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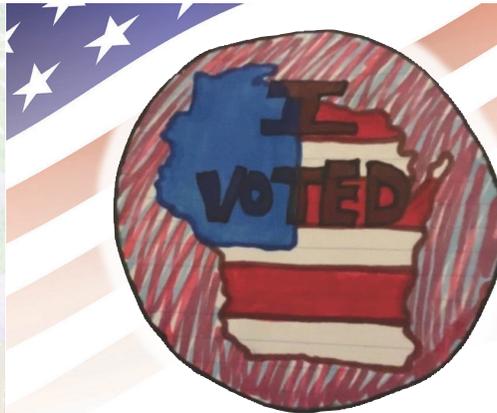
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WINNER!

Temi, 7th Grade Student
from Newman Catholic Schools

WE HAVE A WINNER!

Thank you to all who participated in the inaugural 'I Voted' sticker contest. The winning sticker above will be printed and available for the General Election this November! The Village had 11 entries and the winner was chosen by the Village residents. While most of the votes were cast on election day, voting was open from April 2nd to April 15th. There were 1,223 votes cast in the contest and the winner received 42% of the vote! The student, Temi, from Newman Catholic Schools, is a seventh grader that will now see their drawing come to life this November. We are thrilled we were able to involve the community in our contest encouraging civic participation and invoking pride in being a part of the election and voting process.

Submit your photos!

How do you enjoy summer in Weston?
We want to hear from you!



THE VILLAGE OF WESTON AND THE VILLAGE OF ROTHSCHILD 'PARTNERING UP' ON MOUNTAIN BAY METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT



BY ADMINISTRATOR JAMI GEBERT AND ADMINISTRATOR RYAN VANDEWALLE



Jami Gebert
Village of
Weston
Administrator



Ryan Vandewalle
Village of
Rothschild
Administrator

The Village of Weston and Village of Rothschild recently joined together in an intergovernmental agreement to establish a new shared police department, Mountain Bay Metropolitan Police Department (MBMPD). While the MBMPD is new, the delivery of important municipal services through 'partnering up' initiatives is a proven model which can produce fiscal savings, enhanced service, and improved quality of life for communities.

As the Administrators of the partnership communities, we are sure there are questions regarding the new shared police department, including if there will be any changes to service delivery, cost, and timeline for implementation. Below are several frequently asked questions on the consolidated municipal service.

Why form the shared police department now?

The Village of Weston has been a part of shared police department with the City of Schofield and Town of Weston, Everest Metro Police Department (EMPD), since 1993. The EMPD was functioning well, but as communities grow and change, so must municipalities to the changing needs of their residents, businesses, and visitors. The formation of the shared police department will allow for more specialization of officers in law enforcement tactics and increased opportunities for advancement within the department, both of which will aid in the recruitment and retention of staff in a strained job market. The larger coverage area also means police departments will no longer need to cross jurisdictional boundaries, improving service delivery, especially across the D.C. Everest School District.

How many officers will be a part of the department?

The department will be comprised of approximately 40 officers, including one Chief, two Captains, six Sergeants, and three Detectives, plus four support staff.

How was the name of the department selected?

Mountain Bay Metropolitan was selected by the officers. The police officers of EMPD and Rothschild Police Department submitted suggestions for names and voted on the choices. The determination of the vote was Mountain Bay Metropolitan. It was felt the name was impartial of each partner community, allowed for the possibility of additional neighboring communities to join the department, and was a landmark recognized in the area.

How will funding of the new department be coordinated?

The Villages of Weston and Rothschild agree that the initial shared police department budget will be the combined budgets of the current (2024) EMPD and the Rothschild Police Department, including any current unassigned fund balance. Thereafter, the budget shall be shared by the Villages. The Village of Rothschild will account for thirty-five (35%) of the annual budget and the Village of Weston will be the remaining sixty-five (65%) of the annual budget. Future increases to the proposed operating budget will be limited to an annual maximum of three percent (3%). Savings are anticipated through the sharing of contract services, such as software & I.T. expense, administration staff, and combining of capital investments.

How was the divide in funding determined?

The Villages looked at the elements of population, equalized valuation, current police department budgets, and per capita cost of providing police service for each respective municipality. While the apportionment of each element was slightly different, example the Village of Rothschild's population is 5,567 (26% of 21,376 total) and the Village of Weston's population is 15,809 (74% of 21,376 total), it was felt overall a 65%/35% split would be fair and equitable to both communities, as this percentage split was the closest derivative back to the original 2024 approved budgets.

How will police service be handled for the City of Schofield and Town of Weston, currently a part of the EMPD?

The governing bodies for the City of Schofield and Town of Weston have considered and approved contractual police services through the MBMPD.

