

WHEATON BULLETIN

Winter 2025 Edition

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The Wheaton community is growing in more ways than one with a lot of awesome amenities as a direct result of our amazing residents, businesses, partnerships, volunteers, and township employees. With growth comes change that results in continued new challenges requiring everyone to work together to find common ground as we progress forward.

"There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about."
– **Margaret J. Wheatley**

With town services, fire department, town hall, park full of recreation amenities, majorly renovated boat landing, cemeteries, world class trout stream, and some of the best snowmobile trails in Chippewa County there is always something surely happening in Wheaton!

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHANGES

The Town of Wheaton still has the following positions vacant to be filled by qualified candidates.

1. Appointment of a new Town Board Chair to fill the vacancy left by Bob Sworski. This term will run until April 2025.
2. Appointment of a Fire Commission member for a 3-year term. This term will run until April 2027.

TOWN GOVERNMENT

The Town of Wheaton currently has three commissions (Plan Commission, Parks Commission, and Fire Commission) and from time to time can create specific citizen committees to research and analyze more strategic long term town initiatives. One important part of our commissions and committees is citizen involvement and so we are always looking for residents/property owners that want to be involved in local government.

The Plan Commission assists in the development and updating of ordinances, conditional use permits, and Town of Wheaton comprehensive plan. The Plan Commission consists of seven members: Dale Hayden (Chair), Tom Piercy (Vice Chair), Sara Hinz, Jessi Jones (Deputy Secretary), Ron Kragness, Mike McGinley, and Mary Rudd (Secretary and Town Board Representative). The term for each member is 3 years, from May 1 to April 30. Appointment to the commission is by the Town Chair, with board approval. Terms are staggered. Two members one year, two members the second year, and three members changed the third year, maintaining a consistency in the commission. If you are interested in an appointment to the Plan Commission, please contact any Town Supervisor, Chair, or Clerk to add your name to the list. *Meetings are normally once per month, on the first Tuesday, held at the Wheaton Town Hall at 6:00 pm.*

The Parks Commission aids in the development and maintenance of Wheaton Park (63 acres) and boat landing in the township. The Parks Commission consists of seven members: Ken Books (Chair), Jenny Schutte (Vice Chair), Jan Dole (Secretary/Treasurer), Becky McInnis (Deputy Secretary/Treasurer), Cesar Arauz, Mark Kohls, and Aaron VanHove. The term for each member is 7 years, from July to June. Appointment to the commission is by the Town Chair, with board approval. The terms are staggered each year, with one member's term expiring each year. If you are interested in an appointment to the Parks Commission, please contact any Town Supervisor, Chair, or Clerk to add your name to the list. Seven years is a long commitment. Some members may not be able to stay that long, which means appointments may be more often than once per year. *Meetings are normally once per month, on the fourth Tuesday, held at the Wheaton Town Hall (October - March months weather dependent) and Wheaton Park Lower Pavilion (April - September months weather dependent) at 7:00 pm.*

The Fire Commission consists of three members: Taylor Quinnell (Acting Chair), Jessi Jones (Secretary), and Vacant. The terms are for 3 years and staggered each year, with one member's term expiring each year. Appointment to the commission is by the Town Chair, with board approval. The Fire Commission meets quarterly, with additional meetings when necessary. The main purpose of the Fire Commission is to handle personnel matters such as conducting disciplinary hearings for fire/ems personnel. *Meetings are normally as needed, on Wednesdays, held at the Wheaton Town Hall at 6:30 pm.* If you are interested in an appointment to the Fire Commission, please contact any Town Supervisor, Chair, or Clerk to add your name to the list.

CURRENT OPENING NEEDS TO BE FILLED ASAP!!

Commissions and committees are just one part of town government then there are all the parts of town government functions and issue resolution. To help residents and businesses with government functions and issue resolution the town board put together the below areas of focus listing that shows both primary and backup contacts for each area. Contact information is on the TOWN OF WHEATON website. Click on GOVERNMENT. Click TOWN DIRECTORY or go to <https://townofwheaton.com/town-contacts/>

	Areas of Focus - Local Government Functions/Issues	Primary Contact	Backup Contact
1	Boat Landing	Ken Books	Vacant
2	Cemetery	Brian Anderson	Mary Rudd
3	Driveways	Lenny Schneider	Alice Droske
4	Fire Department	Adam Blaskowski	Luke Heier
5	Firework Permits	Adam Blaskowski	Luke Heier
6	Groundwater	Alice Droske	Carolyn Kaiser
7	Ordinances	Dale Hayden	Tom Piercy
8	Park	Ken Books	Jenny Schutte
9	Recycling Center	Alice Droske	Mary Rudd
10	Rentals	Ken Books	Vacant
11	Roads	Alice Droske	Lenny Schneider
12	Town Hall	Ken Books	Alice Droske

	Areas of Focus - Boards, Commissions, Committees, Meetings	Primary Contact	Backup Contact
1	ATV/UTV Meetings	Paul Krumenauer	Mary Rudd
2	Chippewa - Eau Claire MPO Committee Meetings	Alice Droske	Carolyn Kaiser
3	Chippewa - Eau Claire TAC Committee Meetings	Alice Droske	Carolyn Kaiser
4	Chippewa - Eau Claire Sewer Service Area	Carolyn Kaiser	Alice Droske

