

THE WIRE



What's going on in the Village of Weston

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WE ALL HAVE A PART TO PLAY IN THE NEW ERA OF KENNEDY PARK! FUTURE HOME of 5 NEW FIELDS



Help hit a **Grand Slam** for the Village of Weston by being a part of our multi-phase capital campaign to raise \$14.5M to fund five new baseball and softball fields at Kennedy Park!



Friends of Kennedy Park

Help our kids hit it out of the park and donate now by scanning the QR code.

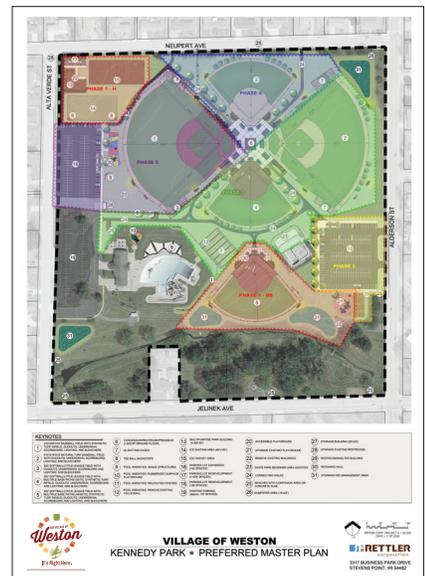
Donate Today!



Your gift will help create a Kennedy Park that will be appreciated by generations to come.

Friends of Kennedy Park is a collaboration between the Village of Weston Parks & Recreation Committee/Department, the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin, D.C. Everest Youth Baseball and JV Baseball, Everest Fastpitch and JV Softball, Everest Youth Hockey, and YOU! DCE Youth Baseball Park Project Fund is a component fund of the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin.

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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT



Jennifer Higgins
Planning and
Development Director

SUBMITTING A BUILDING PERMIT

With that spring itch in the air, March is a great time of year to start thinking about all those yard projects and home improvement projects that you've been dreaming of doing during the cold winter months. Staff would like to provide a friendly reminder to residents that they should be checking online or calling staff to verify if their future project needs a permit. Spring and summer are very busy times of the year for our Building Inspectors, as they are often out of the office on inspections. Now is a great time to submit those building permit applications ahead of the busy times as we review the permits in the order they are received.

When you submit your application, please include any pertinent information such as site plans, floor plans, and construction details. Any missing information may delay your permit approval. In many cases, building permits are valid for a year to two years, depending on the permit.

All building permits in the Village are submitted online via the Evolve permitting module found at www.westonwi.gov/epermits. Permits can be applied for 24/7 from home or with the help of staff at the Municipal Center. To help streamline the building permit process for our customers, the Village is also able to take online payments for permits using ETF or credit card. Please note, there is a small convenience fee if you choose to use this option as State law prohibits the Village from paying credit card processing fees:

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

It should also be noted that the invoice received via email to the applicant is not the permit. Permits are not issued until payment is received. When submitting payment by check, please include the invoice number contained in the email.

To ensure that you are able to meet with the inspectors to discuss your project or if you need help filling out the permit application, it is recommended that you please call 715-241-2613 or email plandev@westonwi.gov to schedule an appointment to ensure a staff member will be available to assist you.

Inspection Appointments can be scheduled the following days/times:

Monday through Thursday:

9:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 3:30pm

Friday: Emergency Inspections Only

Inspectors' in-office hours are typically **Monday-Thursday:** 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and **Friday:** 8:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 pm.

Commercial Electrical Inspections will be scheduled Tuesdays and Thursdays only unless a week's prior notice is received, and arrangements can be made with our part-time Commercial Electrical

Inspector.

When coming to an appointment, it is very much appreciated if you bring a summary and preliminary sketch of your project. It is helpful if this can be emailed to staff in advance of the meeting so that we are better able to answer your questions or assist you during the meeting. If you are building a new home, then an appointment needs to be scheduled to pay for the permit. At the time of payment, a State Seal number is assigned to the permit, which is required by the State of Wisconsin for all new home construction. This can only be received from the Building Inspector.

