

WHEATON BULLETIN

Summer 2026 Edition

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The Town of Wheaton made up of the unincorporated communities of Old Albertville and Pine Grove certainly has changed over the years and one of the biggest changes was when State Highway 29 was constructed that split the Town of Wheaton in half. With the new State Highway 29 having easy access came the opportunities for growth in residential and commercial development in the town which continues to occur today. Growth brings change and challenges that should be transparent to everyone. When handled well, they create opportunities for input and positive progress, while encouraging collaboration and a shared effort to find common ground.

“Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved.” –Mattie Stepanek

Wheaton provides an extensive range of services and amenities, spanning essential town functions such as road maintenance and snow plowing, election administration, property tax collection, fire protection and emergency medical services, garbage and recycling services, cemetery management, and dog licensing, along with a strong lineup of recreational opportunities. These include a well-equipped park, a newly renovated boat landing, a world-class trout stream, and ATV/UTV routes, all reflecting the sheer volume of services and opportunities available throughout the community while maintaining low property taxes.

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COMMUNITY AND PARKS PARTNERSHIP SPROUTS AND GROWS EACH YEAR

2026 planted the 5 year anniversary of our community and parks partnership! For the last 5 years 4th graders from Elk Mound School District have come to Wheaton Park to learn about trees, planting techniques, mulching, caring for, and even planting new tree saplings. This collaborative project between Elk Mound School District 4th Grade classes, Parks Commission, and Department of Natural Resources planted 500 new pine trees in the 40th Street side of the park. Big thank you to Jan Dole (Parks Commission Secretary/Treasurer) and Gary & Carolyn Kaiser (Residents) for helping lead the tree planting this year! Also thank you to Ken Books (Parks Commission Chair/Town Supervisor) for organizing and coordinating the event. #earthday #parkgreening



LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHANGES

April elections brought some changes to the Town of Wheaton local government.

1. Town Supervisor position vacated by Alice Droske at the end of her term was filled with the election of Steve Harmon to a term of 2 years. We thank Alice Droske for her many years of service to both the Plan Commission and Town Board!
2. Town Supervisor Mary Rudd was re-elected to a new 2-year term.

Thank you to everyone above for stepping up to help the Town of Wheaton!!

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

- New dog catcher to take over for Kari Arauz.
- Town Supervisor due to Mark Kohls resignation.

Annual Town Meeting of Electors Update

- The electors at the meeting approved funding for absentee voting assistance, specifically allocating up to \$2,000 for additional election staff, with the funds to be used at the discretion of the clerk.
 - Electors also rejected increasing the clerk's salary to \$34,000.
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TOWN GOVERNMENT

The Town of Wheaton has two standing commissions (Plan Commission and Parks Commission) and may occasionally form citizen committees to explore long-term strategic initiatives. Citizen involvement is a key part of our work, and we encourage residents and property owners to participate 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), Vacant (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, Aaron VanHove, and Brandon Thatcher. 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.

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. Go to <https://TownofWheatonWI.gov/town-contacts/> or Click on GOVERNMENT then Click on TOWN DIRECTORY

	Areas of Focus - Local Government Functions/Issues	Primary Contact	Backup Contact
1	Boat Landing	Ken Books	Jenny Schutte
2	Cemetery	Brian Anderson	Mary Rudd
3	Driveways	Lenny Schneider	Eugene Gutsch
4	Emergency Operations Director	Mary Rudd	Eugene Gutsch
5	Fire Department	Adam Blaskowski	Luke Heier
6	Firework Permits	Adam Blaskowski	Luke Heier
7	Groundwater	Mary Rudd	Steve Harmon
8	Ordinances	Dale Hayden	Vacant
9	Park	Ken Books	Jenny Schutte
10	Recycling Center	Eugene Gutsch	Mary Rudd
11	Rentals	Ken Books	Vacant
12	Roads	Eugene Gutsch	Lenny Schneider
13	Town Hall	Eugene Gutsch	Ken Books
	Areas of Focus - Boards, Commissions, Committees, Meetings	Primary Contact	Backup Contact
1	ATV/UTV Meetings	Paul Krumenauer	N/A
2	Chippewa - Eau Claire MPO Committee Meetings	Eugene Gutsch	Steve Harmon
3	Chippewa - Eau Claire TAC Committee Meetings	Eugene Gutsch	Steve Harmon
4	County Highway T Corridor Committee	Steve Harmon	Eugene Gutsch
5	Town of Wheaton Parks Commission	Ken Books	Jenny Schutte
6	Town of Wheaton Plan Commission	Dale Hayden	Vacant
7	Utility Commission	Steve Harmon	Vacant
8	Visit Eau Claire	Mary Rudd	Ken Books