	Committee Meetings		
5	Community Well Drilling Ad Hoc Committee	Alice Droske	Carolyn Kaiser
6	Corridor T Committee	Alice Droske	Vacant
7	Country Jam Committee	Alice Droske	Carolyn Kaiser
8	Town of Wheaton Fire Commission	Taylor Quinnell	Jessi Jones
9	Town of Wheaton Parks Commission	Ken Books	Jenny Schutte
10	Town of Wheaton Plan Commission	Dale Hayden	Tom Piercy
11	Utility Commission	Alice Droske	Carolyn Kaiser
12	Visit Eau Claire	Mary Rudd	Ken Books
13	West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (WCWRPC) Meetings	Vacant	Alice Droske

WEBSITE

We continue to add new information and features to our website <https://townofwheaton.com> every month so please let us know what additional items you would like to see on the website. Examples of available information: Town board and commission member contact information, town directory, frequently asked questions (FAQ's), ordinances and bylaws, town budget, road updates, cemetery information, recycling center information, parks and recreation information, community information, County Highway T corridor project, and much more.

COMING IN 2025

The website will receive a technology upgrade along with a new name, look, and feel to it! Stay tuned and know we will try to keep overall website functionality similar such as menu structure and information pages.

New website name will be townofwheatonWI.gov

We will still keep townofwheaton.com available as we migrate to the new website name.

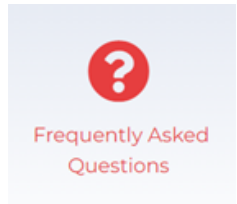
Watch the Website News & Notices section or Facebook page for the release date!!

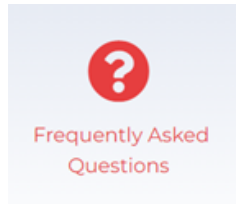

Why are we changing the name?

1. *.Gov helps the public identify official and trusted information.*
2. *Only verified US government organizations can register a .gov domain.*
3. *.Gov domains are critical infrastructure for governments at all levels by supporting access to public services.*
4. *Security best practices and continuous improvements for .gov domain holders.*
5. *Requirement for adopting Town of Wheaton email addresses with @townofwheatonWI.gov in the future.*

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

The Town of Wheaton website has a frequently asked questions page that allows citizens to use self-service and get their questions answered even quicker.



1. Simply click on  from the homepage.
2. Search for your question then click on the  to show the answer.

WEBSITE SUBSCRIBE FEATURE

The website also has a “Subscribe” feature that allows residents and non-residents to stay better informed via email or text on meeting agendas and news & notices postings right when they are posted to the website!

How do you sign up for the “subscribe” feature?

1. Click on Subscribe in upper right corner of the website homepage




2. Fill in required fields (Noted with *)
3. Choose topics you want to stay informed on
4. Select your notification method
5. Click on Subscribe at bottom of the page to submit your information
6. A confirmation page will display upon completion

WEBSITE TOWN BOARD MEETINGS VIDEO FEATURE

For years the Town of Wheaton has embraced technological improvements as we continue to streamline operations and provide better ways of conducting business with the different town government areas. One of those technological improvements is the town board meeting video recordings. If residents/property owners are unable to attend town board meeting(s) they can simply view the meetings a couple days after the meeting at a time that works best for them.

By clicking on the town board meeting View video link, it will launch the Town of Wheaton YouTube channel and ask you to sign-in with a Google account.

Town Board

Meeting Date	Agenda	Agenda Packet	Meeting Minutes	Audio	Video	Additional Documents	Notes
2023-11-14	 Agenda				View video		

FACEBOOK FEATURE

The Town of Wheaton Government has launched a Facebook Government Organization page called Town of Wheaton – Chippewa County, Wisconsin for the purpose of “Government Communication” in order to keep citizens better informed. As part of our Facebook implementation, we have also linked the Town of Wheaton website to our Facebook page so website news & notices and meeting agendas will be available from our Facebook page. Since this is a “Government Communication” page all commenting will be turned off on government posts per Wheaton Town Board on October 11, 2022.

Feel free to ‘Like Town of Wheaton – Chippewa County, Wisconsin’ and Stay Connected!



Town of Wheaton - Chippewa County, Wisconsin

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ELECTION INFORMATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Spring Election for the Town of Wheaton will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2025 from 7:00am to 8:00pm, the following officers are to be elected:

A TOWN CHAIR, for a term of two years to succeed the term of Vacant, which will expire on the 15th day of April, 2025.

A TOWN SUPERVISOR, for a term of two years to succeed the term of Ken Books, which will expire on the 15th day of April, 2025.

A TOWN SUPERVISOR, for a term of two years to succeed the term of Carolyn Kaiser, which will expire on the 15th day of April, 2025.

A TOWN CLERK, for a term of two years to succeed the term of Scott Deutscher, which will expire on the 15th day of April, 2025.

