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The first day of spring on March 20 in Stevens Point was rung in with five to seven inches of snow blanketed across the city. Pictured here, the Westside Loop of the Green Circle Trail was covered in heavy wet snow that weighed down tree limbs that nearly touched the ground in some areas.

Katie Schimke Photo

Six candidates, three seats and two questions

School board election

BY KATIE SCHIMKE
STAFF REPORTER

STEVENS POINT – Six candidates are running for three seats to serve on the Stevens Point School Board in the April 1 election. Candidates include incumbents Jennifer Bushman and Barb Portzen, in addition to Marne Mercer, Kristina Smith, Miguel Campos, and Jeremy Lebrick. Miguel Campos and Jeremy Lebrick were contacted but did not respond by the time of publication.

What background and experience makes you the best qualified candidate in this race?

Bushman: I have demonstrated strong leadership, strategic expertise, and deep commitment to our schools. Elected as school board president after my first year, I have championed transparency, competitive teacher compensation, and expanded

learning options. With 20 plus years of experience leading teams in human resources, I understand how to attract and retain top educators. I began my career teaching at universities and now serve as Staff Vice President of Talent Management at a global Fortune 20 company, overseeing initiatives that impact over 100,000 associates. I have a long history of community service, including 10 years as president of the Stevens Point Junior Woman’s Club. As a parent with children in elementary, junior high, and high school, I am personally invested in student success. My ability to collaborate, make data-driven decisions, and lead high-performing teams ensures I will continue driving positive change for our schools.

Mercer: I have a unique background, encompassing both public service and business acumen. I spent many years in local government as a Detective/Sergeant in a Special Victims Unit and was decorated for my dedication to the safety

of highly-vulnerable citizens, including children. I am the only candidate who has had the unfortunate experience of working a school shooting, and I have an in-depth understanding of positions requiring integrity and public trust. I also have experience advocating for change at a state level. After my career in government, I went to work as an HR Professional for a global manufacturing corporation. My work now includes recruiting, developing, and retaining talent, executive coaching, and building a culture of trust and communication to ensure employees feel engaged and supported.

Portzen: Thirty three years of teaching experience at the secondary/collegiate levels, teaching business subjects like office skills, law, computer software, and others. I have served for 9 years on the SPAPSD board, advocating for students, staff, and the community. In addition, I serve on the board of Playhouse Theatre Group and work with kids all the time. My experience as an educator is a big plus to see both sides and decide what

is best for the district. My common sense approach helps me make appropriate choices relating to what happens in the classrooms.

Smith: As a mother, foster parent, and wife of a district employee, I understand the diverse needs of students, families, and educators. Balancing family life and education has given me a unique perspective on creating practical, results-driven solutions. I value collaboration, advocate for meaningful change, and work to bridge the gap between families, educators, and the community.

With a math degree from UWSP and 20+ years in insurance, I bring strong analytical and problem-solving skills. My leadership experience in developing data-driven solutions helps me approach challenges strategically, ensuring efficiency and accountability. This background allows me to make informed, student-focused decisions that drive success while fostering a responsible, results-oriented approach to education.

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FFA Alumni pushes back

Much more than a booster club

BY BERT LEHMAN
STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE – Members of the Clintonville FFA Alumni addressed the Clintonville Board of Education at its March 10 meeting, urging the board to approve a memorandum of understanding to rent district land to the FFA Alumni to plant and harvest crops on.

The first to address the board during the public comments portion of the meeting was Doug Behnke. Behnke said he is a dairy farmer and has been a member of the Clintonville FFA Alumni for more than 45 years. He urged the school board to approve a multi-year rental agreement between the school district and the FFA Alumni.

“Many members of the alumni have been assisting with the agriculture curriculum for years, and the agricultural education program has had many successful graduates over the years, both inside and outside agricultural careers,”

said Behnke. “Many alumni members are active in other activities within the district, as well.”

Behnke said his dairy farm has hosted tours for kindergarten students since 1991.

At the Feb. 24 Clintonville School Board meeting, Behnke said members of the board lumped the FFA Alumni with booster clubs in the district. He said members of the FFA Alumni took offense to that designation of the FFA Alumni.

“For 45 years, the (FFA) Alumni has been a support vehicle for the entire agricultural science program, not just an extracurricular activity,” said Behnke.

Stacy Havlik, president of the Clintonville FFA Alumni, said she was disappointed with the school board regarding the amount of time that has gone into the discussion about the FFA Alumni renting the district land to plant crops on, calling it “beyond absurd.”

She said the current ag teacher for the district is the seventh ag teacher in eight years for the district.

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Fatal crash: Polaris T-bones truck

CLINTONVILLE – At noon on March 21, an 87-year-old male from Marion drove a 2008 Polaris Ranger UTV heading south on Bennett Street and did not stop at the U.S. Highway 45/West Madison Street stop signs. The UTV smashed into a 2013 GMC Sierra pickup truck moving west on US Highway 45/ W. Madison Street.

Clintonville Police arrived at the scene and Clintonville Area Ambulance took the UTV driver to the Clintonville Airport to be picked up by ThedaStar helicopter. The man died from his severe injuries. The driver of the GMC pickup, a 46-year-old man, was not injured in the crash.

Jenson resigns, heading for Missouri

City searches for replacement

BY JAMES CARD
EDITOR

WAUPACA – Aaron Jenson, Waupaca’s city administrator, turned in his letter of resignation on March 18. It was addressed to Mayor Brian Smith and the city council. He said he wrote it with mixed emotions and explained the situation: his wife Jessie is getting close to getting her PhD and becoming a neuropsychologist. It’s a highly competitive field and she’s been commuting to Milwaukee twice a week. She recently matched with an internship at the University of Missouri in Columbia.

“Given the likelihood that her school requirements will keep her there for 3 years, we have made the decision to move our family to Columbia. There

are few things that could compel me to leave my current role, surrounded by such an excellent team of staff and elected officials, and one is commitment to family,” wrote Jenson.

He thanked Mayor Smith and the city council and complimented city staffers. “It has been an honor to work alongside such talented professionals who are committed to delivering the highest quality of service to their community,” he wrote. Jenson noted he will continue to work in the coming months to make a smooth transition. He said serving as the city’s administrator was “the opportunity of a lifetime.”

A day later, Mayor Brian Smith announced the city contracted with Innovative Public Advisors from West Bend to find Jenson’s replacement. They specialize in government executive searches.

The New London, Manawa, Weyauwega, Waupaca, and Fremont Fire Departments were dispatched to a structure fire at E7294 Guth Road at 10:12 p.m. Monday, March, 24. The fire caused substantial damage to Guth’s Resort. The fire is under investigation.

Photo courtesy of NLFCD

PUBLISHER’S LETTER

Protected Moments in Time: A Reflection on Love and Change

Dear Reader,

In life, we all experience what I'd call "protected moments in time"—those rare and powerful instances where everything feels eternal. Perhaps it was the day you fell in love and promised a "forever" to someone, or a life-changing experience where a vow to stay true felt as solid as the stars. In these moments, we see our highest ideals, our best selves, and we genuinely believe that nothing will shake that promise.

Yet life has a way of unfolding unpredictably. Years pass, circumstances change, and sometimes, so do we. We might find ourselves looking back at those once-immovable promises, wondering if they are still meant to shape our lives now. It's a complex question: Do we remain loyal to the person we once were, honoring that promise? Or do we let that moment live as a cherished memory, appreciating it for what it was, even if we have outgrown it?

As we grow, perhaps part of honoring these protected moments is acknowledging that they held real meaning and value, even if time has carried us in different directions. It's about asking ourselves how these moments can be preserved—not necessarily as obligations but as threads in the fabric of our lives. In this way, those precious promises don't have to be lost or broken; instead, they become a part of who we are today, even as we embrace the person we've become.

Opening this dialogue invites us to look at our lives with compassion, respect, and honesty. It allows us to honor our past without being held captive by it, and perhaps to understand that some promises were meant to live beautifully in memory, influencing us, but not confining us. In these reflections, we might find peace, and maybe even inspiration, to continue building moments worth protecting in the time we have.



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“Not only has she established her classes, curriculum, and budget for the 2025-26 academic year, but she has also restarted classes that have not run in four-plus years,” Havlik said. “The curriculum for the

next school year includes the land, which the school board has been determining the jurisdiction of. Without the land that is in the discussion, she will not be able to provide the students with the most interactive and invaluable education that we all know she can.”

Havlik added, “Has the school board thought about how the continuous battle between the agriscience department and the school board could affect the tenure of Mrs. Ellerbrock. There is a reason why we don't have a positive ag teacher retention, and I be-

lieve that is something you should reflect on.”

Havlik also emphasized that the FFA Alumni is not a booster club, asking how many of the district's booster clubs “give back to education.”

“This is about educating the students,” Havlik said.

Waupaca County Sheriff's report

- March 17 –A Waupaca man on Golke Road reported suspicious purchases made with his credit card.
- March 17 – A Waupaca man on Tammy Trail reported his brother was invading his privacy.
- March 17 –ThedaCare in New London reported a woman was in the ER for domestic abuse injuries. She was too afraid to report it. She was hit in the head with a garbage can.
- March 17 –A Fremont woman on County Trunk W reported two catalytic converters were stolen off of her vehicles.
- March 17 –A disabled New London man on Church Street reported an address where people park on the sidewalk. He asked them not to do that but they continue to park on the sidewalk.
- March 17 –A Waupaca woman on Cleghorn Road reported a suspicious white van with Ohio plates. Inside were a Hispanic male and a black

- male. They were reminding people to vote.
- March 17 –Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile runaway.
- March 17 –A Clintonville man on Old CC requested to speak to a deputy. He said he was disciplining his child and then the child claimed he was touching him/her inappropriately.
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- March 17 –A Waupaca woman on Kristin Lane reported a male said that he was going to take their children because he was upset with her. He said he was “going to disappear for the night.”
- March 17 –Eastside Pump N Much reported two women were in the game room for two hours and they left a child locked in their vehicle. The car started smoking so one got the child out of the vehicle while the other was still in the gaming room.
- March 17 –Rawhide

- Youth Services reported a juvenile runaway.
- March 18 –A Manawa man on Wolf Road reported illegal burning. He said the people at the address used to burn shingles in the past.
- March 18 –A New London woman on Beacon Avenue reported she got into an argument with her children's father.
- March 18 – A female caller reported illegal burning off of County Trunk X on Os-trander Road.
- March 18 – A Waupaca man on Covered Bridge Road reported someone broke into his garage while he was on vacation. A tire pump and hand sander were missing.
- March 18 – A Waupaca man on Churchill Street reported a stolen generator.
- March 19 –A Clintonville woman on Old CC reported one juvenile tried to strangle another juvenile in the home. They are separated. One has an ice pack, the other was still screaming.

- March 19 – An unknown caller reported his pellet stove was on fire and flames were spreading to the front of his home. He was calling from a land line and said he had to exit now.
- March 19 –A Weyauwega man on Hatton Road reported a male was being loud and was extremely intoxicated.
- March 19 –A Iola man on Woodland Drive reported a female was harassing him and his son over the phone. She said he was “sitting on her furnace and his Bluetooth is in her head.”
- March 20 –An unknown caller reported that sometime during the night, a person pulled into his driveway and walked around his home.
- March 20 – The Wisconsin veterans Home reported a possible case of elder abuse as a male resident had an injury of unknown origin.
- March 20 –A Fremont woman on State Highway 96 reported being defrauded out of \$15,000 for a vehicle purchase. The caller never received the vehicle and the money was not returned.
- March 20 –A Kwik Trip on Fulton Street in Waupaca reported a vehicle on fire close to the building.
- March 20 – A Marion man on Ramsdell Street reported receiving a Facebook message from a friend that someone in the house across the street is hiding under the bed with a gun and saying, “Help me.”
- March 20 –A Weyauwega man on County Trunk X reported he broke up with his girlfriend and she took his

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Waupaca NEWS



A view from the loft at Danes Hall at the 2024 Waupaca Arts Show, this year the show will take place April 12-16 at Danes Hall. Submitted Photo

Best local art on display, for sale

Art show starts April 12

BY EMILY DOUD
STAFF REPORTER

WAUPACA – With its start in 1963, the Waupaca Art Show is still thriving as it enters its 62nd year as artists prepare to show off their work at Danes Hall from April 12 to the 16.

Last year 148 artists submitted over 350 pieces of artwork to display at the Danes Hall at 301 North Main Street. The show brought in over \$7,000 in artwork sales. Artwork can be purchased by the public which can be picked up April 16 at the close of the show. There is a small commission fee that goes to the Waupaca Fine Arts Festival (WFAF) for all art sales.

The Fine Arts Festival organization in Waupaca is made of three parts: the community choir and civic orchestra, the community theatre and the Waupaca Art Show.

Tricia Price and Matt Lawniczak, both art teachers in the Waupaca School

District, were asked to take over the role of organizing the show eight years ago, Price said when they were approached they were told they didn't know who else to turn to. Price said she attributes the continued success of the art show to not only the organization that runs the art show, but also to the community and artists who support the arts as a whole.

There was also \$1,100 in awards given out in 2024, something Price said she hopes to increase in 2025. The judges this year are Andrew Rubin, a professor in relief printmaking and lithography, and Kagen Dunn, a professor of glass-making. Both are from the University of Wisconsin – Madison.

For artists

Artists can register online or by mail with up to six pieces of artwork per artist, registration is found online at <https://fineartsfestival.org/waupaca-art-show>. Artists will need to be registered by April 6.

There is a fee per piece of

artwork: \$25 per piece for professionals, \$20 per piece for non-professionals and \$5 per piece for high school students. Price said these fees cover the judges, band and awards, saying there is a lot involved.

“You don't make money on this event,” Price said. “We come close to breaking even sometimes, but our board just thinks it's such a great event that brings people together. They just keep supporting us financially as well as in other ways as well.”

The schedule

The five day event starts April 12 with an opening night celebration from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. that is open to the public. The Granite Cellar will be open for drinks and food and the artwork will be displayed on the second and third floors. Live music will be provided by Daddio, playing from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Price said that there can be hundreds of people that pass through the doors during these opening celebrations.

The judges will critique the submitted artwork on Sunday, with the show being closed to the public from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Danes Hall will open to the public from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

From 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. the judges will take to the podium to talk about the artwork and artists are on hand to talk about why they chose the pieces they did.

“Artists really like to come and hear that because after you're done with college or if you're not actively taking art classes, you don't really get that feedback about your artwork from somebody who is really a professional high up in the field,” said Price.

The exhibition will be open April 14 and 15 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. for the public to view the artwork. The show will also be open April 16 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be docents scheduled throughout the day to answer questions and help in any way as well as to watch over the artwork as a whole.

Two vie for Farmington chair

One contested seat in Dayton

BY JAMES CARD
EDITOR

WAUPACA – Town of Farmington Board Supervisors Phillip Durrant and Craig Nelson are up for reelection and are running unopposed. Kathy Kasza and Kevin Will are running for the Farmington Town Board Chairperson seat. The Waupaca County Post contacted each candidate to learn more about them and their views.

What makes you a good candidate for a town chair?

Kasza: With 40 years of experience in Wisconsin local municipal finance, which includes 8 years as Finance Director for the City of Waupaca, I bring a wealth of expertise to this role. Recently, I served as the Town of Farmington Clerk-Treasurer for 2 years, gaining familiarity with daily town operations and current issues. This extensive background has equipped me with the skills necessary to manage our town's finances effectively and navigate the intricacies of local government. I believe that my experience and dedication can help address the concerns of our community, foster a stronger sense of unity, and ensure that every voice is heard. By prioritizing transparency and enhancing communication, we can work together to create a more informed and engaged town.

Will: My experiences have prepared me to fulfill this position: 15 years as a private business owner, 35 years in public service, four-term county board supervisor, prior town chairperson, current co-board chairs (law enforcement and human services), vice chair (legislative and judicial), treasurer for CAP Services Board of Directors and Rotary member.

What are the most pressing issues to the residents of Farmington and how would you address those issues?

Kasza: The town must diligently monitor changes in state and federal funding to ensure the continuity of essential services. Furthermore, the town will need to continue addressing road conditions, which are a significant concern for both the town and its residents, without increasing taxes. During my tenure as clerk-treasurer, I established a new website to provide the public with information about the town's activities. I aim to continue and expand this initiative by utilizing other platforms to keep residents informed about important matters addressed by the town and to facilitate communication between residents and the board. I hope to promote more citizen involvement by providing this opportunity to connect.

Will: I would prioritize the maintenance of our 78 miles of roads, provide quarterly public listening sessions, Zoom all public meetings and archive them, base decisions on public input and maintain the town's current mill rate.

