TownTidings

Official publication for the Town of Brookfield - Fall / Winter 2026
Covering the news, events and happenings in the Town of Brookfield
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TOWN of BROOKFIELD

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NOVEMBER 21ST
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Town Information and Contact Numbers

Stay Informed. Notifications are posted on the bulletin boards outside the Town Hall and on the Town website

- The Waukesha Freeman is the Town's official newspaper for all notices and updates.
- Attend Town meetings. They are held at Town Hall, 645 North Janacek Road
- Visit the Town website at www.townofbrookfieldwi.gov for agenda, minutes and Town information.

Visit Town Hall!
The Town Hall is north of Bluemound Road on Janacek Road (196th and Bluemound). Call us 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday at **262-796-3788** for additional directions or information.

Town Hall Numbers

Emergency: Police and Fire 911

Police Dept. Administration (non-emergency)
262-796-3798

Police 24-Hour Dispatch
262-446-5070

Fire Dept. (non-emergency)
262-796-3792

Clerk of Courts
262-796-3780

Park & Recreation
262-796-3781

Building Inspection
262-796-3790

Town Hall/Sanitary District (SD#4)
262-796-3788



Town Staff / Department Heads



Town Administrator
Tom Hagie



Town Clerk
Emily Howells



Planning & Zoning
Rebekah Leto



Building Inspector
Jason Chromy



Police Chief
Chris Perket



Judge
JoAnn Eiring



Fire Chief
John Schilling



Parks & Rec
Chad Brown



Public Works & Highway
Scott Hartung



Sanitary District
Tony Skof



Town Hall

Tom Hagie, Town Administrator

Take It From the Top!

The Town is in the final stages of design for the Davidson Road reconstruction project. The Town is partnering with the City of Brookfield and City of Waukesha to enhance approximately 1.8 miles of the Davidson Road corridor between Stonehedge Drive on the east in the City of Brookfield, west to the termination of Davidson Road in the City of Waukesha. The Town of Brookfield applied for and was awarded a $1.73 million WisDOT Local Road Improvements grant to cover 70-percent of the Towns portion of the project cost. The project will replace the aging pavement, address existing drainage issues, and enhance both pedestrian and vehicular safety. Major components of this project include new curb and gutter and a multi-use path west of Barker Road, a widened roadway with 4-foot paved shoulders east of Barker Road, a realignment of Davidson Road, and new beam guard going up the hill east of the Poplar Creek Bridge. The installation of the multi-use path accomplishes a goal that has been included in Town planning documents stretching back to the 1990's and is referenced in the Town 2022-2042 Comprehensive Plan, the 2025 Town Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, and the Waukesha County Bicycle Plan. The project is scheduled to begin in early 2027.

The Town continues to be in a good financial position as we approach the end of our fiscal year, projecting to come in under budget. The Town Board recently approved posting the proposed 2026 levy (payable in 2027) in the amount of $4,725,504, a 2.04% ($94,509) increase over the 2025 levy. With an average 2026 assessment for a single family home in the Town of Brookfield of $435,163, the average residential tax payer will see a tax increase of $53 compared to 2025. The 2027 Budget Public Hearing for the Town of Brookfield is scheduled for Tuesday, November 17 at 7 p.m. and will be held at the Town Hall, 645 N. Janacek Road, Brookfield, WI 53045. This is a meeting of the Electors (residents) which means any Town resident may make motions and is open to the public. Those interested in learning more about the Town budget and participating in the process are encouraged to attend.

On a similar note, the Towns Tax Incremental District No. 1 (TID 1) continues to perform well and outpace the projections included in the original Project Plan. The majority of the activity in the TID this year was again the Wimmer Communities Poplar Creek Town Center project at the northeast corner of Bluemound Road and Barker Road. The developer has completed Phase I and Phase II. Phase III is well under way and is anticipated to be completed by January 1, 2027. The Department of Revenue (DOR) reports that the 2026 value of TID1 is $436,484,700 with an increment value of $373,512,600 (compared to the value of base year 2014). This is a $73 million (20%) increase over the value in 2025. The significant increase in value is directly related to the continued development at the Poplar Creek Town Center.

The Town will see yet another significant investment by The Corners of Brookfield parent company, IM Properties, with the upcoming West End development. The project will be located on approximately 6 acres at the southeast corner of Barker Road and Bluemound Road just "west" of the existing Corners of Brookfield. The project will feature an additional 38,000 square feet of retail, 277 luxury apartments in two buildings over podium parking and the West End Club – an enhanced fitness/wellness amenity, including sun and pool deck for all residents of The Corners. The development will also include a standalone anchor tenant, Restoration Hardware right along Bluemound Road. The 19,000 square foot high-end home furnishing store will feature a full-service fine dining restaurant and bar at the center of the showroom. Both projects received final approval and construction is anticipated to begin before the end of the year!

