

### **Highlights**

For the week of July 21-

- **Construction:** Work continues on Walworth Avenue. Concrete curb and gutter, and sidewalk is complete. The contractor is finishing up with removal of existing material between the curbs and paving is scheduled in the near future. On the Vanderlip Pumping Station, all sanitary work is completed, the two old lift stations have been abandoned and the new pumping station is working well. All that remains is the paving of Fraternity Lane and Florence Street. The lead lateral replacement project is rolling along. All work on the east side and downtown is complete. The contractor will be working mainly south of W Main Street and west of Franklin Street.
- In the Street Department seasonal work continues with mowing, stump removal, and watering of plants. Crews prepped and poured miscellaneous sidewalk replacements. And staff has been busy painting crosswalks throughout the city.
- In the Water Department staff has been busy with helping the contractor with the lead lateral replacement project. The Cravath Water Tower was drained,

inspected and put back into service. The ground reservoir has been drained for inspection before it is removed. Staff carded 52 homes for disconnects for non-payment.

- In the Wastewater Department staff removed and salvaged what they could from the two lift stations at Vanderlip and Fraternity for replacement parts on other lift stations. Quarterly PFA's, Nitrogen and Mercury samples were taken. The generator that was at the Fraternity lift station is being moved to the Milwaukee lift station. All lift stations will now have back up power, removing the necessity for staff to come in and mobilize a portable generator in case of power failure.



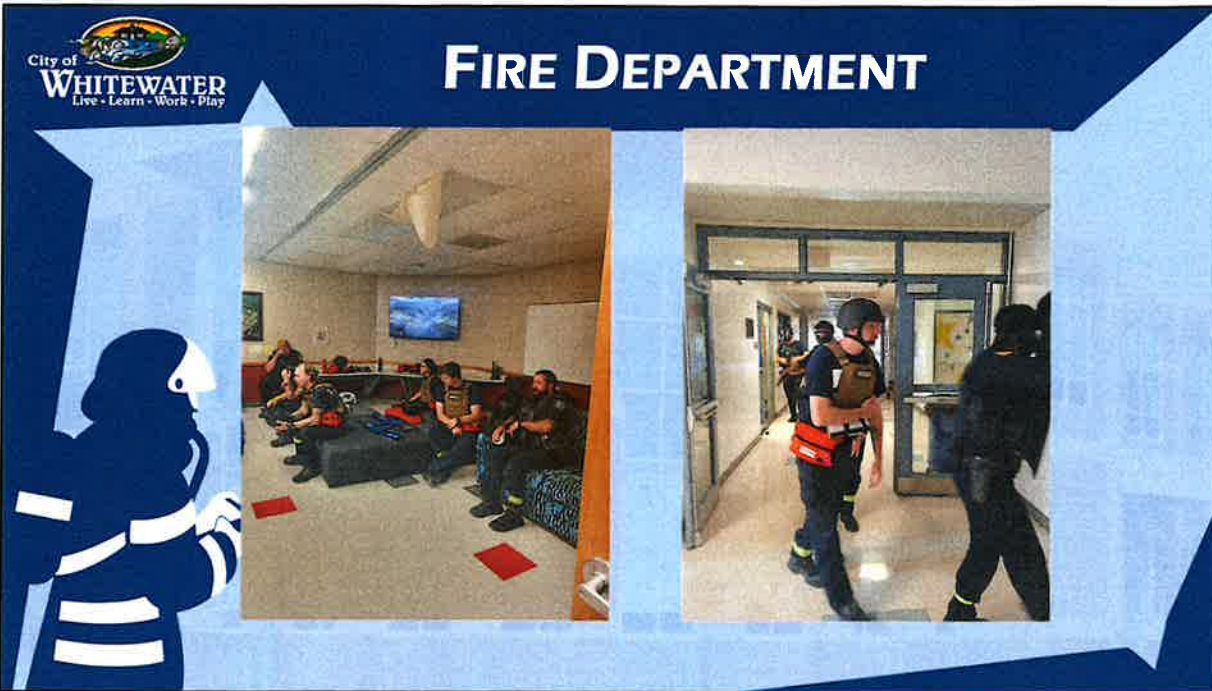
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- On July 11, a six-week series of Spanish classes began, attended by approximately 15 to 20 City staff members. The program includes both beginner and intermediate levels to accommodate each participant's proficiency.
- A planning meeting was held to prepare for active threat training that PD staff will be providing for all school district staff in September. This is being done in partnership with key district staff that have a focus on school safety.
- Chief Meyer, (pictured above) participated in Fairhaven's Cycling Without Age program where residents are provided trishaw rides throughout the city.

