

Highlights

- **Construction:** On Walworth Avenue, construction crews completed sidewalk and curb and gutter replacements. The removal of the pavement and the excavation of material between the curbs has begun. On Innovation Drive the curb and gutter replacements are completed. Asphalt paving is scheduled to be completed this week. The lead service line replacements are ongoing. W Main Street between Whitewater Street and 2nd Street is scheduled to start July 21. Crews plan to replace the 24 services during the first week and complete all restoration the second week. During this period there will be no parking on W Main Street in these two blocks. East bound traffic will remain on W. Main Street, while west bound traffic will be detoured onto Whitewater Street and north of Franklin Street.
- In the Street Department, staff were busy helping set up for the Fourth of July celebration. They cleaned parking lots, mulched flower beds, moved in picnic tables, installed the beer fence, cleaned goose poop off the sidewalks, cleaning graffiti off of sidewalks, swept and placed no parking signs along the parade route and closed streets around the festival.

- In the Water Department, staff is busy with locates associated with the lead service line replacements. Staff is also helping the contractor with shut offs when needed. Water pitchers with filters are being delivered to the properties who are requesting them after their service line has been replaced. Other work included meter replacements and notifying around 50 properties of disconnect for non payment.
- In the Wastewater Department, the new Vanderlip Pumping Station is operational. The old pumping station is offline and will be abandoned. Crews continue to work on installing sanitary sewer on Florence Street in order to reroute the wastewater going to the Fraternity pumping station in order to take that pumping station offline also.



Highlights

- Pictured above is Officer Olivia Monson (Mon-son) was officially sworn in. Olivia comes to us with five years' experience as a law enforcement officer and can fluently speak, read and write Spanish. She will be completing an administrative training week and will then begin the field training process. Welcome, Olivia!
- During the week of June 23, Captain Taft was seen out in the community delivering meals as part of the Meals on Wheels program.
- Detective Kevin Gowan (GA- Won) has successfully completed his Field Training program and has officially transitioned to the Detective Bureau.

Details

- Wednesday, June 25th = The Police Department has posted both internally and externally to fill a vacant Patrol Lieutenant position. Qualified candidates are encouraged to apply through the jobs portal

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/whitewaterwi> on the City of Whitewater website. The application process closes Friday, July 11th, 2025 at 7:00am. The anticipated appointment date will be in August of 2025.

- Thursday, July 3rd = Supervisory staff completed annual mid-year evaluations with their staff.
- Friday, July 4th = Capt. Taft organized police department operations ensuring security of the 4th of July parade.



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June 12-18

FF/Paramedic Alex Rohde (ROAD-EE) graduated from the Mercy Paramedic program and was also named the Valedictorian of his class.

- Staff responded to 22 calls for service, making the daily average of just over 3 calls for service each day.
- 2 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was .5 per call.
- Mutual Aid was not requested or received during this time.

June 19-25

- On Sunday, June 22nd Whitewater was requested on MABAS Box 84-11 to Jefferson with an Engine for a commercial structure fire.
- Chief Freeman assisted the Lake Geneva Fire Department as a member of their interview committee for the Lieutenant promotion process.
- AC Dion attended the Walworth Co radio project meeting at the Sheriff's Department.
- On Wednesday, June 25th Whitewater Fire responded to Whitewater Township for a working structure fire at 11pm. MABAS Box 12-3 was pulled to the Box Alarm for Engines and Squads.

- Staff responded to 54 calls for service, making the daily average of 7.7 calls for service each day.
- 7 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was 1.5 per call.
- Mutual Aid was requested 1 time from Whitewater and during this time and we requested Mutual Aid once.