The Building Inspectors Team thanks you in advance for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or email them. We look forward to working with you. Good luck with all your projects this spring and summer!

Save the Dates! Spring Clean-Up / Recycling Events



Home Compost Bin Sales & Pick Up:

Sales run from March – April / Collection Date is May 3, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Community Paper Shredding Event: May 14, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Electronics Recycling Event: May 17, 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Bulk-Item Drop-Off Event:

May 15, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

May 16, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

May 17, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Watch the Village's website for more info:
<https://westonwi.gov/151/Refuse-Recycling>

2025 SPRING YARD MATERIALS PICK UP



Forrest Blarek
Street Superintendent

Spring yard materials pick up is not yet scheduled as this work is dependent on the **lifting of spring seasonal weight limits**. Traditionally the yard materials pickup begins the first week of May. Please watch the Village Website (www.westonwi.gov) for the 2025 Spring Zone Pick up map which will have the dates and Zone locations for your neighborhood pickup.

HOW TO LOOK UP YOUR DATE FOR SPRING YARD MATERIALS PICK UP:

Step 1: Go to www.Westonwi.gov and click "mapping" on home page



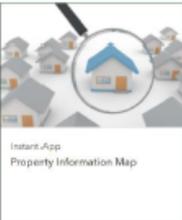
Step 2: Click "I accept these terms" on next screen

Web-Mapping
The Weston GIS web-mapping application is an ever-evolving product. Staff is constantly updated data and looking for additional spatial information to share.

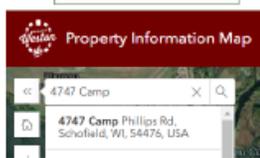
DISCLAIMER: The information and depictions herein are for informational purposes ONLY and Village of Weston specifically disclaims accuracy in this reproduction and specifically acknowledges and advises that if specific and precise accuracy is required, the same should be determined by procurement of certified maps, surveys, plans, Flood Insurance Studies, or other official means. Village of Weston will not be responsible for any damages which result from third party use of the information and depictions herein or for use which ignores this warning.

[I Accept These Terms - Go To Mapping Application](#)

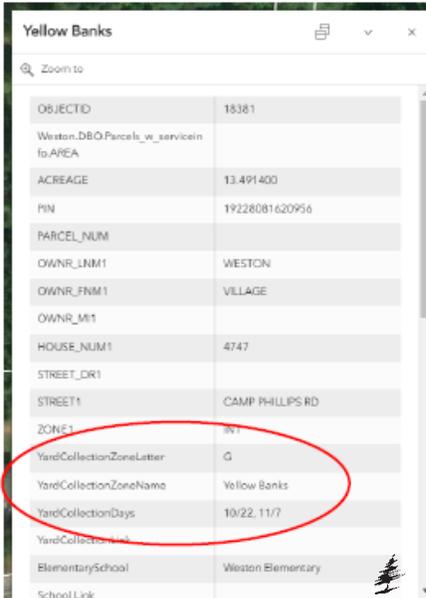
Step 3: Scroll down and click "Property Information Map"



Step 4: Type in property address and hit search



Step 5: Click on your property and your results will show on right side of screen.



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HOUSE_NUM1	4747
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ZONE1	851
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YardCollectionZoneName	Yellow Banks
YardCollectionDays	10/22, 11/7
YardCollection...	
ElementarySchool	Weston Elementary
School Link	

In recent years, staff have found an increase in rocks that get included in the spring yard waste material, likely from cleaning out landscaping beds. Please be conscious of this and prevent rocks from being included as they cause damage to the leaf vacuum units.

As temperatures warm up during March and April, **PLEASE DO NOT** place materials in the street.

When **materials are placed in the street**, they:

- Clog up drainage ways and plug storm sewers
- Create a hazard in the roadway

When materials are **placed out too early**, they:

- Make the materials harder for Village Staff to pick up
- Become an environment for rodents to live in
- Create a place for mold to grow

WESTON YARD MATERIALS RECYCLING SITE – LOCATED AT 8200 RYAN ST

Village of Weston Residents can drop off Yard Materials (grass clippings, leaves, brush) at the Weston Yard Materials Recycling Site (located at 8200 Ryan Street), at a time that is convenient for you.

