



OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

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Meeting of the: **PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE**
Date/Time: **Monday, March 18, 2024 @ 5:15 P.M.**
Location: **City Hall (407 Grant Street) - Council Chambers**
Members: Lisa Rasmussen (C), Doug Diny (VC), Becky McElhaney, Lou Larson, Chad Henke

AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION / ACTION

- 1 Approve minutes of previous meeting (01/22/2024).
- 2 Consider approval or denial of various license applications.
- 3 Discussion and possible action on agreement for Urban Search and Rescue Emergency Response Services with the State of Wisconsin – Wausau Fire Department.
- 4 Discussion and possible action of Community Care Paramedic position for the Fire
- 5 Discussion and Possible Action Approving the Addition of Two Officers to Wausau Police Department Authorized Staffing Level.
- 6 Discussion and Possible Action on committee duties and responsibilities.
- 7 Tavern Activities Report - January 1, 2024 through January 31, 2024.
- 8 Community Outreach Update.

Adjourn

Lisa Rasmussen, Chairperson

NOTICE: It is possible that members of, and possibly a quorum of members of the Committee of the Whole or other committees of the Common Council of the City of Wausau may be in attendance at the above-mentioned meeting. No action will be taken by any such groups.

Members of the public who do not wish to appear in person may view the meeting live over the internet, live by cable TV, Channel 981, and a video is available in its entirety and can be accessed at <https://tinyurl.com/WausauCityCouncil>. Any person wishing to offer public comment who does not appear in person to do so, may e-mail kaitlyn.bernarde@ci.wausau.wi.us with "PH&S public comment" in the subject line prior to the meeting start. All public comment, either by email or in person, will be limited to items on the agenda at this time. The messages related to agenda items received prior to the start of the meeting will be provided to the Chair.

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PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Date and Time: Monday, February 19, 2024, at 5:15 p.m., Council Chambers

Members Present: Lisa Rasmussen (C), Doug Diny (VC), Lou Larson, Chad Henke

Members Excused: Becky McElhaney

Others Present: Mayor Rosenberg, Matt Barnes, Jeremy Kopp, Tracy Rieger, Kaitlyn Bernarde, Kody Hart

Noting the presence of a quorum, Chairperson Rasmussen called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m.

Approve minutes of previous meeting (01/22/2024).

Motion by Henke, seconded by Diny, to approve the minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

Consider approval or denial of various license applications.

Kenneth Lasiuk, applicant for New Operator/Bartender License, did not appear to appeal the denial recommendation.

Motion by Diny, seconded by Larson, to approve or deny license applications as recommended by staff and the Liquor License Review Subcommittee. Motion carried 4-0.

Wausau Fire Department – 2023 Annual Report

Report Placed on File.

Tavern Activities Report - January 1, 2024 through January 31, 2024.

Report Placed on File.

Community Outreach Update.

Diny questioned how many individuals are impacted by changes to the Salvation Army programing from individual housing to family housing.

Rasmussen praised the work for the Day Center by Catholic Charities and requested quarterly updates on their progress along with anecdotal updates from the monthly Community Outreach Update.

Diny questioned if there would be internet access for individuals in the Day Center.

Report Placed on File.

Adjournment

Motion by Larson, second by Diny, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

For full meeting video on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sRPj-oFgHu8>



PHS Date 03/18/2024

License ID	License Typ	Name	Address	Details	Business	Begin Dt	End Dt	Police	PHS	Council
194237	9010 - Bartender/Operator New	LASIUK, KENNETH	608 1/2 WASHINGTON ST, APT 1 WAUSAU WI 54403		KRIST FOOD MART #61	01/18/2024	06/30/2024	No		
194636	9010 - Bartender/Operator New	WALLIN, JOHN	156499 RAVINE RD WAUSAU WI 54403		KWIK TRIP #1723	02/08/2024	06/30/2024	No		
195862	9026 - Class I	EICHTEN, ALEX	316 SCOTT STREET WAUSAU WI 54403	WAUSAU NIGHT MARKET on 6/20 7/18 8/15 (2024) Organized by WAUSAU RIVER DISTRICT						
196043	9026 - Class I	MARTIN, FR. SAMUEL	1104 S 9TH AVE WAUSAU WI 54401	HOLY NAME SUMMERFUN 2024 on 5/31/2024-6/1/2024 Organized by HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH						
195977	9026 - Class I	OPAL-WAHOSKE, BLAKE	316 SCOTT ST WAUSAU WI 54403	FAMILY PRIDE FEST on 6/1/2024 Organized by Wausau River District						
194765	9027 - Class II	SEITZ, DENNIS	176 LAKE VIEW DR WAUSAU WI 54403	ARMED FORCES DAY on 05/18/2024 Organized by EAA CHAPTER 640						
195983	9069 - Temporary "Class B" (Picnic)	,	504 GRANT ST WAUSAU WI 54403		FIRST UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH					



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196049	9069 - Temporary "Class B" (Picnic)	EICHTEN, ALEX	316 SCOTT STREET WAUSAU WI 54403		WAUSAU RIVER DISTRICT					
196050	9069 - Temporary "Class B" (Picnic)	EICHTEN, ALEX	316 SCOTT STREET WAUSAU WI 54403		WAUSAU RIVER DISTRICT					
196051	9069 - Temporary "Class B" (Picnic)	EICHTEN, ALEX	316 SCOTT STREET WAUSAU WI 54403		WAUSAU RIVER DISTRICT					
195984	9069 - Temporary "Class B" (Picnic)	KROLOW, SUSAN	209 W. WASHINGTON ST WAUSAU WI 54403		GREATER WAUSAU CHAMBER OF COMMERCE					
196041	9069 - Temporary "Class B" (Picnic)	MARTIN, FR. SAMUEL	1104 S 9TH AVE WAUSAU WI 54401		HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH					
194885	9079 - "Class B" Beer & Liquor (1/2 Year)	,	2401 N 3RD ST WAUSAU WI 54403		WISCONSIN WOODCHUCKS			Yes		

Total Licenses

12

Kody Hart, Deputy City Clerk



TEL: (715) 261-6616

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TO: Public Health & Safety Committee

FROM: Kody Hart, Deputy City Clerk

RE: Approve or deny various licenses as indicated on the attached summary report of all applications received.

DATE: March 12, 2024

Applications as listed have or will have a background check run by staff and reviewed by the Police Chief or a designee. Applications marked pending will have a status update at the meeting. In accordance with city ordinance, all permits approved are held for debts owed to the city until the debt is paid in full.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Approve or deny as indicated on the summary report attached, including those that may be introduced at the meeting. Further summaries on staff recommendations are outlined below.

1. **Denial Recommendations – New Operator’s License: Kenneth Lasiuk** – This application is recommended for denial due to conviction for 1st degree sexual assault of a child and was referred back to the committee for reconsideration at the March 12th, 2024, Common Council meeting. **New Operator’s License: John Wallin** – This application is recommended for denial due to conviction for battery.
2. **Approval Recommendations – Special Event Class I Permits for Wausau Nigh Market** located on the 400 Block and the 300,400, 500, and 600 Blocks of 3rd Street on June 20th, July 18th, and August 17th, 2024, from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM, license applicant Wausau River District, Alex Eichten; **Holy Name Summer Fun 2024** located at 1104 S. 9th Avenue on May 31st and June 1st, 2024, from 4:00 PM to 11:00 PM, license applicant Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Father Samuel Martin; **Family Pride Fest** located on the 400 Block on June 1st, 2024, from 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM, license applicant Wausau River District, Blake Opal-Wahoske.
3. **Approval Recommendation – Special Event Class II Permit for Armed Forces Day** located at the Wausau Downtown Airport on May 17th, 2024, from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, license applicant EAA Chapter 640, Dennis Seitz.
4. **Approval Recommendations – Temporary “Class B” Picnic Licenses – 2024 Goods & Services Auction** located at 504 Grant Street on May 4th, 2024, license applicant First Universalist Unitarian Church Of Wausau; Three separate licenses for the **Wausau Night Market** located on the 400 Block and the 300,400, 500, and 600 Blocks of 3rd Street on June

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20th, July 18th, and August 17th, 2024, license applicant Wausau River District, Alex Eichten; **Fun@5** located at 8101 International Drive on March 28th, 2024, license applicant Greater Wausau Chamber of Commerce, Susan Krolow; **Holy Name Summer Fun 2024** located at 1104 S. 9th Avenue on May 31st and June 1st, 2024, license applicant Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Father Samuel Martin.

5. **Regular “Class B” Beer & Liquor License (1/2 year) Renewal – Wisconsin Woodchucks** located at Athletic Park, license applicant Wisconsin College Baseball, LLC, Mark Macdonald.



**AGREEMENT FOR URBAN
SEARCH AND RESCUE EMERGENCY
RESPONSE SERVICES**

July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2026

Between

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

And

CITY OF WAUSAU

This agreement (Agreement) is by and between the State of Wisconsin through the Department of Military Affairs (the Department), Division of Emergency Management (the Division) and City of Wausau, Wisconsin (Participating Agency), a Local Agency, regarding the provision of personnel by Participating Agency to a statewide urban search and rescue team created pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 323.72(1). The Division and Participating Agency are each a Party and, collectively, the Parties.

RECITALS

- 1.0 To protect life and property against the dangers of emergencies, the Division has, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 323.72(1), established a US&R team that can be deployed to provide Services in response to Emergencies.
- 2.0 The Division desires to enter into this Agreement with Participating Agency for the purpose of having Participating Agency supply qualified employees to serve on such a team and Participating Agency desires to provide such employees.

NOW THEREFORE, for the mutual promises set forth below, the Parties agree as follows:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1.0 **Recitals:** The Recitals are incorporated by reference.
- 2.0 **Definitions:** The following definitions are used throughout this Agreement:
 - 2.1 “Advisory Committee” means the WI-TF1 Advisory Committee established by this Agreement and consisting of five or seven members appointed by the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin State Fire Chiefs’ Association.
 - 2.2 “All-Hazards” means the grouping classification encompassing all conditions, environmental or man-made, that have the potential to cause injury, illness or death or damage to or loss of equipment, infrastructure services or property or, alternatively, causing functional degradation to societal, economic, or environmental aspects.
 - 2.3 “Certification” means an affirmation that a candidate has successfully met the requirements of a standard or level of a standard through a valid and reliable assessment as approved by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications.
 - 2.4 “Emergency” or “Emergencies” means an incident(s) or event(s) for which, in the sole determination of the Division, Services are needed to supplement state and local efforts and capabilities to save lives and protect property and public health and safety or to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe.
 - 2.5 “Harm” means, at a minimum, human casualties, destruction of property, adverse economic impact and/or damage to natural resources.

