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Erin Hills to host more major golf events



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Holy Hill can be seen in the background of this photo taken during the 2017 U.S. Open, which was held at Erin Hills golf course in the Town of Erin. It was announced Tuesday by the USGA that the course will again host major golf competitions when it hosts the 2025 U.S. Women's Open and 2022 U.S. Mid-Amateur Championships.

Will welcome 2025 U.S. Women's Open, 2022 U.S. Mid-Amateur

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TOWN OF ERIN — United States Golf Association officials were so pleased with how the Erin Hills golf course and Washington County hosted the 2017 U.S. Open that they are going to get the opportunity to host two more major golf events.

Erin Hills has been selected as the host site for the 2025 U.S. Women's Open and 2022 U.S. Mid-Amateur Championships.

The U.S. Women's Open, the ultimate test in women's golf, will be held May 29-June 1, 2025. The 2022 U.S. Mid-Amateur will be played Sept. 10-15, with Blue Mound Golf and Country Club, in Wauwatosa, serving as the stroke-play co-host course.

"We are thrilled to return to Erin Hills, and to bring the U.S. Women's Open and U.S. Mid-Amateur to such a memorable and deserving course," said Mike Davis, CEO of the USGA. "To bring these championships to a public

facility all golfers can enjoy is especially exciting for us. The USGA has a great relationship with the facility, and Erin Hills has proven to be one of the premier golf venues in the nation as well as an excellent test."

Hartford Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Scott Henke said the upcoming events should provide a big economic boost to the region.

"Like we learned in 2017, the U.S. Open has a great draw, not only for tourists coming to our community,

but the aftermath of having something like that on network television showing the world Erin Hills and Washington County," Henke said. "It was a huge success for the area during the one week run of the tournament, but the aftermath of people coming to check out Erin Hills and to explore Washington County is really where we saw even more benefit."

"We are still seeing the impact a couple of years later here with people being excited about golf in Washington County and the sheer fact that we have Erin Hills in the southern part of the county," Henke said.

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Reilly gives State of the City address

Touches on new City Hall,
Lake Michigan water,
street and utility projects

By Dave Fidlin
Special to Conley Media

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WAUKESHA — When it came time to deliver his customary State of the City Address, Mayor Shawn Reilly on Tuesday looked back — and ahead — as he highlighted past, present and future projects and efforts shaping the community.

Reilly touched on a number of issues, including the plans in motion for a new City Hall, switchover to Lake Michigan water and infrastructure improvements downtown and elsewhere.

The mayor delivered his address, based on a 10-page report, at the end of a Common Council meeting Tuesday.

One of the items Reilly placed emphasis on in his comb-through of highlights was the new City Hall. Talks of constructing a new municipal building have bubbled to the surface in various forms in recent decades, but have picked up steam in the past several years.



Reilly

Construction on the new facility, which will replace the current Delafield Street site that was constructed in 1965, is slated to take place later this year as part of a multi-year, multi-phased process.

"We will start construction on the new City Hall by the end of the year," Reilly said in his address. "I look forward to working with the Common Council and the city staff in helping move our city forward."

Another oft-discussed topic — the city's long-term water supply — also was touched on briefly amid Reilly's annual checkup on Waukesha-related matters.

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Farrow sworn in for second term as county executive



Submitted photo

WAUKESHA — Waukesha County Executive Paul Farrow was sworn in to serve a second four-year term Tuesday morning. He renewed his oath of office during a small ceremony in front of Waukesha County elected officials and department heads in the Administration Center.

"As a public servant I strive to create a lasting impact on the community through strong leadership and vision, building coalitions to effect positive change, and to leave my office and the world better places than when I got here," said Farrow in a statement. "I am honored to be chosen by Waukesha County residents to serve them once again in order to continue fulfilling that mission."

Throughout his tenure, Waukesha County has invested in public safety, roads and infrastructure, economic development, and the initial stages of a new courthouse project, all while continuing the county's legacy as a low-tax, "AAA" bond-rated county, according to a press release.



Kelly Smith/ Special to Conley Media

Former Delafield Mayor Ed McAleer sent a message to the Common Council to tell city officials they should end their decade-long dispute with the Hartland Sportsman's Club.

Former Delafield mayor says city should end gun club dispute

Common Council to appeal judge's ruling

By Kelly Smith
Special to Conley Media

DELAFIELD — Despite a plea from former Mayor Ed McAleer that the city should end its decade-long dispute with the Hartland Sportsman's Club, the Common Council has unanimously agreed to appeal a judge's ruling requiring the city to let the gun club reopen.

In a written message to the council, McAleer urged the city to begin negotiations with club attorneys to allow

shooting to resume on some of the five firing ranges on the 35-acre complex near Maple Avenue, south of Interstate 94.

McAleer's 16 years as mayor, from 1994 to 2002 and 2008 to 2014, spanned the history of the controversy between the city and the gun club.

McAleer, an avid gun sportsman, convinced the Common Council in 1997 to annex the club from the Town of Delafield, which had begun to crack down on gun club operations because of

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complaints from residents living near the club.

However, it was McAleer's administration that revoked the club's operating permit in 2010 after neighbors complained about safety violations at the club and a woman

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