A TOWN TREASURER, for a term of two years to succeed the term of Jan Dole, which will expire on the 15th day of April, 2025.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the first day to circulate nomination papers is December 1, 2024, and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7, 2025. Contact the Town Clerk for nomination papers, or obtain them from the following website: <https://elections.wi.gov/forms>. You will need EL-169, Nomination Papers, EL-162 Declaration of Candidacy (properly notarized), filled out and returned. Check state statutes for requirements if there is financing of your campaign. A minimum of 20 and maximum of 100 qualified electors must sign the nomination papers with legible writing. Please read the instructions with that form.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that if a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.

All election information and notices are handled by the Town of Wheaton Clerk.

ROADS

With 80+ miles of township roads, which is more roads to maintain than most rural townships in the state, and being 100% paved there are certainly challenges. Road replacement costs for 1 mile are \$200,000+ and we need to get 40-80 years out of existing roads based on current funding levels. We continue to pursue ways of prolonging road lifecycles along with pavement and ditch maintenance to maximize the number of improvements to the roads for the available funds.

In 2024 we utilized a new innovative maintenance process called flex-patch on 103rd Street, 33rd Avenue, and 106th Street (Boat Landing Roads). What is Flex-Patch? A highly innovative maintenance process using a blend of quality modified asphalt sealant and fibers. The unique characteristics of the sealant helps reduce

bleeding during hot weather and greatly improves low temperature flexibility. An aggregate cover material is applied for the added benefit of improving the ride of the road.

Part of the long term solution will be continued road chip seal and crack patching cycles in order to extend road lifecycles. Plus there are several other ideas being discussed and tested before just turning to a tax levy increase. In 2024 we applied for Agricultural Roads Improvement Program (ARIP) grant funding for reconstruction of 50th Avenue from 50th Street to County Highway T. We should find out in late December 2024 to early January 2025 if we received the funding award.

Plans are already in motion for 2025 road work. Big projects will consist of:

1. Reconstruction of 20th Avenue from 40th Street to 50th Street.
2. Reconstruction of 34th Street, 62nd Avenue, and 35th Street from 60th Avenue to County Highway N.

DRIVEWAY SNOW REMOVAL AND ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

We wanted to share with you that Wisconsin Statute 346.94(5) prohibits anyone from placing or causing to be placed upon a highway any foreign substance which is or may be injurious to any vehicle. Section 86.022 makes it a misdemeanor punishable by fine to place any obstruction in a road ditch which will impede drainage.

All of this to say, **DO NOT PLOW SNOW ACROSS THE ROAD.** Ridges, ice, and other materials left by this action can cause accidents, unnecessary damage to vehicles, and is illegal. Piling snow in the right-of-way can damage snowplow wings and cause other damage.

We all want our roads plowed in a timely manner and safe travels for everyone on them. Our road crew does a great job every winter helping ensure that happens! Certainly we need everyone to do their part to keep right-of-ways clear and our plow trucks on the road when they are needed most. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we get into the winter season!

FIRE DEPARTMENT

We presently have 30 volunteers on the roster. We would like to have closer to 40 volunteers actively participating in this rewarding activity. Most calls are for things other than structure fires. Off road rescues, car crashes, snowmobile incidents, downed power lines, searches, water incidents, and brush fires are just a few of the things dealt with. Medical first responding is the largest part of the fire department responses, with transport ambulances and paramedics coming from Eau Claire or Chippewa Falls. Call the fire station or contact any member of the fire department for more information. Training is provided! ***Go to Wheaton Fire & Rescue website to apply today <https://www.wheatonfirerescue.org/join>***

The department is a paid-per-call, all-volunteer department. The fire station is at 3900 38th St, Elk Mound and is within the Wheaton Park. It is not a manned station. If you have an emergency, **dial 911 to contact the County Dispatch center.** They page out the firefighters as needed. For non-emergency calls, only, you can dial 715-874-6597 and leave a message. **A return call or action will be made as soon as possible.** You may also send a message to the department through Facebook.

Feel free to 'Like Wheaton Fire & Rescue' for Helpful Tips and Stay Connected!



Wheaton Fired-Up Day

We would like to say:

THANK YOU

To everyone who attended Wheaton Fired-Up Day 2024!

Because of you, we were able to raise funds to purchase equipment and supplies to keep our members and the greater Wheaton community safe.

Mark your calendars!

Wheaton Fired-Up Day 2025

Saturday, September 13, 2025

BURNING PERMITS

Burning permits are not required in Wheaton, but you can only burn what is allowed by state law. Visit the Wisconsin DNR website at <https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/openburning/> for burning regulations and several fine articles about the alternatives to burning.

Fire danger information can be found at the following:

Go to Wisconsin DNR Interactive Fire Danger Map at <https://apps.dnr.wi.gov/wisburn/>

1. and click on Chippewa County.
2. Drive past Wheaton Park / Wheaton Fire & Rescue frontage road sign along Wisconsin 29 South Frontage Road. This is checked and maintained daily.
3. Follow Wheaton Fire & Rescue on Facebook.

