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Grant Elementary sold for \$550,000



Grant Elementary School, 500 N. Fourth Ave. in Wausau, is pictured in 2024. GABI BROEKEMA/WAUSAU DAILY HERALD FILE

Subsidiary of Plover-based developer buys property

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WAUSAU – The Wausau School District announced April 7 the sale of the former Grant Elementary School.

The property, located at 500 N. Fourth Ave., was officially sold to Grant School LLC for \$550,000 on March 30, according to a news release from the district. Grant School LLC is controlled by Plover-based developer Rolly Lokre, according to state business records.

Grant Elementary is the third and final former Wausau School District elementary school sold after the Wausau School Board voted in January 2025 to close three elementary schools and transition Lincoln Elementary School to

“As we close this final chapter of the process, we remain so grateful for the decades of education and community spirit that defined each of these incredible schools.”

Wausau School District

a dedicated 4K Academy site following a recommendation by a citizen task force that met over seven months in 2024.

The former Hawthorne Hills Elementary school was sold for \$1.5M to Faith

Christian Academy in July 2025 and the former Hewitt-Texas Elementary school was sold for \$800,000 also in July 2025, according to the release. A previous purchase agreement for the Grant Elementary School property fell apart and the property was relisted in October 2025.

“As we share this news with our community, which in many ways, signifies the end of the consolidation process, we want to say ‘thank you,’” the district said in the release. “Thank you for your patience and support throughout consolidation.”

The district also thanked Tim Wimmer, real estate broker, for his work on the sale of the properties.

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Six win school board seats

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Voters in the Wausau area took to the polls Tuesday, April 7, to elect school board members for both the Wausau and D.C. Everest school districts.

Here are the results from those races.

Wausau School Board

Six candidates ran for four available seats on the Wausau School Board. The Wausau School Board consists of nine members, each serving three-year terms. An extra School Board seat was up for election for a one-year term following a member’s early resignation in August.

- **Yauo Y. Yang: 8,231**
- **Lance Trollop (i): 7,709**
- **Cory Sillars (i): 6,203**
- **Charles Burger (i): 5,792**
- **John Huntington: 5,365**
- **Kathryn Ruland: 5,166**

Burger, 55, from Rib Mountain, is a regional sales manager for U.S. Storage and Cyber Security and has gone to the University of Wisconsin-Marathon County and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Burger has served as a DNR volunteer safety instructor, parent volunteer and was awarded Friend of Wausau Department of Education in 2024.



Burger



Sillars

Sillars, 54, of Rib Mountain, owns a family construction business in the Rib Mountain area.

He graduated from Wausau West High School in 1990. He

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No charges issued in Wausau mayor’s drop box move

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The district attorney in charge of the Wisconsin Department of Justice Division of Criminal Investigation’s investigation into Wausau Mayor Doug Diny’s removal of the clerk’s office drop box in September 2024 said no charges will be issued in response to the case.

The decision to not issue charges is based on, “an inability to prove any violations beyond a reasonable doubt,” according to an April 8 news release from Fond du Lac County District Attorney Eric Toney, who served as special prosecutor for the investigation.

“I also understand these investigations have generated public attention, in part, based on the scrutiny elections

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Eric Toney

Fond du Lac County district attorney

and election officials have been under in recent years,” Toney said in the release. “I greatly appreciate the work by our amazing election officials across Wisconsin. Their work is the bedrock of our democratic republic.”

Members of the public commenting on the case wanted certain outcomes of the investigation based on politics, Toney said.

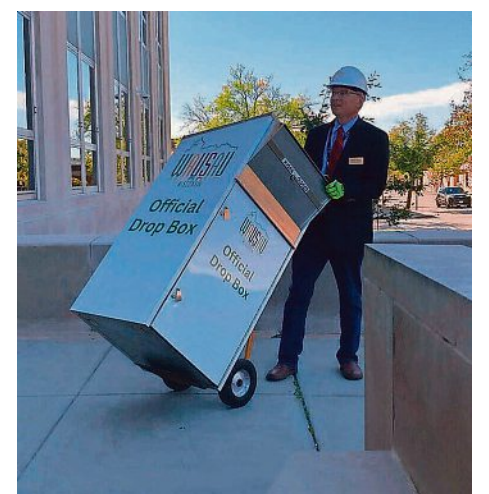
“Partisan politics has no place in the justice system, and we will not in engage in lawfare,” Toney said.

What else did we learn from the decision?

Toney conducted the review of the investigation with two assistant attorneys in the Fond Du Lac County District Attorney’s office, including one with experience working for the Wisconsin Elections Commission and another elected as district attorney of Door County as a representative of the Democratic Party.

The conclusion of the three-prosecutor investigation centers around the definition of the term “ballot box” in

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Mayor Doug Diny shared this image in an email to Lisa Rasmussen, council president and 7th District alderperson. PROVIDED BY DOUG DINY VIA LISA RASMUSSEN

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