What will be the administrative structure for MBMPD?

As part of the intergovernmental agreement establishing MBMPD, the Villages agreed to establishing a shared police department Police Commission and Oversight Board. The respective duties of each are outlined by Wis. Statutes and the agreement. The Police

Commission will consist of seven (7) members, three (3) appointed by the Village of Rothschild and four (4) appointed by the Village of Weston, while a majority of the Police Commission is a quorum for conducting business, each municipality must be represented at every meeting. The Oversight Board will consist of five (5) members, two (2) appointed by the Village of Rothschild and three (3) appointed by the Village of Weston and again, a majority of members is quorum for conducting business, but each municipality must be represented at every meeting.

The Police Commission and Oversight Board have begun to meet. As a foremost responsibility of the Police Commission, they have selected Jeremy Hunt, formerly the Village of Rothschild Police Chief, to lead the new MBMPD. The Police Commission has also had the opportunity to begin the hiring process for the new MBMPD.

Where will the headquarters for MBMPD be located?

The MBMPD headquarters will be located at 211 Grand Avenue, Rothschild, in the current Rothschild Police Department facility. As the shared department becomes acclimated, administration will review a space and location analysis for the most appropriate size and place for the department now and into the foreseeable future.

When will the transition to MBMPD occur?

We met our goal for transition to MBMPD on May 1, 2024. The respective Board of Trustees for each municipality have been positive about the transition and the officers are optimistic about the future of the department. Through communication and cooperation if any alterations become necessary moving forward, we'll adjust together.

Are there additional changes to public safety services other than the shared police department?

Yes, the Village of Weston, Town of Weston, and City of Schofield, currently encompassing the Everest Metro Municipal Court, have already determined through this transition process to join the Rothschild Area Municipal Court. The Rothschild Area Municipal Court is currently comprised of the Village of Rothschild, Village of Edgar, and Village of Marathon City. All six municipalities have approved a Joint Municipal Court Agreement and amended their ordinance for municipal citations to be processed through the Rothschild Area Municipal. The current Everest Metro Municipal Court will discontinue municipal court services at the end of April.

The Village of Weston and Village of Rothschild are eager to cooperate to provide this innovative method to deliver the best possible service to our communities. We are undoubtedly appreciative of the municipal boards and department leadership that have helped to coordinate all aspects of the new shared service and we are looking towards the future on continued successes for coordinated, shared, and consolidated services. If you have an additional question(s) not answered above, please feel free to reach out to Administrator VanDeWalle or me directly for more information. We are happy to help. Thank you.

PUBLIC SAFETY SAFER REPORT

**South Area Fire &
Emergency Response
SAFER District**
224225 Hummingbird Rd.
Wausau, WI 54401
Phone (715)355-6763
Fax (715)355-6805



Joshua Finke
Fire Chief



Eric Lang
Deputy
Fire Chief



Summer is just around the corner, and that means cookouts and campfires. In the spring addition, we spoke about wildland fires and the danger associated with open burning during the spring and wildland season. Many of those lessons are similar when it comes to campfires and grills. The following safety items should be considered for both campfires and grills:

1. Burn only clean dry wood in a campfire, do not burn any building materials.
2. Keep your grill and campfire away from low-hanging tree branches and clear away and brush that may be near your campfire before burning.
3. Never leave a grill or campfire unattended.
4. Ensure you have a water source nearby, and always fully extinguish your campfire with water before leaving it unattended.
5. It's of utmost importance that children are always under adult supervision when in the vicinity of campfires and grills. This ensures their safety and prevents any accidents.

The US Fire Administration has outdoor fire safety information with video and .pdf printable handouts on their website at <https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outdoor-fires/>. As always, if you have any questions, feel free to contact us at the fire district by calling 715-355-6763 or texting us through our Facebook page or website: www.saferfd.com.

PUBLIC WORKS

STREETLIGHTS: WHAT TO DO WHEN THEY'RE OUT

The streetlights located within residential areas are owned and maintained by Wisconsin Public Service (WPS). If you see lights that are out, or turn on and off frequently throughout the night, you can report them directly to WPS or by going through the Village's website at <http://westonwi.gov/472/Street-Light-Problems>



Micheal Wodalski
Public Works Director

Street and Utility Projects for 2024:

The Village of Weston has a Capital Improvement Plan which includes facilities, streets, and utility projects as well as major equipment purchases. The 2024 projects include the following:

Street Projects:

- o **Jelinek Avenue Repaving (Machmueller Street to Alderson Street)** the 0.70 miles of roadway from the DCE Jr. High to the DCE Sr. High is scheduled to be repaved starting in June and will be completed before school starts again at the end of August.
- o **E Jelinek Avenue (CR-X to Mesker Street) and Von Kanel Street (Barbican Avenue to Schofield Avenue)** this 1.25 miles of roadway will be reconstructed with the replacement of water and sanitary sewer facilities on E Jelinek Avenue between CR-X and Von Kanel Street. A multi-use path is planned for the length of this project to improve pedestrian connectivity through this corridor.
- o **Schofield Avenue and Mesker Street Intersection** is planned to have traffic signals installed this summer.
- o **Weston Avenue Reconstruction** over the next two years 2.25 miles of Weston Avenue will be reconstructed through the Village of Weston. These projects include complete street reconstruction, looping of the water main, installation of sanitary sewer, and the installation of a multi-use path in portions.
 - 0.50 miles from **CR-X to Von Kanel Street** is planned to be reconstructed in **2024**.
 - 1.25 miles from **Von Kanel Street to Ryan Street** is planned to be reconstructed in **2025**.
 - The 2024 project will include the repaving from CR-X to Von Kanel Street with the remainder planned for 2025.
 - 0.50 miles from **Alderson Street to Birch Street** will be reconstructed jointly with the Village of Rothschild in **2024**. This project received a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for **\$733,463.03**.

Utility Projects:

- o **PFAS Treatment:** The Village has received a Safe Drinking Water loan from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources with **\$3.1** million having principal forgiveness to construct a PFAS removal plant for Wells 3 and 4. This work is slated to start in summer, 2024.
- **PFAS Limits:** On April 10, 2024, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released its final PFAS drinking water rule. This rule created a maximum contaminant level for the chemical compounds of PFOA and PFOS at 4-parts per trillion (ppt). The Village's wells currently meet this new requirement with the two new wells near Yellowbanks Park, coming online and the current temporary treatment system in place for Well 4. In the coming year, the long-term use of Granular Activated Carbon for Wells 3 and 4 will be put in place and Well 3 will be able to come back online likely in 2025.
- o The Village has also submitted claims through the 3M and DuPont class action lawsuits. By being proactive, the water utility has been able to obtain this funding which will reduce the monetary impact of these projects. More information about PFAS and the Village of Weston can be found at westonwi.gov/pfas.

Planned 2025 Projects:

- o **Fuller Street** is planned to be reconstructed from Schofield Avenue to Ross Avenue. The reconstruction will rebuild the road and add pedestrian accommodations along the entire route.
- o **Schofield Avenue (Normandy Street to Birch Street):** The Village has received a \$2,652,390 grant to reconstruct Schofield Avenue along this corridor. The project includes new pavement and updates to the signalized intersections at Alderson Street, Target/ACE/Pick N'Save, as well as Birch Street.

Feel Good Moments with Public Works

A friendly resident had called stating a turtle was stuck in a storm inlet on the cul-de-sac at the end of Lexington Court. Thanks to our street staff, the turtle was safely removed from the storm inlet and is now on his happy way! *Thanks, Randy for your expertise on Snapping Turtles!*



Call Diggers Hotline Before You Dig

1. NOTIFY
 Notify Diggers Hotline by calling 811 or making an online request 3 business days before work begins. Diggers Hotline will transmit information to affected utility operators.

2. WAIT
 Wait 3 business days for affected utility operators to respond to your request. On average, between 7-8 utility operators are notified for each request.

3. CONFIRM
 Confirm that all affected utility operators have responded to your request by comparing the marks to the list of utilities Diggers Hotline notified.

4. RESPECT
 Respect the marks. The marks provided by the affected utility operators are your guide for the duration of your project. If you are unable to maintain the marks during your project, please contact Diggers Hotline to ask for a relocate.

5. DIG CAREFULLY
 Dig carefully. If you can't avoid digging near the marks (within 18 inches on all sides), consider moving your project to another part of your yard. If you must dig near the marks no mechanized equipment can be used within 18 inches of the marks; only hand digging is allowed.

DIAL 811 OR VISIT: DIGGERSHOTLINE.COM

The **Where's the Everest Tree Search** is on! Spot five hidden trees, note the pages, and visit westonwi.gov/EverestTreeSearch
 *Submission deadline is **July 10, 2024**.



One entry per household for Village residents, the image here  does not count along with the tree in our logos. Good luck!

On average, your lawn needs about one inch of water per week during the Summer. 20 minutes, three times per week will give your lawn the inch it needs! Cut back on a higher water bill by reducing your water usage this Summer.

Did You Know?

Watering with a typical sprinkler using a standard garden hose for one hour is equal to 1,020 gallons of water usage?!

Track how much water you're using by signing up with AquaHawk for a **FREE** meter reading & alerting system!

