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**Preserving Quality Of Life**

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

Planning Commission: March 20 – 6:00 P.M. (**Agenda**)

### **Recap of March 14 Common Council Meeting**

Preceding the Common Council Meeting on Tuesday, March 14, the Council, meeting as the Committee of the Whole, received an overview of streetscape design plans for Port Washington Road south of Mequon Road. The Committee also was given a status update from the Mequon-Thiensville Trails Foundation regarding a proposal to install an off-road

bicycle and pedestrian path along Highland Road between Rotary Park and the Ozaukee Interurban Trail.

The Mequon Common Council then met afterwards and during the business portion of the meeting, acted to:

- Approve an amendment to Chapter 10 of the Municipal Code relating to administrative code provisions for building permits
- Clear the personal property tax roll of delinquent accounts deemed uncollectible for Tax Year 2021
- Authorize a contract with E-Plan Exam for commercial plan reviews and consultation services with the Community Development Department's Inspections Division
- Approve a State/Municipal Agreement for installation of a sidewalk on Mequon Road west of Wauwatosa Road to Swan Road
- Approve amendments to the City's 2023 fee schedule for athletic field fees, pool fees, sewer utility user charges, and commercial plan reviews
- Award the 2023 road improvements contract to Payne & Dolan in the amount of \$1,933,000 and authorize execution of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Village of Thiensville for reimbursement
- Award the 2023 crack sealing contract to Fahrner Asphalt Sealers in an amount not-to-exceed \$292,000
- Approve a four-year contract for baseball field management services with SMB Landscape Contractors at an annual estimated cost of \$42,135
- Approve a contract award to construct a parallel force main for Tamerlane Drive (Lift Station "O") to Mid-City Corporation in the amount of \$738,265
- Award a contract to test and seal 218 sanitary sewer laterals in the vicinity of Ranch Road (Lift Station "E") to Visu-Sewer, Inc. in the amount of \$687,632
- Award a design contract for the replacement of Lift Station "E" to Applied Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$514,205

A summary of all action taken by the Common Council is available via condensed **meeting minutes**. The Common Council's next regular meeting is scheduled for 7:30 P.M. on Tuesday, April 11.

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## Increased Call Volume for SOFD Due to Winter Weather



The area's recent winter weather events have led to an increase in run volume for members of the Southern Ozaukee Fire Department (SOFD). Last week's snow event began on Thursday afternoon and ended Friday afternoon and resulted in twenty-five calls for service. Of those calls, nine were medical emergencies and sixteen required a Fire apparatus response. The majority of fire responses were related to the snowstorm and involved trees that had fallen into power lines. SOFD proactively staffed both the East and West side Fire Stations with EMS and Fire Responders to prevent the need for community-based paid-on-call staff to try and make their way into the stations during the height of the storm. By requesting Department members to remain at the station during the storm, the Department's apparatus were able to respond

immediately to calls for service. SOFD advises community members to exercise caution when engaging in physically taxing snow removal activities, which has led to numerous critical medical events this season.

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## Join the City's IT Division

Are you technologically skilled and looking for a new career opportunity? Then consider applying to be the City's next IT Manager. This position is responsible for coordinating, planning, and leading information technology (IT) related activities for the organization. The IT Manager is part of a dynamic team that works collaboratively to complete all IT related tasks from support to new system implementation. Please [view the City's website](#) to learn more about this great opportunity. Applications are being accepted through 8:00 AM on Monday, April 17.

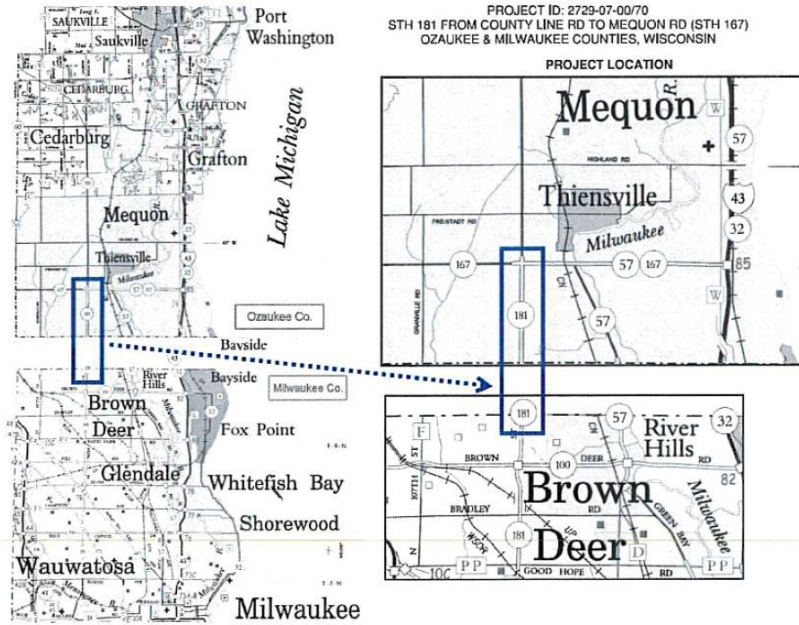
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### Absentee Voting for Spring Election Begins on March 21

The Spring Election will be taking place on Tuesday, April 4, from 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M. In-person absentee voting will be happening from Tuesday, March 21 through Thursday, March 30, from 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. and Friday, March 31 from 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. in the Clerk's Office at City Hall. Find out what's on the ballot [here](#).

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## WisDOT Public Meeting Taking Place on Wednesday, March 29

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) will be hosting a public involvement meeting to present and discuss a proposed 2.2-mile pavement replacement project on WIS 181 (Wauwatosa Road) beginning south of County Line Road and ending at Mequon Road. This project will also include the replacement of existing traffic signals at Donges Bay Road, updates to all curb ramps to meet ADA standards, and a new sidewalk west of WIS 181 from Donges Bay Road to Mequon Road, filling in gaps. Construction is tentatively scheduled for 2026. Those interested in learning more about the project or in providing feedback are invited to attend an open house at Mequon City Hall on Wednesday, March 29, from 6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

## MT Rotary Club Looking to Bring Goats Back for Fourth Year



The Mequon Thiensville Sunrise Rotary Club is involved in several environmental projects including planting redbuds, tamaracks, and pollinators throughout the community. One of the club's longest standing projects is serving as the stewards of Pukaite Woods at Rotary Park. Members of the MT Sunrise Rotary Club have worked in Pukaite Woods for over 20 years to eliminate invasive plant species like buckthorn, thus allowing the growth of native trees.

Three years ago, Rotarians worked with the Ozaukee-Washington Land Trust to bring a herd of buckthorn-loving goats to Pukaite Woods. The friendly goats have proven to be the most efficient and environmentally friendly way to permanently remove buckthorn. In preparation for the upcoming buckthorn season in Pukaite Woods, the MT Sunrise Rotary Club is asking for the support of the community to help pay for the return of the goats, which typically happens during the month of June. Learn more about the project and how to donate at this [link](#).

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## Save the Date! Community Recycling Event on April 29



Wisconsin's electronics recycling law bans most electronics from landfills and incinerators, meaning residents cannot dispose of items like televisions, tablets, and cell phones in their trash or recycling bins. E-Cycle Wisconsin has produced a new [video](#) on electronics recycling in Wisconsin to help raise awareness of where and how to recycle electronics. All Ozaukee County residents are invited to attend the next Community Recycling Event on Saturday, April 29, from 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. at Cedarburg Firemen's Park located at W65N796 Washington Avenue. More information can be found [here](#).

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