June 26-July 2

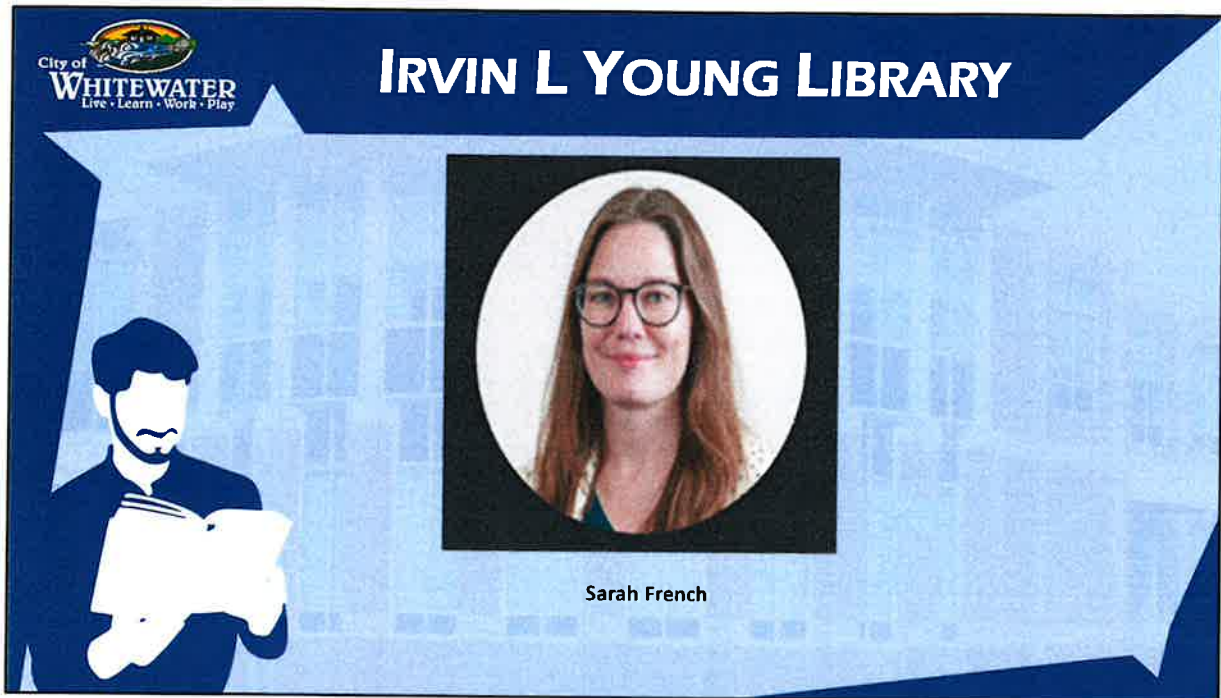
- Staff responded to 45 calls for service, making the daily average of 6.4 calls for service each day.
- 3 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was 0 per call.
- Mutual Aid was requested once from Whitewater during this time.
- Saturday, June 28th @ 18:30 Lagrange requested Mutual Aid for an Ambulance for a motorcycle accident. During this request the first due Ambulance was transporting to Fort hospital. The second due Ambulance filled the request to Lagrange. A 3rd call for service was dispatched 18:54 and was covered by the on duty POP and the EMS officer on Car 121. At 19:04 a forth call for service was paged and cover by the returning 1st due Ambulance. Chief Freeman backfilled the station during this time. This data supports the decision of transporting to the closest appropriate hospital as we were able to cover 4 calls for service with 3 ambulances all within 1 hour and 45 minutes. No additional POCs responded to the station during this time.

Fun Fact The FD has to test all fire hose in service each year. (The size and amount of hose carried on each apparatus is set to standards from the NFPA and the ISO.) This ensures it is ready to perform, and allows us to physically inspect each piece for the manufacture date. At certain intervals/age, the hose is removed from service regardless of a successful test. This results in between 6000-7000 feet of hose being tested each year. For reference: That amount of hose would stretch from the front pad of the FD, to the east side Kwik Trip.

Details

- Tuesday, June 17th staff attended in person training on the Baby Box

- **Tuesday, June 17th the Baby Box was officially put into service during a ceremony that was attended by the founder of Safe Haven.**
- **The DNR has confirmed that our DNR FFP (Forest Fire Protection) grant was received. The grant seeks a replacement suppression skid unit and miscellaneous hand tools to replace the aging skid unit/tools on the tracked UTV that we will maintain. Being that we are dropping down to one UTV, the thought process was to make sure that one unit is well equipped and ready to function.**
- **Thursday, June 26th Chief Freeman & AC Dion attended a fire investigation class at the Janesville Fire Department Station 1.**
- **Tuesday, July 1st crews began annual hose testing for all supply hose and attack handlines.**



Highlights

- Congratulations to Sarah French (pictured above) has been promoted to Assistant Library Director. She worked as the Programming & Makerspace Librarian for over three years. She graduated with a Master of Library & Information Science degree from UW-Milwaukee in 2024 and has worked in public libraries since 2017.
- You can now pick up your library books and materials at the library! Printing services are also available. When holds or printing jobs become available, patrons must call or email the library in advance to schedule a time to pick up their items.

Details

- James the Magician, Monday, July 14 at 4:30 p.m.
- A family magic show that includes comedy and storytelling to help enhance the magic. At Cravath Lakefront Park. No cost or registration. All ages.
- Sing, Dance, Thrive! Monday, July 21 at 4:30 p.m.
- Engage in imaginative music and movement adventures! Best for ages 2-6, all ages welcome. At Cravath Lakefront Park. No cost or registration.

Sugar Cookie Creations for Teens, Thursday, July 17 at 3:30 p.m.

- In this workshop, baker Jennifer Chartier with Baby Blues Bakery will share with teens how to decorate sugar cookies like a pro!
- **Storytime in the Park, Starin Park, Wednesdays thru July 30 from 9:30 a.m.**
- Join us for stories, songs, rhymes, movement, and more! Build a foundation for lifelong reading and learning with this fun storytime! Best for children ages 2-6. All ages welcome. Bring your own blankets and/or chairs, if desired. Note that due to library construction, storytime will take place at Starin Park. Weather permitting. There is no cost or registration.
- **Fun Fridays, Library lawn, 3:00 p.m.**
- July 18: Giant Sunflower
- July 25: Paper Bag Piñata
- Best for ages 5 and up. All ages welcome. There is no cost or registration. Due to library construction, Fun Fridays will take place on the library's lawn on Center Street. Weather permitting. There is no cost or registration.