- 2.6 “Incident” means any natural, technological, or human-caused occurrence that may cause Harm and that may require action. Incidents may include major disasters, terrorist attacks, wildland and urban fires, floods, hazardous materials, explosions, nuclear accidents, aircraft accidents, earthquakes, cyberattacks, hurricanes, tornadoes, tropical storms, public health and medical emergencies, law enforcement encounters, service calls, mutual aid, false alarms, and other occurrences requiring an emergency response.
- 2.7 “Local Agency,” pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 323.70(1)(b) and 323.72(1), means an agency of a county, city, village, or town, including a municipal police or fire department, a municipal health organization, a county office of emergency management, a county sheriff, an emergency medical service, a local emergency response team, or a public works department.
- 2.8 “REACT Center” means the Regional Emergency All-Climate Training Center, which is a training facility owned and operated by the State of Wisconsin, Department of Military Affairs and operated by the Division.
- 2.9 “Services” means US&R emergency response services as described in Wis. Stat. § 323.72(1) and any subsequent amendments to that statute, which include services involving search, rescue and recovery in the technical rescue disciplines including structural collapse, rope rescue, vehicle extrication, machinery extrication, confined space, trench, excavation, and water operations in an US&R environment.
- 2.10 “US&R” means urban search and rescue, which involves the location, rescue (extrication), and initial medical stabilization of victims trapped in confined spaces. Structural collapse is most often the cause of victims being trapped, but victims may also be trapped in transportation accidents, mines and collapsed trenches. US&R is considered an all-hazards discipline, as it may be needed for a variety of emergencies or disasters, including earthquakes, hurricanes, typhoons, storms and tornadoes, floods, dam failures, technological accidents, terrorist activities, and hazardous materials releases.
- 2.11 “WI-TF1” means the all-hazards US&R team authorized by Wis. Stat. § 323.72(1) made up of firefighters, engineers, medical professionals, canine handlers, incident managers, and others that is a core component of a Search and Rescue Essential Support Function mission, including a Type 1 US&R task force, Type 3 US&R task force or any component thereof, as designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency National Incident Management System Search and Rescue resource typing system. See Wis. Stat. § 323.72(7).

3.0 Participating Agency Obligations:

- 3.1. Recognizing that many of Participating Agency’s employees who are potential candidates for appointment to WI-TF1 may not have all required training as of the date this Agreement begins, the Parties agree to proceed as follows within 90 days after the Agreement begins.

- 3.1.1 After individuals selected for training have successfully completed the training, Participating Agency shall provide, on a form prescribed by the Division, a list of trained individuals that it deems to be good candidates for appointment to WI-TF1 but for the need for up-to-date training. The Division shall select individuals from list for initial and/or refresher training required by Section 4.0 of this Agreement.
- 3.2 Once the employees Participating Agency proposed to be appointed to WI-TF1 have successfully completed the required training, Participating Agency shall provide to the Division for Division approval a list on a form prescribed by the Division of one or more employees fully trained as set forth in Section 4.0 of this Agreement who Participating Agency proposes be a WI-TF1 member for Division approval, along with a description of the anticipated role the employee would have on WI-TF1 (e.g., Medical Specialist, Structural Collapse Search Technician, etc.). Only those employees who Participating Agency can demonstrate to the Division's satisfaction meet the following criteria at the time Participating Agency submits the list may be included on the list:
 - 3.2.1 Possess all required training and certifications necessary to perform Services in the specific role the employee would fill on WI-TF1, based on the training, competency, and job performance requirement standards for an US&R task force issued by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), the most current version of the urban search and rescue standards issued by the Emergency Management Accreditation program, and any training standards required by law, rule or regulation.
 - 3.2.2 Are employees in good standing.
 - 3.2.3 Are not probationary employees.
 - 3.2.4 Have been subjected to a background check by Participating Agency or the Division.
 - 3.2.5 Meet any medical or fitness standards agreed upon by the WI-TF1 Advisory Committee and the Division.
 - 3.2.6 Have been instructed on and, as required by the State of Wisconsin, are able to meet the then-current COVID-19 standards set by the State of Wisconsin, for its employees, including vaccination, testing, and mask-wearing requirements.
- 3.3 The Division, in consultation with the Advisory Committee established pursuant to Section 3.7 below, may appoint one or more of the employees on the list to the WI-TF1. Inclusion on the list or proposed WI-TF1 members does not guarantee appointment.
- 3.4 Upon receipt of an emergency response request by the Division pursuant to the Standard Operating Procedures, Participating Agency shall direct employees who have been appointed to WI-TF1 and designated for mobilization to travel to the REACT Center or such other location as designated by the Division to be deployed to provide Services in response to an Emergency.

- 3.5 Participating Agency may not self-deploy WI-TF1 members. This prohibition does not prevent Participating Agency from deploying its employees to respond to emergencies where urban search and rescue services are needed or responding with urban search and rescue vehicles, equipment and supplies under local authority, mutual aid agreements or other contracts entered into under local authority. Participating Agency recognizes that it is not entitled to reimbursement by the Division for such response costs and that the Division will not supply equipment or vehicles for such responses.
- 3.6 Participating Agency shall comply with all requirements of any grants which provide funding for WI-TF1.
- 3.7 An Advisory Committee has been established, the duties of which will be defined by the WI-TF1 Standard Operating Procedures.
- 3.8 The Division, in consultation with the Advisory Committee, has the authority to immediately suspend or terminate a WI-TF1 member from participation on the task force.

4.0 Required Training and Exercises:

- 4.1 All required training and exercises must be done at the REACT Center or at a location pre-approved in writing by the Division in consultation with the Advisory Committee. Refresher training shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) hours per WI-TF1 member per year. Additional specialty training may be made available at REACT upon written pre-approval by the Division. Participation in required training and exercises will be in accordance with the WI-TF1 Attendance Policy approved by the Division in consultation with the Advisory Committee.
- 4.2 Non-Duty Status: All individuals attending training or exercises at the REACT Center shall be in a non-duty status with Participating Agency.
- 4.3 Training and Exercise Schedule: To facilitate planning for required training and exercises, the REACT Center shall post the relevant schedule a minimum of twelve months in advance of the start date of the training, except that specialized training may be made available with less advance notice. Changes may be made to the training and exercise schedule for unforeseen circumstances by notification of Participating Agencies. The Division will provide as much advanced notice of any changes as possible.

5.0 Response Procedures and Limitations:

- 5.1 Participating Agency recognizes that its obligations under this Agreement are paramount to the State of Wisconsin. Participating Agency agrees that, if local fire response obligations in Participating Agency's own jurisdiction would limit necessary resources necessary to provide Services in response to an Emergency or make such resources unavailable, Participating Agency will seek aid from local jurisdictions to assist in local fire response obligations in Participating Agency's own jurisdiction to ensure availability of resources for the performance of Services.

- 5.2 Participating Agency and the Division agree that WI-TF1 or components of it may be used for any Emergency for which WI-TF1 members are trained and qualified.
- 5.3 Participating Agency's obligation to provide services under this Agreement shall arise, with respect to specific Emergency response actions, upon receipt of an Emergency response request pursuant to the Standard Operating Procedures. See Section 7 below.

6.0 Right of Refusal:

If, on occasion, a response under this Agreement would temporarily place a verifiable undue burden on the Participating Agency because Participating Agency's resources are otherwise inadequate or unavailable and mutual aid is unavailable, then if notice has been provided to the Division, the Participating Agency may decline a request for personnel to staff WI-TF1 and/or for response equipment.

7.0 Standard Operating Procedures:

Participating Agency and Division agree that WI-TF1 operations will be conducted in accordance with Standard Operating Procedures and a "Call-Out Procedure" that will be mutually approved by the Parties and other Local Agencies providing WI-TF1 members. Participating Agency agrees that it shall ensure that any of its employees appointed to WI-TF1 comply with these procedures.

8.0 Reimbursement of Costs

There are three types of Participating Agency costs that shall be reimbursed under this Agreement: (1) costs related to providing requested Services and (2) required training and exercise costs; and (3) costs related to an increase in duty-disability benefit premiums due to an injury a WI-TF1 member sustained while performing under this Agreement. In seeking reimbursement for those costs, Participating Agency shall comply with all Division-approved procedures and any relevant administrative rules.

9.0 Reimbursement for Response Costs:

- 9.1 Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 323.72(2), the Division shall reimburse Participating Agency for costs incurred by Participating Agency in responding to an Emergency and providing Services at the request of the Division within 60 days after receiving a complete application for reimbursement on a form prescribed by the Division but only if (1) the Division determines that the provision of Services was necessary; and (2) Participating Agency applies for reimbursement within 45 days after the conclusion of that deployment of WI-TF1 for that particular Emergency.
- 9.2 Recoverable costs include but are not limited to the use of vehicles and apparatus, personnel expenses, backfill expenses and emergency expenses. The amount of reimbursement for the enumerated costs are as follows:

9.2.1 Reimbursement for use of Vehicle(s) and Apparatus: Participating Agency shall be

reimbursed for the approved use of its vehicles and equipment in providing Services at FEMA-established rates.

9.2.2 Personnel Expenses: Reasonable personnel expenses relating to WI-TF1 members deployed at the direction of the Division to provide Services which are reimbursable at \$55.00 per hour per deployed employee. During a deployment, this shall be calculated as portal to portal.

9.2.3 Backfill expenses: Participating Agency's reasonable personnel expenses incurred to cover the duties of employees deployed to provide Services as part of WI-TF1 are reimbursable at the Participating Agency's actual cost.

9.2.4 Emergency Expenses: Participating Agency's necessary and reasonable emergency expenses related to deploying employees to provide Services, which expenses must be based on actual expenditures and fully documented by the Participating Agency. The Division reserves the right to deny any reimbursement of Participating Agency expenditures it deems to be unreasonable or unjustifiable.

9.3 Participating Agency agrees to make reasonable and good faith efforts to minimize its costs related to providing personnel and equipment to perform Services in response to an Emergency.

10.0 Payment for Training and Exercise Costs:

10.1 In any given fiscal year, Participating Agency shall be paid for any training and participation in exercises of employees who the Division has appointed to WI-TF1 that is pre-authorized in writing by the Division at a rate of \$55 per hour per appointed employee consistent with the Attendance Policy.

10.2 Such payment will be made on a quarterly basis as determined by reference to the state's fiscal year. For example, the first quarter will be from July 1 through September 30 and so forth.

10.3 The Division will not pay for Participating Agency's personnel backfill expenses to cover team members who are traveling to and from or participating in training or exercises.

11.0 Reimbursement of Increased Duty Disability Costs:

11.1 The Division shall reimburse Participating Agency for costs incurred by Participating Agency for any increase in contributions for duty disability premiums under Wis. Stat. § 40.05(2)(aw) for its employees who are WI-TF1 members and who receive duty disability benefits under Wis. Stat. § 40.65 because of an injury that occurred while performing duties as a member of WI-TF1.

11.2 Application for reimbursement under this Section shall be made after the close of the State's fiscal year and shall seek reimbursement for any cost due to increased premiums referred to above imposed in the prior fiscal year.

11.3 Payment under this Section shall be made within 60 days of receipt of documentation of the following:

11.3.1 That the WI-TF1 member was injured while performing WI-TF1 duties after being deployed pursuant to a Division order.

