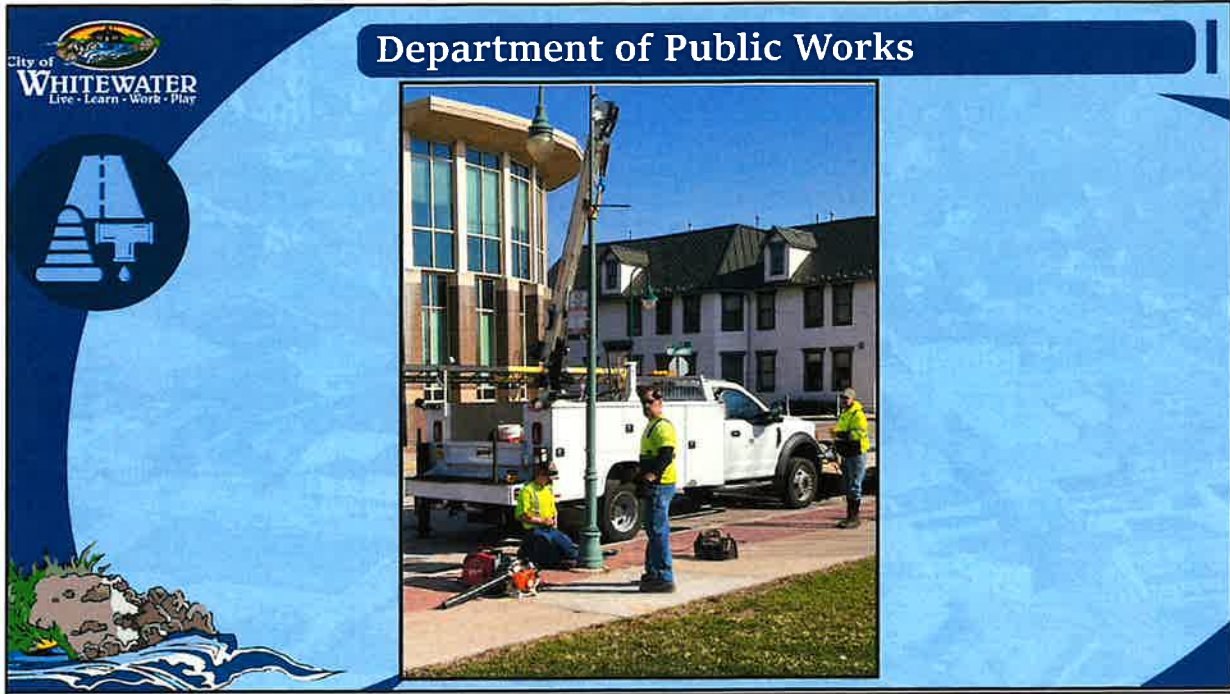




**City Manager's Report**  
with John Weidl

**4/9/2026**



**Highlights For the week of March 23:**

**In the Street Department crews worked on replacing old downtown streetlights with new lights, vacuuming out catch basins, tree pruning and brush collection, patching potholes, and cleaning up around ballfields and prepping the fields.**

**In the Water Department staff continue with residential meter replacements, backwashing iron removal filters, locates, and sampling of volatile organic compounds and raw/finish water.**

**In the Wastewater Department all radio communications were lost to the lift stations. Staff did troubleshooting and were able to locate replacement parts to have communications back up in 24 hours. Staff also toured the Generac facility to see their pre-treatment of wastewater discharges. Other work included SCADA updates and configuring alarms related to the relocated generator at the Milwaukee St Lift Station and analyzing the proficiency testing samples.**



**Highlights**

**Sworn staff completed standardized field sobriety testing refresher training.**

**Staff attended the Jefferson County Chiefs meeting at Lake Mills PD.**

**Command staff and HR completed interviews of our Patrol Lieutenant candidates.**

**We received a total of 13 applicants for our open Patrol Officer hiring process. The next step will be the written test.**

**Details**



## Fire and EMS



### Highlights

Staff members completed the practical exam for Aerial class (pictured above).