### **Details**

- Sworn staff completed biennial intoximeter recertification. This is required for anyone providing breath alcohol tests.
- Staff met with a representative from Worldwide Tech Connections to review improvements to their interpretation software. They are continuing to provide free services to the City as of now as an extended trial.
- Sworn staff completed Tactical Response training at the Whitewater High School.

- **GenComm was on-site to update the Solacom software and to do front-end work in anticipation of our transition to NexGen 911. Once that transition occurs, local cell phone 911 calls will be routed to our communications center rather than one of the county communications centers.**



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- Engine 1222 was put into service during a push in ceremony following the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade.
- Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup> Whitewater responded to The Town of Delavan with an Ambulance for a MABAS call. Card 24-3 was pulled to the Box Alarm for a water rescue.
- Tuesday and Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> staff attended RTF (Rescue Task Force) training at the high school hosted by Whitewater PD.
- July 3<sup>rd</sup>- July 9<sup>th</sup>-
- Staff responded to 35 calls for service, making the daily average of 5 calls for service each day.
- 5 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was .83 per call.
- Mutual Aid was requested once from Whitewater during this time and we did not request Mutual Aid.
- July 10<sup>th</sup>- July 16<sup>th</sup>
- Staff responded to 44 calls for service, making the daily average of 6.28 calls for



service each day.

- 5 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was .6 per call.
- Mutual Aid was requested once from Whitewater during this time and we did not request Mutual Aid.
- Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> Whitewater was requested with an Engine to Milton for a structure fire. Engine 1221 was cancelled while enroute.
- Staff responded to 32 calls for service, making the daily average of 4.5 calls for service each day.
- 4 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was .25 per call.
- Mutual Aid was requested once from Whitewater during this time and we did not request Mutual Aid.
- Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> Whitewater was requested for an Ambulance by Fort Atkinson for Mutual Aid and was cancelled while enroute.

### **Details**

- Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup> staff trained on nurse pumping and drafting operations with the new Engine
- Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> Chief Freeman attended the Rock Officers/MABAS 104 meeting at Blackhawk Tech.
- Wednesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> AC Dion attended the Walworth Co/MABAS 103 Chief's meeting at the City of Delavan FD.
- Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> staff attended the monthly EMS training host by Mercy Health. Documentation and communication was the training topic.
- Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> AC Dion attended the Jefferson Co MABAS 118 meeting at the Watertown FD.
- Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup> Chief Freeman, EMS Chief Dean and Lt Tomlinson met with a vendor to finalize specs for a replacement ambulance. Estimated delivery of early 2028 once order is placed.
- Loose equipment order is in the process of being placed for the New Ladder Truck that is estimated to be delivered late September or early October.

## PARK & RECREATION



Tommy Cushman



Lilly

### Highlights

- The City of Whitewater congratulates Tommy Cushman (pictured above) on earning his Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI) certification from the National Recreation and Park Association. As only the second CPSI currently employed by the city, Tommy reinforces Whitewater's commitment to safe, well-maintained play areas. This nationally recognized certification places him among a select group of professionals trained in playground hazard identification and safety standards.
- Michelle's Dog Lilly (pictured above) made her yearly visit to the Rockin' Respite Program for the Dog Days of Summer Theme. Are you caring for someone with mild to moderate dementia? Rockin' Respite offers trained, caring staff to be with your loved one, twice a month, on the second and fourth Tuesday from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm. It includes a hot lunch, activities, snacks, and fun!

### Details

- Movies In the Park: Our next Movie In The Park is Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. You aren't going to want to miss a perfect evening under the stars.



- **Concerts In The Park & City Market Table:** Come visit the Parks & Recreation Department table at the City Market and be sure to stay for the FREE family Friendly Concerts on Tuesdays at Cravath Lakefront Park.
- **Summer Camp:** Summer camp is starting water week today! Water week focuses on teaching them how to be safe around the water while also having as much fun as possible. This week they will play water games both in the pools and outside, learn five key water safety topics, become Junior Lifeguards, and build cardboard boats!
- **Washington Elementary Tennis Courts Ribbon Cutting:** The Parks & Recreation Department hosted a table at the Reese Brantmeier Project Grand Opening. As part of the Reese Brantmeier Project's goal of making tennis accessible to everyone, tennis equipment is being donated to the Whitewater school libraries for those who would like to try the sport. Cinch sacks include two rackets (size appropriate for the student's age at each school), tennis balls, and a dry erase card with basic tennis information and a scoring card. They will be offered for checkout at the 3 local elementary schools, as well as the middle and high schools.
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- In a unanimous decision, the Library Board of Trustees voted to rename the Irvin L. Young Memorial Library the Whitewater Public Library at their July meeting. This decision included input from community members who attended the last two library board meetings. The existing library building that was built in 1990 will be named the Irvin L. Young Memorial Wing. It is important to the library board, library staff, and community that the Young name continues to be honored. The original donor plaque will also be displayed in a prominent location in the library.
- A former library patron has bequeathed the library \$97,000. The library has received \$2,275 from seven different community members in memory of Jim Leaver who was a longtime member of the Friends of the Library group.
- Assistant Director Sarah French met with Dr. Courtney Powers from UW-W and will be working with her for two Community-Based Learning classes. One class is Training & Development where students will conduct a needs assessment and then deliver staff training materials. The second class is Nonprofit Communication where students will conduct research about the Friends of the