11.3.2 That the member is receiving duty disability benefits because of such injury.

11.3.3 The amount of increase in premium for duty disability benefits to the Participating Agency that can be directly attributed to the receipt of such benefits by the member during the preceding fiscal year.

12.0 Employer-Employee Relationship and Obligations Maintained:

Except as provided in this Agreement, Participating Agency employees who are WI-TF1 members remain employees of Participating Agency and are not employees of the State of Wisconsin. This means, in part, that Participating Agency's employees are not entitled to Division contribution for any Public Employees Retirement Withholding System benefit(s), nor to any other benefits or any wage provided by the State of Wisconsin to its employees. Participating Agency shall be responsible for payment/withholding of any applicable federal, Social Security and State taxes from any wages paid or benefits provided to its employees.

13.0 Worker's Compensation:

A WI-TF1 member acting under this Agreement is an employee of the state for purposes of worker's compensation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 323.72(4).

14.0 Dual Payment:

Participating Agency shall not be compensated for work performed under this Agreement both by the Division and any other state agency or person(s) responsible for causing an Emergency except as approved and authorized under this Agreement.

15.0 Reasonable Efforts:

Participating Agency shall make reasonable and good-faith efforts to minimize its costs related to its employees' participation in WI-TF1 training, exercise, and Emergency response Services.

16.0 Liability and Indemnity

16.1 Scope:

During operations authorized by this Agreement, WI-TF1 members supplied by Participating Agency are agents of the state for purposes of Wis. Stat. § 895.46(1). For the purposes of this Section, operations means activities, including travel, directly related to

providing Services. Operations also include training activities provided under this Agreement to WI-TF1 members but does not include travel to and from any training required or permitted under this Agreement.

16.2 Civil liability exemption; regional emergency response teams and their sponsoring agencies:

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 895.483(4), Participating Agency and its employees who are members of WI-TF1 are immune from civil liability for acts or omissions related to carrying out the Services.

16.3 Participating Agency Indemnification of State:

When acting as other than an agent of the State of Wisconsin under this Agreement, and when using the State's or Division's vehicles or equipment, Participating Agency shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State, which includes the Department, the Division and all state agencies, and its officers, officials, agents, employees, and members from all claims, suits or actions of any nature, including actions for attorneys' fees, arising out of the activities or omissions of Participating Agency, its officers, officials, subcontractors, agents or employees.

17.0 Insurance Obligations:

17.1 Insurance obligations are set forth in the Standard Terms and Conditions attached as Exhibit A. Prior to commencement of this Agreement, Participating Agency must either provide to the Division a certificate of insurance or, if Participating Agency is self-insured or uninsured, a certificate of protection in lieu of insurance certifying that Participating Agency is protected by a self-funded liability and property program or alternative funding source(s). Such certification must be provided on an annual basis.

17.2 Participating Agency agrees that it shall not cancel or make a material change to the insurance required by this Agreement without 30 days written notice to the Division.

18.0 Standard Terms and Conditions: The Wisconsin Standard Terms and Conditions are attached as Exhibit A and are incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

19.0 Miscellaneous

19.1 Disclosure of Independence and Relationship: Participating Agency certifies that no relationship exists between it, the State of Wisconsin or the Division that interferes with fair competition or is a conflict of interest, and no relationship exists between the team and another person or organization that constitutes a conflict of interest with respect to a state contract. The Department of Administration may waive this provision, in writing, if those activities of the Participating Agency will not be adverse to the interest of the State.

Participating Agency agrees as part of this Agreement that, during performance of the terms of this Agreement, they will neither provide contractual services nor enter into any

agreement to provide services to a person or entity that is regulated or funded by the Department or has interests that are adverse to the Department. The Department of Administration may waive this provision, in writing, if those activities of the Participating Agency will not be adverse to the interests of the state.

- 19.2 Dual Employment: Wis. Stat. § 16.417 prohibits an individual who is a state employee or who is retained as a consultant full-time by a state agency from being retained as a consultant by the same or another agency where the individual receives more than \$5,000 as compensation. This prohibition applies only to individuals and does not include corporations or partnerships.
- 19.3 Employment: Participating Agency will not engage the service of any person or persons now employed by the state, including any department, commission, or board thereof, to provide services relating to this Agreement without the written consent of the employer of such person or persons and the Department and Division.
- 19.4 Conflict of interest: Private and non-profit corporations are bound by Wis. Stat. §§ 180.0831 and 181.225 regarding conflicts of interest by directors in the conduct of state contracts.
- 19.5 Recordkeeping and Record Retention: The Participating Agency shall establish and maintain adequate records of all expenditures incurred under the Agreement. All records must be kept in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and be consistent with federal and state laws and local ordinances. The Division, the federal government, and their duly authorized representatives shall have the right to audit, review, examine, copy, and transcribe any pertinent records or documents relating to any contract resulting from this Agreement held by Participating Agency. The Participating Agency shall retain all documents applicable to the Agreement for a period of not less than three (3) years after the final payment is made or longer where required by law.
- 19.6 Indemnification Regarding Employment Disputes: Participating Agency shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State of Wisconsin, including the Division and the Department, with respect any disputes Participating Agency may have with its employees. Such disputes include but are not limited to charges of discrimination, harassment, improper wage payment, and discharge without just cause.
- 19.7 Term, Termination and Review of Agreement:
 - 19.7.1 Term: This Agreement shall begin on July 1, 2024, and terminate on June 30, 2026, unless terminated earlier pursuant to Section 19.7.2.
 - 19.7.2 Termination:
 - 19.7.2.1 The Division and/or Participating Agency may terminate this Agreement at any time upon one hundred twenty (120) days written notice to the other Party.

19.7.2.2 The Division may also terminate this Agreement at will effective upon delivery of written notice to the Participating Agency under any of the following conditions:

19.7.2.2.1 Funding from federal, state, or other sources is not obtained and/or continued at levels sufficient to allow for training.

19.7.2.2.2 Federal or state laws, rules, regulations, or guidelines are modified, changed, or interpreted in such a way that the services are no longer allowable or appropriate for purchase under this Agreement or are no longer eligible for the funding proposed for payments by this Agreement.

19.7.2.2.3 Any license or certification required by law or regulation to be held by the Participating Agency to provide the services required by this Agreement is for any reason denied, revoked, lapses, or not renewed.

19.7.2.3 Any termination of the Agreement shall be without prejudice to any obligations or liabilities of either party already accrued prior to such termination. Upon termination, the Division's liability under Sections 8-11 will be limited to events occurring during the term of this Agreement.

19.7.3 Review: The Agreement shall be reviewed by the Parties and other participating agencies no later than six (6) months prior to the expiration of this Agreement.

19.8 Entire Agreement: The contents of the Agreement including its Exhibits shall constitute the entire agreement between the Parties relating to the subject matter of the Agreement. The Agreement supersedes any and all prior agreements, whether expressed orally or in writing, relating to the subject matter of the Agreement.

19.9 Applicable Law: This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Wisconsin. The Participating Agency and State shall at all times comply with and observe all federal and state laws and regulations, the federal and state constitutions, and local ordinances and regulations in effect during the period of this Agreement and which may in any manner affect its performance of its obligations under this Agreement, including the provision of Services.

19.10 Assignment: No right or duty of the Participating Agency under this Agreement, whole or in part, may be assigned or delegated without the prior written consent of the State of Wisconsin.

19.11 Successors in Interest: The provisions of the Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties to the Agreement and their respective successors and

permitted assigns.

- 19.12 Force Majeure: Neither party to this Agreement shall be held responsible for delay or default caused by fire, riots, acts of God and/or war or for other reasons beyond that Party's reasonable control.
- 19.13 Notifications: Participating Agency shall immediately report by telephone and in writing any demand, request, or occurrence that reasonably may give rise to a claim against the State, its officers, Divisions, agents, employees, and members. Such reports shall be directed to:

ATTN: Administrator
Division of Emergency Management
DMA Wisconsin
PO Box 7865
Madison, WI 53707-7865
Telephone #: (608) 242-3232
FAX #: (608) 242-3247

Copies of such written reports shall also be sent to:

ATTN: Office of the Department of Military Affairs General Counsel
Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs
2400 Wright Street
Madison, WI 53704

- 19.14 Severability: If any provision of this Agreement is declared by a court to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and provisions shall not be affected. The rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if the Agreement did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid.
- 19.15 Amendments: The terms of this Agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented, or amended in any manner whatsoever without prior written approval of Division and Participating Agency.
- 19.16 Approval Authority: Participating Agency's representative(s) certify by their signature herein that he or she has the necessary and lawful authority to enter into contracts and agreements on behalf of Participating Agency.
- 19.17 No Waiver: No failure to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, power or remedy, including payment, hereunder, on the part of the Division, state, or Participating Agency shall operate as a waiver of the same, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy preclude any other or further exercise of the same or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy created by the Agreement. No express waiver shall affect any event or default other than the event or default specified in such waiver, and any such waiver, to be effective, must be in writing and shall be operative only for the time and to the extent expressly provided in the written waiver. A waiver of any covenant, term or condition

contained herein shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same covenant, term or condition.

- 19.18 Construction of Agreement: This Agreement is intended to be solely between the Parties. No part of the Agreement shall be construed to add, supplement, amend, abridge, or repeal existing rights, benefits or privileges of any third party or parties, including but not limited to employees of either of the Parties.

The Division and Participating Agency make no representations to third parties with regard to the ultimate outcome of the provision of Services.

Approving Signatures:

ON BEHALF OF THE WISCONSIN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2024

Greg Engle, Acting Division Administrator

ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF WAUSAU

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2024

Katie Rosenberg, Mayor

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2024

Kaitlyn Bernarde, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2024

Anne Jacobson, City Attorney

ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2024

Jeremy Kopp, Fire Chief

EXHIBIT A

EXHIBIT A TO AGREEMENT FOR URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES AGREEMENT (the Agreement)

STATE OF WISCONSIN STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

ANTITRUST ASSIGNMENT: The Participating Agency and the State of Wisconsin recognize that in actual economic practice, overcharges resulting from antitrust violations are in fact usually borne by the State of Wisconsin (purchaser). Therefore, the Participating Agency hereby assigns to the State of Wisconsin any and all claims for such overcharges as to goods, materials or services purchased in connection with this Agreement.

APPLICABLE LAW AND COMPLIANCE: This Agreement shall be governed under the laws of the State of Wisconsin. The Participating Agency shall at all times comply with and observe all federal and state laws, local laws, ordinances, and regulations which are in effect during the period of this Agreement and which in any manner affect the work or its conduct. The State of Wisconsin reserves the right to cancel this Agreement if the Participating Agency fails to follow the requirements of s. 77.66, Wis. Stats. and related statutes regarding certification for collection of sales and use tax. The State of Wisconsin also reserves the right to cancel this Agreement with any federally debarred Participating Agency or a Participating Agency that is presently identified on the list of parties excluded from federal procurement and non-procurement Agreements.

CANCELLATION: The State of Wisconsin reserves the right to cancel any Agreement in whole or in part without penalty due to nonappropriation, unavailability or insufficiency of funds or for failure of the Participating Agency to comply with terms, conditions, and specifications of this Agreement.