Town of Dayton

In the Town of Dayton, Town Supervisor Brett Grams is running for reelection and is challenged by Susan Popham. To learn more about both candidates and their views, the Waupaca County Post contacted Grams via his email listed on the town of Dayton website and contacted Popham via Facebook messenger. Neither of them replied back.

Town Chairman Jeff Barlow, Town Clerk Wanda Hiltgen and Town Treasurer Brenda Hewitt are up for reelection and are running unopposed.

No-competition elections

One new candidate, rest incumbents

BY JAMES CARD
EDITOR

WAUPACA – Nicolas Genske is the only new candidate in the Waupaca School Board election. Board president Ron Brooks is running for reelection and educator and board member Dale Feldt is not running for reelection. There are two spots open with Brooks as

an incumbent and Genske as an unopposed candidate.

Vice President Steve Klismet, Treasurer Molly McDonald, Board Clerk Betty Manion, and board members Bob Adams and Lori Verhalen are not up for reelection this year.

City council

There are five alderpersons on the Waupaca City Council that are up for reelection. No candidates have filed papers to run against any them. Running unopposed

on the ballot will be Collin Dykstra (Wards 5 and 10), Cory Nagel (Wards 1 and 8), Dmitri Martin (Wards 4 and 6), Paul Hagen (Wards 2 and 7) and Scott Purchatzke (Wards 3 and 9).

Mayor Brian Smith, Council President Paul Mayou (Wards 3 and 9), Dave Peterson (Wards 1 and 8), Eric Halverson (Wards 4 and 6), Eric Olson (Wards 2 and 7), Henry Veleker (Wards 5 and 10) are not up for reelection this year.

Waupaca turns 150

WAUPACA – The Waupaca Historical Society and the Waupaca Area Public Library arranging an outdoor photograph exhibit to celebrate the City of Waupaca's 150th anniversary. It will be on display from Saturday, April 5 through the beginning of August. It will be located at the city square bandstand.

The panels will focus on highlights in the City of Waupaca's last 150 years

through photographs and captions. The City's official 150th anniversary is Sunday, April 6. To celebrate this anniversary, along with the 125th anniversary of the Waupaca Area Public Library this year, there will be cake and a story time on Saturday, April 12. The story time and activity will be at 10 a.m. in the children's department of the library, along with cake in the atrium between the library

and city hall from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to check out the display around the bandstand during the event.

This exhibit and celebration are made possible through the Waupaca Historical Society, Waupaca Area Public Library and the City of Waupaca. For more information on the exhibit visit www.waupacahistoricalsociety.org.

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Stevens Point NEWS



Riders at the Heartland Equestrian Center competed in various classes. These shows are open to the public and free to watch. The next one in Custer is April 19.
Katie Schimke Photo

Riders, horses compete

BY KATIE SCHIMKE
STAFF REPORTER

CUSTER – Splashes of spring made itself known during the March horse show at Heartland Equestrian Center with sunshine

and melting snow. On March 22, equestrians from across Wisconsin gathered at Heartland to compete in large classes ranging from halter, showmanship, saddleseat, equitation, western, and more. Class sizes

ranged from an impressive fourteen to twenty eight entries. Judge Karla Kegley had to make some tough decisions with an abundance of entries and awarded each class from first to sixth place.

Heartland Equestrian Center's shows are free to the public to watch but require class and stall fees for competitors. The next show will be held on April 19 at 8:00 a.m., located at 7510 Deer Road, Custer.

Gibson finalist for UW-Milwaukee top spot

STEVENS POINT – Chancellor Thomas Gibson from the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point has been selected by a committee as one of four finalists to become the tenth leader of UW-Milwaukee, as announced by Universities of Wisconsin President Jay Rothman. Chancellor Gibson is the fifteenth chancellor of the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point and had held the position since Jan. 11, 2021.

Candidates will participate in separate campus forums, offering opportunities for students, faculty, staff, and community members



Chancellor Thomas Gibson
Photo courtesy of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

to interact directly with them. The finalists will also take part in a public conversation.

Local bridge action

STEVENS POINT – On March 17, the social bridge winners at the Lincoln Center were Jan and Dave Schill, Mark Thomas, and Jeanette Glisczynski. Call Rose Marie at 715-341-1654 by Wednesday to play.

On March 20, the duplicate bridge winners at the Lincoln Center were Dan Stoil and Jean Singh, Gene Clark and Mary Jacobson, Tom Rowe and Art Flashinski. New members are welcome.

On March 2, the duplicate bridge winners at the Lincoln Center were Gene Clark and Nancy Quick, Mary Jacobson and Debbi Martin, Barbara Ringberg and Jeanette Glisczynski. If you are interested in playing duplicate bridge or taking a bridge class, call Sandy Davis at 715-252-3365.

One sweet festival

STEVENS POINT – YMCA Camp Glacier Hollow will host its 2nd Annual Maple Syrup

Festival on Saturday, March 29 from 9 a.m. to

12 p.m. The event will be held at Camp Glacier Hollow, located at 9289 Pavelski Road in Amherst Junction. It is free and open to the public.

There will be a free pancake breakfast, live maple syrup tapping demonstrations and guided bird and tree identification walks. Tapped Maple Syrup and

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ELECTION

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If elected, what is a pressing issue you will address?

Bushman: I will continue working to narrow the academic achievement gap. Every student deserves access to a high-quality education, and we must ensure all learners—regardless of background—have the support they need to succeed. I will advocate for data-driven strategies, targeted interventions, expanded tutoring, mentoring programs, and enhanced professional development for educators. Strengthening partnerships between schools, families, and the community will be key to ensuring every student has the resources to thrive. With experience in talent development and workforce readiness, I understand the importance of equipping students with the skills they need for lifelong success. By prioritizing academic excellence, individualized support, and strong family connections, we can create a stronger educational environment where all students reach their full potential.

Mercer: The most pressing issues I would address are improving student achievement and reducing learning gaps. The State of Wisconsin has the widest achievement gaps in the US, and local students are struggling to pass some math classes at a rate of more than 25% (most notably pre-Algebra and Algebra II). Research consistently shows that the single biggest impact to student success is an engaged teacher, so the way to improve student achievement is through recruiting and supporting

quality teachers and staff. In addition, we should continue to provide and expand opportunities for students to address their physical and mental health needs. Children perform best when they have a safe and welcoming environment in which to learn.

Portzen: I'm passionate about doing something about bullying (including cyber bullying) and disruptive behaviors. We have policies; now we HAVE TO enforce them. I would love to get a group of parents together and decide on proper consequences that most could agree on. Parents and staff working together would be a step in the right direction. Face it, we parents aren't versed in how to handle all these situations!

Smith: Student success is our top priority, requiring both retaining high-quality teachers and the flexibility to educate students effectively. Since 2020, burnout has led many educators to leave due to stagnant pay, changing policies, limited support, and rising student needs. To retain teachers, districts must improve compensation, offer mental health support, increase schedule flexibility, and strengthen communication. Building a supportive educational community ensures collaboration and recognition for all staff. The education gap remains a challenge, especially for disadvantaged students. As a foster parent, I've seen the need for personalized learning. By focusing on individual strengths, critical thinking, and adaptability, we can equip students with lifelong skills, empowering them for future success regardless of their circumstances.

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ClintonvilleNEWS

Board agrees to rent land to FFA Alumni

Approval came on the second motion

BY BERT LEHMAN
STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE – After discussing the matter over the course of several meetings, the Clintonville Board of Education finally agreed to rent school district land to the Clintonville FFA Alumni so crops can be planted and harvested on the land.

The FFA Alumni had been planting crops on the land, but didn't have a formal agreement with the district. It now has a formal agreement with the district, as the board approved at its March 10 meeting, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that will last five years that will allow the FFA Alumni to plant and harvest crops on the land. In exchange, the FFA Alumni will give the district all the profits from the harvesting of crops on the land. The MOU also encourages students to participate in the FFA Alumni's activities on the land.

The approved MOU was the second attempt by the board at the meeting to approve an agreement with the Clintonville FFA Alumni.

Board discussion

Regarding the rent paid to plant crops on the land, the board was presented two options. The first option was for the FFA Alumni to pay the district the profits it made from the crops harvested on the land. The second option was for the FFA Alumni to pay a flat annual fee. Any profits above the annual fee would then be kept by the FFA Alumni.

After being presented the options for the MOU, board member Glen Drew Lundt made a motion to extend the MOU to the Clintonville FFA Alumni. As part of the motion, Lundt added several other items to the motion. One item added to the motion was extending similar MOUs to other clubs that want to use district assets.

Board President Ben Huber, who was attending the meeting via phone, told Lundt the board could not discuss its current meeting, extending similar MOUs to clubs wanting to use district assets because that was not on the meeting's agenda.

"If you wish to look at those things in the future, that's a possibility, but that would not be allowable tonight," Huber said.

Lundt also included in the motion, requiring the FFA Alumni to provide the board with receipts documenting business transactions regarding the land and requiring students to participate in the

FFA Alumni's activities on the land. The original MOU presented stated student participation was "encouraged."

"If we're truly doing this for the students, why can't we require it?" Lundt asked.

Clintonville Superintendent Troy Kuhn asked Danielle Ellerbrock, agriculture teacher for the Clintonville School District, if she objected to changing the MOU to read students were required to help.

"I think encouraged is enough, in my opinion," Ellerbrock said.

Lundt claimed that there had been offers to the district of \$200 per acre to rent the school land.

"We either need to make it about the students, which I highly encourage, or, lets get enough money so you can do what you need to do, because it doesn't seem that it's working the way it is," Lundt said.

Klint Barkow, said he appreciated members of the FFA Alumni being present at recent school board meetings. He added that it would be easy for the district to rent the land to a local farmer.

"Those farmers that we talk about, they haven't been here (school board meetings), the FFA (Alumni) has, so that speaks a lot to me," Barkow said.

When clarifying his motion, Lundt said he wanted the MOU to be for three years.

Board Treasurer Jason Moder seconded the motion.

Because extending similar MOUs to other clubs using district assets wasn't on the meeting's agenda and couldn't be discussed, Lundt amended the motion to exclude that portion.

During further discussion, Huber recommended that the board approve a five-year lease with the FFA Alumni. "We've spent enough time on this issue, these are long-term, good tenants," Huber said. "I think they'll be long-term, good tenants going forward as well."

Lundt said he'd prefer a three-year contract, adding that if things go well those first three years, the contract would be extended.

"We don't do long contracts, I don't think with anything else," Lundt said. "So, why put ourselves out there. I think this is a huge step to us all working together for three years."

Huber said most agriculture contracts are for five years.

Board member Mark Zachow said he agreed with Huber on making it a five-year contract.

"The FFA Alumni has been here meeting after meeting after meet-

ing," Zachow said. "They have supported this for years, and I think all we're trying to do with all these requirements and hoops they need to jump through, and coming up with receipts and all this kind of stuff, is ridiculous. I think we need to support them. That's what the school board is supposed to do. We support the students."

When the board voted on Lundt's motion, it failed by a 3-4 vote. Barkow, Lundt, and Moder voted for the motion.

Immediately after the vote, Lundt asked if the length of the MOU was the reason other board members voted against the motion. He then made the same motion, except for making the MOU for five years instead of three years. The motion did not receive a second.

Huber then made a motion to accept the MOU as presented for a period of five years, including the rent being the profit made by the FFA Alumni on the crops harvested on the district land. The motion left in place students are encouraged to help with the FFA Alumni's activities on the land. Also, the district would not require the FFA Alumni to submit receipts regarding business transactions regarding the crops on the land. Zachow seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 6-1 vote. Lundt voted against the motion.



Jim Carmody presents a check from the Waupaca County Tavern League to Jim Campbell, co-founder of Never Forgotten Honor Flight, which flies veterans who served from 12/7/1941 to 5/7/1975 to Washington, D.C. to see their memorials for \$250. The Wisconsin Tavern League will provide a matching fund.

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A score for Thor

CLINTONVILLE – At 2:30 a.m. on March 21, Clintonville police pulled over a vehicle on East Green Tree Road for a number of traffic violations. K9 police dog Thor was along and smelled trouble. Thor alerted officers there were controlled

substances in the vehicle. A search turned up drug paraphernalia and 32.9 grams of methamphetamine.

They arrested the driver, a 29-year-old Clintonville man, and he was charged with Possession with Intent to Distribute Methamphetamine and Possession

of Drug Paraphernalia. He also got hit with traffic offenses: operating a motor vehicle without insurance, not registering the vehicle, and improperly displaying the registration. He is currently in the Waupaca County Jail.

D-4 election correction

CLINTONVILLE – In the article previewing the District 4 City Council election in Clintonville in the March 20 issue of the Clintonville Tribune-Gazette, Tom Lederer's answer to the final question was mistakenly cut off. In fairness to both candidates, the question and their

complete answers to the question are listed below.

Why should residents in your district vote for you?

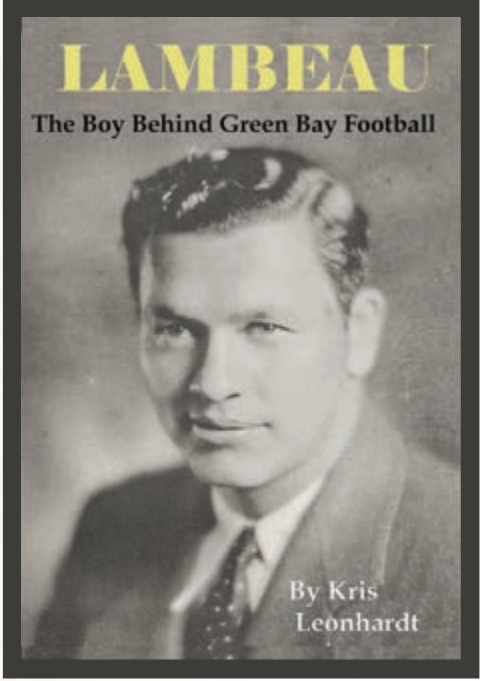
Tom Lederer: I want to continue the service I do with our city council. I listen to everyone, whether

within my district or not. I communicate with those who can do the best for all in Clintonville. I do not have time to be negative or judgmental. I am positive. I will be the better choice.

Jeannie Schley: I am concerned with the direction we are going and feel I could make a difference.

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LAMBEAU
The Boy Behind Green Bay Football
By Kris Leonhardt

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From the streets of Green Bay, Lambeau developed a passion for football and grew that yearning into a football team that would exist long past his lifetime.

Like the Packers, Lambeau’s story is a tale of adversity and challenge, but also a story of triumph and perseverance. While his personal life and professional career were wrought with challenge, his legacy continues to resonate in the Green Bay community, including a massive structure along Lombardi Avenue that shines a light on his contribution to the professional team.

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New London & Hortonville NEWS

Three school board candidates vie for two seats

BY BERT LEHMAN
STAFF REPORTER

NEW LONDON – Three candidates will be on the April 1 ballot of the spring election for two seats on the New London Board of Education.

Current board member Holly Schweitzer is up for reelection and will be on the ballot. Also on the ballot will be Andy Thorpe and Patricia Toney.

The New London Press Star recently sent a list of questions to the three candidates to get their views on issues important to the district. To help inform voters on where the candidates stand on these issues, the questions and their responses are listed below.

Why do you want to serve on the New London Board of Education?

Holly Schweitzer: My husband and I are parents to five kids, with two in elementary, one in middle school, and one in college. I embody the spirit of our school and community, and I believe we need leaders from various backgrounds. The focus should be on our kids, not on personal agendas or vendettas.

Andy Thorpe: I have it in my heart to serve my community that I grew up in. With my own children just starting in the district, I want what's best for them and all students. I'm honest and aim to be a strong voice for parent input. I believe in preserving traditional values, such as ensuring girls' sports and bathroom/locker room spaces are protected for biological females. I also believe parents should have the ability to opt their children out of situations they find inappropriate. Additionally, I want to improve tech education opportunities. I'm proud to have the support of the Waupaca County Republican Committee and the Moms for Liberty Chapter of Waupaca County.

Patricia Toney: I have lived in New London for over 44 years – this is my home. As a member of this community, I believe that being involved is my way of giving back. My adult children graduated from the New London School District, both are successful, and they learned academics, citizenship and social skills. I believe that children and youth need to be given the opportunity to excel success-



Schweitzer



Thorpe



Toney

fully, meaning we are open to expanding their life experiences and their lifelong learning. I want to be a representative of our school board and the school culture to support ALL students to realize their full potential and to feel they are a part of something so much more regardless of their specific culture, background, color, nationality or identity.

What are your qualifications to serve on the New London Board of Education?

Schweitzer: As an incumbent running for my second term, I feel comfortable and confident in my role. I also believe it's important that I have kids attending our school. As a parent, there's a different level of communication, and it's nice to see what's coming home from our schools. For the last 15 years, I've worked as an administrator at a financial institution serving our community along with countless hours of volunteering.