Remember to visit the Community & Area Events and Tourism & Business Development pages on the Town's website to stay informed about upcoming events around the Town. You can also check out the Town's Park and Rec guide or Discover Brookfield's website for more information on exciting events coming for fall/winter 2026.

As the Town Administrator, I'm always available to help find an answers to your questions about the Town. Please feel free to contact me by email, phone, or just stop in to see me.

I hope all of you and your families have a fun and safe holiday season!

Tom

That Pond Could be Expensive!



Does your subdivision have a stormwater pond? Did you know that Homeowners Associations (HOAs) are responsible for maintaining and repairing stormwater facilities located on their property? All members of a Homeowners' Association are typically responsible for the stormwater system in their neighborhood. The practices that make up your stormwater control system need regular maintenance to function properly. This article provides some useful information to guide homeowners and HOA's on how to maintain their stormwater Best Management Practices (BMP's) and keep the water flowing!

Waukesha County recently held a workshop to provide an overview of the regulations that govern stormwater maintenance. The discussion included common stormwater management practices, how they work, and the routine maintenance needed to keep them functioning properly over time. Regular maintenance is essential for HOAs with stormwater facilities, as restoration and repairs can be costly.

To learn more on this topic including practical best practices that you can implement now to avoid future problems and unexpected expenses and even a list of contractors that can assist with these projects, please visit the Waukesha County Homeowners Association website: Homeowners' Association | Waukesha County.



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Best of the Month: two savory, one sweet.

Then the decision passes to you.

Every special you order counts as a vote, and the dish with the most votes earns its place on next month's menu. Your order could be the one that keeps your favorite at the table.

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Clerk's Corner

Emily Howells, Town Clerk

Elections

SPECIAL ELECTION: December 15, 2026

Election Schedule for 2027

Spring Primary (if necessary): February 16, 2027

Spring Election: April 6, 2027

Register to Vote

Register to vote: In person at the Clerk's Office, by mail (must be postmarked no later than the third Wednesday prior to the election) or online at MyVote.wi.gov (closes 11:59 p.m. the 3rd Wednesday prior to the election)

You must register to vote in the Clerk's Office beginning after the third Wednesday preceding any election.

Don't forget your proof of residency!

Absentee Vote by Mail/In-Person Absentee Voting

Requests for Absentee Ballots for 2027 election dates must be **mailed** to the Clerk's Office or submitted online at MyVote.wi.gov **after** January 1, 2027. All regular absentee ballot requests must be received by 5 p.m. the 5th day preceding the election (the preceding Thursday).

Vote early in-person during In-Person Absentee Voting (IPAV): May begin no earlier than 14 days prior to the elections. Our typical IPAV hours are 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Please refer to our website to confirm exact dates and times.

Don't forget your photo ID!

Where do I vote?

To find your polling place or ward please visit MyVote.wi.gov or call the Clerk's Office.

Wards 3-8: Elmbrook Church, 777 S. Barker Rd., Brookfield, WI 53045 (directions can be accessed through MyVote and will bring you directly to the polling place entrance). Please enter through the **"Family Entrance"**. We are **NOT** in the gym.

Wards 1, 2, 9-11: Town Hall, 645 N. Janacek Rd., Brookfield, WI 53045. Please use the door on the right. There is no access to the polling location through the Town Hall offices.

Property Taxes

Pay property taxes directly to the Waukesha County Treasurer

By Mail: Waukesha County Treasurer, 515 W. Moreland Blvd., Room AC148, Waukesha, WI 53188

Dropbox: The blue & white drive-up drop box is located on the east side of the Waukesha County Courthouse facing Pewaukee Rd, on the island near the blue postal box.

Online: https://tax.waukeshacounty.gov



Dog Licensing
Licenses are valid for the calendar year beginning January 1st and ending December 31st.

No more than two dogs per residence
License fees are as follows:
- Spayed/Neutered: $15.00
- Unspayed/Unneutered: $20.00

Late Fee (If not licensed prior to April 1st): Additional $5.00
Applicants/Owners must also provide the following each year:
- Rabies Vaccination Certificate
- Proof of spay/neuter
- Vicious Dog Declaration Certification

Town Meetings
The Town Board Supervisors you elect each year carefully consider the potential impacts and benefits of matters presented before the Town Board to meet the needs of our community. They meet on the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Agendas for these meetings are posted on our website as well as the minutes (actions) from previous meetings. Residents are welcome to attend these meetings, as the decisions made can directly affect the community. If you have questions or concerns and are unable to attend, contact the Clerk's Office in person, by mail, phone, or by email.