WORK CENTER CRITERIA: A work center must be certified under s.16.752, Wis. Stats., and must ensure that when engaged in the production of materials, supplies or equipment or the performance of contractual services, not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the total hours of direct labor are performed by severely handicapped.

INSURANCE RESPONSIBILITY: The Participating Agency performing services for the State of Wisconsin shall:

Maintain worker's compensation insurance as required by Wisconsin Statutes, for all employees engaged in the work.

Maintain commercial liability, bodily injury and property damage insurance against any claim(s) which might occur in carrying out this agreement/Agreement. Minimum coverage shall be one million (\$1,000,000) liability for bodily injury and property damage including products liability and completed operations. Provide motor vehicle insurance for all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles that are used in carrying out this Agreement. Minimum coverage shall be one million (\$1,000,000) per occurrence combined single limit for automobile liability and property damage.

The state reserves the right to require higher or lower limits where warranted.

NONDISCRIMINATION / AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: In connection with the performance of work under this Agreement, the Participating Agency agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, religion, color, handicap, sex, physical condition, developmental disability as defined in s.51.01(5), Wis. Stats., sexual orientation as defined in s.111.32(13m), Wis. Stats., or national origin. This provision shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. Except with respect to sexual orientation, the Participating Agency further agrees to take affirmative action to ensure equal employment opportunities.

Contracts estimated to be over fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) require the submission of a written affirmative action plan by the Participating Agency. An exemption occurs from this requirement if the Participating Agency has a workforce of less than fifty (50) employees. Within fifteen (15) working days after the Agreement is awarded, the Participating Agency must submit the plan to the contracting state agency for approval. Instructions on preparing the plan and technical assistance regarding this clause are available from the contracting state agency.

The Participating Agency agrees to post in conspicuous places, available for employees and applicants for employment, a notice to be provided by the contracting state agency that sets forth the provisions of the State of Wisconsin's nondiscrimination law.

Failure to comply with the conditions of this clause may result in the Participating Agency's becoming declared an "ineligible" Participating Agency, termination of the Agreement, or withholding of payment.

Pursuant to 2019 Wisconsin Executive Order 1, Participating Agency agrees it will hire only on the basis of merit and will not discriminate against any persons performing a contract, subcontract or grant because of military or veteran status, gender identity or expression, marital or familial status, genetic information or political affiliation.

Pursuant to s. 16.75(10p), Wis. Stats., Participating Agency agrees it is not, and will not for the duration of the Agreement, engage in a prohibited boycott of the State of Israel as defined in s. 20.931(1)(b). State agencies and authorities may not execute a contract and reserve the right to terminate an existing contract with a company that is not compliant with this provision. This provision applies to contracts valued \$100,000 or over.

PUBLIC RECORDS. Upon receipt of notice from the State of Wisconsin of a public records request for records produced or collected under this Agreement, the Participating Agency shall provide the requested records to the contracting agency in order to ensure compliance with s. 19.36(3), Wis. Stats. Participating Agency, following final payment under this Agreement, shall retain all records produced or collected under this Agreement for six (6) years. Participating Agency is also considered a contractor for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 19.36(3) and must comply with its provisions.

TAXES: The State of Wisconsin, including all its agencies, is required to pay the Wisconsin excise or occupation tax on its purchase of beer, liquor, wine, cigarettes, tobacco products, motor vehicle fuel and general aviation fuel. However, it is exempt from payment of Wisconsin sales or use tax on its purchases. The State of Wisconsin may be subject to other states' taxes on its purchases in that state depending on the laws of that state.

VENDOR TAX DELINQUENCY: Vendors who have a delinquent Wisconsin tax liability may have their payments offset by the State of Wisconsin.



Wausau Fire Department

Benefits of a Community Care
Paramedic

Objectives



- ▶ Improve the overall health of the Wausau Community
- ▶ Reduce the use of ambulances as the first access point to healthcare
- ▶ Reduce emergency room usage by non-acute and repeat patients
- ▶ Reduce readmissions of patients to hospitals for the same diagnoses
- ▶ Build relationships with other healthcare resources within the community
- ▶ Assist the community outreach coordinator with access to health care for clients

Wisconsin Department of Health Statement

“Community Emergency Medical Services (CEMS) work collaboratively with stakeholders within their healthcare system to address the unique needs of their community. CEMS programs facilitate integration with primary care services, reduce hospital readmissions, and re-route unnecessary emergency department visits. CEMS paramedics and practitioners center the social determinants of health in their practice to effectively mitigate healthcare needs and to improve efficiency in the system.”



Example Programs

- ▶ Madison Fire Department
 - ▶ CARES Program
 - ▶ Community Care Paramedic Program
- ▶ Greenfield Fire Department
 - ▶ Full-Time 40-hour CCP



Madison CARES: A New Approach to Behavioral Health

A look back at the first year of services

September 2021 through August 2022



Referral Process

Area hospitals refer patients being discharged that don't qualify for home health but could benefit from a home visit

The CCP receives and reviews the referral and then makes home visits

The CCP would evaluate several factors in the patients home

Referral Diagnoses (not limited to)

COPD

CHF

Pneumonia

Diabetes

Stroke

Homeless

First Home Visit Assessment Tools

- ▶ Food security assessment
 - ▶ Does the pt. have good nutritional resources in the home
- ▶ Trips and fall hazard assessment
 - ▶ Possible ADRC referral for trips, falls training
- ▶ Fire and life safety assessment
- ▶ Prescription drugs assessment
 - ▶ Evaluation of all meds patient is taking and prescribing MD





Homeless Healthcare Access

- ▶ CCP would serve as an asset to the WPD community outreach coordinator in providing alternative access to healthcare needs
- ▶ Build relationships with Public Health, North Central Health Care, and other healthcare assets in the community to reduce the use of ambulance calls and Emergency Department visits.

A paramedic in a blue uniform is operating a Zoll cardiac monitor. The monitor's screen displays a green ECG waveform and various numerical data points. The paramedic's hands are visible, one holding the top of the device and the other pointing at the screen. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a medical setting.

Community Care Paramedic Position

- ▶ Paramedic with three years of experience, preferably in Wausau
- ▶ Preferably a background in Community Care medicine
- ▶ Must be a relationship builder and work well independently
- ▶ Equipped with a cardiac monitor and proper evaluation tools
- ▶ Dedicated department-labeled vehicle

Wausau CCP Program Proposal

Community Funded Position

City of Wausau

Aspirus Hospital and Foundation

Marathon County

Marshfield Clinic Health System

Community Grants

Three-year trial

Quarterly and Annual progress reports

Data-driven program

Must prove a positive impact

Possibility for growth and
collaboration with SAFER, Riverside
Fire Departments and other
departments

Critical Care Paramedic Program Costs

First-Year (2024) Community Care Medic

Wages & Benefits	\$110,000
Equipment (First year)	\$65,000
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Total Estimated First Year	\$192,000

On-going (2025 +) Community Care Medic

Wages & Benefits	\$113,000
Equipment	\$5,000
Training & Professional Affiliations	\$3,000
Vehicle Lease	\$12,000
Total Estimated Annual Cost	\$130,000

Cost Benefit Analysis

Several concepts across the U.S. have shown a positive benefit.

Primary cost savings are spread between hospitals and payers (patients).

Extensive study of seven Community Care Paramedic programs in California showed consistent findings in six out of seven programs

All California programs showed improved patient well-being

Program did reduce repeat calls of frequent users of EMS system.

“In most cases yielded savings for health plans and hospitals.”

<https://www.chcf.org/blog/community-paramedicine-delivers-better-care-at-lower-cost/>

“Win-Win-Win Situation”

“Californians appear to be benefiting from these new models of health care. We found that hospitals, ambulance providers, Medicare, and Medi-Cal all experienced notable financial benefits. Our analysis of the projects’ data and interviews with community paramedics across California revealed many examples of how partnering with patients, rather than simply transporting them to emergency rooms — often repeatedly — is yielding positive results. The findings suggest that the benefits of CP programs will grow as they mature, solidify partnerships, secure stable funding, and find their optimal structure and niche.”

Questions and Comments



Community Care Paramedic Proposal

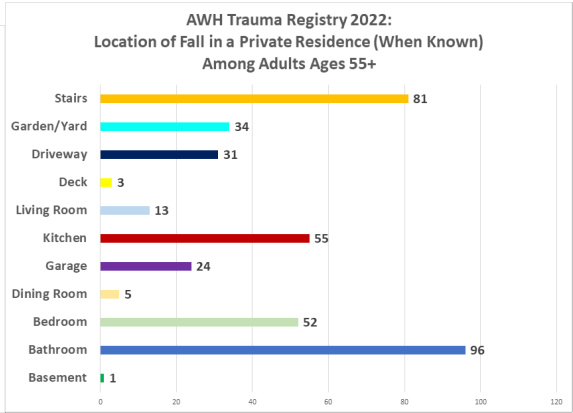
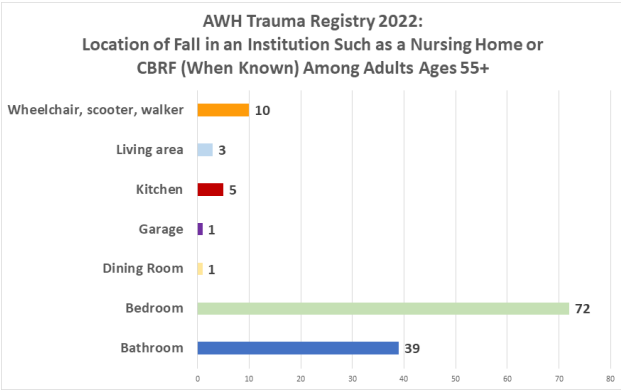
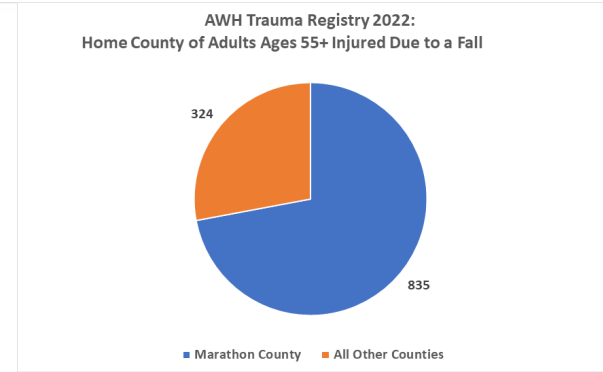
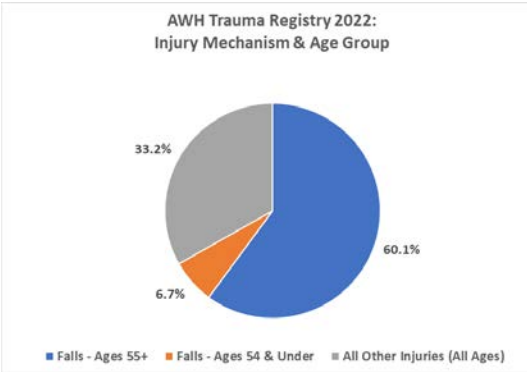
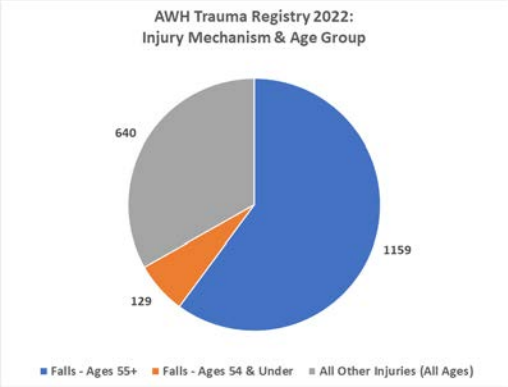
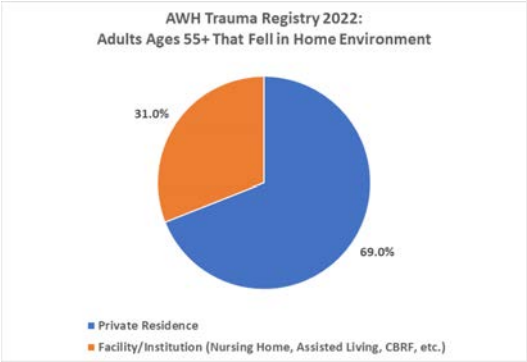
Purpose: This proposal signifies our commitment to innovation and proactive healthcare delivery through a Community Care Paramedic Program, ultimately leading to a healthier, more resilient community in Marathon County. This program would use our limited existing resources strategically to reduce growing barriers and address key health needs.