**Library group and provide a report with a profile and recommendations.**

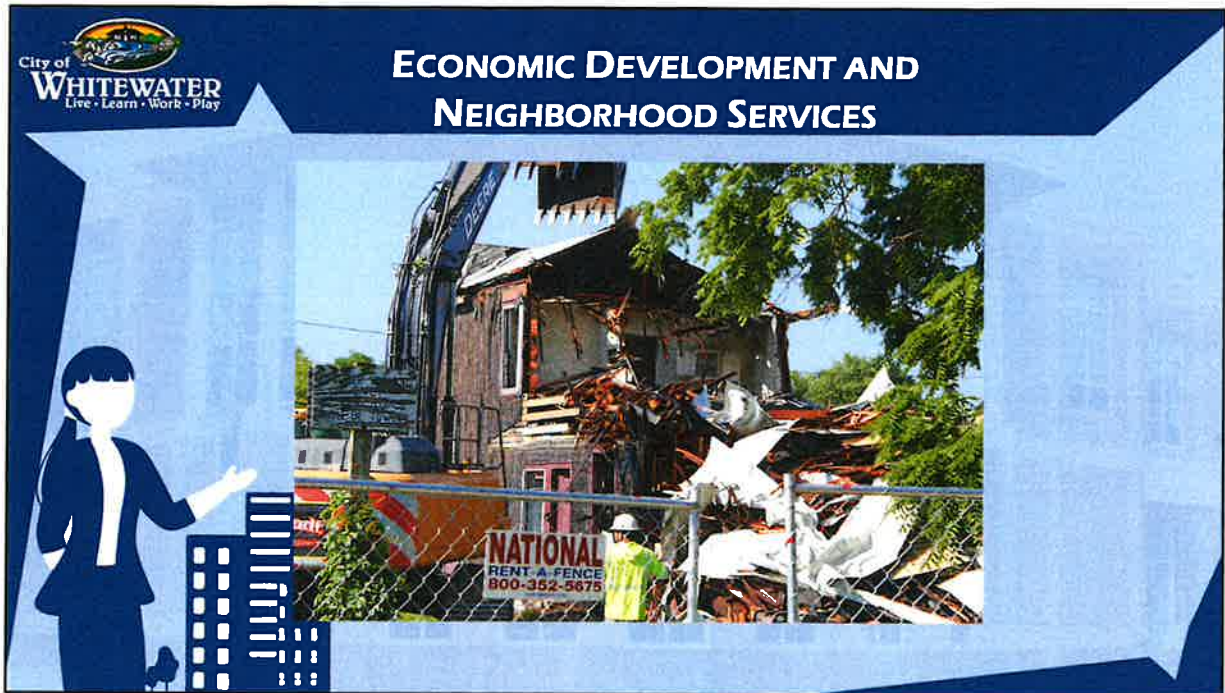
**Details**

- **The Library Director and Assistant Director have completed the webinar series “HR Essentials with Kathy Parker: The Lifecycle of a Library Employee”.**
- **The Library Director and Assistant Director are both attending the beginner Spanish class provided by the City on Friday mornings this summer.**
- **The Summer Reading Program comes to and end on August 1<sup>st</sup>. We have had great attendance at our programs. Our largest attended program was James the Magician on July 14<sup>th</sup> with 75 in attendance. Our last program for the summer will be Stories, S'mores & More! on August 1<sup>st</sup> from 3:00-4:30 p.m. at the Cravath Lakefront Community Center. The program will start with a fun story proceeded by several craft and activity stations. Participants will also have the opportunity to make and eat a s'more.**