If you burn, please be careful. You can be responsible for all costs associated with a fire that you started if it has gotten out of control. Burn only when sufficient moisture exists (rain and/or snow cover) in the area, winds are light (under about 7 mph maximum gusts), and temperatures are cool.

CLEAN AND SAFE DRINKING WATER

The Town of Wheaton has had a long-standing history of monitoring wells and testing for toxins. The Town of Wheaton's goal is to support clean drinking water for everyone in the township.

New science and technology assists in finding facts. We all know that the more data we have; we are able to give a broader picture. On Saturday November 9, 2024, Town of Wheaton supervisor Carolyn Kaiser and acting chair Alice Droske, in collaboration with the Chippewa County Land Conservation Department and Forest Management Dept., Lynda Schweikert and Chippewa County Public Health Kristen Walters, Environmental Health Specialist provided opportunity for residents to have their water tested for nitrates free! If the nitrate test was above 8 PPM a free test was offered. Other testing was also available. We are grateful that over 75 people came. Shout out "THANKS" to those who came! Options for improving their drinking water were given to residents as they wanted. Handouts were offered and a display showed the different illnesses that can affect especially children, persons with immune disease, and elderly.

Due to the Town of Wheaton sponsoring a well sampling since 2019 (except 2020 during the pandemic) a baseline was obtained. This information became critical when Chippewa County received funding through the American Rescue Plan. The Town knew that a community well would benefit all the residents. That foresight brought the Town of Wheaton to the 'table' on day one. We were the only township to go through the many steps it takes when you're 'first'. The Department of Land Conservation and Forest Management Director Schweikert and County Board Land Conservation Chair Ken Schmitt made sure steps were completed. Thanks to the tenacity at U.W. Stevens Point (Groundwater Education Specialist), environmental engineers, DNR, and Geologists for all their expertise. Yes, after years in the making it is a reality. The community well opened on November 6, 2024.

The Community Well is located in Wheaton Park, near the pickleball/tennis court. The Elkay pump keeps a monitor of uses. When the water drains, it goes below the frost line, meaning one can obtain water from there 12 months a year. It is enclosed with a small roof, to protect the pump and yourself from the elements. If your nitrates are high, the County Land Conservation office will give you a container during courthouse open hours.



The goal is to continue to offer expanded testing, due to the high nitrate levels. Boiling water will not reduce nitrate levels. In fact, it could make the level of nitrate slightly higher because some of the water will evaporate, however, the nitrate will remain. If the nitrate level at your home is 10 mg/L or above and people in the home drink that water, you are then susceptible to blue baby syndrome, thyroid disease, increase of colon cancer, diabetes and certain other types of cancers.

We recommend annual testing of your water, as groundwater can change!!

There are multiple ways to address nitrates in groundwater. Some can be quicker and more expensive while others could require more time and less expense. There is no one solution that will solve every groundwater issue experienced.

Keep an eye on the TOWN OF WHEATON website. Click on Government, then Groundwater Information. You will see links to groundwater testing, nitrate levels map, and other resources with regards to clean groundwater.

DOG LICENSE INFORMATION: (See Real Estate Tax info below for further info)

Per Wisconsin Statute, all of your dogs over five months of age must be licensed. The annual fee for licensing is as follows:

Spayed or neutered dogs - **\$8.00**

Unspayed or unneutered dogs - **\$13.00**

Multiple dogs for up to 12 tags (for kennels) - **\$60.00**

Each additional tag for multiple dogs in excess of 12 - **\$7.00**

Per Town of Wheaton ordinance, each household is permitted up to five dogs.

PROOF OF CURRENT RABIES VACCINATION IS REQUIRED. WITHOUT PROOF OF RABIES VACCINATION, A LICENSE WILL NOT BE ISSUED.

PENALTIES

You will be charged a minimum late fee of \$25.00 for each dog five months of age or over who is unlicensed by April 1st of each year, or within 30 days of acquiring ownership on or before the dog reaches licensable age. If you fail to have your dog vaccinated against rabies as required by statute, you may be required to forfeit not less than \$50.00 or more than \$100.00.

THE WISCONSIN STATE STATUTES REGARDING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DOG OWNERSHIP IS AS FOLLOWS:

- (1.) Dogs more than 5 months of age shall be licensed by April 1 of each year or within 30 days of ownership of a dog 5 months of age or older, or a late fee of \$25.00 shall be imposed.
- (2.) Proof of rabies vaccination is required before a license will be issued.
- (3.) Dogs are not allowed to run at large. All dogs must be kept on the owner's premises and under the control of the owner or some other person.
- (4.) Dogs running at large are subject to impoundment.
- (5.) If the owner permits a dog to run at large, the owner shall forfeit not less than \$25.00 or more than

\$100.00 for the first offense and not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$200.00 for subsequent offenses.

(6.) The dog owner can be held liable for a dog causing injury to a person, domestic animal, or property. The penalties imposed can be from \$50.00 to \$500.00, depending on the circumstances. The penalties are in addition to any other liability imposed on the owner of the dog.

If you are a landowner and have tenants who are dog owners, please forward this information to them. Thank you.