SCAN ME

VILLAGE CROSSWORD

Cut this portion out and turn in your crossword puzzle by July 15, 2024 to be entered into a drawing for a Village of Weston apparel item.

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Down:

1. Permit needed to occupy new home
2. Eau Claire River Trail access point
4. Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin a/k/a
6. Opens May 4
7. Join a meeting virtually
9. All recyclable materials in one cart
15. Official inspection of Village accounts by independent body

Across:

3. Yard waste site location
5. Street connecting Muskie Drive to Quentin Street
8. New police department
10. Fire Chief
11. Kellyland Park is located on this street
12. Kayak launch access point
13. Animal Fancier, liquor, and pets are one
14. 77-mile bike trail
16. Reflects property status as of January 1

Name _____ Phone: _____
 Email: _____

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Hooshang Zeyghami
Trustee

Hooshang came to the Village of Weston in 1978 to work for an engineering consultant, his first project was to be the resident project engineer on site for the construction of the Aspirus Hospital.

The Greenheck Fieldhouse was designed by his firm, and in 1997, and he was the Chief Engineer on the project. He also was the Chief Engineer in the designing of the Wausau Curling Club (2000) and the nine Pickleball Courts at Marathon County Park in Wausau for the Pickleball Club of Wausau, and the Marathon County Park Department (2023).

Hooshang and his wife and have raised their four children in the Village of Weston. They have participated in many cultural activities – from sports to the fine arts whether on the ice, on the field of grass or inside the Grand Theater. Hooshang feels Weston and the surrounding area have a lot to offer our youth which has enabled adults to pursue their passions.

Hooshang was a citizen representative for the Town of Weston and went to Madison to see the Secretary of State, Doug La Follette, when the Town of Weston became the Village of Weston (1996). He has witnessed many changes in the Village of Weston and looks forward to seeing many more.

Hooshang feels that as a resident of the Village, one should find time to serve the community, and he would like to use his experiences to serve the Village and its residents.

Political Experience:

- Trustee for the Village of Weston since 2018
- Vice Chairman of the Planning Commission for the Village of Weston
- Past Vice President and Chairman of the Public Works Committee in the Village of Weston

Community involvement:

- One of the founders of the DCESA – DC Everest Youth Soccer Association. (1984)
- Past President and Foundation Board Member of the UW-Stevens Point at Wausau
- Past President of the Monk Botanical Gardens
- Board Member of the Wausau Pickleball Club
- Member of the Marathon County Sport Authority Board
- Tourism Commission of Weston and representative for the CVB – Convention and Visitor Bureau
- Citizen of the Year – 2008, by the Village of Weston for endeavors as a Volunteer Worker to the community
- Construction Committee for the new Municipal Center

Education:

- Bachelor of Science, UW -Platteville – Civil Engineering
- Master of Science, Oklahoma State University – Civil Engineering
- Post Graduate Studies UW- Madison, Environmental Engineering

Weston development involvement:

- Two water wells on Camp Phillips Road with an increase in high-quality water for the area.
- Design water treatment plants for some of the wells in the Village with the additional plan to have water treatment plants for all the wells in the Village.



Shaun (Scott) Tatro • Part-Time Electrical Inspector

Scott worked in the electrical field since high school and served his apprenticeship with a local contractor. Scott has been a Weston resident for about 45 years and has two wonderful sons who live in the area with his seven grandchildren.

He started with the Village in 2007 as a Building and Electrical Inspector and Building Manager. He served in that position until retiring in January of 2023. He now works part-time as a Commercial Electrical Inspector & building maintenance for the Village.

Scott is a past president of the Wisconsin Chapter of the International Association of Electrical Inspectors & still an active member.

His hobbies are HAM radio, electronics, and motorcycle riding.



Carl Von Schrader • Public Works Operator

Carl has been with the Village since the Summer of 2019 and has been operating equipment ever since he graduated from D.C. Everest High School. With his experience in the field, he pursued the Public Works Operator position and has enjoyed it ever since. He has lived in the area his whole life, so serving the community is a fulfilling job that he takes pride in.

Outside of work, he loves to spend time with his wife, two daughters, and stepson. As a family, their free time is spent camping and fishing.



Dave Diesen • Plan Commission

Dave first moved to Weston in 1988 with his family from Waukesha. After a few years of getting acclimated to Weston, he served several years on the Public Safety Committee. From 1995-2005 he also served as a board member along with multiple other committees during that time. Annexation was becoming an issue, so the board petitioned the state to become a Village. In March of 1996, we gained "Village" status that stopped further annexation of our borders. This was a challenging process, but he was glad to be a part of the plan and know that the work paid off.

