

## From the Office of the City Manager

There are several exciting job opportunities open with the City of Watertown including:

- Senior Planner
- GIS Technician
- Municipal Worker 1
- Motor Equipment Operator (Light)
- Transit Operator
- Police Officers

For More Opportunities visit the link below:



City of Watertown Police Department

## We Are Hiring!

- Apply to sit for the Police Officer civil service exam by **August 22**
- Exam test date September 28
- No residency requirement
- Cross-filing eligible
- Required high school diploma or equivalency degree (GED)
- Age eligibility 19-34\* years
- \*Military duty of up to 6 years can be extended for age requirement

**EXAM APPLICATION:**



Paper applications can be completed at  
City Hall - Room 205, 245 Washington St.  
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Monday - Friday

**Reminder!** The Watertown Police Department is looking for **police officer transfers**. NY State certified police officers may apply by visiting the City of Watertown Civil Service website at:  
<https://watertown-portal.mycivilservice.com/jobopp>

This week the Department of Public Works started construction on Parker Street, Gafney Drive and Coffeen Street. Work on Olmstead Drive will continue and Green Street has recently been completed.

The elevator at City Hall is still out of service as it undergoes renovation and repairs.

July 1, 2024 City Council Meeting Minutes –<https://ecode360.com/WA0959/document/753065939.pdf>

## Retirements

We would also like to congratulate Gary Albro on his retirement last month with over 30 years of service and Officer Eric McLane on his upcoming retirement leaving with over 24 years on the job!

## Police Department

### Police Academy

The police recruits are now patrolling the City of Watertown on their own! Congratulations Class of 2023-2024! The class of 2024-2025 will begin this September!

### Jefferson County Fair



Officer Tyler Gamage is pictured driving a WPD patrol car in the opening day parade.

WPD Officers and JCSO Deputies  
at the Jefferson County Fair.

From left to right, WPD Officer  
Diana Chambers, JCSO Sgt. Ben  
Timerman, JCSO Deputy Sheldon  
Moot, and WPD Officer Virginia  
Sherrill.



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**Community Engagement**

K-9 Officer Wayne McConnell and his partner stopped by East Brook Apartments to visit with the kids and pass out K-9 "Ricky" cards.



**Police Officer Recruiting**

Our recruiting team has been busy, visiting job fairs, college campuses, farmers markets, Ft. Drum, and any other venues where we may find potential applicants. The exam is scheduled for Saturday, September 28, 2024, at 8:00 am. Apply by Thursday, August 22, 2024, at [https://watertown-portal.mycivilservice.com/default/show\\_accountment/830](https://watertown-portal.mycivilservice.com/default/show_accountment/830).

**Planning Department**

**DRI Public Square Art Project**

The public art project funded by the Downtown Revitalization Initiative is nearing completion and the artist, David Grieco, has scheduled an unveiling for Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. in Public Square Park.

**NY SWIMS Grant Application**

Planning Staff worked with LaBella Associates and various City departments to write and submit a grant application on July 10 through the New York Statewide Investment in More Swimming (NY SWIMS) Program for the Flynn Pool Reconstruction Project. If awarded, the grant will provide \$1 million towards the project.



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**DRI Public Square Fountain Enhancement Project**

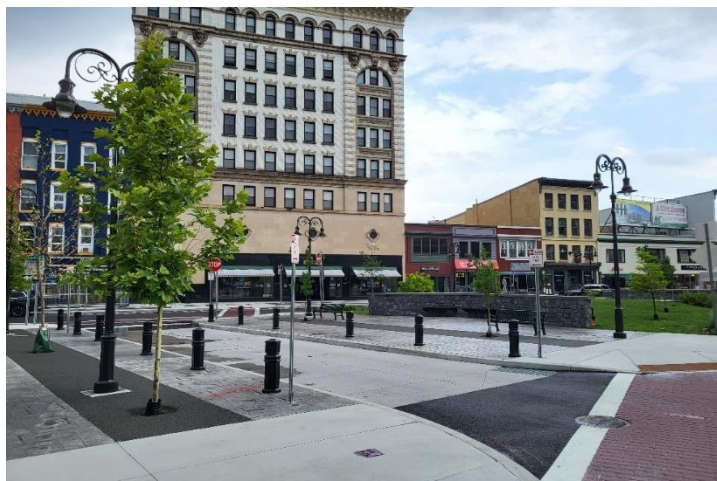
The Public Square fountain was removed in late June by representatives from Robinson Iron Works and was taken to their facility for restoration and repainting. Staff expects the restoration and reinstallation to be completed by the end of the summer.



**Downtown Revitalization Initiative Streetscape**

The Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) Streetscape is nearing completion, at 95 percent only final touches and work on the fountain remain.

During June, the City's contractor installed Flexi-Pave on Court Street and Lachenauer Plaza, one of the final components of the project. Flexi-Pave is a pervious material that allows stormwater to permeate the surface, helping to mitigate runoff.