Please send check, a completed application form (available on our website under “Frequently Asked Questions” or on the back page of this newsletter), proof of vaccination, plus a stamped, self-addressed envelope to:

Town of Wheaton Treasurer
4975 County Highway T
Chippewa Falls WI 54729
715-874-5501

Make check payable to: **TOWN OF WHEATON TREASURER**

DOG CATCHER INFORMATION

New Dog Catcher Needed. The Town of Wheaton has a Dog Catcher position opening.

Dog Catcher Position Responsibilities

- On call for dog related issues.
- Address dog related issues.
- Cages, leashes, and gloves will be provided.
- Dog catcher is NOT responsible for other animal issues.
- Must provide a contact phone number to be posted on the town website.
- Township email address will be provided.

The current Dog Catcher for the Township is Kari Arauz and she has agreed to continue to handle dog catcher responsibilities during this transition period. Thank you Kari!! Contact Kari at 715-450-6365 or you can email at Wheaton.DogCatcher@gmail.com. **Kari deals with dogs only.** If you have issues with other animals, please contact the Town Chair, any Town Supervisor, or the Town Clerk for help. You can find everyone’s name, phone, and email on the Town Website.

REAL ESTATE TAX INFORMATION FOR 2024 - 2025

As a friendly reminder, when you receive the Real Estate Tax Statement, the check for the first half or full payment of your real estate taxes must be made payable to: **TOWN OF WHEATON TREASURER**, on or before January 31, 2025. A January 31, 2025 postmark will be accepted. Please include your phone number on the check. This is important so that we can contact you if there are any questions about your payment. Without your phone number, the tax payment may be delayed.

Submitting your payment(s) is as easy as 1, 2, or 3.

1. Drop your payment(s) in the secure drop box at the Town Hall. It is located just to the left of the town hall entrance.

- Drop your payment(s) at the Town Hall during in-person treasurer hours on:

Saturday, December 28 ,2024 from 12 PM - 4 PM
Saturday, January 25, 2025 from 12 PM – 4 PM

- Mail payment(s) to:

Jan Dole, Town of Wheaton Treasurer
4975 County Highway T
Chippewa Falls WI 54729

Please do NOT mail the first half or full payment property tax payment to the Chippewa County Treasurer *BEFORE* the January 31, 2025 date. Should this happen, the Chippewa County Treasurer’s office then has to mail your payment back to the Town of Wheaton Treasurer for processing.

The second payment, if there is a second payment; the County Treasurer will mail you a tax statement regarding the remaining amount owed, which needs to be paid on or before July 31, 2025. Please make the second payment check payable to:

CHIPPEWA COUNTY TREASURER,
711 N. BRIDGE STREET,
CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI 54729.

If you wish to have a payment receipt mailed to you, please enclose a self-addressed and stamped envelope. The returned check from your bank can also serve as your receipt.

Dog Owners: Please remember to send a separate check for your pet license payment, along with the application form, rabies vaccine information, and a self-addressed stamped envelope.

WHEATON RECYCLING CENTER

2429 20TH STREET
ELK MOUND, WI 54739

<https://townofwheaton.com/recycling-center/>

Attendant:

Patrick Rudd

Facility: 715-874-6271

DAYS AND HOURS OF OPERATION

- Wednesdays: 1:00pm – 5:00pm
- Saturdays: 8:00am – 3:00pm

ITEMS MUST BE STORED AND PLACED IN PROPER DUMPSTERS

- Recyclable glass and plastics go together as does paper and cardboard go together.
- Household trash goes into the compactor. Trash bags for the compactor can be purchased from the attendant.
- Large items & materials go into the large construction dumpsters. **SEE ATTENDANT BEFORE UNLOADING INTO DUMPSTERS!!**
- Metal items go into metal dumpsters. **SEE ATTENDANT BEFORE UNLOADING INTO DUMPSTERS!!**
- Aluminum cans go into the small wire cage.
- Any items that go into the Construction Dumpsters **MUST** be approved by the attendant before dumping.

- Styrofoam is not accepted.

PRICE LIST: We have also included this information on the website under Recycling Center information.

DEMOLITION MATERIALS

Full size pickup (Level full) minimum	\$50.00	Dehumidifiers	\$20.00
Small pickup (level full) minimum	\$28.00	Refrigerators	\$20.00
8 foot trailer with 3 foot sides (min)	\$50.00	Freezers	\$20.00
Larger trailers or overflowing pickup (Ask!)		Dishwashers	\$15.00
Sofa couch	\$20.00	Microwaves (metal dumpster)	Free
Large chairs	\$15.00		
Small chairs	\$12.00	10 Blue Wheaton Bags	\$40.00
Mattress or box springs (small)	\$12.00	White Kitchen Bags (13 gal)	\$ 1.00
Mattress or box springs (large)	\$20.00	Black or Brown Large Bags	\$ 5.00
Burn barrels	\$10.00	Hide a bed couch	\$25.00
Air conditioners	\$20.00		