Please place compostable yard waste, such as grass clippings, leaves, stump grindings with chips & dirt, etc., in the **COMPOSTABLE MATERIALS** concrete retaining walled bin located on the west side of the drop off site.

All sticks/brush and woody vegetation (brush, tree limbs) should be placed at the brush pile located on the east side of the Yard Waste Recycling Site adjacent to Ryan Street.

The Village of Weston does not accept **TREATED LUMBER, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, ANY STUMPS OR SHRUBS WITH DIRT ON THE ROOT BALLS** at the Yard Materials Recycling Site.

PLEASE NOTE, the Village Yard Materials Recycling site is for Village Residents only, CONTRACTORS are **not allowed**. The Yard Waste Site is **monitored via cameras**, and violators will be prosecuted per Village ordinance.

2025 PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS



Micheal Wodalski
Public Works Director

STREET AND UTILITY PROJECTS FOR 2025

The Village of Weston has a Capital Improvement Plan which includes facilities, streets and utility projects as well as major equipment purchases. The 2025 projects include the following:

STREET PROJECTS:

- **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.
- **Fuller Street** is planned to be reconstructed from Schofield Avenue to Ross Avenue. The reconstruction will rebuild the road as well as add pedestrian accommodations along the entire route. Along with this project, a storm water basin will be constructed within the Kellyland Park greenspace which will then double as a stormwater infiltration basin during rain events and a grass field for recreation use when it's not raining.
- **Weston Avenue Reconstruction (Von Kanel Street to Ryan Street)** this 1.25 mile stretch is planned to be reconstructed in **2025**. The project includes complete street reconstruction, looping of watermain, and installation of sanitary sewer.
- **Shorey Avenue Repaving (CR-X to Heeren Street)** will be repaved and coordinated with the Weston Avenue project.
- **Business Park (Commerce Drive (west of RickyVal Street) and Ryan Street (Commerce to Schofield Avenue))** will be repaved this summer to complete the Business Park repaving project that was started in 2024.

UTILITY PROJECTS:

- **PFAS Treatment:** The Village has received a Safe Drinking Water Loan from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources with **\$3.1** million of it having principal forgiveness to construct a PFAS removal plant for Well 4. Well 3 improvements are being planned for 2026 construction.

UTILITY

WHAT IS THIS BOX ON THE SIDE OF MY HOUSE?

This device is called a Meter Transceiver Unit (MXU) and is connected to your water meter to transmit meter data wirelessly via radio signals. They typically have a 20-year battery life, and the batteries are field replaceable. MXU's are completely encased in a High Density Polyethylene making them waterproof. You may paint the case to match the siding of your home.



ARE YOU CHANGING YOUR SIDING OR DOING AN ADDITION ONTO YOUR HOME?

Knowing where your Meter Transceiver Unit (MXU) is located on your home should be a priority for all property owners and tenants when doing construction projects on your home.

Before starting the construction project, please contact the Utility Department at 715-359-2876 to remove your MXU free of charge and we will reinstall your MXU after completion of your project. Should you or your contractor remove and damage or dispose of your MXU; the property owner will be subject to the replacement and labor costs for the installation of a new MXU.

Living Together?

MAKE IT LEGAL AND LICENSE YOUR PET!



All dogs and cats must be licensed by Village Ordinance Sec. 10.121.

Licensing your pets helps to:

- Support the Humane Society of Marathon County
- Improves your chance of getting your pet back if it goes missing
- Ensure your pet is up-to-date on its rabies vaccine.

Pets must be licensed by March 31 to avoid a late fee. Applications for a license may be obtained at the Weston Municipal Center or on our website at www.westonwi.gov.



PARKS

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for a summer job in 2025! The **Village of Weston** is now accepting applications for seasonal park positions. Applicants can apply through the Village website at: www.westonwi.gov.

WESTON AQUATIC CENTER TO OPEN SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2025

2025 Aquatic Center family season passes are now on sale at a reduced price through Friday, May 23, 2025. Season passes can be purchased online at www.westonwi.gov/poolpass.