Important Town Meetings Coming Up:

183rd Annual Meeting
When: Tuesday, April 20, 2027 at 7 p.m.

Special Meeting of the Electors/Budget Hearing
When: Tuesday, November 17, 2026 at 7 p.m.

Coming Up
Holiday Office Closures

The Town of Brookfield administrative offices will be closed on the following dates:
- **Thanksgiving:** Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th
- **Christmas:** Thursday, December 24th and Friday, December 25th
- **New Year's:** Thursday, December 31st and Friday, January 1st
- **Spring Break:** Friday, March 26th

Get Social! Keep Up To Date With Everything The Town Has To Offer.

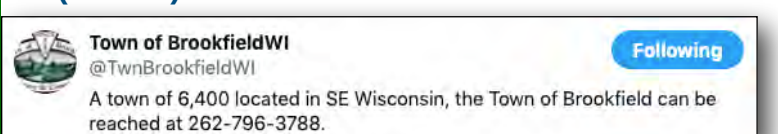
Connect with Facebook and X
Go to the Town of Brookfield website at www.townofbrookfieldwi.gov
and click the appropriate social media links to get up to the minute updates on new programs, events, and schedules.

Never forget a deadline or miss a great opportunity for your family again!

FACEBOOK



X (Twitter)



Town of Brookfield

Christmas DONATION DRIVE

Give a little joy this Christmas!

Together we can make this holiday season brighter for the women, children and families they serve!

SUPPORTING

The Women's Center
SAFETY • SUPPORT • HEALING • HOPE

DONATE NEW & UNUSED ITEMS FROM THE WISH LIST BELOW

Help us bring smiles, comfort and hope!

TOYS & DOLLS

Baby Dolls (Culturally Diverse) & Accessories

- Barbie Dolls (Culturally Diverse) & Accessories
- Lego Sets (Lego City, Lego Friends & Minecraft)
- Fisher Price & V-tech Toys
- Little People Toys
- Bluey Toys
- Spiderman Themed Toys & Games
- Superhero Action Figures (No Weapons Please)
- Minecraft Toys & Plushies
- Dress Up Outfits & Accessories
- Hello Kitty Toys & Plushies
- Anime Toys & Plushies (Naruto, Dragonball Z, My Hero Academia, etc.)
- Pokémon Toys & Plushies (especially Pokémon cards!)
- Dinosaur Toys
- Stitch (from Lilo & Stitch) Toys & Plushies
- K-pop Demon Hunter Toys & Accessories

GAMES & ACTIVITIES

- Board Games (especially for teens!)
- Card Games (UNO, Skip-Bo, etc.)
- Craft Kits (Bracelet Making, Beads, Crochet, Keychains, etc.)
- Art Kits (Diamond Art, Painting, Drawing, Journaling, etc.)
- Sketchbooks, Manga Drawing Books, Coloring Books
- Licensed Character Puzzles (Disney, Minecraft, Stitch, etc.)
- Sticki Rolls Sticker Dispensers

ROOM DÉCOR & TECH

Bluetooth Speakers

- Teen Room Décor (LED String Lights, Neon Signs, Lava Lamps, etc.)
- Popsockets & Phone Accessories (for all phone types)
- Book Reading Lights
- Portable Phone Charging Banks
- Cameras (Disposable Cameras, Kids Digital Cameras, Polaroid Instax Cameras)
- Over the Ear Wireless Headphones, Wireless Ear Buds, Wireless Gaming Headsets

DRINKWARE & BAGS

- Owala Water Bottles & Stanley Cups (or other brands)
- Belt Bags

BEAUTY & PERSONAL CARE

- Teen Makeup (Makeup bags, Eyeshadow Palettes, Lip Oils, Nail Polish, etc.)
- Teen Skincare (Sol de Janeiro Creams, Sheet Face Masks, Body Lotions, etc.)
- Touchland Hand Sanitizer Sprays (or other brands)
- Hygiene Kits for Teen Boys (Old Spice, Axe, Dr. Squatch, etc.)

SQUISHIES & MISC.

- Needoh's Squishies or Squishies in General (Strawberries, Cheese, Carrots, Butter, etc.)
- Mystery Dumplings (any size!)