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- Facility staff closed 52 help desk tickets in May.
18 general maintenance tasks – Assembling, installing, removing and relocating items.
32 facility repairs – Fixing sinks, toilets, windows, doors, drawers and more
2 temperature calls addressed
- The second summer school session started today, meaning a new round of kiddos improving their swimming skills! We have some lifeguards working as assistant swim lesson teachers, and others lifeguarding the lessons.
- Summer camp groups are starting to trickle in for their swims at the WAFC! We have a couple of new groups in July, and several returning ones as well.
- Come dunk your favorite lifeguards at Messy Fest! It is \$5 for three attempts, and all proceeds will go to the Park and Rec Sunshine Fund.
- Trippe Lake Shoreline Clean Up: Thank you to our Streets Department for the clean up of the Trippe Lake Shoreline! Our local fisherman are already enjoying the easier access to the water.

Details

- **School Supply Drive:** Associated Bank donated 30 pre stuffed bags to our school supply drive. Donations can be made through August 11th.
- **Messy Fest Is Back:** Join us in Cravath Lakefront Park on Tuesday, July 29th 6pm-7pm for a wildly creative event where making a mess is encouraged and laughter is guaranteed.
- **Summer Camp:** Can you say tons of fun! Kids are having a blast at Summer Camp. So far the favorite is nerf gun adventures.
- **DIY Feed Bag Totes:** Parks & Recreation had a great night of upcycling! We took animal feed bags and made them into useable totes. This was a partnership with the City Market.



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- Harbor homes is at 11 out of 19 permits pulled
- Meadowview has 18 out of 38 permits pulled
- Offer to purchase land for single family homes is going to the CDA next week (7/17)
- Demolitions began- clearing the way for the Habitat homes to begin hopefully yet this fall (pictured above)

Details

- Comprehensive Plan request for proposal will go out by early August
- Proactive code enforcement public meeting is scheduled for August 28, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, the focus area is the most common code violations- an invite will go out via social and to specific entities
- Business Retention and Expansion visit coordination is underway with the Chamber of Commerce and Media Services to expand the collaboration with the chamber and increase the visibility of our local businesses
- Coordinated with city team to meet with school district's consultants regarding

their upcoming site improvement projects. (The point in sharing this one would be to demonstrate we're collaboratively working together



Recruitment & Selection

Current openings include Accounts Payable/Payroll Clerk, IT Director, Lifeguards, Police Patrol Lieutenant, Programming & Makerspace Librarian and Youth Program Coordinator.

Retention

- Despite a few raindrops, the City of Whitewater's Employee Picnic on June 18 was a resounding success! Approximately 90 staff members gathered for an afternoon filled with delicious food, fun activities, and great company. The event also featured a special moment of recognition for employees celebrating milestone years of service, adding a meaningful touch to the festivities.
- The fun didn't stop there—congratulations to The Bag Buddies, our Cornhole Tournament champions!
- Additionally, the first ever in a long time, City Golf Outing was held June 20 at Willow Brook Golf Course. Over 30 golfers spent a fantastic afternoon making memories versus any hole-in-ones. Planning for next year's event has already begun!



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Celebrate Whitewater's Community Heroes!

The City of Whitewater is proud to recognize the amazing individuals who help our community grow and thrive!

We're now accepting nominations for our annual community awards.

Details

Preservation Protector – For outstanding heritage efforts

Difference Maker – For improving quality of life

Community Champion – For impactful leadership

Volunteer of the Year – For exceptional service this year

Youth Champion – For empowering young people

James D. Allen Service Award – For a legacy of community advocacy

Know someone who deserves the spotlight?

Nominate them by sharing how they embody the spirit of the award!

Deadline: July 21, 2025 (by midnight)


Submit your nomination to: bmagestro@whitewater-wi.gov

THANK YOU!



- We would like to recognize Brian Neumeister (*NOY-my-ster*) -Celebrating 30 years of dedication—thank you for your decades of excellence, Brian!



 **Congratulations to our 2025 Employee of the Year: DAN BUCKINGHAM!**
Dan is the kind of teammate who is willing to go above and beyond —resourceful, positive, and endlessly dependable. His calm demeanor under pressure and willingness to step up wherever needed make him a trusted anchor for the team.



CHIEF OF STAFF



Thank You!

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Becky Magestro, Chief of Staff, can be contacted for any inquiries or issues.

CITY MANAGER



Thank You!

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This picture is of me at the City employee Picnic! As always, John Weidl, Thank you!