SWIM LESSONS

The Weston Aquatic Center will again be offering swimming lessons in 2025. Registration for Village of Weston residents begins April 21, 2025, and non-resident registration begins May 5, 2025. Fees are \$35 for residents and \$40 for non-residents.

PARK RESERVATIONS

The Village of Weston is currently accepting park reservations for 2025. There are seven outdoor park shelters available. Information regarding all Village parks and reservations can be made online on our website www.westonwi.gov.

Spring Election
April 1, 2025
7:00 AM - 8:00 PM
 Village of Weston Polling Location:
 4747 Camp Phillips Rd.

VILLAGE - WIDE RUMMAGE SALE
May 2-4 2025

If you can't participate that weekend, no need to worry because the online map showcases sales happening all throughout the season - not just the annual rummage sale.

Complete an online form through our website so shoppers see on the map that you're having a sale! More details can be found on our home page under "News".

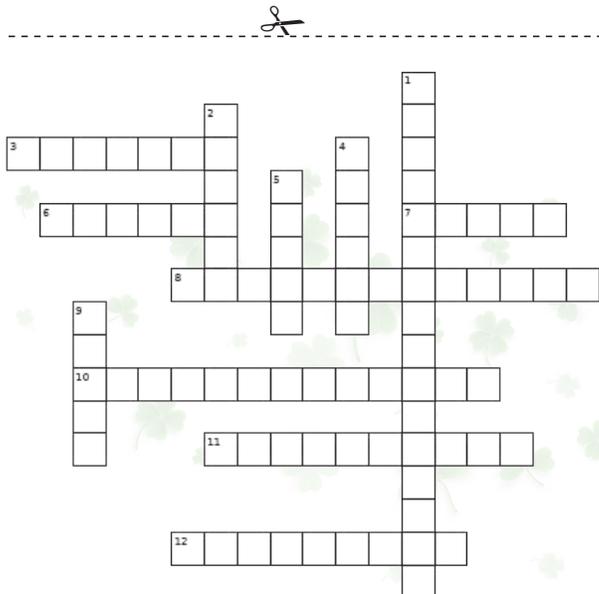
Your community.
Your voice.

Tell us about LIFE in Marathon County.

Do you live in Marathon County?
 Take 5-10 minutes to share your insights in this community survey*. Your feedback will help shape a better quality of life for everyone in Marathon County.

SCAN ME

* Survey will be open 3/1/25 - 5/31/25



*Cut this portion out and complete your crossword to the Village of Weston. Drop it off in person, drop-box, or by mail no later than **May 9, 2025**, to be entered into a drawing for a Village of Weston apparel item.*

- Down:**
- has 20 bridges along it
 - You can view your tax bill here
 - Type of vaccination record needed for pet
 - Between Tappe Dr and Portage St
 - 7 are available to rent
- Across:**
- Item accepted through Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program
 - Cart that comes in 45 or 90 gallons
 - Due by January 31st
 - used to prioritize initiatives, resources, goals, and department operations and projects
 - to be removed from the right-of-way within 12 hours of collection
 - Item you can purchase during the Marathon County Solid Waste Department Annual Spring Event
 - Recycling app

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

VILLAGE CROSSWORD

STAFF/COMMITTEE/TRUSTEE SPOTLIGHT



Steve Cronin, Village Trustee

What do you enjoy most about the Village?

My favorite thing about Weston is the dedicated team of professionals that keep our community safe.

Police Chief Jeremy Hunt does a great job of leading the newly formed Mountain Bay Metro Police Department in conjunction with Rothschild and Schofield. The merger was a great way for all three communities to pool resources and assets to provide an increased level of service for all while saving money. The Department recently installed flock cameras which will help track down suspect vehicles in time sensitive situations. With the assistance of new technology this dedicated group of professionals are working 24/7 to keep criminals off the streets.

Fire Chief Josh Finke does a fantastic job of leading SAFER, our Fire and EMS partnership with Rib Mountain. Not a day goes by that I don't hear them leaving the Weston station for a call. SAFER recently purchased a new ladder truck that replaced an aging 25 year old apparatus and will serve our community for the next 25 years. Whether it's helping someone up from a fall, someone trapped in a vehicle after an accident, responding to a fire, or simply training, you can bet that this dedicated group of professionals is ready to respond 24/7 to any emergency.