Before his retirement five or so years ago, he was self-employed, owning a dental laboratory and working as a dental tech for 32 years. Currently, he serves on the Finance Committee and recently joined the Plan Commission.

His hobbies include spending time at his cabin in Lincoln County, hunting, and chainsawing. Fun fact, he is certified as a chainsaw trainer.

Another passion of Daves is diving. He has been diving for the past 23 years all over the world. To name a few, he has been to Fiji, the Philippines, and all over the Caribbean. Venezuela is marked on his calendar for his next dive and is looking forward to it!

Joe Jordan

Joe was first involved with the Village when his job at Wausau Supply Company was relocated to the Village of Weston. Over the years, as the business grew, many new buildings and additions were permitted for construction. With the complexity and scope of the projects, there were often conflicts with the building codes that needed to be addressed. Working with the Village staff, they were always able to get through any issues.

When the time came to update the code a few years ago, he volunteered to be a member of the Steering Committee, representing the interest of businesses looking to build in our community. During that time, the work that was done to make the permitting and code compliance easier had navigated businesses to build here in Weston. He then joined the Plan Commission to continue working with Village staff as the new code was implemented. Weston continues to grow and prosper with a mix of new and redevelopment throughout the Village.

His employment with Wausau Supply first began in 1970, working in the warehouse and driving trucks. Eventually, he became President and later on, retired in 2020. The greatest satisfaction in his career was to see Wausau Supply become an ESOP and 100% employee-owned. He is a lifetime area resident, married to his wife, Peggy for 50 years, and has three children, nine grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter. God has blessed him greatly!



Jessica Falkowski • Arborist/Parks Crew Leader

Jessica has been with the Village for 24 years. She works in the Parks Department as an Arborist/Parks Crew Leader. She started working for the Village in the summer of 2000 as an intern collecting water samples and updating permits for residents who had a private well. She continued to work part-time helping office staff during the winter months before becoming a full-time Parks Department employee in 2003. Jessica graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point (UWSP) where she obtained a degree in Wildlife Management and Biology. She became a Certified Arborist in 2008.

Jessica grew up on a small dairy farm in the Town of Easton. She enjoys spending time with family, friends, and her fur babies. She also enjoys the outdoors, mostly gardening, hunting, fishing, and raising chickens.

BACKYARD CHICKEN LICENSE REQUIREMENT

Last fall, the Village conducted a survey and created an ordinance to permit backyard chickens in most residential districts with a license. There are requirements that must be followed including appropriate zoning, minimum lot size, a maximum number of five chickens, distance requirements, and an enclosed chicken coop and run. Most importantly, a license must be obtained and is valid for one year from April 1 to March 31 with annual renewal. A completed application, site plan, site inspection, and \$35 application fee must be submitted/completed to obtain the license.

Now is the time to get your existing chicken coops licensed. The application deadline for existing coops has been extended to July 31. Those found to be in violation after the deadline will risk enforcement action to gain compliance. New applications can be submitted anytime through our website at www.westonwi.gov/epermits by creating an account and clicking on the license application. Should you have any questions, please contact us at 715-241-2613 during office hours or email plandev@westonwi.gov.



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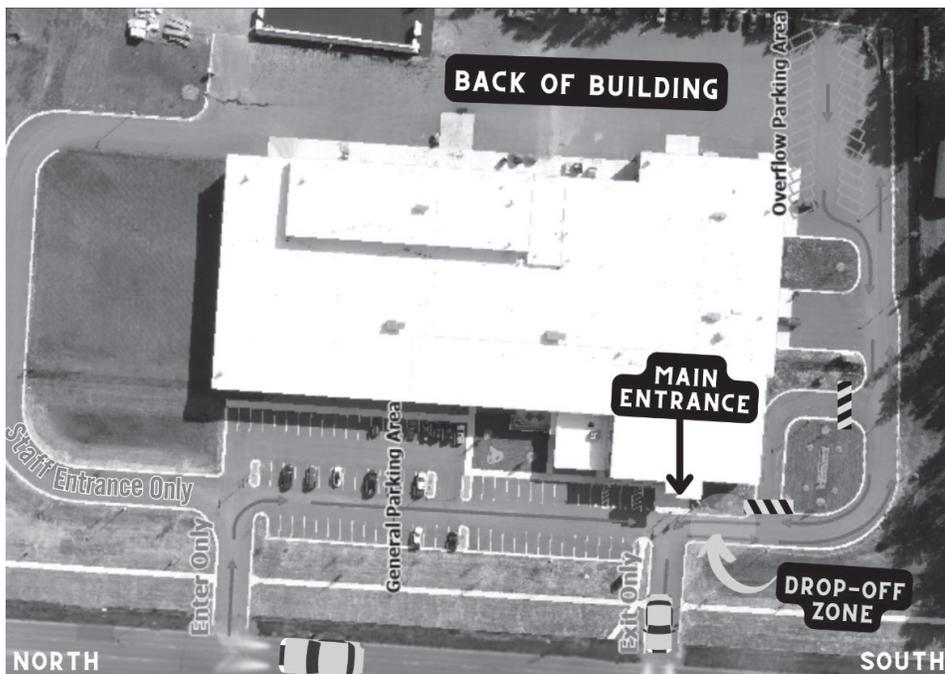
Check Your Property Tax Bill to Ensure You Receive the Lottery and Gaming Credit