TIRES

Small trailer, car & small pickup	\$ 3.00	Larger than 22.5"	\$20.00
16" to 17"	\$ 6.00	Tractor under 28"	\$25.00
18" to 19"	\$ 13.00	Tractor 28" or larger	\$40.00
20" to 22.5"	\$ 15.00	End Loader type	\$60.00
Tires with rims	add \$ 5.00		

RECYCLABLES

- Batteries Free - Put on pallet
- #1 thru #7 Plastics – CLEAN
- Glass Jars and Bottles – Lids to be removed
- Metal of All Kinds – Sort brass and copper; All others go in metal roll-off
- Paper and Cardboard
- Stoves, Washers, Dryers, Water Heaters, Motors, Bikes, Lawn Mowers, Tillers, etc. – NO CHARGE

There are a few businesses in the area that accept appliances for free. Ask the attendant. When in doubt, ask the ATTENDANT! It is Patrick.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Hazardous Materials (includes Paint, Light Bulbs, and Chemicals of all kinds) are NOT accepted. Residents must save hazardous materials and take them to Chippewa County Clean Sweep held in the Spring and Fall or take them to an area business that will recycle them properly.

Electronics (includes TVs, Computers, VCRs, Printers, and Monitors) are NOT accepted. Residents can take them to First Choice at 525 Park Ridge Drive Suite 1 Eau Claire, WI 54703. Phone number is 715-833-2005.

Please NOTE: Hazardous materials and electronics recycling area businesses may charge a fee.

Used oil can also be dropped off at Blodgett Repair 5850 50th Street Chippewa Falls WI.

Yard Waste and Brush are NOT ACCEPTED!

TOWN PARK

The Wheaton Town Park is your one stop for Winter fun! From sledding to ice skating to snowshoeing to snowmobile trail access. It is located at 3900 38th Street, Elk Mound. A second park entrance is located right across the street from 3601 40th Street, Elk Mound. Improvements continue to be made as volunteers and funding becomes available. In 2024 the following improvement projects were completed at the park:

- For Earth and Arbor Day this year a collaborative project between Elk Mound School District 4th Grade classes, Parks Commission, Plan Commission, and Department of Natural Resources brought 100+ new pine trees to the 40th Street field. Students were able to learn about trees, planting techniques, mulching, and caring for trees after being planted.
- Volunteers assisted with Butterfly Garden maintenance to ensure a healthy habitat for our park monarchs.
- Donations were received for trees, bush, and engraved brick additions. All trees and the bush have been planted. We will be adding the engraved bricks near the lower concession building in 2025.
- This year we were again fortunate to receive another boy scout eagle project in the park. Scouts must raise 100% of the project funds through their own fundraising efforts and any project funds left over are given to the Town of Wheaton to offset future maintenance costs.
 - BSA Troop 71 Elk Mound
 - Mason Books's Eagle Scout Project was adding 2 portable pickleball courts on the tennis court and renovating the basketball hoops. This brings an exciting new recreation opportunity to Wheaton Park while allowing the area to be utilized for all 3 recreation opportunities: Tennis, pickleball, and basketball!

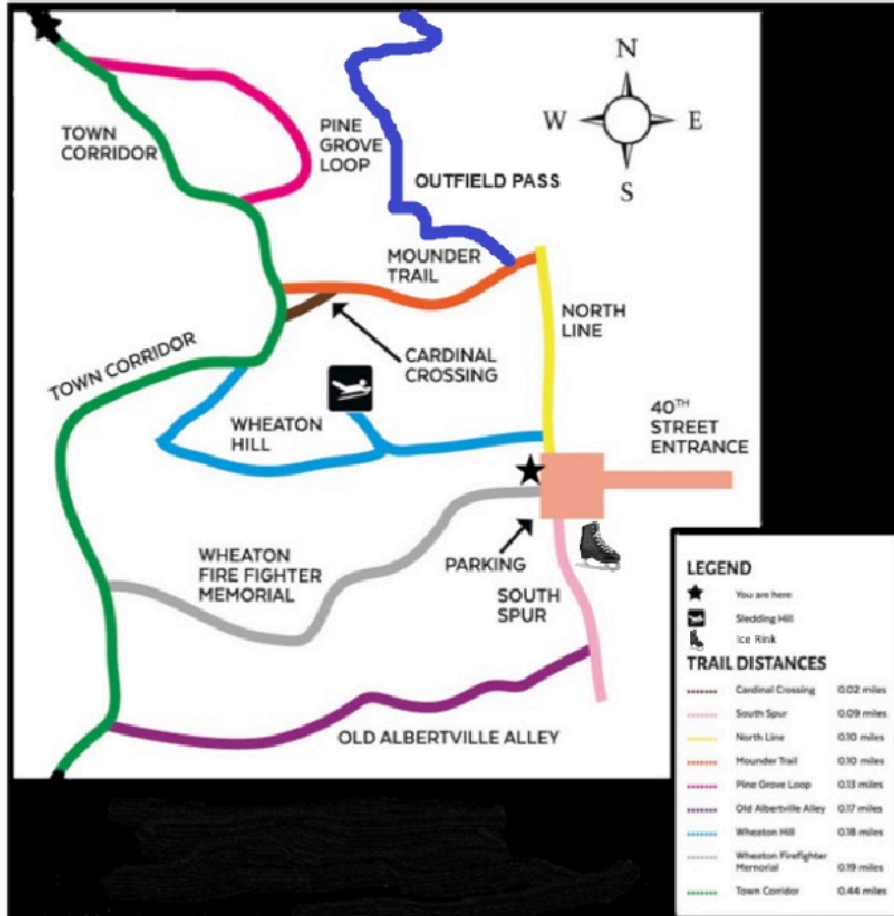


We greatly appreciate and thank all the volunteers and community groups that make Wheaton Park such a gem in our community. Thank you!