I would like to see our communities continue to support our Public Safety Departments with enough funds to continue to support these great assets to the village!



Micki Dirks-Luebbe, Finance and Human Resources Committee Member

Micki was born and raised in Wausau and moved to Weston in 2010 with her husband and son. She chose Weston as her home because she liked the location, which has easy access to parks and recreation, safe and friendly neighborhoods, and other amenities.

Micki has a Master of Public Instruction (MPA) and joined the Finance and Human Resource Committee due to her commitment to public service and educational background. She has worked in the technical college system for almost 18 years and currently is employed at Mid-State Technical College.

Micki owns and operates a greenhouse business with her family in the Village of Maine and her hobbies include golfing, camping, boating, swimming, and snowmobiling with her family.



Sarah Chibeya, Deputy Clerk

Sarah was originally born and raised in Menomonee Falls, WI and moved to the Wausau area in 1996.

Sarah started at the Village part-time in June of 2015 helping in the Clerk's Department, which later became a full-time position as Deputy Clerk. Her duties include elections, licensing, tax collection, administrative help and general customer service. Working for the Village has been one of the most rewarding jobs Sarah has had. She enjoys helping residents either on the phone or in person and creating relationships within the community every day. Sarah graduated from Wisconsin Municipal Clerks Institute in 2019 and became a Wisconsin Certified Municipal Clerk in 2023.

When Sarah is not at work, she enjoys spending time with her husband, family, and friends and traveling.



Pamela Brehm, Clerk

Pam has been with the Village for two and a half years serving the community as the Village Clerk. She takes great pride in providing customer service to our community whether it be pet licensing, tax collection, or assisting residents and businesses with general questions. She prepares the agenda for the board meetings and takes minutes at the meeting and feels her background in law has helped her in her position when it comes to liquor licensing, ordinances, and the responsibility of administering elections.

Pam came to the Village of Weston with a background of fifteen years in the legal field along with nine years' experience in municipal government. She loves her position as Village Clerk, enjoys assisting the community with their needs, and enjoys Election Day.

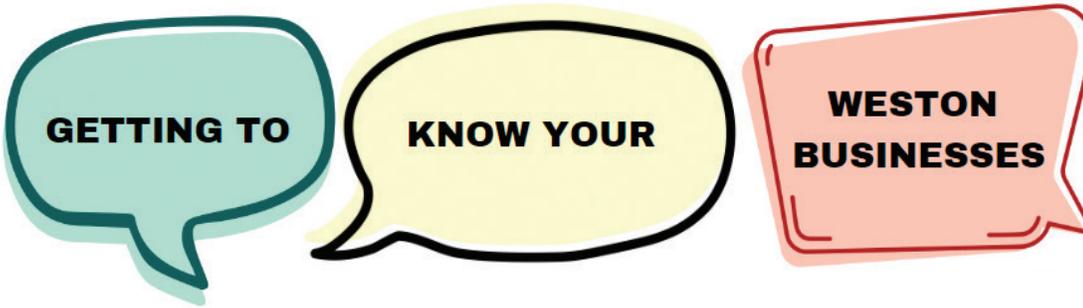
When Pam is not at work, she enjoys reading, relaxing at home, and spending time with her family.



Forrest Blarek, Street Superintendent

Forrest has worked in Weston's Public Works Department for 21 years. He has spent the majority of those years working as a crew leader and was recently promoted to the position of Street Superintendent where he serves today managing the street operations. Forrest enjoys working as a team for a great organization and enjoys contributing to the Village and seeing the accomplishments after the completion of various street projects.

When Forrest is not at work, he enjoys spending time with his family whether it be hunting with his son or watching his daughter play basketball and softball.