WEBSITE

We continue to add new information and features to our website <https://townofwheatonwi.gov> every month. *Check out the new Wheaton History section on the homepage!* Do you have Wheaton history information? We want to know! Any additional items we should add to the website? Contact wheatonpark@gmail.com

GOVERNMENT MENU

DEPARTMENTS MENU

COMMUNITY MENU

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agendas & Minutes Calendar Comprehensive Plan Country Jam Project County Highway T Corridor Project Election Information Forms & Permits Frequently Asked Questions Groundwater Information News & Notices Ordinances & Resolutions Plan Commission Information Road Updates Town Budget Town Directory 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town Staff Town Board Plan Commission Parks Commission Wheaton Fire & Rescue Archived Departments ▶ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cemetery ▶ Clubs ▶ Links Newsletters Park Donations ▶ Parks & Recreation Recycling Center Rentals Tourism ▶ Wheaton Fire & Rescue
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Check out the ticker bar across the top of our homepage for highlighted updates!!



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

25 likes • 42 followers



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Message

NEWSLETTER FEEDBACK

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

ROADS

With over 80+ miles of fully paved township roads—and additional mileage being added through new subdivisions—the town faces ongoing challenges in maintaining and stretching its road budget in every direction. Road reconstruction costs can exceed \$200,000+ per mile, making it essential to achieve a 40–80 year lifespan from existing infrastructure based on current funding levels.

To meet this goal, we continue to focus on strategies that extend roadway life, including proactive pavement care and ditch maintenance, ensuring the greatest possible return on investment for taxpayers. In addition, we actively pursue funding opportunities through the Local Roads Improvement Program (LRIP) and the Agricultural Roads Improvement Program (ARIP), which can provide valuable state support to help offset major reconstruction costs when awarded.

Chip sealing is an important part of road maintenance that helps extend pavement life. We recognize that after winter snowplowing operations, some loose chips may end up in road rights-of-way. This has been raised as a concern in the past, and it's important to understand there are three primary options:

1. **Eliminate chip sealing altogether**, which would significantly increase long-term costs due to more frequent full road reconstruction.
2. **Hire contractors to return and sweep up excess chips before winter**, which would add additional expense to taxpayers.
3. **Continue current practices**, allowing us to maximize taxpayer dollars and shorten chip seal cycles to approximately eight years where appropriate, helping to optimize overall road lifespan.

Check out our planned road work at <https://townofwheatonwi.gov/road-updates/>

In 2026 we applied for Agricultural Roads Improvement Program (ARIP) grant funding for reconstruction of 50th Avenue from 50th Street to County Highway T as a second attempt at getting the grant funding. Although we were not awarded funds the town board still believes in taking advantage of each and every opportunity to help offset our rising road reconstruction costs.

