



OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

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Meeting of the: **PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE**
Date/Time: **Monday, February 20, 2023 @ 5:15 pm**
Location: **City Hall (407 Grant Street) - Council Chambers**
Members: Lisa Rasmussen, Lou Larson, Becky McElhaney, Doug Diny, Chad Henke

AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION / ACTION

- 1 Approve minutes of previous meetings. (1/16/2023)
 - 2 Consider approval or denial of various license applications
 - 3 Discussion and possible action on Resolution Supporting Reduction of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Energy Security.
 - 4 Discussion and possible action approving update to City of Wausau's Americans with Disabilities Act Title II Policy, Accommodation Request Form, Notice and Complaint Form
 - 5 Discussion and possible action regarding an Ordinance Amending Section 9.24.050 Safety and Peace Nuisances
 - 6 Operations Report from Fire Department January 2023
 - 7 Tavern Activities Report - January 1, 2023 through January 31, 2023
 - 8 Community Outreach Update
 - 9 Communications
- Adjourn

Lisa Rasmussen, Chairperson

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PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Date and Time: Monday, January 16, 2023, at 5:15 pm, (Council Chambers)

Members Present: Lisa Rasmussen, Chad Henke, Doug Diny, Lou Larson, Becky McElhaney

Others Present: Nathan Miller, Ben Bliven, Jeremy Kopp, Tracy Rieger, Kaitlyn Bernarde, Mary Goede, Phil Rentmeester

Minutes of previous meetings. (12/19/22)

Chad Henke pointed out an error in the motion he made to approve the Electric Scooter ordinance, which should Doug Diny as the second instead of himself.

Motion by Larson, second by Diny to approve the minutes of the previous meeting with the correction. Motion carried 5-0.

Consider approval or denial of various license applications

Lisa Rasmussen indicated there was a denial recommendation for Elizabeth Gallion for a Public Transport Driver License. It was noted Elizabeth Gallion was not present.

Rasmussen stated the Liquor License Review Subcommittee met just before this meeting to review an application for a Class B Beer & Liquor License and the Plan of Operation of Szaltz, LLC for the premise at 525 Fulton Street. Taqueria Tres Hermanos is currently operating in that premise but is planning to relocate to another building on 6th Street. It will be closed for a period for remodeling and Szaltz plan to open in the spring. The application was unanimously recommended for approval.

Motion by Henke, second by Diny to approve or deny licenses as recommended by staff. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action regarding adoption of the Marathon County all Hazards Mitigation plan 2022 update.

Rasmussen noted this item and the next are approved by this committee every so often on a cyclical basis.

Motion by Larson, second by Henke to approve the 2022 plan update. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action regarding adoption of the National Incident Management System (NIMS)

Motion by McElhaney, second by Diny to approve. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action on an Ordinance Amending Section 8.08.001 Definitions, Section 8.08.120 Number of dogs and cats limited, Section 8.08.270 Penalty; Creating Section 8.08.171 Permitting of commercial kennels, Section 8.08.172 Commercial kennel permit fees, Section 8.08.173 Permit application process, Section 8.08.174 General permit provisions, Section 8.08.175 Permit nonrenewal, suspension or revocation, Section 8.08.176 Abatement of nuisance at commercial kennel, Section 8.08.177 General facility standards, Section 8.08.178 Indoor facility standards, Section 8.08.179 Outdoor facility standards, Section 8.08.180 Enclosures, Section 8.08.181 Feeding and food receptacles

Nathan Miller explained he made some of the adjustments to the ordinance after committee discussion last month and a meeting with Humane Officer Ashlee Bishop. He stated he added that one of the conditions of granting the permit would be to provide a \$1 million liability insurance certificate, with the City of Wausau listed as an additional insured for notification purposes. He stated Bishop indicated there was one kennel in Wausau which requires their clients to provide proof of rabies vaccination and a negative Giardia test, and they felt that was a good idea. Another requirement was to have sufficient space of 14 sq ft per dog for an indoor and outdoor facility. He noted the Marathon County Humane Society is exempt from that requirement because the city contracts with them and it is not voluntary boarding.

Rasmussen noted the fee structure for compliance was set up for first, second, and third violations with progressively higher amounts. Miller stated there is also a process for suspension, revocation, or non-renewal. It was noted in the definition of commercial kennel the wording "including training for the purpose of hunting" will be added for clarification.