Are you a business that wants to be in our spotlight or a new business that came to the area? Visit... westonwi.gov/BusinessDirectoryii.aspx or scan

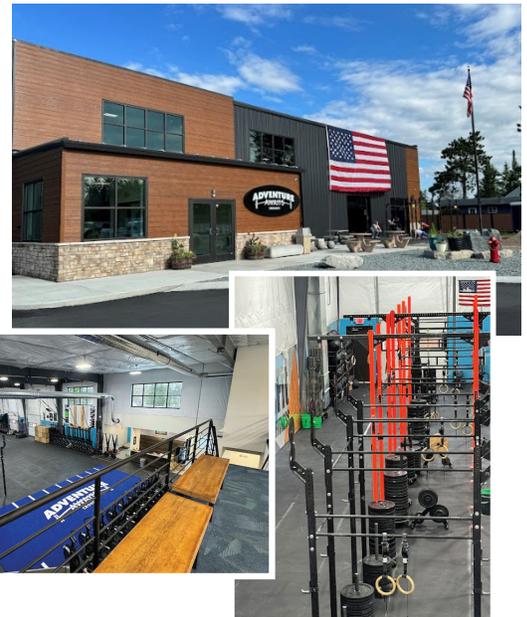


3200 Schofield Avenue, Ste. 2, Weston, WI 54476 715-573-2401
www.adventureawaitscrossfit.com
info@adventureawaitscrossfit.com

Adventure Awaits is a locally owned CrossFit gym serving the community since 2019. You can find us at our new location on the corner of Schofield Avenue and Birch Street.

One of the best things about CrossFit is that it can be easily incorporated into your daily routine. Unlike traditional gyms that require a lot of time and effort, CrossFit can be done in just an hour or so. This makes it easy to balance CrossFit with other aspects of your life, such as work, family, and other hobbies. Additionally, CrossFit can help with your mental health, leaving your stress on the gym floor. We are here to welcome you and have created a supportive atmosphere, a place where you can create new friends who share similar interests and goals. We are open to anyone, and you don't have to be fit to start. We will help customize movements at your fitness level. The movement options are adaptable as your fitness level grows.

Come visit our gym today and try out a class. Start your fitness journey today!



5705 Memorial Court, Weston, WI 54476 715-680-9499
www.firefitnesscamp.com/weston

What is F.I.R.E.? It stands for: Functional, Intensive, Resistance, Exercise.

Does it work? It's backed by science!



With FIRE workouts, we spike our metabolism through short rest periods, and adding resistance, in form of weights, barbells, ropes, flipping tires, etc! The goal here is to create what's known as a "sub-clinical" injury to the muscle! When our body has an injury, a healing process takes over. In short, this process uses energy to repair our body, which uses calories and ultimately instills an "after-burn", scientifically known as Residual Caloric Expenditure. This after-burn can last up to 36 hours after one 30-min FIRE workout!

If you're ready to join a gym that ACTUALLY WORKS... FIRE is for YOU! We would like to personally invite YOU to take advantage of our VIP PASS, where you can come in for a COMPLIMENTARY training session to see if FIRE is a good fit for you! We are a Results Guaranteed Program, so why not?! Call or text us to get started TODAY!

VILLAGE OF WESTON
 4747 CAMP PHILIPS ROAD
 WESTON, WI 54476



Notable Dates

• APRIL

- April 1..... Spring Election
- April 3..... Weston Community Blood Drive
- April 18 Good Friday Village Offices Closed



• MAY

- May 2-4..... Village Wide Rummage Sale
- May 3 Weston Farmers Market Opening Day
- May 3 Pre-Purchased Home Compost Bin Pick-Up Day
- May 14..... Community Paper Shredding Event
- May 15-17... Bulk-Item Drop-Off Event
- May 17..... Electronics Recycling Event
- May 26..... Memorial Day Village Offices Closed



The **Where's the Everest Tree Search** is on! Spot five hidden trees, note the pages, and visit westonwi.gov/EverestTreeSearch
 *Submission deadline is **May 10, 2025**

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



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
Refuse and Recycling	715-241-2625
Water & Sewer.	715-359-2876

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"	5:00 p.m.	1st Monday of the month
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. Visit our website for the most current meeting dates and times.
 Committees and Commissions associated with police and fire meet on an as-needed basis.