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- **Greg Stewart invited us to capture footage from the Reese Brantmeier (BRANT-myer) Project opening ceremony and associated events. In addition to documenting the ceremony, we conducted interviews with key individuals involved in the project to include in the highlight reel. (pictured above)**
- **We've continued gathering footage for the Police Department Recruitment Video by filming various training sessions hosted by the department. Recently, we conducted an interview with Chief Meyer, and soon with additional PD staff in the coming weeks.**
- **Media Services visited Clover Valley to document the ongoing trail building efforts on the Ice Age Trail. Our team interviewed Melissa Pierick, Director of Marketing and Community Relations for the Ice Age Trail Alliance, as well as several volunteers actively working on the trail. We also lent a hand by assisting in the removal of a trail marker as part of the effort.(pictured above is Sam helping along the trail)**



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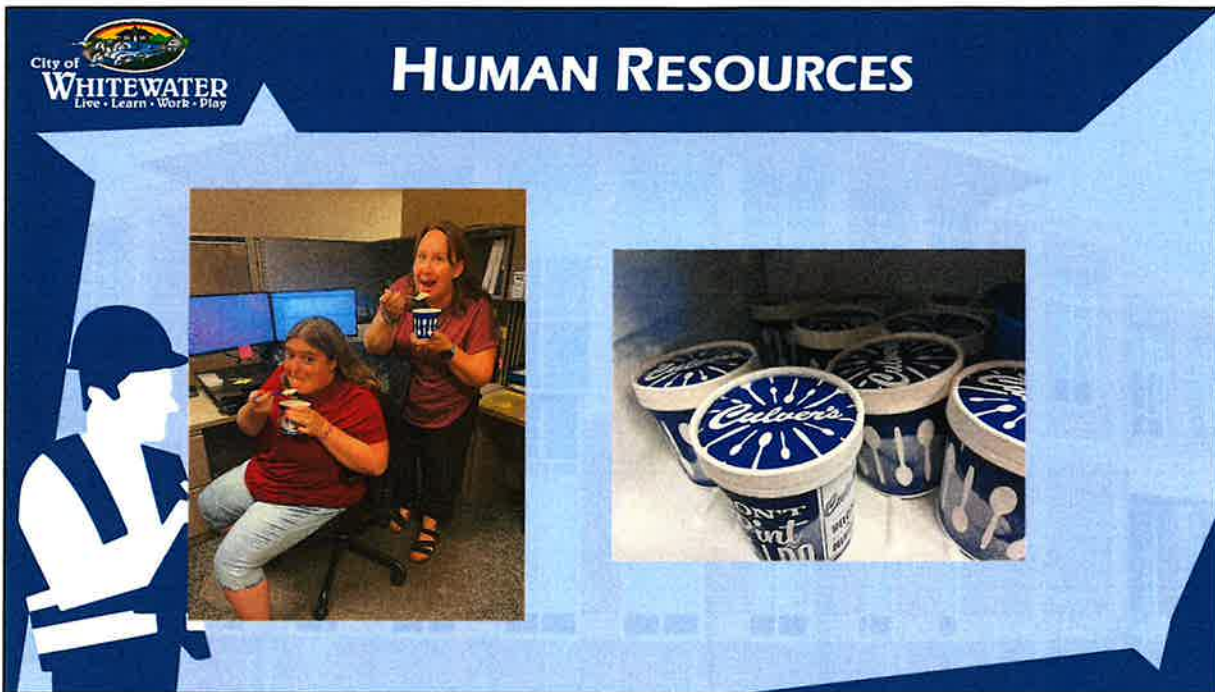
- Commercial/industrial development flow chart and housing development flow charts are complete. These will assist developers of all project sizes on understanding the necessary steps to completing a project. It will also tell the developer how much time it will take, and how much it will cost to get through the city process. These flowcharts will be posted on the website and marketed on social media.
- The pro-active code enforcement informational meeting is scheduled for August 28<sup>th</sup> at 5pm; please review the flyer, share it with colleagues and friends, and consider attending. The flyer has been to around 200 landlords.
- Pictured above is one of the demo's that took place to bring in a Habitat for Humanity home.

### **Details**

- Two down payment assistance loans in July
- UW-W Dean's retreat being held at the Innovation Center



- One new loan to SafePro is set to close on August 1<sup>st</sup>; this loan will assist the company in getting their product into more schools/businesses/organizations. For more information on SafePro, check out their website:  
<https://safeprotechnologies.com/>
- The Request for Proposals for the Comprehensive Plan Update will be posted in early July. The plan, last updated seven years ago, will serve as a strategic guidance document for many areas of city growth and operations. The RFP does request proposers to include a robust stakeholder engagement process



#### **Recruitment & Selection**

- We are pleased to welcome Steven Chesebro as the new City Attorney for the City of Whitewater. Steven brings extensive municipal legal experience to the role, having most recently served as the City Attorney for the City of Watertown, Wisconsin. He has a strong background in public sector law, with particular expertise in areas such as municipal governance, land use, and contract law. Best of all, he received his law degree from Marquette University.
- Please join us in welcoming Steven to the City of Whitewater!