SPORTS & OUTDOORS

- Sports Balls (Footballs, Basketballs, Soccer Balls, Volleyballs)
- Pickleball Sets

OTHER FUN ITEMS

- Gift Cards for Teens (Movie Theater, Starbucks, McDonalds, Barnes & Noble, Ulta, etc.)
- Mystery Dumplings (any size!)
- Sticki Rolls Sticker Dispensers

Every gift makes a difference!



Please note: The Women's Center requests that all donations be new and unused.

ALL DROP-OFFS CAN BE DELIVERED TO THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE INSIDE TOWN HALL

ALL DONATIONS DUE BY

Friday, December 11, 2026

Thank you for your generosity!

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD

The Women's Center
SAFETY • SUPPORT • HEALING • HOPE

Prevent Bacteria from Entering Our Waterways



Bacteria in stormwater often comes from everyday activities on streets, lawns, parks, and other developed areas. When rain falls, it flows over hard surfaces and grassy areas and into storm drains, carrying pollutants directly to nearby streams, rivers, lakes, and wetlands. Common bacterial sources include pet waste, wildlife waste, leaking sanitary sewer lines, failing septic systems, and runoff from areas with livestock or manure applications.

Pet waste is a particularly preventable source of bacteria. When left on sidewalks, trails, yards, or in parks, it can be washed into storm drains after a rainfall. Wildlife, such as geese and other waterfowl, can also contribute bacteria near shorelines and ponds. Although stormwater systems are designed to manage runoff and reduce flooding, they generally do not treat the water for bacteria before it reaches local waterways.

Residents can help protect water quality by picking up pet waste promptly and placing it in their trash (not in park receptacles), rather than leaving it on the ground or tossing it into a storm drain. Homeowners with septic systems should have them inspected and maintained regularly. Suspected sewer leaks or overflows should be reported promptly to the appropriate local utility or public works department.

Neighborhoods and businesses with stormwater ponds can maintain a 10-foot wide unmowed area around the ponds to discourage geese from landing on or foraging the lawn. Geese will typically not walk through tall grass where predators may be hiding, so they will avoid those areas. The unmowed area will also act as a buffer to trap and filter pollutants and prevent them from entering the water.

Simple actions like these can add up across the community! Keeping leaves, grass clippings, and other yard waste out of streets and storm drains helps reduce runoff pollution. Maintaining healthy vegetation along waterways can filter contaminants before they reach the water. By preventing bacteria from entering stormwater in the first place, residents can help keep local lakes, streams, and recreational areas safer for people and wildlife!









CHIEF CHRIS PERKET

POLICE UPDATE



The members of the police department wish to thank the residents of the Town of Brookfield for their continued support this year. We continually strive to find ways to provide quality services to the residents and visitors of the Town of Brookfield. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday season!

- Chief Chris Perket

This December, the Town of Brookfield police department celebrates our Chief of Police Chris Perket's 40 years of service! We are especially proud of his 20-years of service as the Chief of Police. He is the longest-tenured police chief currently serving in Waukesha County. His coworkers note that he leads with knowledge, humility, and humor.

Thank you, Chief, for your service, and congratulations on 40 years!

Snow Season & Overnight Parking Restrictions

7.06(3) (D) Snow Season Parking Restrictions: No person shall park, stop or leave standing any vehicle upon any street or highway in the Town from **NOVEMBER 1** through **APRIL 30.**



(E) Overnight Parking Restrictions: No person **shall** park or leave standing any vehicle upon any street or highway in the town from 2:00 am to 6:00 am all year.

Please call the Police Department for parking permission if you need to have vehicles on the roadway. Mon-Fri 8 am to 4 pm (262) 796-3798 or call the Waukesha County Communications 24-hour Dispatch Center (262) 446-5070.

CRIME PREVENTION

During this busy holiday season, it is easy to forget that criminals don't take the holidays off. They will try any way possible to separate you from your valuables.

Here are some tips to help keep you from becoming a victim of a crime and to have a more enjoyable holiday season:

- Don't carry large amounts of cash with you
- Place packages and other valuables in your trunk
- Park in well-lit locations and always lock your vehicle
- Avoid shopping alone when possible
- Don't give money to unfamiliar organizations
- Remember; Gift cards are gifts, not forms of payment
- Don't give personal information, such as social security number, to people you don't know
- Be aware of the persons and things around you. If you see something or someone unusual, call the police



Scams: Be Vigilant and Protect Yourself



Be aware of the warning signs of fraud, scams and identity theft. Contact us if you have any questions and never give out personal information.