Thorpe: My qualifications come from real-world experience in construction, manufacturing, and running my own business—where I developed a strong work ethic, learned the value of teamwork in achieving a common goal, practiced fiscal responsibility, and understood the importance of delivering quality service that meets customer needs. But more importantly, they come from being a dedicated father who cares deeply about the direction of our children's education. I have the backbone to stand up for what is morally right for our students' well-being. I believe in being transparent, trustworthy, and honest—always showing up and working hard to produce the best outcomes for our students, teachers, and community.

Toney: My career as a registered nurse, a school counselor and a Licensed Professional counselor has prepared me to consider the multiple issues that our children and families

face. My nursing career focuses on community and public health which encompasses physical, emotional, academic and social health. I have been involved in numerous organizations, committees (CHAT), and community/chamber events (Women's Wellness and City Revitalization). Being a part of the committees, previous boards (including MOH and MPB School Board), and teams qualify me to be solution-oriented and working together with no personal agenda but with a community focus instead.

What do you feel is the most important issue that the New London School District will need to address in the next three years?

Schweitzer: We have four main challenges: funding, declining enrollment, test scores and a teacher shortage.

Thorpe: The COVID-19 shutdown had a widespread impact on students, not just academically but also socially and emotionally. The extended lockdowns lasted too long, and the science did not support keeping schools closed for such an extended period. Isolation and lack of socialization during critical developmental years left many students struggling to rebuild social skills and emotional resilience. These challenges may not be as immediately visible as academic setbacks, but they have lasting effects. While efforts have been made to catch up academically, the emotional and social gaps remain significant. Families are still feeling the consequences, and addressing these issues must be a priority to ensure students regain the confidence and connections they lost.

Toney: Being fiscally responsible for our community is an important issue with possible cuts to school budgets due to state proposals, voucher programs and loss of revenue from the U.S. Department of Education. There must be

a “draw” to our community for individuals and families to want to come to our district. School boards and individuals must be proactive in voicing the needs of our district to legislators, stressing the value of educational costs. Also to ensure student achievement, attendance and parental involvement, students must feel safe, valued, accepted, and feel their contribution is worthy. Safety, physically and emotionally, is an absolute necessity for a student to be able to learn and achieve. Safety and security ensure an environment that focuses on learning and students' welfare.

If you were elected to the board, how would you help the district deal with that issue?

Schweitzer: As a board member, I am able to collaborate, encourage, bring ideas, and make suggestions; however, everything ultimately goes through the board as a whole.

Thorpe: If elected to the board, I would focus on supporting our teachers by ensuring they have the resources to keep academics moving in a positive direction. I would advocate for expanding Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), recognizing how important they are for students, including my own child. I would also push for peer mentorship programs where older students who have adjusted well can support their peers. Increasing extracurricular activities and clubs is key for helping students build confidence, learn teamwork, and find safe spaces to socialize. Finally, I would encourage greater family and community engagement through town halls, workshops, and support groups to help parents navigate these challenges.

Toney: To be an active board member we must continue to learn. Being involved and learning about the present state proposals, how this affects the school budget, voicing concerns to our legislation, being proactive to look at other ways to offer services with fresh eyes is my first step. Lifelong learning is a necessity. Public education is the foundation for what lies ahead – and the environment, instruction, awareness for what a healthy community looks like begins in our schools. Supporting our teachers and

encouraging student groups to embrace and take ownership with initiatives on achievement, attendance and safety/security improves the culture and climate of the school. I will be present and supportive to initiatives that focus on the concerns.

The relationship between the school board and district staff has been a topic of discussion recently. If elected to the board, how would you go about improving the relationship between the school board and district staff?

Schweitzer: Although I believe we support our teachers very strongly, relationships are a two-way street; therefore, we must work together to achieve better communication and understanding of each other.

Thorpe: If elected, I would start by making sure district staff knows I recognize and appreciate their hard work. It's important to show them that I support them and understand the challenges they face. I would focus on fostering open communication, actively listening to their concerns, and ensuring that we work together to address any needs or challenges they may have. I would always strive to be approachable and open to hearing what they think, making sure they feel comfortable sharing their ideas and concerns. Building trust and collaboration with district staff would be a priority to create a more positive and effective working environment for everyone.

Toney: To enhance connection, relationships need to be built. Schools, businesses, and communities are built with efforts to improve personal and professional relationships. Are students and staff included in discussion groups? Are community organizations and the school district working together on projects? Are board members present and actively visible in the school day with staff? When we feel we are a part of something and have ownership in something, we will feel more connected and linked into our efforts. As a board member, I am representing the needs of ALL individuals and have no per-

sonal agenda but looking at representation for all. Building relationships means I listen, I learn, I support, and I value. This will be my plan.

Why should district residents vote for you?

Schweitzer: While running for a second term, I can say that I stayed true to my first campaign promises by voting in favor of securing the school forest, supporting transparency for parents, voting in favor of open forums at all meetings, and recording both special and regular meetings. I also said yes to auto tech and continued to support our trades. As the only sitting board member with children in both our elementary and middle schools, I offer a unique perspective. I want our students to leave here college or career ready.

Thorpe: I want to serve on the New London Board of Education to help create a school district where students thrive, teachers feel valued, and parents have a voice. Our schools should be a place where educators want to inspire, stay, and make a lasting impact because they know their work matters and is recognized. I want to advocate for parents in our community, listen to their concerns, and work with them to find solutions that support their children's success, both inside and outside the classroom. By focusing on academic excellence, strong values, and open communication, we can build a school district that truly serves the best interests of students, families, and educators.

Toney: As a resident of New London for over 44 years, as a qualified candidate with experience on boards, committees, organizations, as a professional RN, school counselor and Licensed Professional counselor, I believe that my experiences have secured my ability to work together for our school and community. Our children and youth are our future. They are the next generation to make a difference. I am willing to serve our school community, and strongly believe: in the unique abilities of every individual, all students deserve success, listening to others to learn and hear a different perspective, teamwork, and I believe in service to others and being proactive to find solutions.



Emma Freeman, 7, and Phoebe Millard, 10, study the bubbles off the Tri-County Overhead Door float Saturday, March 22 during the 41st Annual St. Patrick's Parade in New Dublin. Tri-County's parade entry received this year's Grand Marshall Award.

John Faucher photo

Sun shines on 41st annual parade

Winners announced

BY JOHN FAUCHER
STAFF REPORTER

NEW LONDON – Sunny skies emerged for the 41st Annual St. Patrick's Parade in New Dublin. This year's event saw temperatures hover around the mid-30s' in the shade, as 117 parade entries rolled through the city's newly reconstructed downtown.

"I thought it was very high quality," said Melissa Mulroy, a past Irish Rose, who has also emceed the parade since its beginnings.

"It was sunny and that was the most important thing. That puts everyone in a good mood. Yeah, it was cold but the sun came smiling

through," said Mulroy. She said the new downtown was great as she gave the city's street and park employees a big thanks.

"The city crew does so much," said Mulroy.

"They are there to do anything they can whether it's shoveling snow or getting bleachers out. They also play a big role in putting up flags, and working safety by barricading the streets with plows and heavy equipment to prevent unwanted traffic threats," said Mulroy.

She said this year's parade seemed well attended from her perspective calling the entries with co-emcee Leah Looker in front of the dignitary booth.

"There were six to eight people deep going down North Water Street, it was

fabulous," she said.

Mulroy encouraged anyone who could not attend the parade or Thursday night's family program to look them up on the City of New London's website and view the programs.

Parade winners

She said the Shamrock Club of New Dublin would like to thank all of this year's sponsors. The 2025 Parade Awards are as follows: Best musical entry, Echoes of Camp Randall. Best non-commercial entry, The Golden Girls of Milwaukee, Best commercial entry, Ellsworth Creamery, Mike Coyle Memorial Award, The Golden Girls of Milwaukee and the Grand Marshal Award went to Tri-County Overhead Door.

Two candidates vie for D-4 council seat

BY BERT LEHMAN
STAFF REPORTER

NEW LONDON – Current common council member Tim Roberts is being challenged by Jeffrey Gulbrandsen for a seat on the New London Common Council in the April 1 election to represent District 4 in the city.

The New London Press Star recently sent a list of questions to the two candidates to get their views on issues important to the city.

To help inform voters on where the candidates stand on these issues, the questions and their responses are listed below.

Why do you want to be a member or remain a member of the New London Common Council?

Jeffrey Gulbrandsen: I am looking to become a member of the New London Common Council as an Alderman for District 4 mainly because I feel that I am at a point in my life where I can contribute and make more of a difference. I feel that I can work with anyone constructively to come up with solutions and resolve issues with the best outcome possible. While talking with constituents from all over New London, issues of false informa-



Gulbrandsen



Roberts

tion and misinterpretation were brought up. I believe in finding the truth and presenting the facts, even if false information would make me look better.

Tim Roberts: I want to continue serving the constituents of the Fourth District as well as the rest of the community. Being the voice of the people, voting how the citizens want me to vote on issues that are important to them and keep them informed as to how their tax dollars are being spent. I want to continue to initiate discussion and contemplation within the council.

What are your qualifications to serve on the common council?

Gulbrandsen: The most important qualification is that I am a long-time resident of New London. I have lived in New London for almost 45 years. I believe my background in sales also helps to solidify

my qualifications. I work with customers that vary in size from small businesses to multi-million-dollar federal entities and am comfortable talking with everyone from end users to CFOs. I am detail driven and enjoy digging into issues, getting all the facts, and then presenting my conclusions. I feel that research and facts are king. I'm easy to get along with and enjoy listening and talking to everyone.

Roberts: I have been the District 4 Alderman for the last four years and have proven myself as a true representative of the people. I have voted with the people's best interest in mind after I have been out in the community speaking with constituents of all walks of life. I have experience with budgeting as I run a local business. I am available to discuss with all citizens of New London any concerns or questions they may have.

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Wega-Fremont NEWS

Two contested seats on W-F school board

BY JAMES CARD
EDITOR

WEYAUWEGA – There are two contested spots on the April 1 ballot for seats on the W-F School Board. For the Towns of Lind and Saxeville and Waupaca, incumbent Trisha Loehrke is up against Joanie Buss. For the Village of Fremont, Board President Doug Ehrenberg is in competition with Ben Selsing. For the Towns of Bloomfield and Wolf River, board member Brad Gerrits is up for reelection and he is running unopposed. The Waupaca County Post contacted the candidates to learn more about their background and perspectives.

What makes you a good candidate for the W-F school board?

Buss: I am running for the Weyauwega-Fremont School Board because I care deeply about the success of our students, teachers, and community. As a small business owner and parent of two high school students, I understand the importance of providing a strong educational foundation that prepares our children for the future—whether that means college, technical school, apprenticeships, or other career paths.

Ehrenberg: I have lived

in Fremont for 25 years. I have served on the board of education for the W-F School district for 11 years and have the president of the board for eight of those years.

Loehrke: I am a strong candidate for the Weyauwega-Fremont School District Board due to my experience on the board and my understanding of the district’s ongoing initiatives and challenges. I believe every student is valuable, regardless of their background, and I would bring value to the board by asking tough questions to ensure all students have equal access to opportunities for success.

Selsing: I think what makes me a good candidate is that I’m motivated and inspired to give my children and other children in this district opportunities to be successful. I believe that if you want to make a difference and have a say in the future of our kids education you have to be willing to get involved. As a board member I will also try to collect as much information as possible from educators and community members alike to try to make the best decisions to support our children’s needs. I believe in order to be a good advocate for the school district it is important to listen to make rational decisions.

What are the most pressing issues for the school district and how would you address those issues?

Buss: If elected, I will prioritize a structured, effective reading curriculum, ensure our teachers have the resources they need, and advocate for fiscal responsibility so that taxpayer dollars are spent wisely. I also believe that maintaining a safe and supportive environment for students and staff is essential for learning and growth.

While I may not be a teacher, I am committed to making informed, thoughtful decisions that positively impact our district. I would be honored to serve and work alongside the community to help shape the future of Weyauwega-Fremont schools

Ehrenberg: If I am re-elected I will continue to base my decisions on what is best for the students of the W-F School district. Thank you for your consideration.

Loehrke: The district has been facing several challenges, including underperformance on state assessments, the need to provide advanced coursework that enables students to earn college credit, and the integration of apprenticeship programs that prepare students

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Balanced race in Fremont

Three incumbents, three candidates

BY JAMES CARD
EDITOR

FREMONT – The ballot for the April 1 election will have three incumbents from the village board challenged by three new candidates. President Bobbie Marks is up for reelection and is challenged by Nikki Scott. Village trustees Leonard Billings and Adam Socha are up for reelection and giving them competition are Mary Ann Oehlke and Taylor Berndt. The Waupaca County Post contacted those running for the leadership of the Village of Fremont to ask them about their background and perspectives. Mary Ann Oehlke did not respond.

What makes you a good candidate for village board president?

Marks: One word: Experience! I have served on the board for the last 14 years with eleven of these years as a trustee and more recently as village president. I have chaired the employee and purchasing committee my first four years and the hall and library commit-

tee for eight years. I served as president of the library board and later as treasurer. I presently serve on the Fremont Wolf River Fire board and the EMS board. I also serve as a director for the Waupaca County Economic Development committee.

I am an active member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, and currently serve on the church council as treasurer and serve on the board of finance. I have been a member of the American Legion Auxiliary since 1957 and have served as treasurer.

Scott: Listening to and working with village residents is paramount to creating our collective vision. Communicating and implementing that vision is what I believe defines success for the Board. Vision and transparency have been lacking elements of our current president’s leadership style. I’ve lived in Fremont for almost 14 years. I’ve made it a point to participate in numerous recreational and community activities and attended most board meetings the last three years. Therefore, I understand the overall pulse of Fremont and the board.

I am a representative of much of our constituency, being politically central but conservative-leaning.

My entire career (mainly in animal health) has revolved around successful outcomes while maintaining balanced budgets. A professional business mindset translates well to managing a Board.

I know my unique background will contribute to leading the board to a prosperous community while maintaining a desirable neighborhood.

What are the most pressing issues to the residents of Fremont and how would you address these issues?

Marks: The most pressing issue among residents is how their tax dollars are spent. As village president I would encourage the voters go to the village website. The November 12, 2024 minutes has a summary of the general and sewer utility budget for 2025 that residents are able to review. Controlling future costs of a \$4.25 million community center and library is the most pressing issue. Totally focusing on this would jeopardize other village entities. Maintaining our parks and beach, our streets, the compost site, and sewer infrastructure

Fremont
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Manawa NEWS

Dam rebuild quote goes to Madison

BY EMILY DOUD
STAFF REPORTER

MANAWA – A quote was submitted to the Joint Finance Committee in Madison for a new dam in Manawa in hope that it is accepted into the 2026 state budget. The Manawa dam breached last July with the north side of the dam eroding and breaking away from the shore.

City officials have been attending a number of meetings since the start of 2025 to get as much information as they can to start making a decision on the direction of the Manawa dam.

There are a couple direc-

tions that the city could go, including complete dam removal, rebuilding a dam with a spill way and rebuilding the dam with hydro electric capabilities.

Last week the council sat down with Dwight Shanak, from Wisconsin8, LLC who is the current dam operator leasing the dam from the city.

With rebuilding a hydro dam, the upfront costs are higher, but there is revenue that can be generated, the city would also have to decide if they would take on the hydro production or keep leasing the dam and negotiate a higher percentage.

During the meeting Shanak answered questions from the council, and agreed that if the city wanted to rebuild hydro with the dam he would be willing to renegotiate the percentage of revenue that is stated in the current contract, which is currently set at six percent of the hydro revenue.

At the March 17 city council meeting, Ann Bonikowske, a council member and chair of the Improvements and Services Committee, presented the dam quote she was given by Cedar Corporation, the city’s contracted engineering firm.

The quote came in at \$13.2 million dollars for a dam with

a spillway, and it was approved by the Manawa City Council at the council meeting.

This is the quote that was given to Kevin Peterson, a state representative, and Rachael Cabral-Guevara, a state senator, to hand off to the Joint Finance Committee in Madison.

Mayor Mike Frazier said the reason they are sending the dam with spillway quote to the Joint Finance Committee is because the city has not made the official decision on whether or not to pursue hydro.

Frazier said they are waiting for the drawings before mak-

ing a final decision, as well as finding the money to fund any dam project.

The remaining quotes are set to come later in April, the remaining quotes being for full dam removal as well as the hydro dam.

Hass said the city should know if the state approves money to rebuild the Manawa dam by July.

During the council meeting Josh Smith, the Department of Public Works director, said that phase two is set for March 24 with all of the in water work finished, which was phase one.