The Town of Wheaton Board at its April 14, 2026 meeting passed Resolution 2026-01 for Supporting a Comprehensive and Sustainable Transportation Funding Solution for the purpose of best aligning Town of Wheaton Board efforts with upcoming statewide outreach while also providing Wisconsin State Senate and Assembly representing districts within Town of Wheaton and Governor's Office direct input from the Town of Wheaton Board. A copy of the resolution is available at <https://townofwheatonwi.gov/ordinances-resolutions/>

ATV/UTV ORDINANCE

All Town of Wheaton roads are open to ATV/UTV traffic. Also, the Chippewa County Board approved opening some County highways as 16 ATV/UTV routes except for high traffic highways which the Town of Wheaton has some County highways that fit high traffic criteria. The map below shows opened Chippewa County highways in the Town of Wheaton highlighted in gray (due to non-color printed newsletter). This map is also available in

The overwhelming success of this ordinance and ATV/UTVs on Town of Wheaton roads and Chippewa County highways will come down to responsible operation and voluntary compliance with regulations. After a long time in the making, we certainly would appreciate everyone doing their part to ensure this is a successful positive change for the Town of Wheaton.

TOWN CEMETERY

The Town of Wheaton owns 2 cemeteries that have plots available for purchase.

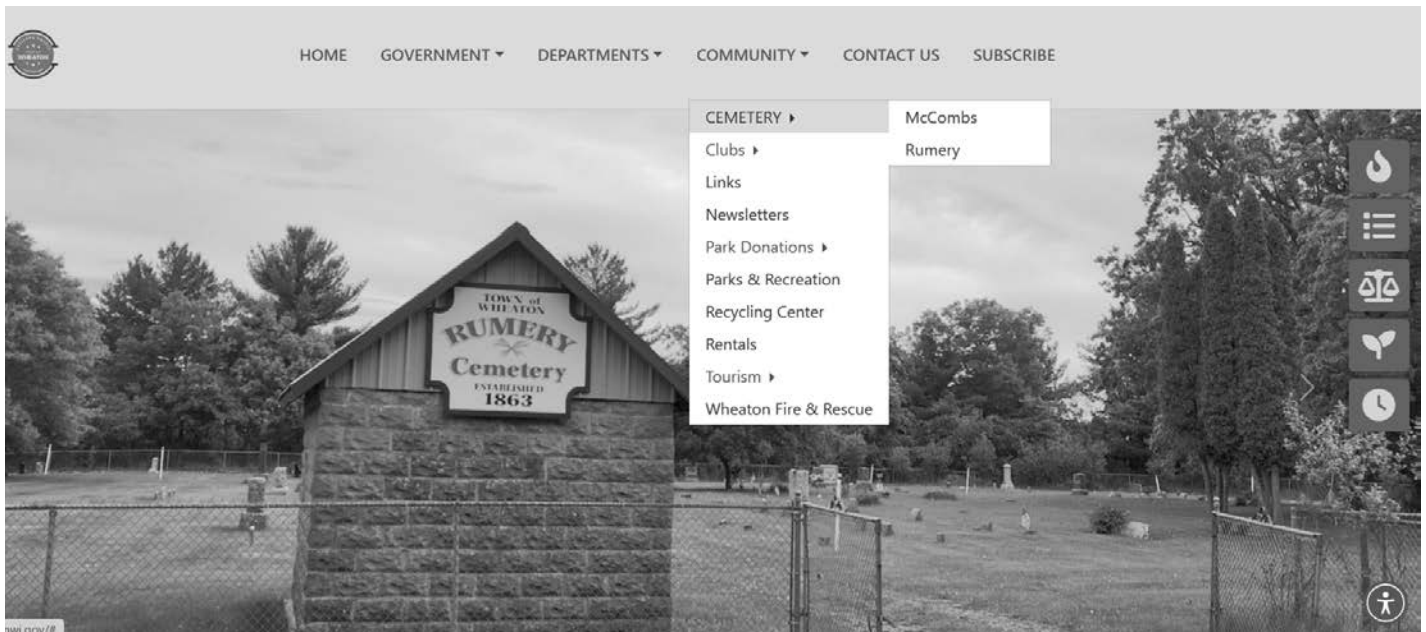
- Rumery Cemetery located on 103rd Street Chippewa Falls that was established in 1863.
- McCombs Cemetery located on 20th Avenue Eau Claire that was established in 1871.