Scammers understand psychology and know how to manipulate people into doing what they want. They regularly use urgency, threats and claim to be authority figures to try to get your money or information.

Here are some signs an offer may be a scam:

Credit card or bank account information needed: You should never have to give credit card or bank account information in order to claim a prize.

Pressure tactics: Don't allow yourself to be pressured into giving out your personal information. If you question what they are asking, there's probably a reason you are.

Government, Business and Family Imposter: Scammers sometimes use official-sounding words like "national," "IRS" "federal", "warrant" to fool you into thinking they are legit. They may claim a loved one needs immediate help or something bad will happen if you don't do what they ask.

Requests for access to your computer: Scammers may impersonate companies such as Apple or Microsoft to push fake computer virus warnings and request remote access or software fees.

Requests for unusual payment methods: Scammers may request payment methods such as gift cards, wire transfers, crypto, cash/gold and sometimes peer-to-peer transfers. No legitimate business or government agency will ask for those types of payments.

The best way to avoid becoming the victim of a scam is to recognize the warning signs. Remember that scammers understand psychology tactics to manipulate people into doing what they want.

Some Prevention Tips:

1. Never share passwords, one-time verification codes, bank account or credit card numbers, or your Social Security number in response to unexpected calls, text, or emails.

2. Enable multi-factor authentication (MFA) Use it to secure your email, bank accounts and shopping profiles.

3. Turn on account and credit card transaction alerts, and review your statements and credit card reports.

4. Avoid unsolicited QR codes unless you explicitly request them. Scammers may hide malicious links in QR codes sent by email, text or displayed in public places.

5. Do not automatically trust the information someone gives you. When in doubt, verify the information independently by looking up the information, phone number, or web addresses. Contact your bank, company or agency using the phone number or website you found independently.



From The Judge's Bench

Judge JoAnn Eiring

What Makes an E-Bike Legal in Wisconsin?

As electric bicycles (**e-bikes**) grow more popular in our community, residents need to understand the Wisconsin laws governing them. Because e-bikes can travel faster than traditional bicycles, misunderstanding these rules can create safety hazards or lead to traffic citations.

Understanding the Three E-Bike Classifications

To legally qualify as an e-bike, a bicycle **must have operable pedals** and an **electric motor** rated at **750 watts or less**. Wisconsin divides e-bikes into three classes:

- **Class 1:** Pedal-assist only. The motor provides assistance only while you are pedaling and stops assisting at 20 mph.
- **Class 2:** Throttle-powered. The motor can propel the bicycle without pedaling and stops assisting at 20 mph.
- **Class 3:** Pedal-assist only. The motor provides assistance only while you are pedaling and stops assisting at 28 mph. State law prohibits anyone under age 16 from operating a Class 3 e-bike.

⚠️ **Buyer Beware of E-Motos:** Many online retailers sell high-powered electric vehicles (often called e-motos or out-of-class electric vehicles) that exceed 750 watts or do not meet Wisconsin's e-bike classifications. Such vehicles are not legal e-bikes and may be subject to different equipment, licensing, registration, and operating rules. Do not assume an out-of-class vehicle may be used on public roads, sidewalks, or bicycle paths. Check the vehicle's specifications and applicable state and local rules before purchasing or riding it.

Rules of the Road and Sidewalk Laws

Wisconsin generally applies the rules of the road for bicycles to legal e-bikes. Riders must obey traffic signs and signals and follow applicable bicycle operating rules.

- **Sidewalks and Paths:** Bicycle use on sidewalks depends on local ordinances; check the rules where you plan to ride. E-bike access to bicycle paths and trails may also vary by e-bike class, location, and local regulation.
- **Traffic Laws Apply:** Riders must obey traffic signals, signs, and right-of-way rules.

Safety and Etiquette

Riding safely and courteously helps prevent avoidable accidents. Keep these best practices in mind:

- **Protect Your Head:** Wisconsin does not impose a general statewide bicycle helmet requirement, but every rider should wear a properly fitted helmet.
- **Signal and Stay Visible:** Use the required hand signals when turning or stopping. During hours of darkness, use the lighting and reflector equipment required by Wisconsin law, including a white front light and a red rear reflector.
- **Yield to Pedestrians:** Where sidewalk riding is permitted, yield to pedestrians. On bicycle ways, exercise due care and give an audible signal, such as "On your left!", before passing a pedestrian or another rider traveling in the same direction.



Let's work together to keep our town's streets safe and enjoyable for everyone!