AC Dion went to Lockport, IL to do the 50% complete inspection on the new training facility

Whitewater responded to Clinton with an Engine for change of quarters for a structure fire. A pass was taken on a Chief due to no POC response.

AC Dion attended the Jefferson Co/MABAS 118 meeting at the Jefferson Fire Department.

Whitewater responded to Jefferson with an Engine and a Chief for a working structure fire.

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### **Details**

AC Dion attended a Walworth Co meeting regarding station alerting as a part of the county wide radio project.

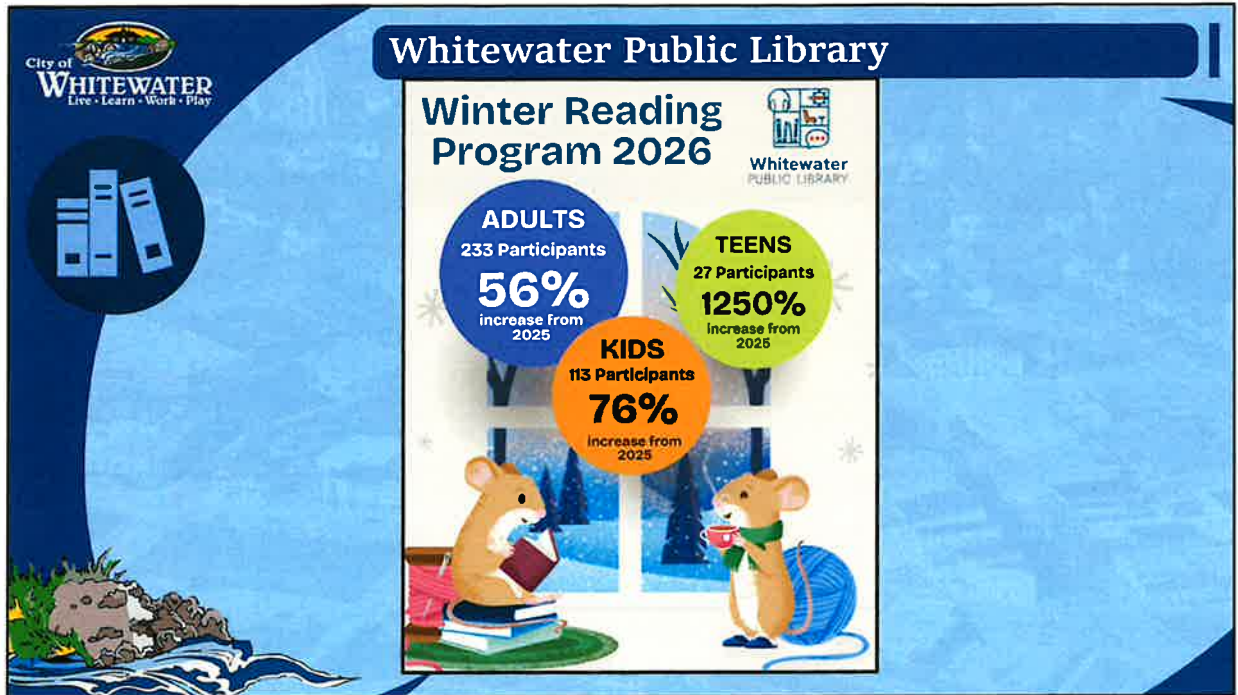
Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> AC Dion went to Lockport, IL to do the 50% complete inspection on the new training facility (pictures attached).

Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> Whitewater responded to Jefferson with an Engine and a Chief for a working structure fire.

Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> Lagrange was cancelled as auto-aid for a kitchen fire when it was determined to be a single engine response.

Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> took delivery of the new Fire Inspector vehicle. It's currently getting lettered before going to the outfitting installer.

AC Dion attended a meeting at Walworth Co regarding G2 station alerting as a part of the county radio project.



***Highlights***

The Library’s Winter Reading Program finished on March 12. We had 233 adults participate, 27 teens, and 113 children. The participation this year was greater than past years.