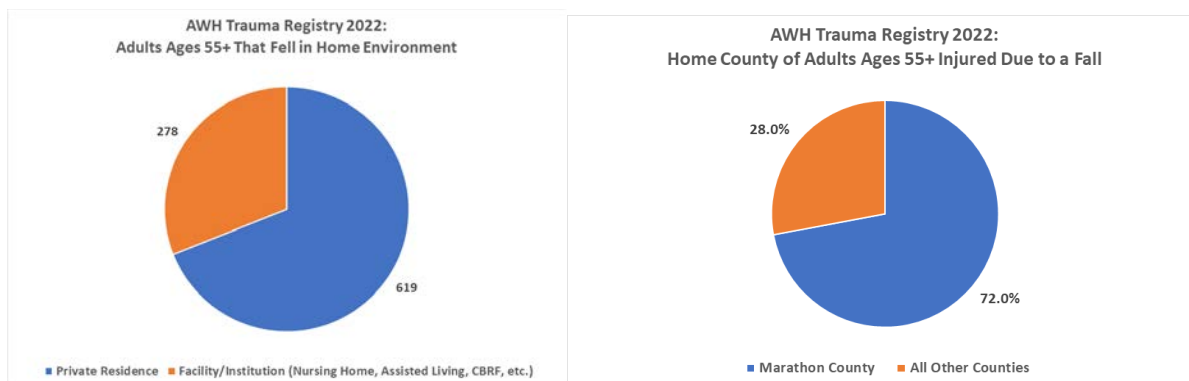
Current Situation and Overview

Community Care Paramedics (CCPs) assist communities through responsive and patient-centered approach to a growing problem—that of increasing medical costs, aging populations, and increased use of Emergency Responders for non-urgent situations. CCPs can manage chronic health conditions, prevent acute conditions from getting worse, and stop an illness before it can even begin by educating on preventive measures. As described by *EMS World*, a community paramedic engages the patient and helps them understand how best to manage their disease. This includes education about symptoms, lifestyle modifications, warning signs for worsening health, and proper use of medication or equipment. The patient also works with the community paramedic to practice their self-monitoring and disease management techniques and allows sufficient time for the paramedic to educate and check for full understanding.

CCP programs address a medical provider shortage and Marathon County need. Communities, like ours, are responding to the healthcare crisis with new and innovative delivery models such as CCP to stretch limited primary care resources. According to the American Academy of Family Physicians, the number of medical school students going into primary care has dropped 51.8 percent since 1997. According to the Wall Street Journal, the US is short about 16,000 primary care physicians nationally, especially in rural areas.

The number of falls-related EMS calls for Marathon County residents over the age of 60 is trending upward as well. In 2023, Marathon County EMS fielded over 2,383 calls due to falls. Many falls are preventable, and can be addressed in the home, between a CCP and the patient.





Background

A certified paramedic is the highest level of an emergency medical technician, trained to provide advanced life support and other technical medical procedures. While traditionally educated in the emergency response realm, a paramedic's scope of practice can also include the provision of certain primary medical services, with oversight by a physician or other advanced-practice provider. CCPs can also provide outreach and education to patients, including education on falls prevention measures, how to use medical equipment, and risk reduction.

Community Paramedicine Models for Prevention and Health Education

Prevention and health education represent one significant role for community paramedics in the healthcare system. Through home visits and regular check-ins, community paramedics can identify medication errors, environmental risks, or problems with durable medical equipment that are not often identified in a traditional clinical or healthcare setting.

People with complex chronic conditions often have many prescriptions, each with their own dosing schedules, warnings, and instructions. This complexity can make it challenging for patients to take their medication safely and correctly each day (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3968427/>). In addition, because these prescriptions often come from multiple providers, patients may not have support managing their medication lists. There may be contraindications, errors in dosage, drug type, or patient usage, resulting in adverse drug events that can be harmful or even fatal (<https://www.cdc.gov/medicationsafety/basics.html>).

Medication

Management

One important role for community paramedics is to help patients manage medications. Community

paramedics can help set up reminders, explain dosing instructions, identify medication management issues like improper storage, and uncover errors in their medication list. CCPs can help patients develop a comprehensive list of their current prescriptions. Once the list is correct, the community paramedic confirms its contents with the patient's providers, ensuring that all dosages are correct, and all medications are still currently needed to manage their health. The community paramedic can work with the patient and their family or caregiver to ensure they understand how and when to take each medication, along with any potential warning signs of adverse drug events that should be shared with their primary care provider.

Safety Assessments

Community paramedics conducting home visits are well-positioned to observe any issues in the patient's home that may pose safety risks. Particularly for elderly or frail patients, tripping hazards like throw rugs, broken stairs, ill-fitting slippers, or electrical cords may pose a risk for falls. Home safety checks can help identify modifications that make it easier and safer for patients to age in place, including installing grab bars, adequate lighting, and non-slip surfaces. By identifying these issues early, community paramedics can prevent accidents that may later result in a 911 call or emergency room visit.

Medical Equipment

Community paramedicine programs can also conduct safety checks of home durable medical equipment like nebulizers, wheelchairs, or continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) machines.

Local

Data

An analysis funded by the HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response indicates that approximately 15 percent of Medicare patients transported to the ED by ambulance can be safely cared for in other settings if available in a community. National models suggest that if these patients were transported to a physician's office, Medicare could save \$559.871 million per year and if they were treated at home, it is expected the savings would be significantly higher. Cost data for Medicaid are not available but expected to be even greater. In 2006, Medicare and Medicaid paid 20 percent and 21 percent respectively of ED charges.

Local data goes here—What local data do we have about ED visits, falls, etc.

Wait times on ER

Strategy

As the nation faces the possibility of increasing healthcare costs, there is significant opportunity for EMS systems to be part of the solution and help reduce the incidence of costly care for Marathon County patients. CCP could reduce downstream emergency department and hospitalization costs while increasing

patient care quality and safety by changing their service delivery. CCP could triage of patients calling 911 without dispatch of an ambulance, treat patients without transport, transport patients to a clinic or other provider for an unscheduled visit, for example.

The Community Paramedic model increases the availability of preventative services, and as a result, is expected to have the following outcomes:

- Increased care coordination
- Decrease in injuries including falls
- Reduced emergency department visits
- Reduced hospital readmissions
- Increased referrals to community services
- Decrease overall healthcare costs
- Better community health outcomes through preventive care that impacts communicable and chronic diseases

Other examples include:

- Manatee County Department of Public Safety Community Health Program (formerly the Community Paramedicine), funded by local tax dollars, serves frequent emergency service utilizers and patients who have diabetes, respiratory conditions, and substance use disorder, as well as people experiencing frequent falls. Initially only serving patients with diabetes, the program added a new patient population to its program every 60 days, taking a year to roll out its full capacity and reach. Patients are referred to the program through a variety of methods: paramedics use their 911 call database to identify eligible patients; paramedics refer patients through their documentation platform; and primary care providers, hospital staff members, churches, and social groups may refer patients to the program. Patients may remain in the program for a maximum of 90 days. On average, patients spend 65-68 days in the program. To graduate from the program, patients must meet the health goals set by the community paramedics, be aligned with a primary care provider, and have not used the pre-hospital system or had an unplanned hospital visit in the last 30 days. If necessary, the program provides patients with medical supplies, like walkers and wheelchairs, from its medical supply lending closet. The program uses an electronic healthcare coordination platform developed for EMS providers, which allows the community paramedics to document their interactions with each patient and review documentation from pharmacists, social workers, and other providers. Program leadership meet quarterly with emergency medical service groups and state leadership to share ideas, success stories, and challenges in treating their patient population
- ThedaCare and Gold Cross Ambulance in northeastern Wisconsin have partnered to develop a community paramedicine program that serves a variety of patients referred from hospital and primary care settings. Through funding from the Moore Foundation's Community Management of Medication Complexity Innovation Lab, the team was able to expand its program to focus on patients whose complex prescription regimens put them at increased risk of hospitalization. By developing a Medication Risk Score, community paramedics were better able to assess which patients needed extra support to improve their health. The criteria for who is served through ThedaCare's community paramedicine program evolved over the course of the pilot. Initially, patients had to have made three or more visits to the ED in six months, or six or more over the

course of a year to participate. Eventually, primary care physicians also began referring patients about whom they had serious concerns, i.e., a patient who was not taking her prescribed medications correctly; a patient who had multiple clinic and specialist visits, yet still seemed confused about managing her health; or a patient whose adult children called multiple times with concerns about their parent.