If you built a new home in the Village of Weston, you may be wondering how to apply for the lottery and gaming credit so that it will appear on your tax bill. This may also pertain to some residents who don't see the lottery and tax gaming credit on their tax bill. Just make sure you qualify before applying.

Property owners can now file for the lottery and gaming credit completely online through the online portal by typing in "lottery-home.aspx" in your search engine.



BE READY FOR THE UPCOMING FALL ELECTION BY VIEWING THE ELECTION DAY PARKING MAP



Primary Election
August 13th
7:00 AM - 8:00 PM

GARBAGE & RECYCLING

POTENTIAL COMPOSTING & FOOD WASTE REDUCTION (CFWR) TWO-YEAR PILOT PROJECT



Valerie Parker
Planning Technician

The Village is working with Marathon County Solid Waste Department, Recycling Connections, Better Bin, and HSU Growing Supply, on applying for a USDA grant to organize a Composting & Food Waste Reduction (CFWR) two-year Pilot Project.

If awarded this CFWR grant, the funds would be used to cover the costs of the Pilot Project. The Pilot Project would include the creation of a public food waste drop-off site and offer interested residents a backyard compost bin at a reduced cost. The purpose of this proposed program is to bring awareness to individuals on the amount of food that is wasted, reduce the food waste going to landfills, and educate the public on giving wasted food another life by composting.



According to the WI DNR's 2020-2021 Statewide Waste Characterization Study, food waste makes up 20% of trash headed to our landfills, which has more than doubled since the last study in 2009. Most of this food waste, 14.5%, could have been consumed. To learn more about the facts on food waste, and ways to reduce food waste at home, visit the DNR's website.

If the Pilot Project were to be offered, would you be interested in participating? If so, reach out to Valerie Parker, Planning Technician, at 715-241-2607 or by emailing vparker@westonwi.gov. We feel compiling a list of interested residents will be beneficial to show that there is enough interest and need to get this started for our community.

CELEBRATING EARTH DAY WITH VOLUNTEER PARK CLEAN-UPS...

On April 22, 2024, the enthusiastic staff of Foundation Finance Company volunteered their time cleaning up litter at Kellyland Park, Kennedy Park, Williams Park, and along the Mountain-Bay Trail. The Village is grateful to have such wonderful local groups, who are willing to come out and do this. Thank you for keeping our community clean!

Are you part of a group interested in volunteering to help keep our community clean? If so, we would love to hear from you! Please contact Valerie Parker at 715-241-2607, or email vparker@westonwi.gov.



RECYCLE THE RIGHT WAY TO EARN POINTS THAT TURN INTO GIFT CARDS WITH THE Betterbin APP

WE'LL TELL YOU
SOLID WASTE
WHERE TO PUT IT.

Take a Photo!

Scan the product barcode

Get local recycling info

REALLY detailed instructions

Clif Kid ZBarProtein Chocolate Chip Whole Grain Crispy Snack Bar 5 of 5

Partially Recycle

Instructions

The exterior paperboard box or packaging should be flattened and tossed in your recycle bin. The inner bag, bags, wrappers or pouches holding the food or other contents should be tossed in the trash.

Earn points toward gift cards!

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

SUBMITTING A BUILDING PERMIT



Roman Maguire
Building Inspector

With summer fast approaching, the Building Inspectors Team wants to kindly remind residents that they should be checking online, email, or call staff to verify if their future home improvement projects need a permit. Summer is a very busy time of the year for our inspectors, as they are often out of the office on inspections. Submitting building permit applications ahead of time is strongly encouraged as applications are reviewed in the order that they are received.

All permit applications in the Village are submitted online via the Evolve permitting module found at www.westonwi.gov/epermits. Applications are accessible online 24/7 from your mobile device. To help streamline the permit process for our customers, payments via ETF or card can be made online. Please note, that there is a small convenience fee if you choose to use this option as State law prohibits the Village from paying credit/debit card processing fees:

- \$0.64 for Electronic Funds Transfer (ETF)/E-Check option
- 3.25% + \$1.00 for all credit and debit card transactions.