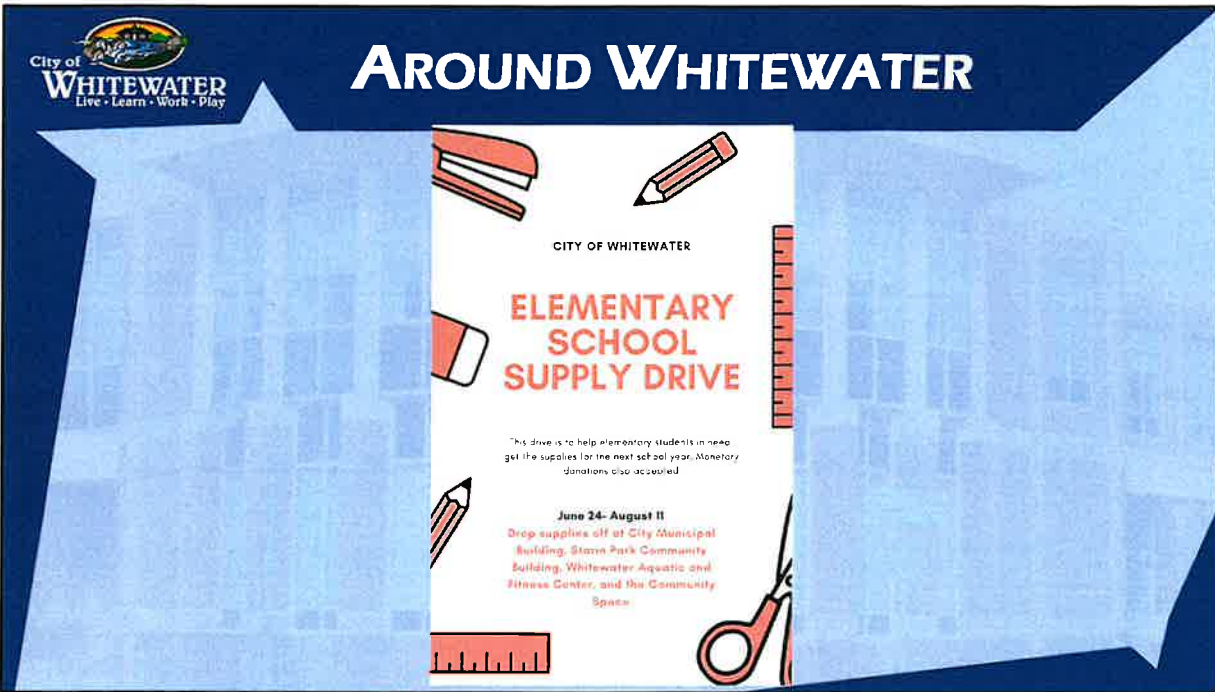
#### **Retention**

- The City recently held an employee lunch to recognize Street's Department team members for their outstanding service to a resident in need of assistance with tree removal. The citizen took the time to call and express their sincere appreciation for the crew's professionalism, responsiveness, and willingness to go above and beyond. To show our gratitude, a Jimmy John's lunch was served in their honor. Great work, team!
- On July 22, 2025, City employees celebrated National Ice Cream Month the best

**way possible—with scoops delivered by Culver’s! (pictures above.) A big thank you to Culver’s for not only supplying the treats, but also helping us distribute them before they turned into milkshakes!**



- **We're extending the compost site season this year! That means you'll have more time to drop off your yard waste and other compostable materials. We will be open Saturdays Nov 22, 29 and Dec 6, unless it snows and remains.**
- **We'll also be closely monitoring usage during this extended period to help us decide whether to continue offering an extended season in the future.**



**There's Still Time to Support Our Elementary School Supply Drive!**

**Help us ensure Whitewater students start the school year with the tools they need to succeed.**

**Donate supplies or contribute monetarily by August 11 at one of our convenient drop-off locations:**

**City Municipal Building, Starin Park Community Building, Whitewater Aquatic and Fitness Center, or the Community Space.**



 **CHIEF OF STAFF**



**Thank You!**

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