- Purchase of Cemetery Plot: \$ 500.00
- Burial Fee: \$ 25.00

Cemetery Reminders:

1. Sexton must be notified prior to all interments / burials.
2. All artificial decorations will be removed after October 15th.
3. The request to collect obituaries for the cemetery records, this is up to you. Wheaton cemetery records on the website can include obituaries; therefore, submit any missing obituaries to the Sexton so they can be added to the cemetery records on the website.

Cemetery information can be found on the website at <https://townofwheatonwi.gov/> under Community → Cemetery → Select McCombs or Rumery



The cemetery sexton is Brian Anderson. For any cemetery questions please contact Brian Anderson at (715) 874-5190 or email wheaton.towncemetery@gmail.com

BUILDING PERMITS

What Homeowners Need to Know:

Now that spring has sprung, people are thinking about building projects such as sheds, etc. The Town of Wheaton is under the Chippewa County Planning and Zoning ordinance for building permits. Building permits might seem like an unnecessary hassle, especially for small home projects, but they play a crucial role in ensuring safety, compliance, and long-term property value. Whether you're planning a major renovation or a simple upgrade, understanding how permits work can save you from costly mistakes down the road.

What Is a Building Permit?

A building permit is an official approval issued by Chippewa County Planning & Zoning that allows you to proceed with construction, renovation, or repair work. It ensures that your project complies with local building codes, zoning laws, and safety regulations.

When Do You Need a Permit?

Not every project requires a permit, but many do. Common examples include:

- Structural changes (removing or adding walls)
- Electrical or plumbing work
- Adding decks, garages, or sheds

Smaller jobs like painting, minor repairs, or cosmetic upgrades usually don't require permits—but it's always smart to double-check with Chippewa County Planning & Zoning.

Why Permits Matter:

Skipping a permit might save money upfront, but it can cost you later. Here's why permits are worth it:

- Safety: Ensures work meets Chippewa County zoning codes.
- Avoid fines: Chippewa County can issue penalties after the fact up to 5X the original fee or require you to undo work.

How to Get a Building Permit:

Contact Chippewa County Planning & Zoning at 715-726-7940 for more information. Building permits may feel like red tape, but they exist to protect you, your property, and your community. Taking the time to get the right approvals ensures your project is safe, legal, and stress-free in the long run.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Wheaton Fire & Rescue Department has had a busy and productive start to the year, and we would like to share a few updates with our community!

New Website Launch

We are excited to announce the launch of our new website @ www.wheatonfirerescue.org

The website includes: Department information, Community resources, Safety information, Run statistics, Online application to join, important notifications, or supporting our mission through a tax deductible donation to the Wheaton Fire Prevention Association which is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit organization recognized by the IRS.

Planning a Burn?

You can now get valuable information on our web site under the Fire Danger tab. This will provide you with our current fire danger level, burning regulation and helpful safety tips. Residents planning any outdoor burning are encouraged to complete our quick online burn notification form before starting a fire. This helps us reduce unnecessary emergency responses and keeps everyone informed and safe.

<https://www.wheatonfirerescue.org/fire-danger.php>

Community Involvement


Earlier this year, members of the department assisted with the Loopy's Polar Plunge fundraiser and also spent time clearing dead trees and debris from wooded park trails. Some of the cleared wood is available for purchase. If you are interested, please contact the department for more information. 715 874 6597

Training Accomplishments

We are proud to recognize three new department members who recently completed 120 hours of firefighter training and hazardous materials response instruction through Chippewa Valley Technical College fire training programs. Continued education and training are critical to maintaining a safe and effective emergency response team for our community.

Wheaton Fired-Up Day aka FUD26

SAVE THE DATE – Saturday, September 19, 2026 for the 12th Annual Fired-Up Day. Great local community event!

 We would like to thank our community for your continued support of Wheaton Fire & Rescue. Your support helps us continue serving the Town of Wheaton safely and effectively.

CLEAN GROUNDWATER

Wheaton has a Community Well! The Community Well is located in the upper parking lot area at Wheaton Park. People who have high nitrates or wish to use this Community Well may do so at their convenience. There is no cost for using the community well.