Please also note that permits will not be issued until payment is received. When submitting a payment by check, include the invoice number contained in the email that was sent to the applicant.

If you need assistance with submitting your permit application, scheduling an appointment, or have further questions, please contact us at 715-241-2613 during office hours or by emailing plandev@westonwi.gov.

As of January 1, 2024, inspection appointments are scheduled during the following days/times (not including Commercial Electrical Inspections) Please see below.

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am to Noon and 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Friday: Emergency Inspections Only

Commercial Electrical Inspections may only be scheduled on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Special accommodations may be made with the part-time inspector's schedule with advance notice.

When coming to an appointment, it would be very much appreciated if you brought a summary and preliminary sketch of your project. Emailing the sketch in advance of the appointment is also appreciated so staff are better able to answer your questions.

The Building Inspectors Team thanks you in advance for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call, or email us. The Team looks forward to assisting you with your projects in the future.

NEW BUSINESSES



Jennifer Higgins
Planning & Development Director

Helped by the mild winter, construction season started earlier this year and is in full swing. We are excited to share with you a few exciting new residential and commercial developments you may see being constructed as you make your travels throughout the Village this summer.

On the residential front, the Village recently approved two new single-family subdivisions. The first, **Arrowhead Estates First Addition**, is a 10-lot, single-family subdivision that will be constructed on a private well and septic. This subdivision features largersized lots (0.9 acres – 3.73 acres) and is accessed from Ringle Avenue/Arrowhead Trail in the Town of Ringle. The Final Plat was approved in April 2024 so lots should be available for sale soon.



The second subdivision, **Green Tree Acres**, comes to the Village through an annexation from the Town of Weston. In late 2023, the Developer, Green Tree Companies, petitioned the Village for a 33.4-acre parcel off Ross Ave South of the Sandy Meadow Subdivision to be annexed into the Village from the Town of Weston. Over the next five years, Green Tree Companies plan to construct an 88-lot single-family subdivision on public utilities. Lot sizes range from 10,000 sq ft to 22,000 sq ft. Phase 1 should begin construction later this summer.

You may have also noticed a lot of redevelopment this last year occurring along the Schofield Ave Corridor that doesn't appear to be slowing down in 2024. Intercity State Bank recently opened its new bank branch just south of its previous location. The old bank has been demolished and they are working on plans for a future residential development on that site. The old Lane Northwest site on the corner of Birch St and Schofield Ave has been redeveloped into the new home of Adventure Awaits Cross Fit and a new restaurant, Weston House Café, which plans to serve up healthy breakfast, lunch, and dinner options for residents and visitors. The Robert Anton Hair Salon has been demolished and Lokre Development is in the process of constructing a 3-tenant commercial retail development at the 2302 Schofield Ave location. We are thankful that new and existing members of our business community are choosing to grow here with us in the Village of Weston.

INTERNET SCAM WARNING

Have you ever had a “warning” pop up on your screen that looked like the screenshot below?