Phase two will include add-

ing in sheet piling in.

City of Manawa and Township of Little Wolf officials are encouraging residents to mail their state congress representatives and senators in hopes that it will help get money allocated to the Manawa dam in next year’s budget.

There is a template located on the City of Manawa website at www.cityofmanawa.org and on the Town of Little Wolf website at www.town-littlewolf.com. The templates include guidelines on what to write and include in the letter, where to mail or email them and the format they should be typed in.

Iola-Scandinavia NEWS

Ordinance passed for vacant buildings

Downtown wildfire in 1999 cited

BY EMILY DOUD
STAFF REPORTER

IOLA – A new ordinance in the Village of Iola regarding vacant buildings was passed March 11 making owners of any vacant structures responsible for ensuring the property is up to code.

The ordinance was approved unanimously by the board, with the measure not taking affect for a further 60 days to allow for residents to read the ordinance and give them time to raise any concerns and get questions answered.

“That will give the time for anyone to respond and this board to have if further action needs to be done,” said Dave

Harper, a village trustee, regarding the allowance of the 60 days.

Laura Krogwold, the Village of Iola clerk and treasurer, said that if issues or suggestions are made to the board those changes could be made as long as they keep the integrity of the original ordinance.

The ordinance states that vacant buildings will need register through the Vacant Building Registration Program (VBRP), this includes residential, commercial or any other structure that is condemned as unfit for human habitation, abandoned or vacant.

“Again, I keep going to public safety, I don’t feel we should have these vacant buildings just standing there with nothing,” said Jennifer Schustek, the Village of Iola president, at the March 11 meeting. “I’m not saying that they are not cared for, but it’s

always good to verify ... I don’t think it’s a huge investment to check out and make sure that the vacancy buildings are safe so we don’t have a fire that’s unnecessary.”

The ordinance states that a building shall be condemned or deemed an unfit building if it does not meet standards that allow for human safety or habitation.

The defects that could determine this include things like no lighting, no running water, lack of ventilation, unsanitary, lack of sewer, vermin-infested, no electricity and lack of heating to name a few, according to the ordinance.

Once a person registers their vacant structure they

will need to submit to inspections from the fire inspector and police chief, there is a \$30 fee associated with this process.

Krogwold said if the building is deemed condemnable it would then follow the raze ordinance that the village currently has.

The ordinance also states that a vacant structure will not need to register for VBRF if there is existing renovations happening and all appropriate permits have been obtained.

Other structures immune to the VBRF registration include fishing shanties, boat houses, gazebos, garden sheds, apartments or multi-

family homes with at least five percent occupation, seasonal property used for at least three months a year, any estate in probate that is not subject to bankruptcy and a property listed for sale with proof of its listing.

Harper said at the meeting that preventing another downtown fire like the one in 1999 is a big driving force as to why he feels an ordinance is necessary to address vacant buildings.

“The buildings burned in sequence down the block until a backhoe was used to demolish the Bestul Realty building,” said Harper. “This acted as a fire break, allowing the Iola and Rural Fire

Department along with the other departments that had been called in through the mutual aid agreements to put out the fire.”

Harper said the fire chief at the time could not pinpoint the source of the fire; however, the buildings not being up to code may have played a role in the quick spread of the fire.

“This tragedy has made many of us in Iola even more conscious of fire safety and public safety in general,” said Harper.

The ordinance is currently posted on the Village of Iola web site at www.villageofiola.com and the ordinance is set to take affect May 9.

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Notice to Clintonville City Residents: The DPW-Streets Division will begin picking up yard rakings on Monday, April 7th, 2025, and end on Friday, May 2nd, 2025.

To reduce waste this year, residents are asked NOT to bag their yard rakings. Yard rakings may be raked to the terrace area (**not the street**) for collection by the leaf vac, as done during the fall leaf collection.

No plastic bags, trash, or brush are allowed. Brush is picked up separately during the first week of each month.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Justin Mc Auly
Director of Public Works
www.clintonvillewi.gov



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ATTENTION

Grass Height Limits & No Mow May


Notice to Clintonville City Residents: After reviewing the impact of No Mow May, the City of Clintonville has decided to discontinue participation due to a lack of evidence supporting its effectiveness in significantly benefiting pollinator populations. Residents are expected to maintain their lawns per city ordinances.

While we remain committed to environmental stewardship, we encourage residents to explore alternative, research-backed methods to support pollinators, such as planting native flowers and reducing pesticide use.

This is a reminder that City Ordinances 10.03 and 10.08 require property owners to keep all grass and weeds to a maximum height of 8 inches unless exempt by zoning. Please be sure that all grass and weeds in your yard comply with this ordinance.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Justin Mc Auly
Director of Public Works
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Obituary Notices

Flater, Kathryn



Kathryn Mae Flater (Rasmussen), age 79, of Manawa, very peacefully took her last breath and God took her home on Saturday morning, March 22, 2025, at 4:00 a.m. Kathryn was born on October 14, 1945 in Waupaca, one of five siblings. She graduated from Waupaca High School in 1963 and worked at the Manawa Nursing Home for 32 years. Kathryn loved flowers, taking care of her flowers around the yard, bird watching - especially the cardinals, and baking. She also enjoyed fishing up north and going to her grandchildren's extra-curricular activities. Kathryn was a loving wife and mother, a giving grandmother, a kind friend, and loved spending time with her family.

Kathryn is survived by her husband, Edwin Flater; son, Ronald (Janet) Flater; daughter-in-law, Jacqueline Flater; grandchildren, Brandon (Morgan) Flater, Trevor Flater; step-grandchildren, Jason and Heather Phillips; siblings, Marlin Rasmussen and Pete Rasmussen.

Kathryn was preceded in death by her son, Brian Flater; parents, William & Fern Rasmussen; siblings, Carol Jean Barden and Mary Thoe. She was further preceded in death by sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law and nephews.

The Funeral Service for Kathryn will be held on Saturday, March 29th, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Manawa with Rev. Nathan Reichle officiating. A visitation for Kathryn will be held prior to the service at the church from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Friends may visit www.dahlkefh.com to share memories and condolences with Kathryn's family.

Laude, John



On Sunday, March 16, 2025, while surrounded by his loving family, John A. Laude was called home to his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. It was there that he was reunited with his parents, his son, Dana, the love of his life, Estie, and many good friends.

John was born on May 25, 1931, in Wittenberg to the late Alvin and Clara (Lepinski) Laude. He graduated from Wittenberg High School with the class of 1950 and soon after enlisted in the United States Air Force. He proudly served his country from 1950 to 1954, and then again from 1956 until his honorable discharge in 1960. His service took him to St. John's, Newfoundland; Thule, Greenland; Youngstown, OH; Minneapolis, MN; and Mountain Home, ID, where he worked in aircraft maintenance, as a crew chief, and later as a flight crew chief.

On October 12, 1952, John married Esther Norrbom at Wittenberg Redeemer Lutheran Church. It was a love story filled with laughter and adventure. Estie preceded him in death on December 10, 2015, but not before they built a life full of family, friendships, and beautiful memories.

After his military service, John and his family moved to Weyauwega and became a businessman, owning and operating an oil and gasoline retail and wholesale business. Later, he worked for Presto Products and Ace Manufacturing. However, his true life's work was making people smile. He had a knack for storytelling, a joke always ready, and a sense of humor that could turn any ordinary day into something special. His common greeting was, "John's the name, and fun's the game!"

John's hobbies reflected his love of family, friends, and fun. He enjoyed fishing—especially pushing his grandson Andy into ice holes that, according to John, "weren't big enough." He loved making wooden signs, camping with his family, coordinating bus trips to Packers games in Milwaukee with Estie, and firing up the grill with a Manhattan (which he also called "Giggle Pops") in hand. He and Estie took countless road trips for their anniversaries, and in retirement, they spent over 20 years wintering and later living in Arizona.

Upon his return to Wisconsin, John practically became a permanent fixture at Debbie and Terry's house, where Debbie lovingly fed his appetite with countless meals and desserts, and kept his clothes clean. Their home became the heart of family gatherings—holidays, birthdays, and celebrations were always made brighter (and louder) with John's presence. His bond with Terry grew exceptionally strong over the years. Terry took him to numerous doctor's appointments, made sure he never missed a Saturday breakfast, and always included him in his plans. The two shared a father-son relationship built on mutual respect, humor, and an unspoken understanding that Terry was the one picking up the check.

John also spent many Sunday mornings with Andy and Kerry, attending church—an outing he looked forward to, not just for the service, but for what came after - breakfast. There were many days he cheerfully worked his way through more plates of biscuits and gravy than anyone could count.

One of John's proudest moments came on April 19, 2023, when he took part in Mission 61 of the Old Glory Honor Flight with his grandson, Andy. He described it as one of the greatest days of his life.

John was never one to sit still. He was a former Boy Scout Master, past president of the Weyauwega Chamber of Commerce and the Weyauwega/Fremont Lions Club, and a dedicated volunteer with the Weyauwega Fire Department for 13 years. He drove a school bus, logged countless miles as a truck driver for Faulk's Brothers Construction, and was an active member of numerous organizations, including the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Eagles Club. He also served on the board of trustees for Weyauwega Presbyterian Church and was a past member of the Weyauwega Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite, and Shriners.

John is survived by his daughter, Debbie (Terry) Schimmel, Manitowoc; five grandchildren, Andrew (Kerry Talbert) Harrigan, Lindsay Harrigan, Alexa Schimmel, Eric Wastel, and Kyle (Noel) Laude; and four great-grandchildren, Jada, Evan, Whitaker, and Willow. He also leaves behind many other beloved relatives and friends. John would list them all by name, but, in his words, he wants to save a buck for beer.

Funeral services were held at noon on Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at Redeemer Lutheran Church, Wittenberg. Pastor Lois Graper officiated, with burial and military rites following at Redeemer Lutheran Cemetery. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.harriganparksid efuneralhome.com.

John's family would like to extend their thanks and appreciation to the staffs of Sharon S. Richardson Hospice and Manitowoc Health and Rehabilitation for all of the care they provided and the smiles they shared with John. Also, very special thank you to John's granddaughters Alexa and Lindsay for the many nights they spent with their grandpa enabling him to safely stay at home and receive the care he deserved.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate memorials in John's name that will be used to benefit organizations that were important to him.

The Harrigan Parkside Funeral Home and Crematory, 628 North Water St., Manitowoc, WI 54220, is assisting with funeral arrangements.

Legal Notices

Be informed on all of the local legal announcements in your area.

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BY THE COURT:

DATE SIGNED: March 13, 2025
Electronically signed by Angela Dahle
Court Commissioner in Probate
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
MARISSA A. MUELLER
Order Limiting Time for Filing Claims (Formal Administration)
Case No. 25-PR-12

A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.

THE COURT FINDS:

1. The decedent, with date of birth July 1, 1982 and date of death September 11, 2024, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 115 E. Madison Street, Clintonville, WI. 54929.
2. All interested persons waived notice.

THE COURT ORDERS:

1. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is [Date] June 16, 2025.
2. A claim must be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981, Wisconsin, Room 3054/Probate Office.
Form completed by:
Attorney Miranda M. Lamb
Nolan & Deffner Legacy La
1803 Stewart Ave.
Wausau, WI. 54401
Telephone Number 715 842-0888
Bar Number 1112872
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BY THE COURT:

DATE SIGNED: March 19, 2025
Electronically signed by Judge Troy L. Nielsen
Circuit Court Judge
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT BRANCH I WAUPACA COUNTY

IN RE THE INTEREST OF:

BOY CHILD (DOB: 07/03/2016)
BOY CHILD (DOB: 08/28/2017)
GIRL CHILD (DOB: 12/17/2018)

NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING

(For Publication)
Case No. 25 TP 02
Case No. 25 TP 03
Case No. 25 TP 04

TO: EMILY M. PHILLIPS

IT IS ORDERED:

This Notice be published advising you that a Petition for Termination of your parental rights to the above-named children will be heard at the Waupaca County Courthouse, Branch I, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981 on April 14, 2025 at 3:15 p.m.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR, the court may hear testimony in support of the allegations in the Petitions and grant the request to terminate your parental rights.

You have the right to have an attorney present. If you desire to contest the matter and cannot afford any attorney, the state public defender may appoint an attorney to represent you.

If you fail to appear and the court terminates your parental rights, a notice of intent to pursue relief from the judgment must be signed and filed in the trial court within 30 days after judgment is entered, in order to preserve the right to pursue such relief.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-258-6460. Please note the court does not provide transportation.
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BY THE COURT:

DATE SIGNED: March 20, 2025
Electronically signed by Angela Dahle
Court Commissioner in Probate
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
IRVIN B. SCHERER
DECEASED

Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims (Formal Administration)
Case No. 25PR11

A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.

THE COURT FINDS:

The decedent, with date of birth 03/11/1932 and date of death 12/29/2024 was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of WI, with a mailing address of N2665 County Road QQ, King WI 54946.

THE COURT ORDERS:

1. The Petition be heard at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room Br. 2, before Circuit Court Judge/Circuit Court Commissioner Vicki L. Clussman , on April 28, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.

2. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is [Date] June 23, 2025.

3. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca , Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.

4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for final judgment.

5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-258-6429 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

☒ **Please check with person named below for exact time and date.**

Form completed by:
Attorney Sara Micheletti
2401 East Enterprise Avenue
Appleton, WI 54913
Telephone Number 920-882-4070
Bar Number 1075922
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT WAUPACA COUNTY
MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC
Plaintiff,
Vs,
SHANE HOOEY
Defendant.

Case No. 25CV000010

AMENDED SUMMONS

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

TO: SHANE HOOEY

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WAUPACA WI 54981-8265
You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is also served on you, states the nature and basis of the legal action. Within Forty (40) days after March 13, 2025, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is: CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY, 811 HARDING ST, WAUPACA WI 54981 and the Kohn Law Firm, Plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 735 N. Water St., Suite 1300, Milwaukee, WI 53202. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If no Complaint accompanies this Summons you must respond within the said 40 day period with a written demand for a copy of the Complaint by mailing or delivering said written demand to the court and to the Plaintiff's attorneys at their respective addresses listed above.

If you do not provide a proper answer to the Complaint or provide a written demand for said complaint within the 40 day period, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin February 24, 2025.
KOHN LAW FIRM S.C.
ELECTRONICALLY SIGNED BY:
/S/JOSEPH R. JOHNSON
JOSEPH R. JOHNSON
State Bar No. 1053052
Attorney for Plaintiff
Published March 13, 20 & 27, 2025
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT OUTAGAMIE COUNTY

Small Claims
Publication Summons and Notice

Case No. 2025SC000664

Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Fox Cities, S.C.

5395 W. Michaels Dr., Appleton, WI54913

Plaintiff(s)

-vs-

Rachel Heimes

10814 First Ave., Waupaca, WI 54981

Defendant(s)

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call (920) 832-5131 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

Publication Summons and Notice of Filing

TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):

You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court: Outagamie County Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: (920) 832-5131

Courtroom/Room Number: Courtroom B

Address: 320 S Walnut St – 2nd Floor

Appleton, WI 54911 on the following date and time: March 31, 2025, at 9:00am.

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court before the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county.

Date Summons Issued March 5, 2025

Date Signed: March 5, 2025

Electronically Signed by Barb Bocik

Plaintiff's/Attorney's Phone Number:

Patrick P. Gill (920) 739-1107

Attorney's State Bar Number: 1039442

Law Firm and Address: Gill & Gill

S.C. 501 S Nicolet Rd.

Appleton, WI54914

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, PORTAGE COUNTY

Plaintiff:

Christopher Edward Okray

1060 CenterPoint Dr., #2417

Stevens Point, WI 54481

-vs-

To: Defendant(s):

Halie Dawn Erickson

2309 Oaklane Ct. #36

Stevens Point, WI 54482

Summons and Complaint (Small Claims)

Case No. 25SC120

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-346-1364 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportations.

SUMMONS

To the Defendant(s):

You are being sued as described on the attached complaint. If you wish to dispute this matter: You must appear at the time and place stated.

Portage County Courthouse - 2nd Floor

1516 Church Street

Stevens Point, WI 54481

Branch 2 Courtroom

March 25, 2025 at 9:00am

If you do not appear or answer, the plaintiff may win this case and a judgment entered for what the plaintiff is asking.