The Jurassic Journey Reading Challenge starts April 1 and runs throughout the month. Children ages 4-17 may complete a reading log to earn a free ticket to the Jurassic Journey dinosaur animatronic experience in Waukesha.

***Details***

The Assistant Director and I completed the Annual Performance Reviews for all employees.

We applied for and were approved for a \$500 grant through the Bridges Library System for adult programs in 2026.

The UW–Madison Low Brass Ensemble will be performing at the library on April 10. The event runs from 5:30- 7:00 p.m. Please register on the library’s website to attend this event. The ensemble will delight audiences with music from a

recent and upcoming concert. There is also an opportunity for informal interaction with the performers after the concert.

The library will be hosting the Family Jams: Music, Movement, and Instrument Exploration program on April 11 at 10:30 a.m. Kids and families are invited to explore world instruments in the "Instrument Lab," dance and move to expressive music, and make music together at "Family Jams," a memorable music & movement experience for the whole family. This program will be presented by Noelle Larson of Circle of Song Music Therapy.



### **Highlights**

**The Community Development Director and Chamber Executive Director visited the Vinery Stained Glass Studio at 218 Elkhorn Road, meeting with owner Josh Krogman (KROHG-muhn). The Vinery sells glass products and supplies, and offers classes and rentable workspace. The business is growing, drawing visitors from over an hour away and customers nationwide. It highlights another unique and thriving business in the Whitewater area.**

**Jefferson Street RFP: The Community Development Authority has released a Request for Proposal for redevelopment of the CDA's property at the corner of Jefferson Street and Main Street. A recent review of the site by Redevelopment Resources confirmed that a mixed-use development would be the highest and best use of this site. The CDA is looking for proposals to bring a project forward that would include first floor commercial business and market-rate residential. The submittal deadline for interested developers is April 30<sup>th</sup>, after which the CDA board and staff will review all submissions.**

**The Community Development Department is applying for a T-Mobile Hometown Grant to support purchase and installation of upgraded digital signage for the Whitewater Business Park. The intention is to replace older and outdated signage through the installation of a dynamic, technology-driven digital sign to potentially be located at the corner of Hwy 59 and Executive Drive. If approved, the new digital sign could be used to promote job openings within the Business Park, events and leasing opportunities at the Innovation Center, and available land development opportunities.**



### Highlights

**WAFC Easter Egg Hunt Was a hopping great time. The event had 61 registered participants with many more family members and friends cheering them on. Thank you Tom Ganser for the great photos! Field Clean Up Day: Let's Get Ready for the Season!**

**Help us get Treyton's Field in Starin Park ready for Youth Baseball & Softball! Bring your energy, your friends, and your love for the game as we team up to prep the fields for an awesome season ahead.**

**Saturday, April 11. 10:00 AM Treyton's Field – Starin Park**

**Events: Save the Date, Food Truck Fest.**

**Get ready for a day of delicious eats and lakeside fun at the Whitewater Food Truck Fest!**

**Saturday, September 26**

**11 AM – 6 PM**

**Cravath Lakefront Park**

**Facilities:**

**Details**

**Sports:** Tee Ball & Rookie Ball are now open for Registration! [www.wwparks.org](http://www.wwparks.org)

Program Highlights:

- Build on fundamental skills
- Learn rules & real game situations
- Teams led by volunteer coaches
- Each player receives a team shirt



### ***Highlights***

**Our transition to TelVue has been a success—(blue piece of equipment, pictured above) thanks to Cris from IT for a smooth rollout. We’re now live on TDS Channel 990, with apps coming soon.**

**The Fire Department ladder truck video is now available. The Whitewater Fire Department has retired its 35-year-old ladder truck and introduced a safer, modern replacement. The old truck was well beyond recommended service life and nearly failed its last inspection. This upgrade was necessary to remain NFPA compliant. The new truck is officially in service, ensuring our crews can continue protecting the community safely and effectively. Watch it on all platforms.**



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