- Tri-County Health Care EMS in Wadena, Minnesota, provides home visits to patients at high risk of readmissions and works with clients who are frequent emergency medical service users (<http://naemt.org/docs/default-source/community-paramedicine/Toolkit/tricounty-case-study-1.pdf>). The program also receives referrals from providers who have identified patients needing additional support obtaining health resources. Every two weeks, program clients receive a visit from a multi-disciplinary team that includes a social worker, who is able to further tailor their care plan or make additional referrals as needed.
- A pilot program in Fort Worth, Texas, saw a 61% reduction in ambulance rides, according to an academic study of 64 patients. MedStar, the operator, made the effort permanent and says its 904 participants needed 48% fewer ambulance trips, saving an estimated \$8.5 million over eight years. News, A. Z. / K. H. (2023, May 12). No emergency needed: Community paramedics in Wisconsin, elsewhere visit patients at home. Wisconsin Watch. <https://wisconsinwatch.org/2023/05/no-emergency-needed-community-paramedics-in-wisconsin-elsewhere-visit-patients-at-home/>

Recommendation

Marathon County stands to benefit immensely from the implementation of a CCP Program, aimed at enhancing healthcare accessibility and quality within our community. As a region characterized by diverse demographics and vast geographical spread, traditional emergency medical services often face challenges in providing timely and proactive healthcare interventions to residents. By introducing a CCP program, we can bridge these gaps by leveraging the unique skill set of paramedics to deliver preventive care, chronic disease management, and community health education directly to individuals within their homes and neighborhoods. This program aligns with the evolving paradigm of healthcare, emphasizing proactive measures to improve health outcomes while reducing unnecessary emergency room visits and hospital admissions. This proposal signifies our commitment to innovation and proactive healthcare delivery, ultimately leading to a healthier, more resilient community in Marathon County in addition to a more strategic use of existing resources.

Community Care Paramedic Job Overview

1.0 FTE CCP will report to EMS Division Chief. 40 per week, 8-hour shifts. The pilot program would focus on high utilizers of the emergency services and individuals who are at highest risk of falls within our community. In the future, this focus will be widened to include external referrals and individuals with comorbidities.

Budget

First-Year (2024) Community Care Medic		On-going (2025 +) Community Care Medic	
Wages & Benefits	\$110,000	Wages & Benefits	\$113,000
Equipment (First year)	\$65,000	Equipment	\$5,000
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Vehicle Lease	\$12,000	Vehicle Lease	\$12,000
Total Estimated First Year	\$192,000	Total Estimated Annual Cost	\$130,000

Aspirus commitment: 40% of total cost for 3 years

Community Foundation commitment: 40% of total cost for 3 years

Other foundations and grants will be reviewed in an effort to cover the entire cost of the program or future program growth.

By assessing and stabilizing at-risk patients, paramedics can avoid unnecessary emergency department visits, generating savings of approximately \$1,900 per case. Back in 2014, leaders at Commonwealth Care Alliance (CCA), a not-for-profit healthcare organization and integrated delivery system that cares for dual eligible beneficiary members in Massachusetts, set out to reduce unnecessary use of the emergency department (ED), which its members were 300 percent more likely to visit than the general population. CCA partnered with a local ambulance company to pilot a mobile integrated health program in eastern Massachusetts that expanded paramedics' traditional scope of practice. According to the period ending on June 30, 2018, the pilot program helped safely prevent an ED visit or hospital admission 82 percent of the time, saving approximately \$6 million. Hegwer, L. R. (2019, February 15). Community Paramedicine Saves Organization \$6M in 1 Year. HFMA. <https://www.hfma.org/operations-management/cost-reduction/63296/#:~:text=By%20assessing%20and%20stabilizing%20at>

Implementation milestones

Obtain approval from HR committee

- Obtain approval from Public Health and Safety
- Obtain approval from City Council
- Obtain funding agreement through collaborative partnership with Aspirus Clinics, Inc.
- Hire and train new CCP
- Implement new program in collaboration with partners
- Present mid-year data collected on program to key stakeholders
- Evaluate program at 1-year anniversary



Wausau Police Department

515 Grand Ave

Wausau, WI 54403

Ph. 715-261-7800

From: Chief Matthew Barnes
To: Public Health and Safety Committee
Date: 03/06/2024
RE: Increase Wausau PD authorized staffing

Within the last three months the homeless population in Wausau has grown significantly and at a rate not anticipated. With that growth in population the Wausau Police Department has been addressing an increasing number of ordinance violations, crimes, and an overall reduction in the quality of life.

Within the Wausau Police Department, we have been utilizing our patrol officers to respond and address situations involving our unhoused population. Sometimes that involves encouraging the use of resources, and sometimes it involves enforcement of our ordinances and statutes. The amount of time being spent primarily in our downtown and parks has caused a reduction in the regular patrol activities throughout the rest of the city.

I have significant concerns regarding the current and future impact this situation will have on this community. I firmly believe addressing the homeless situation is not a lost cause. We still have a small window of time to develop a strategy, implement new initiatives, and improve our situation.

The Wausau Police Department is requesting support and approval to move forward with adding two additional officers to our authorized staffing. These two officers will be part of a team approach to working with the unhoused. They will attempt to build trust and encourage utilization of resources. The officers will also ensure we have appropriate enforcement of our laws, ordinances, and social norms. This team will work daily to ensure our parks, library, parking ramps, new developments, and downtown are protected and a safe place to be.

We will utilize our Crisis Assessment Response Team (CART) as a staffing model. The CART model has relieved workload from our patrol bureau, delivered better and less restrictive care for those in crisis, and saved significant dollars. We anticipate the proposed team of officers will have similar results.

I realize the timing of this request is not consistent with our normal budget process. During 2023 we had no intention of seeking an increase in staffing to address this issue. The recent increase in criminal and negative behavior in this population and the reduction in the quality of life has created an exigency to this need. The consequences of waiting to implement additional police resources could be catastrophic.

Matthew Barnes
Chief

Todd Baeten
Deputy Chief

Benjamin Graham
Detective Captain

Melinda Pauls
Patrol Captain

Nathan Cihlar
Administrative Captain



Wausau Police Department

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The job description for these positions will be very similar to our patrol officer job description with a few adjustments. My intention is to make those adjustments with the guidance and counsel from Mr. Henderson.

I am confident this new program is necessary. I look forward to answering all your questions and providing insight into the current state.

Thank you,



Matthew Barnes
Chief of Police, Wausau Police Department
715-261-7807
515 Grand Avenue, Wausau, WI 54403



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STAFF MEMO

TO: Public Health & Safety Committee Members

FROM: Anne Jacobson, City Attorney

DATE: March 15, 2024

RE: Committee discussion and possible action on committee duties and responsibilities

Purpose: To provide background and a review of the duties and responsibilities of this Standing Committee of the Common Council (Ch. 216, Rule 13), for purposes of making recommendations for amendments, or revisions, if warranted.

Background:

1. Code References (*see attached)

In reviewing the duties and responsibilities of the standing committees of the Common Council, I found multiple references in the Wausau Municipal Code to “Public Health and Safety Committee,” and the actual list is attached in numerical order, with a brief summary of those provisions here:

- Ch. 2 – may delegate citation issuing officials; Chair is a member of Appeals Board
- Ch. 3 – may waive required payment of money owed the City as a condition precedent to receiving a license/permit
- Ch. 5 – contains a list of various licenses or permits for which the committee reviews applications, makes recommendations to Council, and may suspend, revoke or non-renew a license/permit (operation of public vehicles, adult-oriented establishments, escort services, public exhibition and tavern entertainment, Entertainment Facility, Pawnbroker, Secondhand Article Dealer and Secondhand Jewelry Dealers, Direct Sellers, public right-of-way obstructions, alcohol beverage licenses, sidewalk cafes, mobile vending, horse drawn carriage, commercial quadricycle routes
- Ch. 8 – nonrenewal, suspension or revocation of commercial kennel permits and pet fancier permits; acts as a quasi-judicial body to hear appeals of dangerous and prohibited dangerous animal designations,
- Ch. 9 – grants exemptions from prohibitions against consumption or possession of intoxicants on streets and may recommend waiver of grilling prohibitions for special events, and makes determinations regarding chronic nuisances/landlords
- Ch. 10 – grants exemption for special event from compliance with prohibition of possession and consumption of intoxicants in parking meter lots or ramps
- Ch. 12 – Consents to street closings in Central Business District; makes recommendations regarding parklet installation permits
- Ch. 16 – acts a quasi-judicial body in ordering rent abatement for qualifying code violations
- Ch. 17 – acts as a quasi-judicial body in hearing appeals of suspension, revocation or non-renewal of open fire or burning permits

2. City website (*See attached)

The description posted on the City's website [of unknown origin] follows:

It will be the duties of the Public Health & Safety Committee to:

- Investigate and make recommendations concerning needed new and revised legislation
- Recommend policies for the administration of the Police and Fire Departments along with the Police and Fire Chief
- Make recommendations for the purchase of vehicles and equipment of the Police and Fire Departments
- Investigate, study and recommend any needed improvements or consolidations that will make the operations of the Police and Fire Departments more efficient or effective
- Investigate all applications for licenses and to make recommendations for the granting or denial thereof
- Recommend ways of improving present licensing ordinances and to study the licensing of additional activities and the setting of the fees therefor
- Investigate and make recommendations concerning the state of housing stock in the city and the rehabilitation and improvement of that stock
- Work with the various departments of the city and with the various state and federal agencies on legislation dealing with housing, safety and on obtaining public funding for housing purposes;
- Investigate, coordinate and make recommendations concerning groundwater contamination, air quality and other environmental issues
- Work with the City Department of Community Development and to make recommendations concerning the programs that it administers as they relate to this committee

3. From the "1966 Report" (April 12, 1966 Duties of Council Committees Report to Council)

Judiciary and Regulatory Committee:

- To investigate and make recommendations concerning needed new and revised legislation to recommend rules for the administration of the police and fire department along with the police and fire chiefs
- To make recommendations for the purchase of vehicles and equipment of the police and fire departments
- To investigation, study and recommend any needed improvements or consolidations that will make the operations of the police and fire department more efficient or effective
- To investigate all applications for licenses concerning intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages and to make recommendations for the granting or denial thereof after consideration of the report of the police department
- To recommend ways of improving present licensing ordinances and to study the licensing of additional activities and the setting of the fees therefor

Recommendation:

For this standing committee, where there exist no applicable statutes, Council approved resolutions or policies which impact the duties of this committee, I would simply recommend a review of the ordinances, and further, that the summary which appears on the City's website be updated to reflect those duties and responsibilities currently reflected in the ordinances.