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff's Demand:

The plaintiff state the following claim against the defendant(s):

Eviction & Confirmation, vacation,

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modification or correction of arbitration award, Plus interest, costs, attorney fees, if any, and such other relief as the court deems proper, for squatting at 2401 Water Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481.
Plaintiff Chris Okray
1060 CenterPoint Dr #2417
Stevens Point WI 54481
Date: 2/28/2025
Publish March 20 & 27, 2025
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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT WAUPACA COUNTY
Case Number: 2025CV000019
Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, Plaintiff,
vs.
Julian E. Polanco
Defendant.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, to the following parties named as defendants herein: **JULIAN E. POLANCO**

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. Within 40 days after March 13, 2025, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is **811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981-2087** and to Randall S. Miller & Associates, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is 120 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1140, Chicago IL 60602. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the complaint within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment of seizure of property.

Randall S. Miller & Associates, LLC

342 N. Water Street, Suite 613

Milwaukee WI 53202

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STATE OF WISCONSIN - CIRCUIT COURT: WAUPACA COUNTY

MATTHEW T. JOHNSON, Plaintiff

v.

EMILY M. PHILLIPS, et al., Defendants

Case No. 24 CV 226

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on January 16, 2025 in the amount of \$28,347.15, the Sheriff will sell the described property at a public auction as follows:

TIME OF SALE: April 15, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

TERMS OF SALE: 10% down in cash or certified funds. The balance is due within 10 days of the date of sale. Sold "as is" and subject to all legal liens, encumbrances and real estate taxes.

PLACE OF SALE: The First Floor Lobby of the Waupaca County Courthouse

811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

A part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 28, Township 23 North, Range 13 East, Town of Little Wolf, Waupaca County, Wisconsin, bounded by a line commencing at the intersection of the extended Easterly line of property described in Volume 89 of Deeds on page 193, Waupaca County Registry, with the center of the highway; thence Northeasterly along the center of said highway 600 feet; thence Southwesterly 1024 feet, more or less, to a point which is 415 feet, more or less, Southerly of the place of beginning; thence Northerly, along the Easterly line of property described in Volume 89 of Deeds on page 193, Waupaca County Registry, 415 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning.

STREET ADDRESS: N6470 Cemetery Rd., Manawa, WI 54949

WAUPACA CO. PIN: 13-28-31-3

Dated this 17th day of March, 2025 Tim

Wilz, Sheriff

Waupaca County

Attorneys for Plaintiff:

HART LAW OFFICE, LLC, by Atty.

Thomas J. Hart

100 S. Main Street

Waupaca, WI 54981

Tel: 715-258-7633

TAKE NOTICE THAT THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY PUBLICATION SUMMONS

Case No. 25-CV-000144

The Honorable

Vicki L. Clussman

Case Code 30404

(Foreclosure of Mortgage)

The amount claimed exceeds \$10,000.00

MidFirst Bank

999 N.W. Grand Boulevard, Suite 100

Oklahoma City, OK 73118-6116

Plaintiff,

vs.

Joshua Peterson

N2045 County Road X

Weyauwega, WI 54983

Bids and Request for Proposals 7705
and all bids and award the contract to the contractor who in the judgement of the Town of Royaltown will best serve the interest of the Town of Royaltown. The letting of the described herein project is subject to the provisions of Section 62.15 and 66.29 Wis Statutes. Dated 20th day of March, 2025 (Publish March 27 and April 3, 2025) WNAXP

City Legals 7710

FINAL RESOLUTION
WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, held a public hearing at the Community Room at the Stevens Point Police Department at 7:00 P.M. on the 17th day of March 2025, for the purpose of hearing all interested persons concerning the preliminary resolution and report of the Board of Public Works on the proposed public improvement consisting of the following:
A. FOR INSTALLATION OF WATERMAIN, SANITARY SEWER, AND APPURTENANT SERVICES /LATERA S - PROJECT # 24-11.
1. All property lying outside the corporate limits of the City of Stevens Point fronting upon the east and west sides of **Joe Street** from its intersection with Walter Street to its intersection with Regent Street; and proposed assessments against benefitted property and heard all persons who desired to speak at the hearing.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Common Council of the City of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, determines as follows:
1. The report of the Board of Public Works, pertaining to installation of the above described public improvements, including plans and specifications and assessments set forth therein, is adopted and approved.
2. That the Board of Public Works has advertised for bids and has provided for the supervision of construction of the improvements in accordance with the report of the Director of Public Works.
3. That payment of the improvements be made by assessing the entire cost to the property benefitted as indicated in the report.
4. That the assessments shown on the report, representing an exercise of the police power, have been determined on a reasonable basis and are hereby confirmed.
5. That the assessments for all projects included in the report are hereby combined as a single assessment but any and all interested property owners may object to each assessment separately or all assessments jointly for any purpose.
6. That the assessments may be paid in cash or in five (5) annual installments at a rate of 4.5% per annum on the unpaid balance. Ten (10) annual installments is available at an interest rate of 5.5% per annum upon written request. The assessment shall not become effective as far as payment of such special assessment until such time as either the particular parcel to which this resolution applies shall be annexed to the City of Stevens Point or the parcel connects to the sanitary sewer or water service. At the time of annexation, or when a particular parcel connects to the sanitary sewer or water service a property owner shall have not more than 30 days in which to pay the balance in whole to avoid interest charges.
7. That the previous deferred special assessments levied upon 809 Joe Street, 814 Joe Street, and 824 Joe Street pertaining to Project #4-91 approved July 15, 1991, shall become null and void.
8. That the City Clerk shall publish this resolution as a Class I notice in the assessment district and mail a copy of this resolution and a statement of the final proposed assessment against the benefitted property to every property owner whose name appears on the assessment roll whose post office address is known or can with reasonable diligence be ascertained.
APPROVED: Mike Wiza, Mayor
ATTEST: Karl Yenter, City Clerk
Dated: February 24, 2025
Approved: March 17, 2025
Published: March 27, 2025
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Election Notices 7715
City of Weyauwega Public Test Date For April Spring Election Notice is hereby given that the City of Weyauwega, Waupaca County, WI, will conduct a public test of electronic voting equipment to be used at the April 1, 2025 Spring Primary on Thursday, March 27, 2025 at 1:00 p.m., at the Weyauwega Municipal Building, 109 E. Main Street. It is open to the general public. Rebecca Loehrke City Clerk Publish March 27, 2025 WNAXP

Residents of the Town of Matteson
The Town of Matteson will be holding its Public Test of the Electronic Voting equipment on Friday, March 28, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Matteson Town Hall for the upcoming April 1, 2025 Election. Mike Mehlgberg, Clerk Publish March 27, 2025 WNAXP

Meetings and Public Hearings 7720
Agenda for the meeting of the Lake Iola Lake District Commissioners to be held Thursday, April 3, 2025, at 6 p.m., at Iola Village Hall. 1. Call to order 2. Approval of the agenda 3. Secretary's report 4. Treasurer's report 5. Chairman's report 6. Set annual meeting date, time and location 7. Adopt agenda for the annual meeting 8. Adopt budget recommendation for 2025-26 9. Adopt tax levy recommendation for 2025 10. Nominations for three-year board position 11. Any other business that may legally come before the board 12. Adjournment David C. Harper Secretary Lake Iola Lake District Publish March 27, 2025 WNAXP

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contact Clerk Zielinski at clerk@mukwa.gov or 920.982.9890. /s/Jeanette Zielinski Municipal Clerk Publish: Press – Legal Notice – March 27th & April 4th Notice Posted: February 8, 2025 WNAXP

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Comprehensive Plan remains consistent with the locally adopted comprehensive plans. The proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan Preferred Land Use Map are within: The Towns of Bear Creek, Farmington, Larrabee, Lebanon, Lind, Little Wolf, Matteson, Scandinavia, St. Lawrence, and Union to amend the Farmland Preservation Plan as part of the State required ten (10) year Farmland Preservation Plan Update and adopt as part of the Comprehensive Plan. (For a copy of the of the complete list of the properties involved, please contact the Waupaca County Planning and Zoning Office.) The Town of Helvetia, to amend the preferred land use category on part of the parcel located in the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 11, lying along Miller Road, Fire Number E4123, Waupaca County, Wisconsin (prt parcel 08-11-23-2) from Forestry to Residential to accommodate a proposed parcel split The proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments are available for review at the Planning and Zoning Office located at 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981. In addition, you may submit written comments before April 30, 2025 to Ryan Brown, Waupaca County Planning & Zoning Director, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981 or call (715) 258-6255 or email at Ryan.Brown@co.waupaca.wi.us with any questions or to request additional information. All written comments will be forwarded to the Waupaca County Planning and Zoning Committee members. All interested persons wishing to be heard are invited to be present or may attend the hearing at the scheduled time via the Zoom website at the following: • URL: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82663775193pwd=UUNgeGLv7FZTgsXdoZEEnSxgaJL54.1 • Meeting ID: 826 6377 5193 Meeting password: 388569 Participation may also be by telephone only access into the video platform. For the telephone access information, please call 1-312-626-6799 The meeting can also be viewed through the following link to watch a live stream on YouTube for any Waupaca County remote access meeting: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLTWD87UAKvFIU07vcs08ZQv JAMES NYGAARD CHAIRMAN WAUPACA COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE Publish March 27, 2025 WNAXP

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WAUPACA CHAIN O'LAKES SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD MEETING AGENDA 4/1/25 10:00 A.M. 644 Hillcrest Drive, Suite 2, Waupaca 1. Call to order 2. Roll call 3. Open meeting statement 4. Approval of agenda 5. Review and approval of 3/5/25 meeting minutes 6. Public comment 7. President's report – Ellis 8. Financial report – Prah 9. AECOM report – Gebau a. Work in progress/projects completed b. Controls contract c. Mercury meetings d. Sewer cleaning quote/approval request 10. Woolsey report – Woolsey a. Work in progress/projects completed b. Air compressor c. Force main 11. Appreciation for years of service-Bob Ellis 12. Date for next board meeting 13. Adjournment Publish March 27, 2025 WNAXP

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2024 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

New London Utilities • New London Waterworks • PWS ID: 46903989

The New London Utility Commission and Utility Management respectfully submit our Annual Water Quality Report covering the period January 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024.

Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda.

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This report is designed to inform you about the quality of the water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

New London's water system now consists of three separate pressure zones, seven wells, three water towers, two booster stations, and two control valve stations. The water system is operated by a computer driven system called a SCADA. The high level pressure zone is located south of Cook Street from the west end of the city to Division Street, and south of Douglas Street. The primary pressure zone is everything north of Cook and Douglas Streets, and east of Mill Street including all parts of the city north of the Wolf River up to Jeanne St. The third zone is everything north of Jeanne St. A third zone has been established for the new Northeast New London Business Center. The three zones are made up of the following equipment:

High Level Pressure Zone			
WELL	AQUIFER TYPE	SOURCE TYPE	DEPTH
Well #2	Sand and Gravel	Groundwater	170 FT
Well #3	Sand and Gravel	Groundwater	127 FT
Well #8	Sand and Gravel	Groundwater	165 FT
Floral Hill Water Tower (400,000 gallon)/Control Valve B			

Primary Pressure Zone			
WELL	AQUIFER TYPE	SOURCE TYPE	DEPTH
Well #1	Sand and Gravel	Groundwater	118 FT
Well #5	Sand and Gravel	Groundwater	152 FT
Well #6	Sand and Gravel	Groundwater	128 FT
Well #7	Cambrian Sandstone	Groundwater	285 FT
Industrial Park Water Tower (300,000 gallon)/Beckert Booster Pump			

North Pressure Zone			
North Booster Pump/Control Valve C/North Industrial Water Tower (500,000 gallon)			

New London's three pressure zones are operated independently, and also have the capability of transferring water between zones in either direction. For a summary of the source water assessment please contact, Michael Pinch at (920) 982-8516.

Detected Contaminants

Your water was tested for many contaminants last year. We are allowed to monitor for some contaminants less frequently than once a year. The following tables list only those contaminants which were detected in your water. If a contaminant was detected last year, it will appear in the following tables without a sample date. If the contaminant was not monitored last year, but was detected within the last 5 years, it will appear in the tables below along with the sample date.

Disinfection Byproducts

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2023)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
TTHM (ppb)	D-10	80	0	10.3	10.3		No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
HAA5 (ppb)	D-17	60	60	4	4		No	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Inorganic Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2023)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
ARSENIC (ppb)	10	n/a	9	0 - 9	1/25/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
BARIUM (ppm)	2	2	0.078	0.023 - 0.078	1/25/2023	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
FLUORIDE (ppm)	4	4	1.0	0.1 - 1.0	1/25/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
NICKEL (ppb)	100		2.9000	0.0000 - 2.9000	1/25/2023	No	Nickel occurs naturally in soils, ground water and surface waters and is often used in electroplating, stainless steel and alloy products.
NITRATE (N03-N) (ppm)	10	10	3.30	0.00 - 3.30		No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
SELENIUM (ppb)	50	50	1	0 - 1	1/25/2023	No	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines
SODIUM (ppm)	n/a	n/a	54.00	4.70 - 54.00	1/25/2023	No	n/a

Contaminant (units)	Action Level	MCLG	90th Percentile Level Found	Range	# of Results	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
COPPER (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	0.0780	0.0055 - 0.1400	0 of 20 results were above the action level.	8/11/2020	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
LEAD (ppb)	AL=15	0	13.00	0.16 - 17.00	1 of 20 results were above the action level.	8/11/2020	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

PFAS Contaminants with a Recommended Health Advisory Level

Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a large group of human-made chemicals that have been used in industry and consumer products worldwide since the 1950. The following table list PFAS contaminants which were detected in your water and that have a Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standard (RPHGS) or Health Advisory Level (HAL). There are no violations for detections of contaminants that exceed the RPHGS or HAL. The RPHGS are levels at which concentrations of the contaminant present a health risk and are based on guidance provided by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

Note: The recommended health-based levels in the table below were in effect in 2024. These levels were revised by WDHS in 2025. They can be found here <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/water/gws.htm>.

Drinking water is one way that people can be exposed to PFAS. In Wisconsin, two-thirds of people use groundwater as their drinking water source. PFAS can get in groundwater from places that make or use PFAS and release from consumer products in landfills.

Contaminant (units)	RPHGS or HAL (PPT)	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2023)
PFBS (ppt)	450000	1.20	0.00 - 1.20	4/5/2023
PFHXS (ppt)	40	1.10	0.00 - 1.10	4/5/2023
PFHXA (ppt)	150000	1.50	0.00 - 1.50	4/5/2023
PFOS (ppt)	20	0.54	0.00 - 0.54	4/5/2023
PFOA AND PFOS TOTAL (ppt)	20	0.54	0.00 - 0.54	4/5/2023

Radioactive Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2023)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
GROSS ALPHA, EXCL. R & U (pCi/l)	15	0	0.2	0.0 - 0.2	7/27/2021	No	Erosion of natural deposits
COMBINED URANIUM (ug/l)	30	0	0.8	0.6 - 0.8	10/12/2021	No	Erosion of natural deposits

Contaminants with a Public Health Groundwater Standard, Health Advisory Level, or a Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level

The following table lists contaminants which were detected in your water and that have either a Public Health Groundwater Standard (PHGS), Health Advisory Level (HAL), or a Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL), or both. There are no violations for detections of contaminants that exceed Health Advisory Levels, Public Health Groundwater Standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels. Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels are levels that do not present health concerns but may pose aesthetic problems such as objectionable taste, odor, or color. Public Health Groundwater Standards and Health Advisory Levels are levels at which concentrations of the contaminant present a health risk.

Contaminant (units)	SMCL (ppm)	PHGS or HAL (ppm)	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2023)	Typical Source of Contaminant
CHLORIDE (ppm)	250		110.00	8.70 - 110.00	8/26/2020	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, road salt, water softeners
IRON (ppm)	0.3		0.20	0.00 - 0.20	8/26/2020	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, industrial wastes
MANGANESE (ppm)	0.05	0.3	0.04	0.00 - 0.04	8/26/2020	Leaching from natural deposits
SULFATE (ppm)	250		86.00	14.00 - 86.00	8/26/2020	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, industrial wastes

Volatile Organic Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2023)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
Tetrachloroethylene (ppb)	5	0	0.6	0.0 - 0.6		No	Leaching from PVC pipes; Discharge from factories and dry cleaners

Unregulated Contaminants

Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted. EPA required us to participate in this monitoring.

Contaminant (units)	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2023)
PFPeA (ppb)	0.37	0.0 - 0.37	4/25/2023-10/17/2023

Within the last 12 months we conducted Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring in accordance with US EPA rules. We are required to inform you of this sampling. We are only required to include results showing detections within this report; however, if you would like a copy of all results, please contact us at (920) 982-8516.

