Message from Mayor Penterman

In 2024, we will continue to invest in our infrastructure, parks, and trails. We look to bring in several new commercial and industrial businesses to Commerce Crossing and our NEW Prosperity Industrial Park. We will also continue working with developers to identify sites for our much-needed low-income rental/housing stock.

Mayor Anthony J. Penterman

FALL PROGRAMS

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

NO LARGE/IRREGULAR GARBAGE PICK-UP IN NOVEMBER

Reminder that there is NO large and irregular garbage pick-up in the month of November. The reason for this is due to the large amounts of leaves that need to be collected in November and the number of staff it takes to get all routes completed. Large/irregular garbage and brush pick-up will resume in December.

STRING LIGHT RECYCLING

Do you have string lights that you no longer need or have stopped working? Please do not throw them in your garbage or curbside recycle bin. 1000 Islands Environmental Center accepts all string lights and will recycle them for you free of charge. Drop them in the bin by the main entrance door any time that is convenient for you. 1000 Islands Environmental Center is located at 1000 Beaulieu Ct., Kaukauna, WI. Please call 920.766.4733 with questions. Thank you for recycling!



October Calendar Photo Submitted by Allison Mischler

ANNUAL LEAF PICK-UP

October 16th - November 16th

WHERE: Rake leaves ONLY onto the terrace at the edge of pavement starting October 16th and ending on your normal garbage pick-up day the week of November 13th.

HOW: In LOW PILES so children cannot be hidden from motorists' view and close to the curb so as not to interfere with traffic. Leaf equipment can only reach 6' so this is important to keep crews moving through the routes. Do not put leaves in gutter, as they will plug the sewers. Give collection crew equipment room to work. Don't park close to leaf piles as city equipment is long and can't get the collection hose to piles if cars are in the way. Piles with cars in the way will not be collected. Try to keep piles away from trees and mailboxes to help collection crews and minimize the opportunity for property damage. Have out by 7:00 a.m.

WHEN: City crews will start collecting leaves on October 16th (North Side, Ward #1) and, thereafter, we will attempt to pick up on your normal garbage collection day and continue until final pick-up the week of November 13th.

WHAT: LEAVES ONLY! Grass and garden debris will not be picked up.

TRICK OR TREAT HOURS

Trick or treat hours will be from 4:00pm - 7:00pm on Tuesday, October 31, 2023.

THIRD QUARTER SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

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

1 Year

Kathryn Breitzman - Crossing Guard
Megan Brouch - Administrative Assistant
Kim Cackowski - Library Assistant
Becky Haen - Library Assistant
Kurt Ebben - Street Department
Donna Leicht - Library Assistant
Caleb Lyons - Police Department
Julianne Rief - Library Assistant
Jalissa Snyder - Crossing Guard

10 Years

Kurtis Vanderloop - Fire Department

25 Years

Jeffrey Moericke - Fire Department

WINTER/SPRING REC GUIDE

The winter/spring 2024 recreation guide comes out early December - keep a look out for it!

PLEASE TRIM YOUR TREES

City ordinance requires that tree limbs and branches are to be kept trimmed to provide a minimum of 8' clearance above sidewalks and 12' above streets. This clearance is needed so that pedestrians can safely use the public sidewalk. Brush collection by the City continues to be the second full week of every month. Please contact the Street Department with any questions - 920.766.6337.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Don't miss this great events:

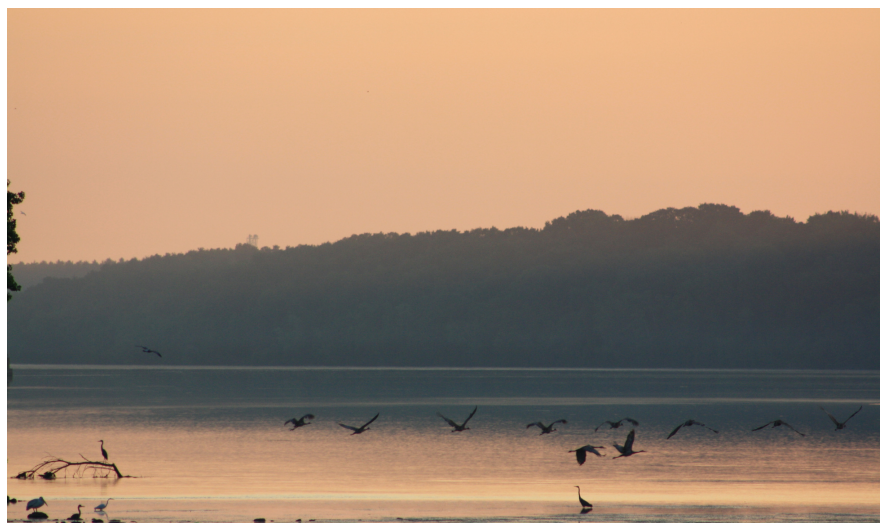
- The downtown Kaukauna Farmers Market runs through October 14th from 7:30a.m. - noon.
- Fall Fest is October 14th from 7:30a.m. - 2:00p.m.
- Winter Coat Drive at the Library on October 21st from 9:00a.m. - 1:00p.m.
- Trick-or-Treat on October 31st from 4:00pm - 7:00pm.
- Veterans Day Ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park on November 10th at 11:00a.m.
- Fall Library book sale on November 20th-22nd, 25th.
- 1000 Island Nature Center building closed November 23rd-24th (trails open for use)
- Kaukauna Utilities Presents a Library of Lights at the Library on December 1st at 5:30p.m.
- Electric City Christmas Parade on December 5th at 6:00p.m.
- 1000 Island Nature Center building closed December 25th (trails open for use)

WASTE ORDINANCE

In order to align with the City of Kaukauna's desire to be a clean, safe, and healthy community, and to provide effective, efficient, and timely collection of waste, the City has made updates to Municipal Code Section 11.11 – Waste Ordinance. Major changes include:

- Requirements to place and remove waste carts within one day of collection.
- Store carts away from the street or alley between collection dates.
- Providing guidance on cart placement for safe and efficient collection.
- Limiting large/irregular pickup to five items per home per collection.
- Changing the number of months for large/irregular collections.
- Changing City dumpster operations for collection outside of the downtown areas.

Please visit our website [here](#) to view more information about the updated ordinance.



November Calendar Photo Submitted by Amanda Hersperger

COME WORK WITH US!

The City of Kaukauna has excellent employment opportunities waiting for you! [Visit our website](#) for current openings!

FALL CLEAN-UP WEEK

Monday, October 30th - Thursday, November 2nd

Garden debris, small sticks, and twigs **MUST** be in the 2-ply Kraft paper compost bags or in an open container with handles not larger than thirty (30) gallons and not weighing more than fifty (50) pounds. Loose piles on terrace will not be collected. Plastic bags, paper bags, or boxes of any kind containing yard waste will not be collected. Note: there is a difference between a compost bag and a regular paper bag.

Grass clippings will be accepted. However, the City of Kaukauna and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources encourage residents to leave their grass clippings on the lawn. Lawn clippings are a good source of fertilizer and can also make excellent compost.

If there are any questions, call the Street Department office at 920.766.6337.

WINTER PARKING ORDINANCE

Winter parking ordinance goes into effect on December 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024. No parking on City streets between 2:00a.m. - 6:00a.m.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT UPDATE

- Wayfinding signs have been getting installed throughout the summer. All signs planned to be installed by October.
- The City is currently in the process of annexing 142 acres near Commerce Crossing, on the North side of Highway 41. The annexation is scheduled to be done by mid-October.
- 62 new homes have been built throughout the 2023 year, with a few active permits still in the que.
- Two new additions to the Industrial Park: Straightline, an industrial refrigeration fabrication and design company, and Tann Corporation, an air pollution control company specializing in the manufacturing and installation of thermal oxidizers, will both begin construction this fall.
- A new building façade ordinance was passed, for commercial districts, requiring certain façade materials to be used on the street facing side of the building. If you plan on constructing a new commercial building, please check with the Planning Department for the updated rules.
- A senior living facility known as “The Reserve” has obtained a special exception permit to build a five-story complex with a mix of independent, assisted living, and memory care units. The building plans to employ 85 full time staff and create a Class A living environment for the 55+ community.
- [Renew Kaukauna](#) is live. This program has grants available for downtown buildings. Exterior renovations, interior renovations, and beautification efforts are all covered under this grant.
- Two new murals are in the process of being finished in the downtown. A flower themed mural on the side of Uptown Girl Beauty and Boutique was finished this summer. A patriotic themed mural, on the side of Heritage Mall, is in the process of being painted.



December Calendar Photo Submitted by Tim Harvey