Be safe,

Your Friendly Neighborhood Judge

THE FIRE LINE





Fire Chief John Schilling

Warm Home, Safe Home

As colder weather arrives, furnaces, fireplaces, and space heaters go back to work, and residential fires increase. Nationally, fire departments respond to an average of nearly 39,000 home heating fires each year. Most are preventable with a few simple habits.

Keep three feet of clearance. Keep furniture, bedding, curtains, and decorations at least three feet from furnaces, fireplaces, wood stoves, and space heaters.

Use space heaters wisely. Choose a heater with automatic shutoff and plug it directly into a wall outlet, never into an extension cord or power strip. Turn it off when you leave the room or go to bed.

Maintain your heating system. Have your furnace and chimney inspected each year. Store fireplace ashes outdoors in a covered metal container, away from the house, because ashes can stay hot for days.

Stay in the kitchen. Cooking is the leading cause of home fires, and Thanksgiving is the peak day for them. Stay with the stove while cooking, and keep a lid nearby to smother a pan fire. Never use water on a grease fire.

Protect against carbon monoxide. Install carbon monoxide alarms on every level of your home. Never warm up a vehicle in an attached garage or run a generator indoors. Keep exterior furnace and dryer vents clear of snow.

Test your alarms. Test smoke and CO alarms monthly, and replace any alarm more than ten years old. Make sure everyone in your home knows two ways out and where to meet outside.

Cold-Weather Safety Checklist

- Furnace and chimney inspected this year
- Three-foot clearance around all heat sources
- Space heaters plugged directly into the wall, with auto shutoff
- Smoke and CO alarms tested and less than 10 years old
- Fireplace ashes stored outdoors in a covered metal can
- Exterior vents clear of snow
- Home escape plan practiced with the whole family

Questions? Contact TBFD at **262-796-3792**.

From all of us at the Town of Brookfield Fire Department, best wishes for a safe and warm season.

2025 Fire Department Stats At a Glance

58.9%
of incidents occur
between 6 A.M. - 6 P.M.

4:59 Minutes
Time of alarm received
to arrival on scene (average)

800
Patients transported
to medical facilities:

Elmbrook.....365
Waukesha Memorial.....370
Froedtert Hospital.....39
VA Medical.....16
Children's Hospital.....7
Other.....3

984
EMS/Rescue Incidents
(Up 6% over previous year)

TOP 4
Property types
where incidents occur:

1-2 Family Property.....31.1%
Multi Family Property.....27.8%
Nursing Home Property....18.7%
Streets & Highways.....13.5%



Park & Rec

CHAD BROWN, PARK & REC

Special Events

Annual Tree Lighting



Join us at The Corners for a holiday tree lighting to kick off the season! Chairman Henderson will be on hand to light the tree.Ccarolers who will delight us with holiday songs, activities for kids and adults, and so much more. Hot cocoa will be served to keep our bellies warm and our spirits high. Co-hosted by The Corners and Discover Town of Brookfield and sponsored by Landmark Credit Union and Aspire Dance Studio. And again this year, a **DRONE SHOW!!** You have to see it!

Make-A-Wish will be on hand to accept toys for their toy drive.

WHEN: Saturday, November 21 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm **WHERE:** The Corners Market Square

Town Skate Night

Skate away those long winter blues! Just come on down to Skateland at 1931 E. Main St. in Waukesha and strap on some skates. Who needs an excuse to get out of the house during the winter...but here is one anyway! Roller-skates will be provided or you can bring your own (including rollerblades!) We'll skate the day away listening to music and just gathering with all of our Town friends and families. Make sure you're there!!!

WHERE: Waukesha Skateland **WHEN:** Sunday, February 21, 2027 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
FEE: FREE (skates included or bring your own!)

Easter Egg Hunt

All children 8 years old and under are invited to participate in the Easter Egg Hunt. Children will be grouped by age. We will again have an Easter Egg "Crawl" for the tiny egg-hunters.

Bring your own basket and your camera for pictures after the hunt with the Easter Bunny!

WHERE: Marx Park; 700 S. Barker Rd. **WHEN:** Saturday, March 27, 2027 10:00 am SHARP! **FEE:** Free

Park & Rec Registration Day

Sign up for all your spring and summer activities, sports and classes on this convenient day. Registration does not begin on this day as we accept registrations at any time, but it can be a great day to ask questions, be assured of proper class placement, or take care of other town business! Feel free to sign up before or after this date.

Bring a copy of your child's birth certificate for verification, along with full payment by check, cash, or credit/debit card.

WHERE: Town Hall; 645 N. Janacek Road **WHEN**: Saturday, April 10, 2027 8:00 am - 9:30 am

Programs

NEW!!! Register online and pay for all programs through the **OttoApp.com**, right from your computer or phone!

