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## Preserving Quality Of Life

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

Joint M-T Bike & Pedestrian Way Commission: January 5 – 9:00 A.M.

Architectural Board: January 9 – 6:00 P.M.

Public Welfare Committee: January 10 – 5:45 P.M.

Finance-Personnel Committee: January 10 – 6:30 P.M.

Committee of the Whole: January 10 – 6:45 P.M.

Sewer Utility District Commission: January 10 – 7:30 P.M.

Common Council: January 10 – 7:30 P.M.

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## Fire & Dispatch Consolidations Take Effect January 1

Beginning on January 1, 2023, the City of Mequon will officially consolidate two of its

public safety functions with other area agencies. One such consolidation, which has been underway since the middle of the year, involves the City of Mequon and the Village of Thiensville combining their respective Fire & Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Departments into the newly formed Southern Ozaukee Fire & EMS Department. Additionally, the Mequon Police Department will cease to operate its combined (police & fire) 9-1-1 emergency dispatch center on January 1. As a result, all emergency calls will thereafter be answered by the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Office. A Public Safety Update with more detailed information regarding each of these service consolidations was sent out on Tuesday, December 27. Read the full publication [here](#).

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## Aldermanic Voting Updates



The special election to fill the vacant aldermanic seat in District 8 is set to take place on Tuesday, January 10, 2023. Absentee in-person voting at City Hall continues next week January 3 – January 5, 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M and January 6, 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. Voting on January 10 will take place at the Range Line Community Center from 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

Also, candidacy paperwork is due in the City Clerk's Office by 5:00 P.M on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, for those seeking ballot access to the aldermanic races on the April ballot. Aldermanic District 2, 3, and 5 terms are expiring in 2023 and will be up for election on April 4, 2023.

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## 12<sup>th</sup> Edition of Standard Specifications for Land Development

The Public Works Committee approved a new 12<sup>th</sup> Edition of the City of Mequon Standard Specifications for Land Development (SSLD) at the December meeting. The SSLD is a manual that sets forth the guidelines and requirements for the planning and construction of public and private infrastructure and improvements in the City of Mequon. The past version of the SSLD, the 11th Edition, was issued in June of 2018.

Since then, the Engineering Division has continued to make updates to best practices and the 2022 SSLD has incorporated those practices into the updated manual. The new version will serve as the new requirements for all future projects. The updated SSLD document is available on the City website [here](#).

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## Christmas Tree Pick-up to Happen January 3 – January 31

The City will begin collecting Christmas trees on January 3 and will continue through January 31, weather permitting. The Highway Department requests all trees to be placed on the right side of the driveway, facing one's house. In the event of snow and one's Christmas tree is still at the end of the driveway, please clean it out as the City will not unbury trees. Also please note, the City does not pick-up wreaths, garland, or any other decorations. To report a Christmas tree for pick-up, please e-mail [Kschlereth@ci.mequon.wi.us](mailto:Kschlereth@ci.mequon.wi.us).

## City Offices to Close for New Year's



Please note, non-emergency City Offices will be closed at noon on Friday, December 30, and all day on Monday, January 2 in observance of the New Year. Non-emergency City Offices will resume normal business hours on Tuesday, January 3.



### **Library Accepts Used Book Donations**

Did you know that the library is the only bookshop in Mequon-Thiensville? The Frank L. Weyenberg Library sells gently used books, magazines, CDs and DVDs either withdrawn from the collection or donated by members of the community. Prices range from \$.50 to \$4. Everyone is welcome to donate materials in good condition (they do not accept encyclopedias or textbooks). If residents would like a receipt for tax purposes, please ask at the circulation desk. Watch for upcoming sales throughout the year.



### **Friends of Jonathan Clark House Celebrate 10 Years**

Friends of Jonathan Clark House will be celebrating their 10-year anniversary at their annual meeting and election of board members on Tuesday, January 10 from 5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. The meeting will take place at the Spectrum Investment Advisors Café at 6329 W. Mequon Road and refreshments will be provided. [RSVP](#) by January 3.

### **Installation of Covered Dugouts Have Begun**

The **Mequon Thiensville Little League** and **Mequon Heat** have begun work on the installation of covered dugouts at local baseball fields. Phase 1 footings have been placed at both River Barn and Rotary Park. Additionally, registration for all levels of baseball and softball is now open for the 2023 season. It is open to all players K4 – 9<sup>th</sup> grade for both boys and girls. For more information and to register, click on the above links by February 1.



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## Community Blood Drive on Friday, January 6

The first Community Blood Drive of the year is set to take place at Mequon City Hall, 11333 N. Cedarburg Road in the Council Chambers from 8:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M. on Friday, January 6. To reserve a spot please click [here](#) or call 877-232-4376. Walk-ins are also welcome.



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