Town of Wheaton Supervisors are planning to do nitrate testing at the Wheaton Town Hall in the Fall of 2026 and again in the Spring of 2027. Watch for a postcard in the mail, and a posting on our website.

There are two local companies that will do nitrate testing for free, and there may be others.

Gibson Water Care: Contact them at 1-800-657-4533 for more information.

Sterling Water Culligan: Contact them at 1-800-444-9431 for more information.

Chippewa County Public Health Department operates a state-certified water lab that provides analysis for bacteria, nitrates and other contaminants in private wells. There is a cost for the testing. You can contact Chippewa County Public Health at 715-726-7900 for more information or the website at <https://www.chippewacountywi.gov/427/Water-Lab>.

Groundwater provides drinking water entirely or in part for as much as 50% of the global population and accounts for 43% of all water used for irrigation. The Town of Wheaton continues to work in support of clean drinking water for all residents. It is important to note that the threat to clean water is lawn fertilizers, septic systems, and agriculture fertilizers and waste. Septic systems are not designed to filter out nitrates. They are designed to break down bacteria.

The Town of Wheaton has sponsored a Well Sampling Project since 2019. This has been offered to residents every year except 2020 during the pandemic. Results from the four years of testing provide baseline information that will help in the following ways:

- Assists the Township, Chippewa County, and UW Stevens Point Central Wisconsin Groundwater Center with documenting the current and changing conditions of groundwater in order to provide education, public information, applied research, and technical assistance in addressing groundwater issues.
- Helps residents monitor their wells for changes in groundwater so actions can be taken if needed.
- Provides information to other Chippewa County government and UW agencies on how soils, well depths, and changes in land use practices affect groundwater.

Continued and expanded residents testing has shown the Town of Wheaton has high nitrate areas. 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. High levels of nitrates in water can affect everyone such as causing birth defects, blue baby syndrome, thyroid disease, and may increase the chance of colon cancer. High nitrate levels are 10 mg/L and higher.

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

1. Reduce nitrate causing uses.

2. Septic system inspections.
3. Changes in land use practices. There are several winter agricultural cover crop initiatives going on in the Town of Wheaton and Chippewa County.
4. Using bottled water.
5. Installing reverse osmosis system.
6. Use the **community well** located in the upper parking lot of the Wheaton Park.
7. Installing a new well. We strongly urge residents to reach out to Chippewa County Land Conservation and Forest Management and U.W. Stevens Point Central Wisconsin Groundwater Center for assistance before proceeding forward with this option.

Be watchful for visuals as maps will be posted, watch the Town of Wheaton website, come to a town board meeting with questions, and get your water tested.

Please see the TOWN OF WHEATON website. Click on GOVERNMENT → GROUNDWATER INFORMATION. Listed there are links to "Groundwater Testing", "Town of Wheaton Nitrate Levels Map", and other "Resource Links" with regards to clean groundwater.

DOG LICENSE INFORMATION

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

- Spayed/neutered dogs: **\$12.00**
- Unspayed or unneutered dogs: **\$18.00**
- Multiple dogs: Six to Twelve: **\$60.00 (six dogs required kennel license)**
- Each additional tag for multiple dogs in excess of 12: **\$10.00**

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. Please send check, a completed application form (available on our website under “Frequently Asked Questions”, 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

The Dog Catcher for the Township is Kari Arauz. 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. ***We are actively looking for a new dog catcher at Kari’s request. If interested in this position please contact any Town Supervisor, Chair, or Clerk.***

CHIPPEWA HUMANE ASSOCIATION

The Town of Wheaton has a contract with the Chippewa Humane Association. The residents of Wheaton can bring in a STRAY for no charge since that fee is being covered by the township contract. If it is a SURRENDER, meaning the resident is the owner of the cat or dog, they charge a surrender fee; however, because the township has a contract with them, the surrender fee is considerably less. Please tell the Chippewa Humane Association that you are a resident of the Town of Wheaton when dropping off a stray or surrendered animal.