Wausau Municipal Code References to “Public Health and Safety Committee”

2.16.010 – Public Health and Safety (“PHSC”) listed as a standing committee of the Common Council

2.20.040 – PHSC may delegate authority to authorize officials designated by ordinance to name subordinates who may also issue uniform ordinance violation citations

2.21.030 – Chair of PHSC to be member of Administrative Review Appeals Board (Appeals Board)

3.06.010 – PHSC authorized to waive requirement that payment of all special assessments and room taxes, forfeitures or judgments, except moving traffic violations and all other judgments due to the City at the time of application for any license or permit, be made as a condition precedent to receiving license/permit

5.04.030 – PHSC – to review and make recommendation to Common Council, permits for operation of public vehicles

5.18.050 – PHSC to review applications for adult-oriented establishments and make recommendation to Council for issuance or nonissuance of license

5.18.090 – PHSC to hold hearing to determine whether to revoke or suspend license of adult-oriented establishment

5.19.040 – PHSC to approve or disapprove applications for license to operate escort service

5.19.050 – PHSC may postpone action on application for operation of an escort service if pending charges would disqualify applicant, if convicted

5.19.070 – PHSC to review license application for operating an escort service, and take steps if denial of license is recommended

5.19.080 – PHSC may suspend, revoke or non-renew an escort service license

5.20.020 – PHSC to review activities associated with Tavern Entertainment License

5.20.040 – PHSC holds non-renewal hearing for Public Exhibition and Tavern Entertainment license and makes recommendation to Council

5.26.070 – PHSC procedure for approval of Entertainment Facility License

5.26.080 – PHSC may grant extended operating hours to a licensed entertainment facility to 2:00 a.m., subject to Council approval

5.26.090 – PHSC to hold hearing on complaint and make recommendation to Common Council to suspend, revoke or non-renew license

5.52.190 – PHSC to hold hearing on complaint and make recommendation to Common Council to suspend, revoke, or non-renew Pawnbroker, Secondhand Article Dealer and Secondhand Jewelry Dealers Licenses

5.60.090 – PHSC may revoke Direct Seller license after notice and hearing

5.62.040 – PHSC to approve or disapprove application for mobile vending license

5.62.050 – PHSC may suspend, revoke or non-renew a mobile vending license

5.63.030 – PHSC grants permit for obstructions within the public rights of way

5.63.040 – Chair of PHSC to receive copy of obstruction permit application received by Inspections Division

5.63.070 – PHSC to take action within 30 days of receipt of permit application for obstructions within the public rights of way

5.63.090 – PHSC procedure to hold hearing on complaint and make recommendation to Common Council to suspend, revoke, or non-renew permit

5.64.078 – PHSC to assess points for alcohol beverage violations

5.64.150 – PHSC may waive enclosure requirement for picnic license holders upon submission of an alcohol control plan (per event) and may add additional restrictions/conditions

5.64.160 – License to sell alcohol beverages may be subject to revocation, suspension or non-renewal by PHSC if premises abandoned (not built/not open)

5.65.030 – PHSC to grant permits for sidewalk cafes before one may be operated on public street/sidewalk

5.65.040 – Copy of application for sidewalk café permit to be supplied to PHSC Chair

5.65.080 – PHSC to take action within 30 days of receipt of permit application for sidewalk café

5.65.100 – PHSC procedure to hold hearing on complaint and make recommendation to Common Council to suspend, revoke or non-renew sidewalk café license

5.72.040 – PHSC approves licenses for public vehicle licensing

5.73.070 – PHSC to recommend to Council, approved routes for commercial quadricycles

5.74.030 – PHSC to review application for license for Horse-Drawn Carriage

8.08.012 – PHSC to administratively review ordinance regarding of keeping of chickens one year from its effective date (2017)

8.08.120 - PHSC to revoke, suspend or non-renew pet fancier permit, upon notice and hearing

8.08.174 – PHSC to recommend to Council, permission to a domestic charitable corporation incorporated exclusively for the purpose of protecting animals from cruelty, neglect or abuse, or have contracted with City for taking in stray animals (exempt from commercial kennel permit fees)

8.08.175 – PHSC, upon notice and hearing, to make final decision on commercial kennel permit nonrenewal, suspension or revocation

8.08.176 – PHSC to make final determination regarding commercial kennel constituting a public nuisance, after notice and hearing

8.08.200 – PHSC to act as quasi-judicial body in hearing appeals of dangerous and prohibited dangerous animal designations of Police Chief/designee, subject to further appeal to circuit court

9.04.025 – PHSC may grant exemptions from prohibitions against consumption or possession of intoxicants on streets for special events, subject to Common Council approval

9.20.020 – PHSC may recommend waivers of grilling prohibition on 400 Block to special events, to Common Council

9.24.070 – PHSC acts as quasi-judicial body to hold hearing and make final determination on appeal of designation of Chronic nuisance premises or landlord, or rejection of owner's abatement plan

10.48.122 – PHSC may, upon Council approval, grant exemptions from the provisions of this section for approved special event at least 60 days in advance (possession and consumption of intoxicants prohibited) (applies to parking meter lot or ramp)

12.44.040 – PHSC to consent, along with the Police Chief, to street closings in the central business district for up to 24 hours for street sales, promotions, and the like

12.44.070 – PHSC hears appeals of any recommendations for denial, or the imposition of restrictions upon a parklet installation permit made by Director of Public Works and Utilities and makes recommendation to Council

16.04.037 – PHSC may order rent abatement based upon rent impairing code violations, following notice and hearing

17.24.020 – PHSC acts as a quasi-judicial body to hear appeals of suspension, revocation or non-renewal of an open fire or burning permit; may also consider application which Fire Marshal determines does not meet ordinance requirements, and make recommendation to disapprove to Council

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

Standing Committees are comprised of five council members for the purpose of investigating various topics or public concerns related to their specific committee in order to make recommendations to the full council for appropriate action. A description of the committee structure precedes each committee membership roster.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND STREET MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE +

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE +

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE +

FINANCE COMMITTEE +

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE +

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE +

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE -

Public Health & Safety Committee

(View Minutes & Agendas)

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Regular Meeting Schedule: 3rd Monday of every month @ 5:15 pm. Meetings are only held upon issuance of the official agenda notice. Please check the calendar to confirm whether the meeting will be held.

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Date: March 4, 2024

To: Chief Barnes

From: Lt. Peter Fish

Subject: Tavern Report: February 1, 2024 – February 29, 2024

ROUTINE TAVERN INSPECTIONS*

TAVERN NAME	LOCATION	INSPECTION Y/N	VIOLATION(S)
Pregame Pub	2002 N 6th St	Y	N
Bob & Randy's Bar	1515 N 6th St	N	N
Cop Shoppe Pub	701 Washington St	Y	N
Domino Bar	740 Washington St	Y	N
El Jalapenos	300 N 3rd St	Y	N
Glass Hat	1203 N 3rd St	Y	N
Hiawatha Restaurant & Lounge	713 Grant St	Y	N
Intermission	325 N 4th St	Y	N
Limerick's Public House	121 Scott St	Y	N
Loppnow's Bar	1502 N 3rd St	Y	N
Malarkey's	412 N 3rd St	Y	N
Oz	320 Washington St	Y	N
Polack Inn	1206 N 3rd St	Y	N
Timekeeper Distillery	607 Grant St	Y	N
Wausau on the Water (WOW)	1300 N River Dr	N	N
Bull Falls Brewery	901 E. Thomas St	N	N
Kin and Kind	2108 Grand Ave	Y	N
Chellis St. Pub	265 Chellis St	Y	N
Christine's Bar	936 S. 3rd Ave	N	N
Denmar Tavern	601 W Thomas St	Y	N
Eagle's Club	1703 S 3rd Ave	Y	N
Jim's Corner Pub	1244 S 9th Ave	Y	N
The Bar and Grill	1025 S 3rd Ave	Y	N
Treu's Tic Toc Club	1201 W Thomas St	Y	N
M&R Station	818 S 3rd Ave	Y	N
Days Bowl-A-Dome	1715 Stewart Ave	Y	N
Hutch's Bar	4411 Stewart Ave	Y	N
Whiskey River Bar & Grill	5512 Stewart Ave	Y	N

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101 Pub	101 N 3rd Ave	Y	N
After Shock Bar and Grill	1418 Lenard St	Y	N
Callon Street Pub	209 Callon St	Y	N
Campus Pub	1110 W Campus Dr	NA	NA
Chatterbox Bar	102 S 2nd Ave	Y	N
Cruisin	1724 Merrill Ave	Y	N
Labor Temple	318 S 3rd Ave	Y	N
North End Pub	1002 N 3rd Ave	Y	N
Lickity Splitz	1709 Merrill Ave	Y	N
Newch's Eatery	1810 Merrill Ave	Y	N

*During a routine tavern inspection, officers check for the following:

Sober, licensed bartender present.

Presence of underage persons.

Intoxicated persons being served.

Entertainment license posted if applicable.

In addition to the listed tasks, officers often conduct walkthroughs of taverns, especially when observing large crowds to establish a visible presence, aiming to discourage criminal activities and to encourage compliance with ordinances related to alcohol licenses.

CONVENIENCE/GROCERY STORE INSPECTIONS

None.

RESTAURANT INSPECTIONS

None.

ALCOHOL COMPLIANCE CHECKS*

None.

*Alcohol Compliance Check Procedure: Police officers conduct alcohol compliance checks by deploying with underage volunteer(s) to taverns and other licensed establishments selling or serving alcoholic beverages to ensure compliance with ordinances related to alcohol licenses.

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ACTIVITY LOG

Cop Shoppe Pub, 701 Washington Street

- (1) *Event #24013700, 02/01/2024 at 00:40 Hours, CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS:* Officers responded to the report of a theft of a firearm from a vehicle. It is unknown where in relation to the tavern the vehicle was parked. As a result, a report was completed, entering the firearm as stolen.
- (2) *Event #2416319, 02/07/2024 at 00:34 Hours, FIGHT:* Officers responded to the report of a fight. The bartender claimed they did not see anything, and if there was a fight it must have occurred outside. Officers were not able to locate any victims or suspects.
- (3) *Event #24017699, 02/09/2024 at 19:34 hours, CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS:* Officers responded to the report of a female who was pounding her fists on the bar, refusing to leave. As a result, the female was arrested for possession of methamphetamine and disorderly conduct. It should be noted this was the same female from Event #24024778 who was arrested under similar circumstances at the Labor Temple.

M&R Station, 818 South 3rd Avenue

- (1) *Event #24001721, 02/24/2024 at 02:15 Hours, CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS:* As a result of a 911 hang up, an adult female was arrested on charges of battery and disorderly conduct. Two females were in a physical fight which was reportedly related to, "Baby daddy drama."
- (1) Officers conducted eight (8) Bar Checks in February, three of which were requested by staff based on their discomfort with the customers and/or size of the crowd in the bar. Some of the checks were in response to a refused caller's tip of a bartender driving drunk from the bar after their shift.

Christine's Bar, 936 South 3rd Avenue

- (1) *Event #24018281, 02/11/2024, 01:26 Hours, CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS:* Officers responded to the report of two patrons who were grabbing females, becoming confrontational and refusing to leave. Upon arrival all involved persons were gone, including any potential victims.



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Denmar Tavern, 601 West Thomas Street

- (1) *Event #24014551, 02/02/2024 at 17:55 Hours, MEDICAL EMERGENCY:* An employee called to report a male on the ground who would not get up who they believed was under the influence of drugs. Prior to officers and EMS arrival, the male fled on foot and was not located.

Labor Temple, 318 South 3rd Avenue

- (1) *Event #24021497, 2/17/2024 at 22:41 Hours, CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS:* Officers responded to a report of a female sitting in the bar for over one hour, asking customers for money, while stating she wanted to go to jail, stating she would not leave until officers take her to jail. Officers made contact with the female, and she was arrested for violating the terms of her probation. It should be noted this was the same female from Event #24017699 who was arrested under similar circumstances at the Cop Shoppe Pub.
- (2) *Event #24024778, 2/25/2024, 01:40 Hours, CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS:* Officers responded to the report of a male who was reportedly trying to fight people. As a result, the male was arrested on a Department of Corrections warrant, Resisting and Disorderly Conduct.