Hopefully the winter weather and cold cooperates this year and we are able to bring the ice rink back into service at our 40th Street parking lot. Watch the Town of Wheaton website and Wheaton Parks & Recreation Facebook page for updates.

Parking and snowmobile trail access is available at 40th Street park entrance. The snowmobile trail will run from the parking lot along the southernmost trail (Old Albertville Alley trail) and then connects to State Trail 33 or Wheaton Trail upon exiting the park property. Many thanks to the Wheaton Knight Riders for putting up and taking down snowmobile trail signage in the park!

PLEASE NOTE: Snowmobile trail no longer runs past the Wheaton Fire Station and crosses State Highway 29.



Interested in helping with park maintenance and projects? Contact any Parks Commission member.

Feel free to 'Like Wheaton Parks & Recreation' on Facebook and Stay Connected!

PARK RENTALS

Park rental rates are listed on the park reservation application. Rates vary depending on the applicant's residency status and the type of event being held.

Go to <https://townofwheaton.com/parks-recreation>



Check Pavilion Sizes, Capacity, Number of Picnic Tables



Check Pavilion Availability



Download Reservation Application/Check Rental Rates



Download Park Renter Procedures

To schedule park rentals, you can also email wheatonpark@gmail.com or call Ken Books at 715-874-6414.

WHEATON BALL LEAGUE

Hard to believe baseball season is less than 5 months away! Wheaton Ball League will begin its 47th season in 2025 and start accepting registrations in January. The program is for boys and girls ages 4 – 14 and consists of the following program levels: T-Ball, Coach Pitch, Minors, Majors, and Ponys. Regular season runs from mid-April – June.

T-Ball Registration closes April 1, 2025. All Other Program Levels Registration closes mid-March 2025.

For program information go to <https://townofwheaton.com/wheaton-ball-league/>.

Feel free to 'Like' Wheaton Ball League on Facebook. For any questions email Wheaton.Ball@hotmail.com or call 715-225-7522.

WHEATON PARK ORNAMENTATION PROJECT CAMPAIGN

The Parks Commission had been adding amenities to the park over the last couple years with our ornamentation project campaign for residents/non-residents. As we close out that program with 2024 we are excited that 2025 and forward will bring a more focused attention on our new engraved brick project which is another great opportunity for residents/non-residents to leave their mark in Wheaton Park!

A big thank you to everyone that had donated. With your help we have raised \$9,774 as part of the ornamentation project!

Interested in DONATING? See the attached Wheaton Park Engraved Brick Donation Form.

Interested in DONATING to a scoreboard project for Longview field? We have raised over \$10,000+ to date for this project. Contact a Parks Commission member to discuss.

Interested in DONATING in another way? Contact a Parks Commission member to discuss.

INTERESTING RECREATION TIDBITS

Did you know 2025 will be the 60th Anniversary of the Pickleball sport? 60 years and going stronger than ever!

It was invented by three dads in 1965 while looking for a game their kids could play on vacation. The sport and equipment has certainly changed over the years.

- Pickleball players represent 19% of the adult population and have played at least once in the last year.
- All 50 states and over 50 countries play pickleball.
- Pickleball is the fastest growing sport for the third year in a row.
- Pickleball inclusivity shines through adaptability for wheelchair players making it a truly accessible sport for all.
- Washington State is home to a Pickleball Museum if you are traveling and want to check out some sports history.

TOWN BOAT LANDING

The Wheaton Town Boat Landing is located at 3001 106th Street, Chippewa Falls.

It has been a busy 2024 with lots of people utilizing the new major boat landing renovations which included boat launch replacement, new public dock, better handicap parking/accessibility, and security lighting. If you were unable to use the updated facilities in 2024 we hope it fits in your calendar in 2025. There are no fees to use the new boat launch!

Reminder: For the safety of all park/boat landing users and pursuant to

Wis. Stat. §167.30 – NO hunting is allowed on park and/or boat landing property.

TOWN HALL RENTALS

Town hall rental rates are listed on the town hall reservation application. Rates vary depending on the applicant's residency status.

Go to <https://townofwheaton.com/rentals/>



Check Town Hall Amenities and Available Tables/Chairs



Check Town Hall Availability



Download Reservation Application/Check Rental Rates
Removal



Rentals Responsible for Cleanup & Garbage

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CHIPPEWA COUNTY AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) INFORMATION

The Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) offers free unbiased information and assistance to seniors and adults with disabilities. You can get information on living arrangement options, Medicare information, Meals on Wheels, benefit eligibility to name a few topics. So, if you have questions like:

I am going to go on Medicare soon. What should I do first?