Planning, Engineering and Public Works Staff also recently conducted a walkthrough of all four project corridors (Court Street, Coffeen Street, Washington Street, Franklin Street) and developed a list of all outstanding items necessary to complete before the City will accept the project, including but not limited to making the fountain at Lachenauer Plaza operational. CCI Companies, Inc. is working on that list and Staff anticipates project completion in the very near future.



## Department of Public Works

### Electrical set up for the Concert in the Park

DPW set up all the required electrical power supply that the Symphony required. This involved a lot of preparation and safety checks. The symphony went well and the electrical was all taken down and stored for the next big event. A lot of hard work takes place across nearly all departments to get ready for these large events.



### Public Square Fountain Repair

DPW assisted with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party contractor for the restoration project on the Public Square Fountain. Removal went off without a flaw and once it is restored, we once again help with the process of installing and lane closures.



### Chestnut Street Drainage

DPW sewer and roads crew work in conjunction to fix a long term issue with drainage and drivers destroying the margin. A new storm catch basin was installed to collect surface run off. Curb was also installed to direct the water to the new catch basin and to help keep traffic from driving on the margin.





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**Olmstead Street Construction**

DPW is continuing street construction on Olmsted Drive. The street was recently cold-in-place recycled. New drainage is being added to help combat against future flooding, new curb, and ADA upgrades will be improved as well.

**Engineering Department**

**Flower Memorial Roof Replacement**

The roof of the Flower Memorial Library on the historic area is in poor condition and is in need of repair. This project was put out to bid, and the bid from PTL Contracting was selected. The chosen bid has been sent to the City Council for approval at their 07-15-2024 meeting.



**Winslow Street Water Main Replacement Project**

The City's Contractor for the project, EDGE Civil Corporation has installed all of the new water services on Winslow Street, and is currently disconnecting the old water main. Once this is completed, the contractor will closeout by paving the street.

## Human Resources and Civil Service



# Civil Service Opportunities

**The City of Watertown has several employment opportunities:**

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|------------------------------------|---|
| ◆ Facility Maintenance Worker      | ◆ Police Officer Transfer                 |
| ◆ GIS Technician                   | ◆ Refuse/Recycle Motor Equipment Operator |
| ◆ Laborer                          | ◆ School Crossing Guard                   |
| ◆ Motor Equipment Operator (Light) | ◆ Senior Planner                          |
| ◆ Municipal Worker                 | ◆ Transit Operator                        |
| ◆ Parks & Rec Attendant            |   |

**The Civil Service Commission is accepting applications for the  
Police Officer Exam!**

**Exam will be September 28, 2024**

*Application deadline is August 22, 2024*

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A POLICE OFFICER WITH THE CITY  
OF WATERTOWN?**

- \* MUST BE 19 – 34 YEARS OF AGE
- \* MUST HAVE A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA
- \* NYS DRIVER'S LICENSE IS REQUIRED

***The Police Officer exam will be held September 28, 2024!***

***This is your opportunity - Apply today!***





## Department of Parks and Recreation

### Recreational Programs



**Senior Swim**  
**Flynn Pool**  
**Mon/Wed/Fri**  
**11:00-12:00 pm**  
**(Age 55+)**  
**July 8-August 16, 2024**



**833 Woodbury St,  
Watertown, NY 13601**

**For Assistance Call:**  
**(315) 785-7775**

<https://www.watertown-ny.gov/departments/ParksandRecreation>

**Parks & Recreation**  
**Department-City of Watertown,  
NY**

**City of Watertown**

**Session 1**  
Thompson Park Pool  
Week 1 July 8-12  
Week 2 July 15-19  
Week 3 July 22-26  
10:45-11:30 am

**Session 2**  
Flynn Pool  
Week 1 July 29-August 2  
Week 2 August 5-9  
10:15-11:00 am

**Registration**  
Opens a week in advance  
\*limited spots available

**\$20\***  
City Resident

**SWIM LESSONS 2024**

**Level Descriptions**  
Level 1A (Introductory)  
No previous experience  
Introduction to water skills  
Level 1B (Beginner)  
Minimal experience  
Learning fundamental skills  
Level 2 (Intermediate)  
Skills performed with assistance  
Building on and improving learned skills  
Level 3 (Experienced)  
Skills performed unassisted  
Increasing proficiency of learned skills

**Program Rates**  
City Resident & Military: \$20 per child  
Non City Resident: \$40 per child

**For Assistance Call: (315) 785-7775**

Register online or by scanning the QR Code  
<https://secure.recl.com/ny/watertown-ny/catalog>



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**Thompson Park Golf Course - Watertown Men's City Golf Championship**

The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the City Golf Championship is in full swing. This year 91 participants attempted to qualify. The current bracket is attached. Today is the quarter final, semifinal is Saturday, 36-hole final is Sunday.



On Friday before qualifying, we hosted a Champions dinner for previous Champions of this tournament. We hosted 13 previous winners and got to hear amazing stories about this tournament's past. A big thanks to DJs at the park for hosting the event, and to 7News for broadcasting sports live from the event!