AFTERSHOCK BAR AND GRILL, 1418 Lenard Street

- (1) *Event #24024322, 02/23/2024, at 22:24 Hours, NOISE COMPLAINT:* An officer responded to the report of "Very loud" music. Upon arrival (22 min after the complaint was called in) the officer did not observe any loud music. The officer contacted the bar and reminded them to keep the volume to an acceptable level.

CRUISIN, 1724 Merrill Avenue

- (1) Eleven (11) checks/extra patrols were conducted during the month of February. Each time, the bar was closed except for 2/15/2024 when an officer noted the establishment was open.

NORTH END PUB, 1002 North 3rd Avenue

- (1) *Event #24021398, 02/17/2024, 19:25 Hours, MEDICAL EMERGENCY:* Officers responded to the report of an unresponsive female in the parking lot. Officers assisted by conducting CPR until Wausau Fire personnel took over. The female was



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transported to Aspirus Hospital where she was later pronounced deceased. Prior to the medical emergency it was reported the female was walking on her own and was not complaining of any discomfort.

DEMERIT POINTS ASSESSED

No demerit points were assessed during February. See the attached addendum detailing current demerit points.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pete Fish".

Lt. Peter Fish



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ADDENDUM #1 of 1: CURRENT DEMERIT POINTS

TAVERN NAME	VIOLATION	POINTS ASSESSED	DATE
C&B Supermarket	Sale/Serve Underage	25	4/20/2023
Matt's 101 Pub	Sale/Serve Underage	25	4/20/2023
Christine's Bar	Leaving With Open Container	25	5/7/2023
Cop Shoppe Pub	Sale/Serve Underage	25	6/7/2023
Whiskey River Bar & Grill	Open After Hours	25	6/19/2023
Aftershock Bar & Grill	Sale/Serve Underage	25	6/27/2023
Kwik Trip #728 (Kent St)	Sale/Serve Underage	25	6/27/2023
Moua's Callon Street Pub	Sale/Serve Underage	25	6/27/2023
Wagner Shell Gas Station	Sale/Serve Underage	25	6/27/2023
Loppnow's Bar	Sale/Serve Underage	25	8/09/2023
Wausau On Water	No Licensed Bartender	50	8/19/2023
Denmar Tavern	No Licensed Bartender	50	9/19/2023
El Jalapeno's	No Licensed Bartender	50	9/19/2023
M&R Station	Disorderly Conduct W/Firearm	25	9/20/2023

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To: Public Health and Safety Committee

From: Tracy Rieger, Community Outreach Specialist

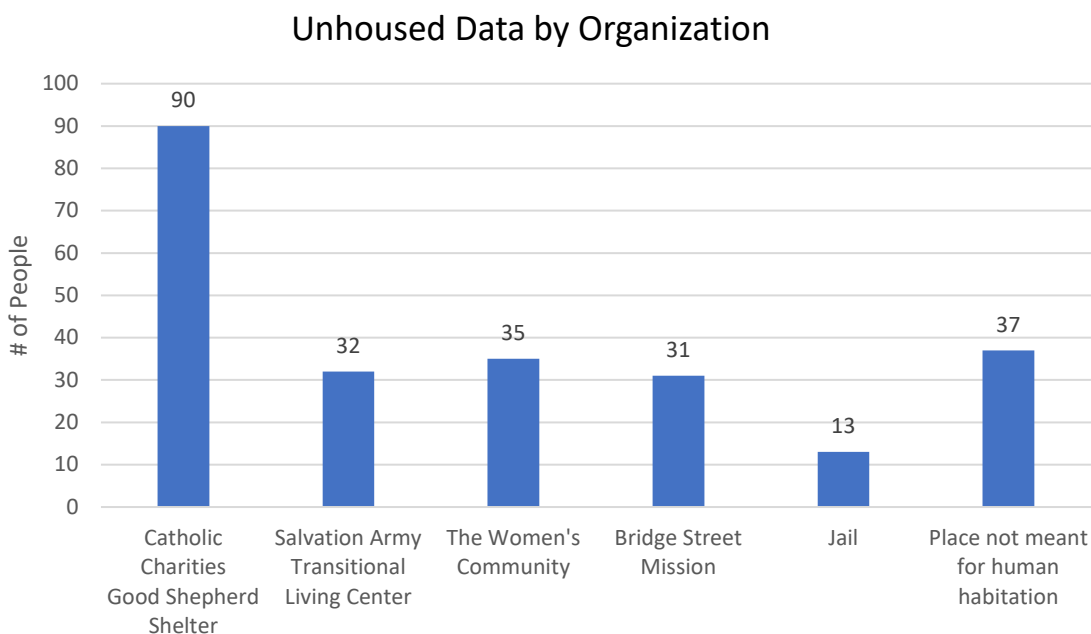
Date: February 19, 2024

Re: Community Outreach Update



Unhoused Data

The following graph shows the number of unduplicated¹ persons housed by each organization in the previous month.



Unhoused Data Summary

In February, data suggests there were approximately 238 unhoused individuals in Wausau. As indicated in the footnote, 238 is not the true number of unhoused. As of today, organizations do not cross-reference names when coming up with their unduplicated count. This means an unhoused individual may be part of more than one organization's count, thereby inflating the true number of unhoused. An example is provided in the footnote. This number also does not include those individuals who are considered "couch surfing".

¹ The numbers reflected do not eliminate duplicates across organizations. For example, a person who stays at Catholic Charities and the Salvation Army in the same month will count as 1 person for each organization.

In the graph above, 84 percent of the unhoused sought or received shelter in the month of February, 16 percent of the unhoused were living outside, or in places not meant for human habitation.

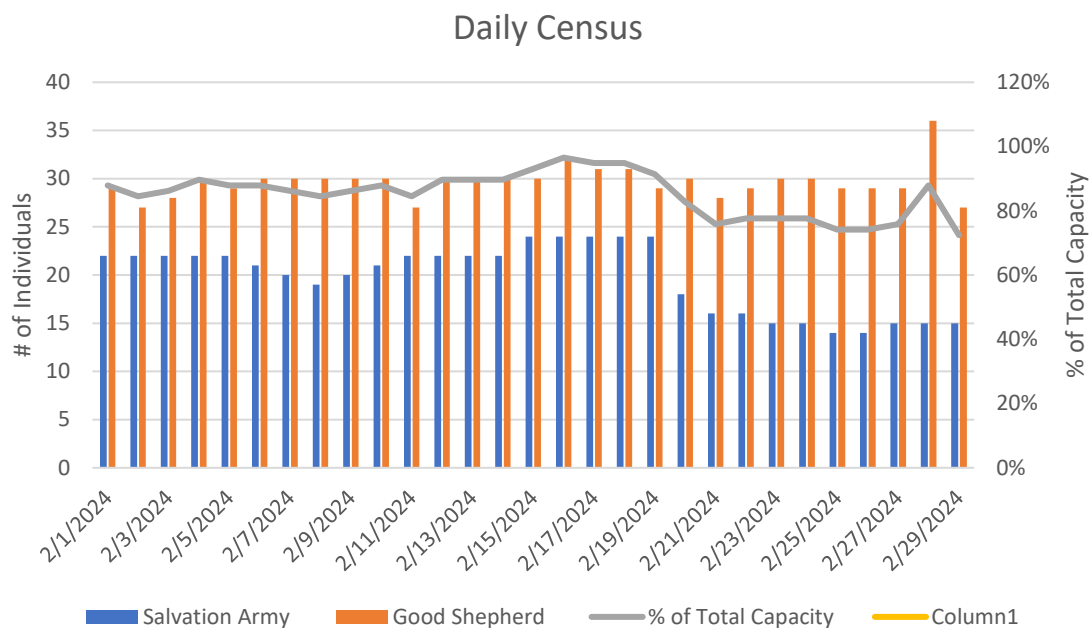
The Women's Community data includes crime victims who sought shelter because their home was unsafe. This number reflects both single females (15) and their children (20).

Bridge Street Mission includes individuals who have received shelter after release from jail/prison, drug rehab, or homelessness. In previous reports, the number reported to this committee only reflected a small number of individuals who sought shelter in preparation for being transitioned into the "apartments" on the main level of the building. The number reflected should include all individuals who are housed at Bridge Street Mission, because without this amazing program in our community, 31 (per this month's census) individuals would likely be unhoused in our community.

The Marathon County Jail includes individuals who identify as "homeless" or "unhoused" at the time of booking.

Daily Census

We are working hard to collaborate with partner organizations to get a handle on shelter capacity in Wausau. It's important to know if we're meeting or exceeding capacity. The Salvation Army has a capacity of 28 (18 male bunks, 2 family rooms to equal 10 total bunks). Good Shepherd Shelter has a capacity of 30 but can expand to 40 when temperatures fall below 15 degrees or above 90 degrees. In sum, there is shelter space for 58 individuals on a given night between the 2 organizations.



Daily Census Summary

On average, capacity was at 85 percent for the month of February. The Salvation Army did not reach maximum capacity at all for the month of February. Catholic Charities was at or over their capacity a total of 17 days in the month of February.

Continued collaboration exists to ensure that the unhoused population have access to services.

We continue to work with our partner organizations to learn how many people are turned away each day. In addition to capacity, individuals are turned away for a variety of other reasons. The “turn-away” statistics for the month of February are as follows: Catholic Charities = 117 (all were turned away due to capacity) and Salvation Army = 6 (6 males turned away due to criminal record).

Outreach Update

In February, outreach resulted in 2 individuals receiving housing. 7 individuals met with Outreach Specialist and were given resources and assistance with housing applications, etc. Year to date, 46 individuals have been assisted into stable housing. 9 of the 4 have re-entered homelessness due to eviction or mediated agreement to vacate the property.

In addition to assisting with housing, we have also provided additional aid like transportation to medical/psychiatric appointments, bus passes, medication management, collaboration with St. Vincent DePaul, Catholic Charities, NCCAP, Social Services, Probation/Parole, and CW Solutions (FSET). Assistance was also provided with obtaining identification, setting individuals up with additional services through the ADRC as well as Community Treatment through NCHC. Case Management is a service provided through both resources.

Collaboration with landlords and other non-profit agencies is on-going. Office hours at agencies throughout the city have proven beneficial in reaching the unhoused population.

Challenges and Opportunities

While we celebrate every time an unhoused individual achieves stable housing, the work does not and cannot end there. Generally, the unhoused population is vulnerable. Without someone providing ongoing support, management, intervention, accountability, and aid, the chances of remaining housed wane dramatically. In other words, our work can and will be undone in short order without systems to sustain the work. Thankfully, there are systems in place, but there are also gaps. Where gaps in case management exist, we are filling that void. We recognize, however, that our time and resources are limited in this regard. As a result, we are working to improve our understanding and relationship with existing systems while also exploring solutions that not only bridge the gap to housing, but to the essential supports that will make housing permanent.

Community on call

Community on call was activated one night in the month of February, resulting in 10 individuals being sheltered at Bridge Street Mission.