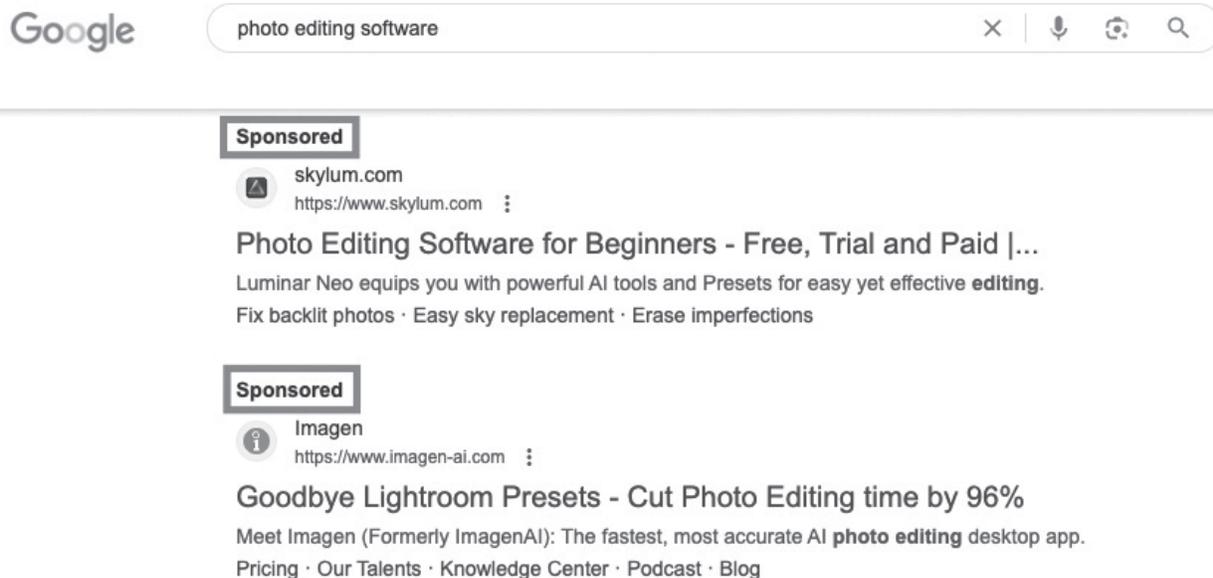


Nathan Crowe
Technology
Services Director



These are scams hoping you will take the bait and call the phone number listed. Once you call in, they will ask for a screensharing session where they will have the ability to cause further harm to your computer and try to gain private information about you. More than likely though, they will simply tell you that they can fix your computer for a small fee. There are many ways that this scary pop-up can happen, but the most likely is a compromised hyperlink from a website that you visited. Do not fall for these scams as no harm has been done to your computer. Just simply close your web browser and open a new session.

Another tip to avoid scammers is avoiding the “sponsored” results (see photo below). Any search result that is sponsored has a possibility of routing to a scam site like the one stated above. The scammers may pay to pose as a legitimate site and route you to their alert page. Simply scroll past these sponsored links to avoid potential harm.



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Corporate Headquarters is located at 5707 Schofield Avenue, Weston, WI 54476



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Written by Melonie Eternicka, Marketing Manager

Fuzzy's Taco Shop

Located at 2805 Schofield Avenue, Weston WI 54476

We're a fast-casual restaurant serving your Mexican favorites with a Baja-inspired twist. What makes Fuzzy's Taco Shop so special, you ask? Well, besides our specialty beeritas, addictive tacos, and famous chips and queso, we take pride in every step of our process. From frying up our chips and shells fresh in the morning to whipping up house-made dressings and salsas, we're everything your baja dreams are made of. And let's not forget about our secret weapon—the Fuzzy Dust (we put it on everything)!



But wait, there's more! We're not just your average taco joint—we're also proud to offer a full bar and convenient drive-thru service, so you can enjoy most of your favorite Fuzzy's treats on the go without missing a beat. Did we mention we make breakfast fresh all day? We also have six TVs in the dining room and three more on the patio to keep up with all the action!

And here's the guac on top: we're excited to be a part of this wonderful community, and if you haven't visited yet, we can't wait to meet you!! Whether you're swinging by for a quick bite or staying awhile to soak in the good vibes, know that you're always welcome at Fuzzy's Taco Shop. Hit us up for all your catering needs! We specialize in Build Your Own Taco & Nacho Bars and breakfast taco packs.

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Notable Dates

- **JULY 4**
 Village Offices Closed
- **JULY 31**
 2nd Installment Property Taxes Due to Marathon County
- **AUGUST 13**
 Primary Election



VILLAGE OF WESTON MUNICIPAL CENTER

Address: 4747 Camp Philips Road, Weston, WI 54476
Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Monday – Friday)
General Information: 715-359-6114
Website: www.westonwi.gov

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Aquatic Center (Seasonal)	715-241-7946
Assessor	715-241-2615
Building Inspections	715-241-2613
Fire EMS (Non-emergency)	715-355-6763
Municipal Court Clerk 211 Grand Avenue, Rothschild	715-298-3215
Parks, Forestry, Grounds	715-359-6114
Planning & Development	715-241-2613
Police (Non-emergency at 211 Grand Avenue, Rothschild)	715-359-3333
PSN (Utility payments over the phone or online account questions)	866-917-7368
Public Works (Streets)	715-359-6114
Waste Management	888-960-0008
Water & Sewer	715-359-2876

WESTON FARMERS MARKET

**TUESDAYS
 &
 SATURDAYS**

May 4 - October 26
8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
 (or until sold out)

Weston Marketplace
 On the corner of Camp Phillips Rd.
 next to Dunkin' Donuts

VILLAGE OF WESTON MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Trustees	6:00 p.m.	3rd Monday of the month
Community Development Authority		Meet as needed
CLPS "Community, Life and Public Safety"	TBD	Meet as needed
Finance and Human Resources Committee	4:30 p.m.	3rd Monday of the month
Parks and Recreation Committee	5:00 p.m.	4th Monday of the month
Plan Commission	6:00 p.m.	2nd Monday of the month
Public Works and Utility Committee	4:30 p.m.	2nd Monday of the month

Meeting dates are subject to change; call the Village of Weston offices to confirm dates and times.
 Committees and Commissions associated with police and fire meet on an as-needed basis.