Definitions

Term	Definition
AL	Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HA and HAL	HA: Health Advisory. An estimate of acceptable drinking water levels for a chemical substance based on health effects information. HAL: Health Advisory Level is a concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice. Health Advisories are determined by US EPA.
HI	HI: Hazard Index: A Hazard Index is used to assess the potential health impacts associated with mixtures of contaminants. Hazard Index guidance for a class of contaminants or mixture of contaminants may be determined by the US EPA or Wisconsin Department of Health Services. If a Health Index is exceeded a system may be required to post a public notice.
Level 1 Assessment	A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
Level 2 Assessment	A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system, or both, on multiple occasions.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MFL	million fibers per liter
MRDL	Maximum residual disinfectant level: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum residual disinfectant level goal: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
mrem/year	millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units
pCi/l	picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppm	parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)
ppb	parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l)
ppt	parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
ppq	parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter
PHGS	PHGS: Public Health Groundwater Standards are found in NR 140 Groundwater Quality. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
RPHGS	RPHGS: Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standards: Groundwater standards proposed by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
SMCL	Secondary drinking water standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels for contaminants that affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. The SMCLs do not represent health standards.
TCR	Total Coliform Rule
TT	Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Additional Health Information

While your drinking water meets USEPA's standard for **arsenic**, it does contain low levels of arsenic. USEPA's standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. USEPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.

Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. New London Waterworks is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact New London Waterworks (Michael H Pinch at (920) 982-8516). Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Additional Information on Service Line Materials

We are required to develop an initial inventory of service lines connected to our distribution system by October 16, 2024 and to make the inventory publicly accessible. You can access the service line inventory here/by: NLUTIL.ORG

Health Information

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants

are available from the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Educational Information

The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water, include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally- occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which shall provide the same protection for public health.

In our continuing efforts to maintain a safe and dependable water supply it may be necessary to make improvements in your water system. The costs of these improvements may be reflected in the rate structure. No rate increases are planned for 2025.

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. We at New London Waterworks work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Jason Bessette (Utility Manager) or Michael Pinch (Water Supervisor) at 920-982-8516. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. You may also attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings which are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month at the utility's office at 8 a.m. **Note:** This year New London Utilities will **not** be mailing a copy of this report to each customer. If you would like a copy of this report, please stop down to the office or visit our website at WWW.NEWLONDONUTILITIES.ORG.

The DNR representative for this system is JAMIE DOUGLAS, 920-362-6629.

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FINAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENTS AND LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS AGAINST BENEFITTED PROPERTY

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held for the City of New London, Waupaca-Outagamie Counties, Wisconsin, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 6:30 P.M. on February 19, 2025 for the purpose of hearing all interested persons concerning the Preliminary Resolution and Engineers Report for reconstruction of sanitary laterals within the rights-of-way of all property fronting upon the following streets:

SANITARY AND WATER LATERAL REHABILITATION:

All property fronting upon both sides of Oshkosh Street from the intersection of West Wolf River Avenue to Pershing Street. All corner lots of Oshkosh Street that front an adjoining side street from Pershing Street to Wolf River Avenue

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of New London, Waupaca-Outagamie Counties, Wisconsin, as follows:

2. That the Engineers Report pertaining to the construction of the above described improvements, including final plans and specifications therefore, is hereby adopted and approved.

3. That the Board of Public Works is authorized and/or directed to carry out the work of such improvement in accordance with the Engineers Report.

4. That payment for said improvements be made by assessing the cost to the property benefited as indicated in said Report.

5. That the assessments shown on said Report are correct estimates and have been determined on a reasonable basis and are hereby confirmed.

6. That the assessments for all projects included in said Report are hereby combined as single assessment, but any interested property owner shall be entitled to object to any assessment separately or all assessments jointly for any purpose or purposes.

7. That the assessments may be paid in cash in ten (10) annual in-stallments to the City Treasurer, deferred payments to bear interest at the rate of 1% per annum on the unpaid balance.

Installments or assessments not paid when due, shall bear additional interest on the amount due at the rate of 1% per annum.

The City Clerk is directed to publish this Resolution as a Class I Notice in the official newspaper.

7. The City Clerk is further directed to mail a copy of this Resolution and a statement of final assessment against this property to every property owner whose name appears on the assessment roll whose post office address is known or can with reasonable diligence be ascertained.

Adopted this 19th day of February, 2025

Mark Herter, Mayor

Attest:

Nicole Ryerson, City Clerk

4. Hass / Barrington to award contract to PTS Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$4,201,299.00 for Oshkosh Street reconstruction. *Carried 8-0.*

5. Hass / Magolski to authorize Director of Public Works to approve change orders in the total collective amount of up to \$100,000 for Oshkosh Street Reconstruction. *Carried 8-0.*

6. Hass / Dorsey to approve McMahon agreement for Oshkosh St construction services. *Carried 8-0.*

7. Hass / Barrington to approve Yard Waste Site agreement with the Town of Mukwa. *Carried 8-0.*

8. Hass / Magolski to approve Yard Waste Site agreement with the Town of Caledonia. *Carried 8-0.*

FINANCE & PERSONNEL –

1. Minutes of the 2/5/25 meeting were read by Dorsey.

2. Dorsey/ Hass to approve monthly License List. *Carried 8-0.* A complete listing of the individual licenses is printed at the end of these minutes.

3. Dorsey / Faucher to approve Resolution 1483 assigning fund balance for year-end 12/31/2024. *Carried 8-0*

A RESOLUTION ASSIGNING FUND BALANCE

WHEREAS, it is good fiscal policy to anticipate expenses and to set aside money for predicted events, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of New London Common Council hereby resolves as follows: To set aside and designate fund balance to be spent in the following categories: New Library Reserve \$ 1,663 Capital Projects Reserve \$ 1,017,492 Revaluation Reserve \$ 71,000 Cable TV \$ 360,783 Debt Service Reserve \$ 172,156 Boat Launch \$ 60,184 Trails/ATC \$ 51,575 Downtown Façade/Economic Development \$ 208,019 Downtown Revitalization/City Beautification \$ 2,006 Retirement Reserve \$ 785,000 Technology \$ 30,296 Dog Park \$ 3,694 Disk Golf \$ 1,409 Weather Sirens \$ 30,000 Krostue Park \$ 10,000 Radios \$ 1,577 Save the Birds \$ 1,616 Park Equipment \$ 2,837 Community Garden \$ 312 Wellness \$ 12,074 Flock Cameras \$ 47,301 New London Veterans Memorial Foundation \$ 5,798 Health Insurance \$ 170,000 Wheel Tax \$ 159,778 Robert Polaske Estate – Police \$ 22,919

Adopted this 19th day of February, 2025

Mark Herter, Mayor

Attest:

Nicole Ryerson, City Clerk

4. Dorsey / Faucher to approve Resolution 1484 amending 2024 budget. *Carried 8-0*

WHEREAS, it is good public policy to keep the citizens apprised of the actual outcome of Municipal operations; and WHEREAS, the accounting period for 2024 is over and final audit of 2024 revenues and expenses is taking place; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of New London Common Council here by resolves as follows.

Adopted this 19th day of February, 2025

Mark Herter, Mayor

Attest:

Nicole Ryerson, City Clerk

5. Dorsey / Besaw to authorize Memorandum of Intent between the City of New London, New London Area Chamber of Commerce and the School District of New London for a grant writer position. *Carried 8-0.*

6. Dorsey / Hass to pass Resolution 1485 delegating authority to the New London Library & Museum Board for the construction contract administration of the library project. *Carried 8-0.*

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW LONDON.

WISCONSIN, DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE NEW LONDON LIBRARY AND MUSEUM BOARD FOR THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION OF THE NEW PUBLIC LIBRARY PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of New London has been awarded a \$3.9 Million Flexible Facilities Program Grant from the State of Wisconsin for the renovation of the building at 113 W North Water Street into a new Public Library; and WHEREAS, the New London Municipal Code Chapter 1, Section 1.33 establishes the Library and Museum Board and vests it with the powers and duties prescribed by Wisconsin State Statute §43.54; and WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statute §43.58(1) provides that library boards shall have exclusive control of the expenditure of all moneys collected, donated, or appropriated for the library fund; and WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statute §43.58(1) provides that library boards shall have exclusive charge, control and custody of all lands, buildings, money or other property devised, bequeathed, given or granted to, or otherwise acquired or leased by, the municipality for library purposes; and WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statute §43.58(2) provides that the library boards shall audit and approve all expenditures of the public library and forward the bills or vouchers covering the expenditures, setting forth the name of each claimant or payee, the amount of each expenditure, and the purpose for which it was expended, to the appropriate municipal financial officer; and

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WHEREAS, the Common Council seeks to ensure efficient administration of the library renovation project while maintaining appropriate oversight and compliance with the Flexible Facilities Program grant requirements; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of New London, Wisconsin, as follows:

SECTION 1. Delegation of Authority. The Common Council, as denoted in Municipal Code Chapter 1 and Wisconsin State Statute §43, reaffirms delegation to the New London Library and Museum Board the authority to:

8. Award and execute engineering and construction contract(s) for the renovation of the building at 113 W North Water Street into the new Public Library;

9. Review and approve change orders related to the construction project;

10. Review and authorize engineer and contractor pay requests throughout the duration of the construction project.

SECTION 2. Limitations and Requirements. This delegation of authority shall be subject to:

8. Compliance with all applicable state and local procurement laws and regulations;

9. Adherence to the requirements of the Flexible Facilities Program Grant;

10. Regular reporting to the Common Council on the progress of the construction project and any significant changes or issues that arise.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as required by law.

Adopted this 19th day of February, 2025

Mark Herter, Mayor

Attest:

Nicole Ryerson, City Clerk

7. Dorsey / Faucher to approve the Hiring Wage Schedule Adjustment of 2%. *Carried 8-0.*

PARKS & RECREATION –

1. Minutes of the 2/4/25 meeting were read by Besaw

2. Besaw / Faucher to approve an Ordinance Amending the City of New London Code to Permit Animals at Special Events [2nd reading]. Barrington stated he didn't think dogs should be allowed at fireworks. *Carried 7-1 (Barrington against).* Ordinance 1450 is published separately and printed in the ordinance book.

3. Besaw / Dorsey to approve Agreement with ECWRPC for the 5-year Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. *Carried 8-0.*

4. Besaw / Magolski to approve Agreement with BlueStem for the tree inventory. *Carried 8-0.*

5. Besaw/ Barrington to approve Ash Tree disposal policy. *Carried 8-0.*

PLAN COMMISSION –

1. Minutes of the 1/30/2025 meeting were read by Mayor Herter.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE –

1. Minutes of the 1/28/2025 meeting were read by Dorsey.

2. Dorsey / Hass to renew Downtown Façade Improvement Grant program for 2025, allocating \$40,000 from the Economic Development Assigned Fund balance. *Carried 8-0.*

CAPITAL PROJECTS & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

1. Hass/Besaw to replace 2014 Plow Truck, for the Public Works Department, estimated cost \$300,000. *Carried 8-0.*

2. Hass/Barrington to replace copier at the pool, estimated cost \$2,400. *Carried 8-0.*

3. Hass/Faucher to approve Street and Sidewalk Program for \$100,000. *Carried 8-0.*

4. Hass/Magolski to approve PD Retaining Wall, estimated cost \$35,000. *Carried 8-0.*

5. Hass/Dorsey to approve Roof Assessment at City Hall, Library / Museum, Senior Center and Police Department, estimated cost \$5,578. *Carried 8-0.*

6. Hass/Besaw to approve Camera Upgrades at the Aquatic and Fitness Center, estimated cost \$3,015. *Carried 8-0.*

7. Hass/ Faucher to approve Fitness Room Cardio Equipment, esti-mated cost \$8,100. *Carried 8-0.*

8. Hass/Barrington to approve Pfeifer Bleacher Upgrades, estimated cost \$20,000. *Carried 8-0.*

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9. Hass/Barrington to approve Remote Tablets/Covers/Keyboard for New Time & Attendance System, estimated cost \$4,813. *Carried 8-0.*

10. Hass/Besaw to approve Digital Sign Re-Wrap at Library/Museum, estimated \$3,200. *Carried 8-0.*

Minutes and Reports distributed:

1. Library & Museum minutes – 1/20/2025 and Directors' Reports

2. Police & Fire Commission– 1/20/2025, 2/6/2025 & 2/10/2025

3. Utility minutes – 1/7/2025 & 1/21/2025

4. Building Inspection Report – January 2025

5. Housing Authority minutes – 1/27/2025

6. Cemetery Commission – 12/10/2024

7. Capital Equipment & Projects minutes -2/5/2025

REPORT OF OFFICERS on recent events & public announcements:

Mayor Herter thanked employees with service anniversaries.

City Clerk Nicole Ryerson made some announcements about the Spring election on April 1. March 11 is the deadline for Clerk's Office to send absentee ballots for all requests on file for the 2025 Spring Election. In-person early voting offered during office hours March 18-28.

City Administrator Chad Hoerth highlighted the 2025 Building Façade Improvement Grant Program and recognized service anniversaries:

Dave Vincent – 4 years

Police Chief Jeff Schluter announce his retirement after 29 years with the police department – 15 ½ years as chief. He expressed gratitude to the Citizens, the New London Police and Fire Commission, the City Council, the Mayors of New London, colleagues at City Hall, other area law enforcement agencies and the officers and dispatchers of the department. He said his last day in the office will be March 14th. Captain Josh Wilson will serve as Interim Chief until a permanent replacement is appointed. He recognized service anniversaries:

Anna Buettner - 1 year

Nick Kamba - 15 years

Jeff Schluter - 29 years

Brent Seavecki - 10 years

Lisa Taylor - 15 years

Director of Public Works Robert Garske said the Oshkosh St. project will start mid/late March and be done mid-October. He said it will start with pumping groundwater. The project will be done in several phases. Washington St intersection will be kept open until school is out of session.

Director of Parks & Recreation Ginger Sowle said the ice rink by the municipal garage, winter hiking trails at Hatten Park and sledding hill are all open. She announced this year's leprechaun hunt thru March 12. She said people interested in the hunt could stop down at the Parks & Rec Office, the Aquatic & Fitness Center, Senior Center and the Washington Center gym for clue cards.

General Manager of New London Utilities Jay Bessette reported a water main last Friday on Millard & Menasha St around 9AM. He said crews made the repair at noon. He recognized service anniversaries:

Jackie Leyva – 11 years

At 7:22 p.m. there being no other business Roberts / Faucher to adjourn. *Carried 8-0.*

Nicole Ryerson, City Clerk

2/19/2025

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE FEBRUARY 2025

REQUIRES COUNCIL APPROVAL SERVER'S LICENSE

NAME ORGANIZATION

ABBY BIENIEWSKI BREE'S INN II

CIGARETTES/TOBACCO

PRODUCES/ELECTRONIC VAPING DEVICES

D/B/A NAME ORGANIZATION

BUSINESS ADDRESS AGENT NAME

VXP LLC 1200 N. SHAWANO ST, STE. 5 KANWAL SINGH

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MEETING MINUTES SPECIAL JOINT NEW LONDON COMMON COUNCIL AND LIBRARY & MUSEUM BOARD MEETING

February 27, 2025

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Immediately following the Plan Commission Meeting

Council Chambers, Municipal Building

An open, special meeting of the City of New London Common Council was convened by Mayor Mark Herter on February 27, 2025 at 6:33PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 215 N. Shawano St. in New London.

PRESIDING: Mayor Mark Herter

COMMON COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Hass, John Faucher, Charlene Magolski, Dave Dorsey, Bernie Ritchie, Bob Besaw, Dennis Herter, Balynda Croy, Mike Barrington, Tim Roberts (10 voting)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

LIBRARY & MUSEUM BOARD

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Steve Hart, Betty Roberts, Carrie LaBaïr

OTHERS PRESENT: Judy Radke, Finance Director Chad Hoerth, City Administrator Ann Hunt, Library Director Christine Cross, Museum Director VISITORS: Jeff Gulbransen, Milton Staskal, Gertrude Staskal, April Kopitzke, Adam Kopitzke, Jameson Kopitzke

Meeting was called to order and roll call was taken.

Barrington / Dorsey to approve the agenda as presented. *Carried 10-0*

City Administrator Hoerth explained that the purpose of the meeting was to inform the council that the city had received the Flexible Facilities Program Grant agreement from the Wisconsin Department of Administration. The grant is being financed through the Capital Projects Fund program from the U.S. Department of Treasury.

The council had previously approved acceptance of the grant; however, since then, the State inserted a new statement in the grant agreement, stating that it was not obligated to pay grant reimbursement requests if funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury was cut—such as through a presidential executive order.

Hoerth stated that the Capital Projects Fund program from the U.S. Department of Treasury is a \$10 billion program providing funding to each state. He notes that this particular fund does not focus on DEI, gender equity, green energy, or other initiatives that the Trump administration is currently seeking to freeze funding for. If this fund were canceled, it is assumed that thousands of construction projects nationwide would also be canceled. The U.S. Treasury has informed the Wisconsin DOA that this program is not currently anticipated to be cut and that the state's grant programs should continue as planned.