Scan the QR Code to access the online process!

Spring Soccer

This is an instructional soccer program designed to introduce the game of soccer in a fun, local, and convenient environment. Our instructors will teach proper soccer skills like dribbling, passing, trapping, shooting, defending, as well as other basic soccer concepts. The program consists of energetic, age-appropriate, skill-specific games followed by organized small-sided matches.

Cleats are not recommended but shin guards are welcomed. Registration is open now.

Registration ends April 10, 2027 – Register NOW!

WHEN: Thursdays, April 15 – May 13 (May 20 makeup date)

3-4 years old: 5:10 - 5:50 pm, 5-6 years old 6:00 - 6:40pm

WHERE: Wray Park **FEE**: $50

Mosaic Creative Studio Classes

All classes held at the Mosaic Creative Studio, 3400 Intertech Dr., Brookfield WI 53045

You and Me Music and Story Time

Explore music and stories with your little one in this fun-together class. Ages 9 month - 2 years old

WHEN: Wednesdays: 10:30 am – 11:00 am

Fall Semester 2: November 11 – December 16

Spring Semester 1: February 10 – March 17

Spring Semester 2: March 31 – May 5

FEE: $90/session

Theatrical Experience Class

Explore Theatre in this fun and lively exploration class. Perfect for the student looking to try theatre for the first time or the student who loves theatre class with no performance pressure! Spend 6 weeks having fun in theatre class the Mosaic Way.

Ages 5-8

WHEN: Mondays; February 8 - March 15 4:30 pm – 5:15 pm **OR** Saturdays; February 13 – March 20 9:00 am – 9:45 am

FEE: $120/session

Acting 101

Explore Theatre in this fun and lively exploration class. Perfect for the student looking to try theatre for the first time or the student who loves theatre class with no performance pressure! Spend 6 weeks having fun in theatre class the Mosaic Way.

Ages 9-11

WHEN: Tuesdays; February 9 - March 16 5:45 pm – 6:45 pm 10:30 am – 11:00 am **FEE**: $120/session

{YEL!}
YOUTH ENRICHMENT LEAGUE

{THINK}
{LEARN}
{PLAY WELL}

Discover the Benefits of YEL!
At YEL!, we understand the importance of fostering a love for learning beyond the traditional classroom setting. Our enrichment classes go beyond the standard curriculum, offering a dynamic and engaging environment where your child can explore, discover, and develop skills in areas they are truly passionate about. The classes provided by YEL! are carefully crafted to cover a wide spectrum of activities, ensuring that there is something for every child. Whether your child is interested in robotics, creative arts, sports, or STEM subjects, our programs are designed to ignite their curiosity and enthusiasm. We believe that by exposing children to a variety of experiences, they not only gain valuable skills but also discover what truly excites and motivates them. Our team of dedicated and experienced instructors is committed to creating a positive and encouraging atmosphere that nurtures each child's unique abilities. Through our after school programs, we aim to instill a lifelong love for learning and personal growth.

Join YEL! and watch as your child not only excels academically but also develops a genuine passion for the activities they love. Let us be the bridge that connects your child to a world of possibilities and empowers them to thrive in their unique talents. Enroll today and embark on a journey of enrichment that will shape your child's future in the most meaningful way possible.

Chess (Grades K-5)



YEL has offered chess classes for tens of thousands of kids. These budding grandmasters start the program learning the basics of piece movement, capture, check, piece value, and of course, sportsmanship. Students shake hands at the beginning of each game and at the end of each game.

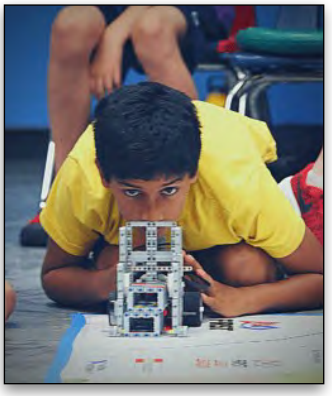
New and returning students invited! Our winter session focuses on advanced beginner and intermediate concepts. Students will continue developing their chess skills through lessons, puzzles, guided games, and in-class tournaments. Minimum 6 students.

WHEN: Tuesdays, January 19 – February 23, 2027 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

WHERE: Town Hall

FEE: $90

Robotics: Muscle 'Bots (Grades 1–5)



Since 2004, YEL has offered robotics classes to thousands of kids. These budding engineers learn to unleash their inner-innovator and get a hands-on, foundational introduction to the world of robotics.