REAL ESTATE TAX INFORMATION FOR 2025-2026

As a friendly reminder, if you paid the first installment of your 2025 property taxes in December or January, the 2nd installment is due to Chippewa County by July 31, 2026. If you paid your 2025 property taxes in full, this reminder does not apply to you.

The Chippewa County Treasurer will mail you a tax statement regarding the remaining amount owed, which is due on or before July 31, 2026. Please make the 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.

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

CASH OR CHECK ONLY!

1. Wednesdays: 1:00pm – 5:00pm
2. 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
Sectional couch	\$40.00	Microwaves (metal dumpster)	Free
Hideabed couch	\$25.00		
Sofa couch	\$20.00		
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		
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 the pallet inside the building.

#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

Motors, Bikes, Lawn Mowers, Tillers, etc. – NO CHARGE – They go into the metal roll off dumpster.

Stoves, Washers, Dryers, Water Heaters: Go in the appliance area behind the metal roll off dumpster.

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.

Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep - Saturday, October 10, 2026 from 8AM - Noon

Location: Northern WI State Fairgrounds 225 Edward Street Chippewa Falls

VSQG (Very Small Quantity Generator) Clean Sweep - Thursday, October 8, 2026 from 10:30AM - 1:00PM For businesses and schools with pre-registration required.

Location: Northern WI State Fairgrounds 225 Edward Street Chippewa Falls

For more information go to www.chippewacountywi.gov

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 known as Wheaton Park 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. Spring 2026 brought playground maintenance with certified playground chips being added to both playgrounds. In other news the Parks Commission is applying for American Trails - Trails Capacity Grant a second time in order to provide funding for trail maintenance as the trails transition from decayed wood chips to seeded trails.

The Parks Commission, Town Highway Maintenance Employees, and Fire Department work together to address dead and downed trees in the park. Certainly dead and down trees can be a never ending job given our parks size, tree age, and storms. We appreciate the Town Highway Maintenance Employees and Fire Department members' help in maintaining our park - THANK YOU!!

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

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

Park Amenities:



Ball Fields/Batting Cages



Basketball Court



Butterfly Garden



Gaga Ball



Ice Skating Rink



Picnic Areas



Playground Equipment



Reservable Pavilions



Sledding Hill



Snowmobile Trail Access



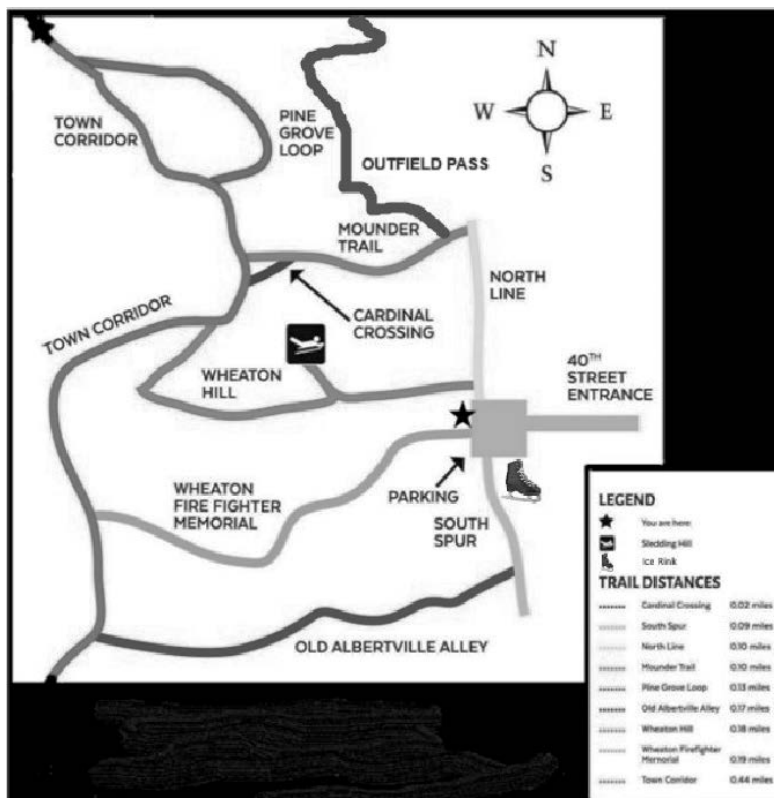
Tennis/Pickleball Courts



Walking/Snowshoeing Trails



Water Bottle Refill Station



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

INTERESTING RECREATION TIDBITS

Wheaton Park Little Free Library "Take a Book. Share a Book." has books for all ages! It really is that easy:

1. "Take a Book" for reading in the park or other places. Anyone may take a book - neighbors, park visitors, even passersby - the books are always free!
2. "Share a Book" for others in the Little Free Library. Book donations are welcome at this Little Free Library!

Located next to the tennis court parking lot by the trail map.



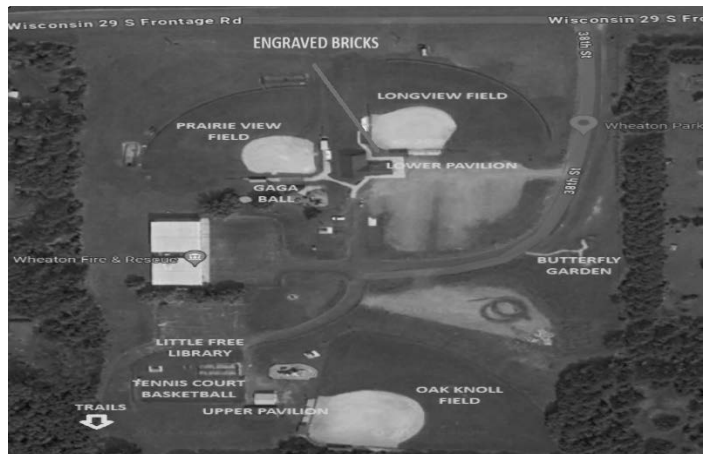
PARK INTERESTING FACTOIDS

The Park Ornamentation Project was a creative project that ran from 2019-2024 allowing citizens and businesses to donate bushes, shrubs, trees, picnic tables, and benches to Wheaton Park. With 3 bushes/shrubs, 13 trees, 4 picnic tables, and 10 benches these donations continue to make park memories every day. Our newest project involves personalization and is called the Park Engraved Brick Project allowing citizens and businesses to "LEAVE YOUR MARK IN WHEATON PARK".

PARK ENGRAVED BRICK PROJECT

Donations are taking shape and leaving a personalized mark in Wheaton Park!

- ***Interested in DONATING - See our Engraved Brick Donation Form on Page 22.***



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://townofwheatonwi.gov/parks-recreation>

✓ Check Pavilion Sizes, Capacity, Number of Picnic Tables

✓ Check Pavilion Availability

✓ Reservation Application/Rental Rates

✓ Check Park Renter Procedures

Upper Pavilion



Lower Pavilion



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

The upper pavilion and building remodel and expansion were completed. This revamped pavilion and building allowed for park history preservation, park maintenance, and provided a completely different park rental experience with both a large inside and outside area that are joined together now. Plus it is close to many park amenities such as: tennis and pickleball courts, basketball court, baseball field, playground, and walking trails. This renovation is a vast improvement from before and we welcome people to check it out and rent in 2026. Rental fees are really reasonable too!!

Resident Fee = No Charge

Resident Deposit = \$100.00

Non-Resident Fee = \$50.00

Non-Resident Deposit = \$100.00

TOWN BOAT LANDING

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

If you were unable to use the updated facilities in 2025 we hope it fits in your calendar in 2026. We know you will love the updates. 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://townofwheatonwi.gov/rentals/>

- ✓ Check Town Hall Amenities and Available Tables/Chairs
- ✓ Check Town Hall Availability
- ✓ Reservation Application/Rental Rates
- ✓ Rentals Responsible for Cleanup & Garbage Removal

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

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: www.facebook.com/ADRCChippewaCo/

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