I was denied Social Security Disability benefits. What can I do?

I am a caregiver for a family member. Are there resources to help me?

What is a Power of Attorney (POA)? Do I need one?

These and many more questions can be answered by calling the Chippewa County Aging & Disability Resource Center at 715-726-7777 or toll free at 1-888-400-6920. The ADRC is located at 711 N. Bridge St., Room 118, Chippewa Falls.

Email: adrc@chippewacountywi.gov Facebook: [Facebook.com/ADRCChippewaC](https://www.facebook.com/ADRCChippewaC)

Bridging Chippewa County is a free newsletter that people can subscribe to either by email or mail or pickup at a local grocery store in Chippewa Falls.

NEWSLETTER FEEDBACK

We value your opinion! Feel free to provide newsletter feedback at <https://townofwheaton.com/contact-us/> or contact any Town Board member. Are there topics you would like to see added to the newsletter?

WHEATON PARKS COMMISSION

Leave your mark in Wheaton Town Park.

Wheaton Town Parks Commission is excited to offer you the opportunity to become a permanent part of the park. By donating a brick, you can help provide playground equipment that can be used all year.

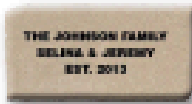
Personalize your brick with your name, a message, or a memory of a loved one! All bricks will be installed in a designated brick garden located near the lower pavilion.

All proceeds will be used in purchasing playground equipment.

4x8 Bricks

Two color choices: Lighthouse Gray and Nutmeg

- 3 lines of 18 character personalization
- 3 lines of 10 character personalization with graphic available on left or right side (includes spaces and punctuation)



4x8 Lighthouse Gray Sample Brick



4x8 Nutmeg Sample Brick w. Graphic

Font Options

Seven fonts to choose from

- Arial
- *Arial Italic*
- Comic Sans
- Helvetica
- Papyrus
- Times New Roman
- VERMARCO

Contact Information

Contact for questions:

Becky McInnis

715-225-3992

wheaton.parkscommissionf@gmail.com



Ken Books - Town of Wheaton Parks Commission Chair

1121 40th Street, Eau Claire, WI

To order online please visit:

thatsmymybrick.com/wheatonparks

Graphic and Logos

That's My Brick!® can create a truly unique brick for you or your company. All approved graphics options can be found at:

thatsmymybrick.com/wheatonparks/graphics.php

Add a Custom or Business Logo to your Brick. Get your image **APPROVED** by That's My Brick!® before placing your order.

Please email info@thatsmymybrick.com with:

1. Black & White file of your Custom Logo
2. Please note that it is for "**wheatonparks**"
3. That's My Brick will notify you if the logo has been approved, \$15 fee, and next steps

Ordering Process

For your convenience, attached to this flyer is an order form. Order online using the QR Code or fill out the attached portion and drop off or mail to:

Order Form

	Character Limit w. out Graphic	Character Limit w. Graphic	Donation
<input type="checkbox"/> Lighthouse Gray Brick	3 lines of 18	3 lines of 10	\$150
<input type="checkbox"/> Nutmeg Brick	3 lines of 18	3 lines of 10	\$150
Font Option: <input type="checkbox"/> Arial	<input type="checkbox"/> Arial Italic	<input type="checkbox"/> Comic Sans	<input type="checkbox"/> Helvetica
<input type="checkbox"/> Papyrus	<input type="checkbox"/> Times New Roman	<input type="checkbox"/> VERMARCO	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Donation			\$_____

\$15 Custom Graphic Fee (if applicable)

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Bricks provided by:



Custom Graphic (if applicable): _____

Graphic Position: Left Right

Payment Types: Cash, Check, Money Order, or Credit Card

■ Order online at: **thatsmymybrick.com/wheatonparks**

■ Checks made out to: **Town of Wheaton**

■ Drop off your donation to: **Ken Books - Town of Wheaton Parks Commission Chair
1121 40th Street
Eau Claire, WI 54703**

Total

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TOWN OF WHEATON Dog License Application

Certification of vaccination record from your veterinarian must accompany this form.

Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope for the return of your dog license & receipt.

Owner's Name:
Owner's Address:
Owner's Telephone Number:
Name of Veterinarian:

All dogs 5 months or older must be licensed. **\$25 late fee** for dogs over 5 months not licensed by April 1st. If submitting your payment with property taxes, a separate check **MUST** be submitted.

Fees: Neutered or Spayed: \$8
 Not Neutered/Spayed: \$13
 Multiple Dogs (up to 12): \$60

Dog's Name:	Dog's Name:
Breed:	Breed:
Color:	Color:
Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>	Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>
Neutered/Spayed: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Neutered/Spayed: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Date of Rabies Vaccination: / /	Date of Rabies Vaccination: / /
Rabies Serial #:	Rabies Serial #:

Dog's Name:	Dog's Name:
Breed:	Breed:
Color:	Color:
Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>	Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>
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Mail form, proof of vaccination, self-addressed stamped envelope, and check to:
Town of Wheaton Treasurer
4975 County Hwy T
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729