Why are robotics important for youngsters? Robotics is the future. Robotics has seen enormous growth in the last decade and the pace is rapidly increasing. Robotics is an excellent career path, so why not introduce the topic to your young roboticist!

Get ready to flex some robot muscle! Students will build robots that compete in tug-of-war competitions, truck pulls, and other challenges involving heavy loads. Along the way, they'll learn basic coding and engineering principles.

Minimum 6 students.



WHEN: Thursdays, January 21– February 25, 2027 5:15 pm – 6:15 pm

WHERE: Town Hall

FEE: $90





Construction Around The Town

1: The West End at The Corners is underway.

2: The South Building on the Wimmer project nearing completion.

3: Groundbreaking for Johnson Financial Group at the former Don & Roy's sight took place Oct. 30th.

4: Johnson Financial Group's building is expected to be completed in 2028.





Sanitary District #4



SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Tony Skof, Superintendent

Do You Have a Water Leak?



Was your utility bill higher than normal? You may have a water leak.

An unexpectedly high utility bill is often the first indication of an undetected water leak. According to industry data, the average household leak can waste nearly **10,000 gallons** of water annually. Furthermore, **10% of homes** experience leaks that waste **90 gallons or more per day**. The most frequent culprits are worn toilet flappers, dripping faucets, water softeners, and leaking valves. Fortunately, fixing these easily corrected household leaks can reduce quarterly water bills by approximately 10%.



Water Meter Monitoring: You can catch hidden leaks by conducting a simple two-hour or overnight test. Before you start, make sure all faucets, showers, and water-using appliances are completely turned off. Then, find your water meter and write down the numbers on the display. Let the meter sit for either a two-hour block during the day or overnight, ensuring absolutely no water is used. Check the meter again first thing in the morning or once the two hours are up. If the numbers have changed at all, you likely have a leak somewhere in your home.

- **Water Softener Inspection:** Check the drain line from the water softener to make sure there is no water running or dripping.
- **Visual Pipe Inspection:** Examine faucets and pipe fittings for moisture on their exterior surfaces to identify localized leaks.
- **Exterior Inspections:** Check outside spigots for leaks. Check lawn and landscape areas for unusual wet spots or patches of grass that are noticeably longer and greener, particularly during dry summer months.

Identifying Silent Toilet Leaks

A single leaking toilet can waste hundreds of gallons of water daily without a homeowner's knowledge. To identify a silent toilet leak, the Utility recommends performing a standard dye test:

1. Place 8 to 10 drops of food coloring directly into the toilet tank.
2. Wait 20 minutes without flushing.
3. Examine the toilet bowl; if color appears in the bowl water, a leak is present.
4. *Note: Flush the toilet immediately following the test to prevent the coloring from staining the tank - Toilet leak test kits, which include dye tablets and instructions, are available at Town Hall.*

Every Drop Quantified

There is no such thing as a negligible leak. Even minor drips add up rapidly over time:

- Average Household Leak: 10,000 gallons wasted per year (equivalent to the amount of water needed to wash 270 loads of laundry).
- Moderate Toilet Leak: 90 gallons or more per day | 32,850 gallons per year.
- Severe Running Toilet: Up to 200 to 400 gallons per day | 73,000 to 146,000 gallons per year. Tcan easily double or triple a utility bill in a single billing cycle.

Hands Off Our Hydrants! Fire Hydrant Rules in the Town of Brookfield



Fire hydrants in town are strictly for emergency use and official maintenance. Only personnel from the Town of Brookfield – Sanitary District #4 or the Fire Department are allowed to touch them. No one else is permitted to operate them unless they have explicit written permission from the Utility office.

It is important to know that landscapers, commercial businesses, and independent contractors are never allowed to flush hydrants or hook up to a fire hydrant to take water. Sanitary District #4 owns and maintains every single hydrant within the Town of Brookfield boundaries—including the ones on private property.

To keep our system working properly and ready for an emergency, we conduct comprehensive flushing and inspections of all fire hydrants twice a year.

Hooking up to a hydrant without a permit isn't just a bad idea—it is illegal and steals water from the community, which drives up utility costs for all of us. If you see someone using a fire hydrant who doesn't look like a town worker or a firefighter, please call the Utility office right away at 262-796-3788.



2026 -2027 Utility Billing Schedule:

4th Quarter Oct. thru Dec.	Due January 25th
1st Quarter Jan. thru March	Due April 26th
2nd Quarter April thru June	Due July 26th
3rd Quarter July thru Sept.	Due October 25th

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