Hass inquired how the city would fund its construction commitments if the grant funds were canceled. Radke stated that the city would be forced to take out a bond to cover the construction contract commitments. While the city has the bond capacity to do so, it would max out its borrowing limit and delay other planned street construction projects.

Dorsey asked whether the city could propose a special referendum to increase taxes to pay for the bond if grant funding were withdrawn. Radke confirmed that this would be an option.

Attorney Steckbauer stated that he had reviewed the initial 2,600 programs the Trump administration was attempting to freeze funding for, and this particular grant program was not among them.

Dorsey / Croy to execute the Flexible Facilities Program Grant Agreement and proceed with the library project as planned. *Carried 10-0*

There being no other business Barrington / Ritchie to adjourn. *Carried 10-0.* The meeting adjourned 6:58PM.

Chad Hoerth

City Administrator

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BY THE COURT:

Honorable Michael D. Zell

Portage County Circuit Court

Branch 1

Date: March 14, 2025

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, PORTAGE COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF

Name Change7730

Lilah June Nagy

By (Petitioner) Lilah June Nagy

Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing

Case No. 25CV66

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: Lilah June Nagy

To: Delilah June Nagy-Chartrand

Birth Certificate: Lilah June Nagy

IT IS ORDERED:

This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Portage County, State of Wisconsin by Honorable Michael D. Zell

Courtroom: Branch 1, Portage County Circuit Courthouse, 1516 Church Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481 on April 7, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-346-1364 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Stevens Point Gazette, a newspaper published in Portage County, State of Wisconsin. Publish March 20, 27 and April 3, 2025. WNAXLP

BY THE COURT

Honorable Vicki L. Clussman

Date 03/11/2025

Circuit Court Judge

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF

Stefanie Michelle Klett

By (Petitioner) Stefanie Michelle Klett

Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing

Case No. 25CV74

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: [First] Stefanie [Middle] Michelle [Last] Klett

To: [First] Stefanie [Middle] Michelle [Last] Daun

Birth Certificate: [First] Stefanie [Middle] Michelle [Last] Daun

IT IS ORDERED:

This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin:

Judge's Name: Honorable Vicki L. Clussman

Place: Circuit Court - Branch 2

811 Harding Street

Waupaca, WI 54981

Date: 4-3-25

Time: 8:30 am

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Waupaca County Post, a newspaper published in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin. Publish March 20, 27 & April 3, 2025

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BY THE COURT:

S/Hon. Raymond S. Huber

Circuit Court Judge

DATE: 03/03/2025

STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY

Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing

Case No. 25-CV-163

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF

Melanie Ann Dankert

By (Petitioner) Melanie Ann Dankert

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: Melanie Ann Dankert

To: Ryan Melanie Ann Luckow

Birth Certificate: Melanie Ann Luckow

IT IS ORDERED:

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin:

Judge's Name: Raymond S. Huber

Place: Branch 3, 811 Harding St.

Waupaca, WI 54981

Date: 04/16/2025

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Time: 11:30 AM

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-258-6460 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Waupaca County Post or New London Press Star a newspaper published in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin.

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BY THE COURT:

DATE SIGNED: March 13, 2025

Electronically signed by Patricia Baker

Circuit Court Judge

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, PORTAGE COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHRISTINE A. GORETSKI

Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims (Formal Administration)

Case No. 25PR13

A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.

THE COURT FINDS:

The decedent, with date of birth January 23, 1967 and date of death February 8, 2025 was domiciled in Portage County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 432 W. Clark Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481

THE COURT ORDERS:

1. The Petition be heard at the Portage County Courthouse, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, before Circuit Court Judge/Circuit Court Commissioner Honorable Patricia Baker, on April 15, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.

2. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 12, 2025.

3. A claim may be filed at the Portage County Courthouse, Stevens Point.

4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for final judgement.

5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call (715) 346-1490 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

PAUL A. ANDERSON, Attorney

1001 Union Street, PO Box 325

Stevens Point, WI 54481-0325

Telephone Number (715) 341-3323

Bar Number 1022993

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DATE SIGNED: March 11, 2025

Electronically signed by Angela Dahle

Probate Registrar

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT L. SUTHERLAND

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)

Case No. 25PR23

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/01/1947 and date of death 02/14/2025, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N2665 County Road QQ, Waupaca, WI 54981.

3. All interested persons waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 12, 2025.

5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room 3054/ Probate Office.

Form completed by: Attorney Alison C. Petri

STEIMLE BIRSCHBACH, LLC

P.O. Box 2225, Manitowoc, WI 54221-2225

Telephone (920) 683-3500

Bar Number 1056540

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Notice of Spring Election and Sample Ballots
April 1, 2025

Official Ballot
Nonpartisan Office
April 1, 2025

Notice to Voters: If you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initiated by two election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initiated by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials. (See end of ballot for initials).

Instructions to Voters
If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help. (Absentee voters: contact your municipal clerk).
To vote for a name on the ballot, make an "X" or other mark in the square next to the name like this: ☐
To vote for a name that is not on the ballot, write the name on the line marked "write-in."
School Board Members Vote for not more than Two (2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Nicolas Genske
<input type="checkbox"/> Ron Brooks
Write-in:
Write-in:

Done in the School District of Waupaca
on March 20, 2025.

Elizabeth Manion

Elizabeth Manion, Board Clerk
School District of Waupaca Board of Education

Notice of Location and Hours of Polling Places

At the election to be held on April 1, 2025, in the School District of Waupaca, the following polling place locations will be used:

CITY OF WAUPACA Barb Nowak, Clerk City Recreation Center, 407 School St. Waupaca, WI 54981 (715) 258-4411	TOWN OF BELMONT Michelle Talley, Clerk Town Hall, 9110 16th Road Almond, WI 54909 (715) 630-5329
TOWN OF DAYTON Wanda Hiltgen, Clerk Town Hall, N2285 State Road 22 Waupaca, WI 54981 (715) 258-0930	TOWN OF FARMINGTON Anjela Hamm, Clerk Town Hall, E913 Prairie View Lane Waupaca, WI 54981 (715) 258-2779
TOWN OF LANARK Kimberly Beaudoïn, Clerk Town Hall, 7174 County Road TT Amherst, WI 54406 (715) 256-9801	TOWN OF LIND Faye Neumann, Clerk Town Hall, N1315 County Road A Waupaca, WI 54981 (715) 321-4970
TOWN OF ROYALTON Judith Doud, Clerk Town Hall, E6132 State Road 54 New London, WI 54961 (920) 340-0085	TOWN OF ST. LAWRENCE Jackie Beyer, Clerk Town Hall Annex, 506 Franklin Street Ogdensburg, WI 54962 (920) 244-7431
TOWN OF SAXEVILLE Theresa Szczublewski, Clerk Town Hall, W4022 Archer Avenue Pine River, WI 54965 (920) 622-3807	TOWN OF SCANDINAVIA Brenda Mazemka, Clerk Municipal Center, 349 N. Main Street Scandinavia, WI 54977 (715) 445-4024
TOWN OF WAUPACA Mary Colden, Clerk Town Hall, N3514 County Road E Waupaca, WI 54981 (715) 256-1450	

All polling places will be open at 7:00 A.M. and will close at 8:00 P.M. All polling places are accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk.

Notice of Meeting of the School District Board of Canvassers

By no later than 9 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election, the School District Board of Canvassers shall convene, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, for the purpose of conducting the school district canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.53(3). This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

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DATE SIGNED: March 17, 2025
Electronically signed by Angela Dahle
Probate Registrar

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
PEGGY MARIE ZAEMISCH
DOD 01/06/2025

☒ Amended
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 25PR9

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/24/1948 and date of death 01/06/2025, was domiciled in WAUPACA County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 57 TORREY ST, CLINTONVILLE, WI 54929.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 18, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the WAUPACA County Courthouse, 811 HARDING ST, WAUPACA, Wisconsin, Room 3054 /PROBATE OFFICE.
Form completed by:
Jeremy R. Dobbe
PO Box 5
New London, WI 54961
Telephone (920)779-4140
Bar Number 1059024
Publish March 20, 27 & April 3, 2025
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DATE SIGNED: March 17, 2025

Electronically signed by Sandra Gagás
Probate Registrar

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, PORTAGE COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
MARGARETTE B. HAUBRICH
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 25PR16

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth February 16, 1935 and date of death January 29, 2025, was domiciled in Portage County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 5625 Sandpiper Drive, Apt. 614, Stevens Point, WI 54481.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 27, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Portage County Courthouse, Stevens Point.
PAUL A. ANDERSON, Attorney
1001 Union Street, PO Box 325
Stevens Point, WI 54481-0325
Telephone (715) 341-3323
Bar Number 1022993
Publish March 20, 27 and April 3, 2025
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DATE SIGNED: March 18, 2025

Electronically signed by Jessica Vandiver
Deputy Probate Registrar

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
JEANNE M. KIRK
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 25PR24

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 6/14/1967 and date of death 10/11/2024, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 420 Granite St., Waupaca, WI 54981.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 20, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room 3054/Probate office.
Form completed by:
Attorney Kaye E. Anderson
112 S. Main, Ste. 2
Waupaca, WI 54981
Telephone 715-258-9300
Bar Number 1020246
Publish March 27, April 3 & 10, 2025
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DATE SIGNED: March 6, 2025

Electronically signed by Angela Dahle
Probate Registrar

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 25PR18

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
GORDON RICHARD ZACHOW
DOD 02/06/2025

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 03/28/1933 and date of death 02/06/2025, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 38 N Main St. Apt #207, Clintonville, WI 54929.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 9, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.
Jeremy R. Dobbe
PO Box 5
New London, WI 54961
(920)779-4140
Bar Number 1059024
Published March 13, 20 & 27, 2025
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DATE SIGNED: March 7, 2025

Electronically signed by Angela Dahle
Probate Registrar

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Lorna J. Winn
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 25 PR 22

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth March 27, 1936 and date of death December 8, 2024, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 714 Clarke Street, Waupaca, WI 54981.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 9, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.
Attorney Heather M. Huebner
Anderson O'Brien, LLP
1257 Main Street, PO Box 228
Stevens Point, WI 54481
(715) 344-0890 Bar No. 1102350
Published March 13, 20 & 27, 2025
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DATE SIGNED: March 7, 2025

Electronically signed by Angela Dahle
Probate Registrar

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Angela L. Hahn

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth December 3, 1977 and date of death December 30, 2024, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of WI, with a mailing address of N2665 County Rd. QQ, King, WI 54946.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 9, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding St. Waupaca, WI 54981, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.
John M. Blazel, Smits & Blazel Law Office
PO Box 191
Berlin, WI 54923
Telephone 920-361-1777
Bar Number: 1018059
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CITY OF CLINTONVILLE
ORDINANCE NO.: 1228
INTRODUCED BY: Rokus
SECONDED BY: Rose

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLINTONVILLE, WISCONSIN, DO ORDAIN that
CHAPTER 12, COMMON COUNCIL, 12.02 (11)(b) CLOSING HOURS, is

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herby amended as follows:
(11) CLOSING HOURS. No premises for which an alcohol beverage license has been issued shall remain open for the sale of alcohol beverages, as follows:
(b) Closing hours shall be in conformance with WI SS 125.32(3) and 125.68(4), Wis. Stats., (without additional municipal restrictions) which are hereby adopted by reference and made a part of the section as if fully set forth herein. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

CITY OF CLINTONVILLE
By Steve Kettenhoven, Mayor
By Peggy L. Johnson, Clerk
Adopted: 3/11/25
Published: 3/27/25

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ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF STEVENS POINT, WISCONSIN

The Common Council of the City of Stevens Point do ordain as follows:
SECTION I: That Subsection 13.09(b) of Section 13.09 of the Revised Municipal Code, Water Service Limits, is hereby amended to read as follows:
13.09(b) (b) Park Ridge
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37 Park Ridge Drive
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39 Park Ridge Drive
41 Park Ridge Drive
49 Park Ridge Drive
51 Park Ridge Drive
69 Park Ridge Drive
105 Sunrise Avenue
112 Sunrise Avenue
77 Sunset Boulevard
And the following parcels adjacent to the installation of water main infrastructure in 2025- 26 described by the following parcel numbers. Addresses are for reference only. The following parcels have been allowed access to municipal water based on these conditions:
1. All infrastructure that in replaced/installed in the Village of Park Ridge including utilities and roadway improvements will be designed and constructed to City standard specifications.
2. The newly installed infrastructure is the responsibility of the Village to pay for in its entirety.
3. Water Infrastructure will be dedicated as a contributed asset to the Stevens Point Public Utilities Department.
4. No more municipal water infrastructure will be allowed to be installed within the Village of Park Ridge until a consolidation agreement is agreed upon.
5. There will be three triggering mechanisms to compel the connection of Park Ridge residents which are adjacent to the new infrastructure (listed below) to connect to the municipal drinking water system. Those three mechanisms are:
a) Any non-conforming well connects to the municipal drinking water system immediately upon availability.
b) No new wells are constructed, use of the municipal system is required
c) All properties (listed below) within 10 years of availability.
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171-66-1203 411 Greenbriar Ave
171-50-0615 504 Greenbriar Ave
171-50-0307 50 Hillcrest Drive
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171-50-0306 56 Hillcrest Drive
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171-50-0312 306 Greenbriar Ave
171-66-0701 301 Greenbriar Ave
171-50-0313 302 Greenbriar Ave
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171-20-0210 220 Greenbriar Ave
171-50-0211 208 Greenbriar Ave
171-66-0601 203 Greenbriar Ave
171-50-0212 202 Greenbriar Ave
171-50-0213 120 Greenbriar Ave
171-66-0110 117 Greenbriar Ave
171-50-0214 112 Greenbriar Ave
SECTION II: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication, as provided by law.
APPROVED: Mike Wiza, Mayor Date: ATTEST: Kari Yenter, City Clerk Date: Dated: March 13, 2025
Approved: March 17, 2025
Published: March 27, 2025
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CITY OF WEYAUWEGA WAUPACA COUNTY

Ordinance 2025-2
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 347-10 MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS, OF THE CITY OF WEYAUWEGA
CODE OF ORDINANCES
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEYAUWEGA, WAUPACA COUNTY, WISCONSIN, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:
SECTION 1: Chapter 347-10 Licensing fee; duration, is hereby amended to read as follows:
A. At the time of the application, a nonrefundable fee in the amount of \$50 plus \$7 background check for owner/applicant and \$25 for the fire inspection.
B. Duration. The license shall have a term of one year commencing on January 1 and ending on December 31.
SECTION 2: Ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with or contravening the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.
SECTION 3: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publishing as provided.
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Weyauwega, Waupaca County, Wisconsin this 17th date of March, 2025.
CITY OF WEYAUWEGA
BY: Rich Luedke
Mayor
ATTEST:
Rebecca Loehrke, Clerk
Introduced by: Shani Appleby
Seconded by: Meta Berg
Date Adopted: March 17, 2025
Date Published: March 27, 2025
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- March 20 –A Clintonville man on State Highway 156 reported a male was trespassing into his property.
- March 20 –An anonymous caller reported there were 15 minors drinking at a local bar.
- March 21 – A Clintonville man on Grene Tree Road reported one of his checks was cashed for \$4,000 more than it was worth.
- March 21 –A Clintonville woman on Lakeshore Road reported he neighbor came to her house and claimed that the caller's dog killed some of her chickens and threatened to kill her dog. The conversation was recorded on a Ring camera.
- March 21 –A New Lon-

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2024-2025 Local Boys Basketball All-Conference Representatives

BY NICK GRIESBACH
SPORTS REPORTER

**Bay
New London
First-Team**

Joseph Daly- Selected as a unanimous First-Team All-Bay conference member as a junior, Daly was also voted Bay Co-Player of the Year averaging 22 points and 12.6 re-bounds for the Bulldogs.

**Central Wisconsin-East
Amherst**

Honorable Mention
Parker Soulsby- Averaging 8.4 points and 2.9 rebounds, Soulsby was selected as Honorable Mention for the Central Wisconsin-East team.

**Iola-Scandinavia
First-Team**

Alex Robbins- Robbins was named a unanimous First-Team All-Central Wisconsin-East selection as a sophomore averaging 19 points and 8.1 rebounds for the Thunderbirds, who finished second in the conference.

Second-Team

Korz Loken- Sophomore Korz Loken led the Thunderbirds in rebounds with 9.3 to go with his 11.9 points per game as Iola-Scandinavia finished with an 18-6 record.

Manawa

Honorable Mention

Brady Jaeckle- Jaeckle was named an Honorable Mention selection, averaging 13 points and 6.6 rebounds for the Wolves.

Weyauwega-Fremont

Second-Team

Ethan Koplein- Koplein led the Warhawks in scoring and rebounding, averaging 13.2 points and 8.7 rebounds. He was selected for the second team.

Honorable Mention

Kam Zielke-Averaging 10.7 points, 5.3 rebounds and four assists and was selected as an Honorable Mention for the Warhawks.

**Fox Valley Association
Hortonville**

First-Team

Riley Mueller-After being named a Second-Team selection a season ago, Mueller was named a 2024-2025 First-Team All-Conference member after averaging 18.7 points per game for the Polar Bears, who finished with a 17-8 record.

Honorable Mention

Alden Rogers- Averaging 12.8 points and 2.9 assists, Rogers was named Honorable Mention for the Polar Bears.

**North Eastern Conference
Clintonville**

First-Team

Sam Wegener-Selected as a Secon-Team member in his junior season, Wegener was selected as a First-Team All-North Eastern conference member in his senior season after averaging 17.4 points per game.

Waupaca

First-Team

Aaron Wolff-Wolff was named a unanimous First-Team selection. He averaged 16.5 points for a Comets team that finished fourth in the North Eastern Conference.

Honorable Mention

Austin Adamczak- Averaging 11.8 points and a team-high 3.7 assists a game to be named Honorable Mention and was a part of the conference's All-Defensive team.



Hortonville's Riley Mueller selected to the All-Fox Valley Association First-Team. Nick Griesbach Photo



New London's Joseph Daly was named unanimous First-Team All-Bay conference as well as the Bay co-Player of the Year. Nick Griesbach Photo



SPASH senior Baraka Makalin named Wisconsin Valley honorable mention. Submitted Photo

**Wisconsin Valley
Stevens Point**

First-Team

Grant Chandonais-Chandonais was named to the All-Conference First Team. He averaged 18 points for a SPASH team that finished second in the Wisconsin Valley Conference.

Second-Team

Jaydon Awe-Averaging 14.8 points and 9.5 rebounds, Awe led SPASH to a 17-9 record and was named a Second-Team All-Conference member.



Clintonville's Sam Wegener named a First-Team All-North Eastern conference selection. Nick Griesbach Photo

Honorable Mention

Baraka Makalin-Averaging 10 points and 3.1 as-sists, Makalin was selected as an Honorable Mention member in the Wisconsin Valley.

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2024-2025 Local Girls Basketball All-Conference Representatives

BY NICK GRIESBACH
SPORTS REPORTER

Bay
New London
Honorable Mention
Morgan Jones- Jones led the Bulldogs in scoring and rebounding to be named Honorable Mention in the Bay conference.

Central Wisconsin Conference-East
Amherst
Second Team
Alexis Wierzba- Wierzba was named second-team All-CWC-East. Leading Amherst in scoring with 10.3 points and rebounding with 6.7.

Honorable Mention
Olivia Davis-Davis was named an Honorable Mention selection, averaging 9.6 points and 5.7 rebounds.

Iola-Scandinavia
Second Team
McKenzie Bonikowske-Selected as a Second-Team member, Bonikowske led the Thunderbirds with 10.9 points and 9.6 rebounds.

Manawa
Honorable Mention
Abby Elmhorst- Elmhorst was selected as an Honorable Mention after leading Manawa with 9.6 points and 2.8 assists.

Weyauwega-Fremont
First Team
Olivia Witkowski-A unanimous First-Team selection, Witkowski led the conference in scoring, with 20 points per game, and led her team with 7.3 rebounds.

Honorable Mention
Elizabeth Koplien- Averaging six points and leading her team with 2.2 assists per game, Koplien was selected as an Honorable Mention.

Fox Valley Association
Hortonville
First Team
Rainey Welson-Welson was selected to the Fox Valley Association First Team as a unanimous selection, she was also named Fox Valley Association Player of the Year, as well as being chosen for the conference All-Defensive team. Welson finished fifth in the state in scoring with 26.4 points.

Second Team
Kardyn Pepppler-Peppler was named a Second-Team member, averaging 14.9 points, 5.1 rebounds and 2.6 assists.

Honorable Mention
Julieyn Martin-Averaging nine points and 3.5 rebounds, Martin was selected as an Honorable Mention for the Polar Bears.
Leah Heraly-Heraly was selected as an Honorable Mention in the FVA after averaging 7.6 points as she shot .421 from three-point range.

North Eastern
Clintonville
Honorable Mention
Elektra Fields-Named Honorable Mention for the Truckers Fields averaged 4.7 points and 3.5 steals in her senior season.

Waupaca
First Team
Hailey Bechard-A unanimous First-Team selection, Bechard averaged 17.1 points for the Comets as well as being named to the All-Defensive Team.

Second Team
Rossalyn Wehmeyer-Wehmyer averaged 10.7 points and 8.1 rebounds as she was named Second-Team All-North Eastern conference.

Wisconsin Valley Conference
Stevens Point
First Team
Jada Seubert-Seubert was named unanimous All-Wisconsin Valley Conference for the second season and won back-to-back conference players of the year. She was also Co-Defensive Player of the Year. Seubert also led the Wisconsin Valley Conference in points (21.4) and assists (4.8).
Lindsey Weiler-Weiler was named a unanimous First-Team selection. She averaged 12.4 points per game and led SPASH in rebounding with 9.5.

Second-Team
Leah Awe-As a freshman, Awe averaged 8.7 points, 5.8 rebounds and 1.9 blocks to be named a Second-Team All-Conference member.

Honorable Mention
Lydia Johnson- Johnson was named Honorable Mention with 7.3 points and 4.1 rebounds for the WVC champion Panthers.
Ellie Strong-Strong picked up her second All-WVC honor as she was named Second-Team All-Conference last season. Strong was named Honorable Mention as she averaged 7.4 points for the SPASH Panthers, who were undefeated in the conference.



Rainey Welson was named FVA Player of the Year for the Polar Bears.
Nick Griesbach Photo



Weyauwega-Fremont's Olivia Witkowski's was a unanimous First-Team All-Conference selection.
Submitted Photo

2024-2025 Local Girls Wrestling All-Conference Representatives

BY NICK GRIESBACH
SPORTS REPORTER

Bay
New London
First Team
Hailie Krueger finished first in the Bay Conference and was named the Co-Wrestler of the Year.

Second Team
Freshmen Hayleigh Ritchie and Caroline Christopher were both Second Team members.

Fox Valley Association
Hortonville
First Team
Juniors Hannah Huza and Mackenzie Scheidermayer were both First-Team All-Fox Valley Association members.

North Eastern
Clintonville
Second Team
Senior Keela Deering finished as a Second Team member in the North Eastern Conference.

Waupaca
First Team
Caylin Johnson was a First-Team conference member in her sophomore season.

Second Team
Junior Savana Hansen is a Second-Team member in the North Eastern Conference.



Hailie Krueger was named Bay conference Co-Wrestler of the Year.
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Senior Spotlight

Lucas Haemmerle - Pacelli basketball

Running point for a Pacelli team that advanced to the Sectional Semi-Final, Lucas Haemmerle averaged 10.5 points and 4.3 assists this season, receiving Central Wisconsin-South Honorable Mention honors as he led his team to a 21-7 record.

Lucas started playing basketball in the second grade as his parents introduced him to the sport, and lasted with basketball because of the friendships he made. "My favorite part about basketball is the team I have got to play with from travel ball to high school. We are all very close and don't just hang out at basketball practices and games but also at school and out of school. I have stuck with basketball for this long both due to the team I have played with my whole life and I love the fast-paced games and thrill of scoring."

Putting academics first is what Lucas prides himself in, "I always put academics before athletics and have always been able to balance school work with athletics very efficiently regardless of the year. In the summer I put the most effort into my athletics due to not having school."

"It feels so great to look back on my high school career both as a person and athlete because I have so many memories in sports and school with so many different people. I have got to play with both my older brother and younger brother in sports and have learned many qualities from the friends I have played with." Lucas said of his sports career, "These qualities are shown through both my academic record and athletic achievements such as taking 2nd at state for cross country my sophomore year, making it to state for baseball junior year, and most recently winning a regional championship for basketball."

Lucas had memorable moments in three different sports being a runner-up at state in cross country, scoring 26 points in the regional final and going 3-for-3 with two RBI at state are a few highlights of his high school career.

2024-2025 Local Boys Wrestling All-Conference Representatives

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SPORTS REPORTER

Bay New London First Team
Juniors Howie Roloff and William Christopher were placed on the First Team for the Bulldogs.

Second Team
Sophomore Trevor Schultz and Preston Krueger were placed on the Second Team with senior Braxton Bryant.

Central Wisconsin Conference Amherst Second Team
Otto Anglemyer finished in second place in the 144-lb weight class.



Hortonville's Nolan Skebba wins the Fox Valley Association championship on his way to a WIAA championship. Submitted Photo



Weyauwega-Fremont's Jaydon LeNoble was the CWC 106-lb conference champion. Clarice Case Photo

Honorable Mention
Andrew Helbach, in the 113-lb division, and Tyler Johnson in the 120-lb weight class both took top-three and finished as Honorable Mentions.

Weyauwega-Fremont First Team
Jaydon LeNoble (106), Josue Azuara (113), Riley Scherg (120), Jake Buss (126), Carter Birdyshaw (138), Aiden Marquette (144) Collin Hamm (150) and Connor Johnson (157) placed first in the Central Wisconsin Conference.

Second Team
Carter McDaniel placed second in the 190-lb weight class and Tellyer Alix finished second in the 215-lb division.

Honorable Mention
Ezra Balthazor(132), Alex Loehrke (165) and Cashten Hoffman (285) finished third in their respective divisions.

Honorable Mention
Senior Cooper Pate and junior Noah Crane were both Honorable Mentions.

Clintonville Honorable Mention
Senior Landon Robenhagen finished as an Honorable Mention for the Truckers.

Wisconsin Valley Conference Stevens Point First Team
Logan Seavers finished as the champion of the 150-lb division in the WVC.

Second Team
Eldon Roth (106) and Kyle Madlena (175) both finished second in the Wisconsin Valley Conference.

Fox Valley Association Hortonville First Team
Junior Cash Botting (132), seniors Nolan Skebba (150) and Austin McHugh (215) all finished in first place in Fox Valley Association.

Second Team
Sophomores Evan Losselyong (106) and Sam Ellerman (113) each finished in second place.

Honorable Mention
Senior Collin Schroeder (144), junior Ethan Drury (138), sophomore Brock Schmidt (175) and freshman Henry Huza (285) were all named Honorable Mentions.

North Eastern Conference Waupaca Second Team
Senior Owen Hansen and freshman Pierce Karl both finished second in the North Eastern Conference.

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The W-F FFA Parliamentary Procedure Team took first place at sectionals—the first time in 15 years—and are now headed to the state competition in Madison in June.

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COUNCIL SEAT

FROM PAGE 6

What do you feel is the biggest issue facing the city of New London, and how would you try to fix that issue?

Gulbrandsen: The biggest issue I can see currently facing the city of New London is filling empty businesses and the business park. We have empty stores in multiple places in town. Conversations are being had with various businesses about the Business District in town as well as some expansion happening, with discussions I have had with city council members and at various council and committee meetings I have attended. I would like to learn more specific details about what is being done currently to drive business expansion in New London so I can possibly help with planning or suggestions such as more/expanded advertising about why businesses should be in New London.

Roberts: I feel that there are a lot of special interest groups or particular individuals that are benefitting at the taxpayers' expense. I want to promote transparency and fairness on how the decisions of the council are made. There also needs to be more discussion before making decisions by the council. We need to step back and consider all

the angles of an issue before just voting yes on everything that comes to the council.

Do you feel the city of New London is on the right path to success? Explain why or why not?

Gulbrandsen: I do feel the city of New London is on the right path. Attending and viewing the meetings online has shown me that efforts are being made to not only keep but to expand businesses and housing options. The downtown façade grant is a great example of how the city works with the businesses to help beautify the downtown area and keep up with their maintenance. Zoning options that are looked at to help benefit business and housing areas while not burdening the surrounding residents is also a plus. Having discussions to make it easier to run, expand, or start a business or have a place to live without extra roadblocks will only help to make things better for everyone.

Roberts: New London is making progress towards the right path, although there are choices being made without considering the better of ALL the members of the community. There are a certain few that are profiting while there could be better decisions made that would benefit

all. There is much room for growth in New London but it needs to be the right growth – and it needs to be the right growth for the entirety of the community.

Why should residents in your district vote for you?

Gulbrandsen: District 4 residents should vote for me because I am willing to put in the work. The constituents in District 4 are the first priority to the district alderperson, but I am willing to work with everyone in New London, businesses included. I want to be someone who can be trusted, and people aren't afraid to work with. If you lose trust, you also lose engagement. I have no reason to give false information or misrepresent myself. I would never claim to be a business owner or be a landlord unless I owned a business or rental property. If you are looking for an honest, open minded, trustworthy Alderman for the 4th district I would appreciate your vote.

Roberts: I would hope my constituents would reelect me on my history of representing the people, reelect me on my proven past decisions of voting for the people and not for the city. I am here to represent the people and be their voice and not the voice of the Council or the City. Reelect Roberts and reelect your voice.

FREMONT

FROM PAGE 7

are equally important. Presently there are committees to meet and address concerns and issues and report back at the board meetings with recommendations for total board approval.

Scott: The Village of Fremont is only a fraction of the broader community. Focusing on any one challenge aimed solely at the village alone hasn't led to fulfilling, successful outcomes. I believe we must work alongside other municipalities, residents and businesses to find solutions.

Waterway issues like the slow, no wake parameters have been contested and confusing for a long time. I hope to work together for more consistent and understandable rules and signage throughout the Fremont area.

How the new Tri-County Community Center and Library will affect taxpayers and the surrounding community has been a hot topic lately. I plan to create opportunities for open, constructive conversations so everyone understands the benefits, objectives and timelines. I would also demand that involved stewards of the project are held to account.

Balancing finances for everyday needs while also providing amenities is always challenging, but I know we have unexplored opportunities to improve.

Village trustees

What makes you a good candidate for village trustee?

Berndt: Fremont has always been home to me, I grew up here, graduated from Weyauwega-Fremont, and now live downtown with my wife, Hanna. I understand the values and needs of our small but thriving village. As a busi-

ness professional, I bring leadership, problem-solving skills, and a commitment to transparency in local government. I recently launched the Weyauwega Fremont News website and social media company to improve communication by sharing meeting updates and addressing community concerns. I know firsthand how special this place is and how special the people are, everyone has a voice and we need to hear them and utilize their God-given talents. My focus will be on responsible growth, fiscal responsibility, and community engagement. I am ready to bring fresh ideas and an open-minded, unbiased perspective to the board.

Billings: I have 20-plus years in heavy civil construction experience with a main focus on municipal infrastructure and have worked with many local and state engineers, various types of contractors, business owners, etc. I am also an Army veteran and worked my way to a platoon sergeant before transitioning into civilian life after 11 years of active duty and a few in the Army Reserves at which time I moved to Wisconsin and eventually to the small town life of Fremont. After a year or so as a resident of the Village of Fremont, some of the locals I got to know asked me to run for a trustee position because of my knowledge and experience in infrastructure construction.

Socha: I'm currently a village trustee for the past two years. I own a business in downtown Fremont. I relocated here eight years ago from Milwaukee to purchase a business here and eventually retire in Fremont.

What are the most pressing issues to the residents of Fremont and how would you address

those issues?

Berndt: One of the biggest challenges Fremont faces is communication and transparency. Many residents feel disconnected from local government decisions, and I believe we can improve this by live-streaming meetings, sharing clear updates, and encouraging public input. Another key issue is maintaining and improving community spaces — enhancing parks, reopening the compost site affordably, and supporting the new library and fire station projects while ensuring financial responsibility.

Additionally, we must continue to support law enforcement presence provided by Waupaca County Sheriff's Office and promote tourism-driven economic growth while preserving our small-town charm. By being transparent, open to communication and working as a team, the possibilities are endless for our village, I will help ensure Fremont remains a great place to live and visit.

Billings: In the two years I've been on the village board, I have worked to allocate a growth in the budget for street, sidewalk, lighting improvements from about \$29,000 annually to \$80,000. I've worked to make a safer community for the traveling public, such as replacing road pavements, replacing deteriorating and unsafe sidewalks and replacing non-conforming traffic signs. I am also currently working on a capital improvement plan with a three to five year outlook with the hopes of continuing to make the Village of Fremont a safe and inviting destination for more families and visitors.

Socha: I believe it has to be roads and fire department; to find the funding for this without having to ask the village residents for more tax money, and to use the grant money from the tif district for these needs.

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