Motion by Larson, second by Diny to approve the ordinance permitting commercial kennels. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action regarding Authorizing the amendment of fees to the City of Wausau Fees and Licenses Schedule adopted pursuant to Wausau Municipal Code §3.40.010(a) relating to commercial kennel permit fees.

Nathan Miller explained this is just to set the permit/license fee. Rasmussen stated last month they discussed mirroring the permit fee to match other municipalities. Miller indicated \$100 is what is being charged in the communities around Wausau. Rasmussen noted this brings consistency for the Humane Officer, who also serves Weston.

Motion by Larson, second by Henke to approve \$100 for the Commercial Kennel Permit/License fee. Motion carried 5-0

Discussion and possible action Amending Section 1.01.025 Issuance of citations; Repealing Section 2.20.045 Enforcement of certain property violations

Rasmussen stated several years ago the Housing Blight Task Force looked at the most commonly issued inspection violations, such as vehicle parked in the wrong space, campers parked on lawns, garbage cans left out, etc. A suggestion was made to create the conduit for inspection staff to have discretion to immediately ticket these violations without a warning letter or opportunity to self-correct. Inspections has found when they sent out a letter to a homeowner asking for compliance on certain things, many of them did self-correct on either the first or second visit.

Rasmussen stated Bill Hebert, Inspections Director, has indicated it is not used and he recommends they repeal it. She commented often people are a new resident and may not be aware of a particular ordinance, so to be met with an immediate citation isn't very welcoming as a community. Nathan Miller added it also wasn't used because it was actually more work for them even though it was an instant ticket, and he did not like that it did not allow for due process or a chance to self-correct. He stated they never use it and don't like using it and there already is an established process of writing warning letters before issuing a citation or summons & complaint.

Becky McElhaney stated she was all for giving people a chance but expressed she has received a lot of feedback from her constituents that sometimes a letter is sent, and they come back two weeks later and send another letter, taking a long period of time to get the compliance. She indicated she had no problem repealing this but suggested they consider shortening the time for compliance. She commented in many instances it is taking a whole summer to get some people to comply because there is two or three weeks between the compliance checks. She felt the warning process was too long and it was frustrating for those that follow the rules.

Miller explained to the committee the entire process currently used by the city for inspection violations. Discussion followed regarding allowing extensions. *Video* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bRtNCyb5bVU>

Motion by Diny, second by Henke to approve the ordinance repealing Section 2.20.045, Enforcement of certain property violations. Motion carried 5-0.

Operations Report from Fire Department December 2022

Deputy Chief Jeremy Kopp noted it is a transitional year for the department with a lot of new hires starting in February. *Report placed on file.*

Wausau PD 2022 4th Quarter Operations Report and Tavern Activities Report – December 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022

Chief Ben Bliven commented he has previously talked about staffing levels and being understaffed because of a number of officers being in field training and our recruitment process. There are currently five officers in field training and five more that will be beginning recruit school next week, putting us essentially down 10 officers in our approximately 40 officer patrol bureau or a quarter of our staff. This has caused a strain on the team, specifically the patrol team working a lot of overtime. He did feel however, the contract negotiations that settled recently will assist in both retention and recruitment.

Bliven pointed out in the Investigative Bureau Report there were 36 total responses to drug overdoses in 2022, which is four less or about 10% reduction from 2021; nine of those overdoses were fatal compared to 12 fatal in 2021. The report also provi information regarding the costs for both on duty and off duty staff costs for special events.

Bliven stated they are working on developing a “Register A Camera Program” that is modeled after a program in Lacrosse. He explained it is a voluntary program for citizens that have home security cameras to allow them to notify the police they have them in the event we are looking for surveillance footage or witnesses in a specific case that may be helpful they can provide us that information. Typically, if there is a serious case in a neighborhood, we would canvass the neighborhood and go door-to-door knocking asking residents if they witnessed the crime or if they have security cameras. This program would allow us to execute that in a much faster more efficient manner by knowing where the cameras exist. He reiterated it is strictly voluntary and does not give us access to anyone’s cameras. Legal protocols still must be followed obtaining warrants and subpoenas, if necessary, if someone doesn’t want to give us those videos. *Report placed on file.*

Community Outreach Update Full presentation: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bRtNCyb5bVU>
Tracy Rieger, Outreach Coordinator, stated the numbers for December were in the meeting packet but she had one correction, the November number should be 193 instead of 220. There was a small increase in the unhoused population from November to December. She believed that number would continue to fluctuate month over month because it depends on people coming out of incarceration or from couch surfing. She noted in the month of December four additional unhoused individuals were housed with her assistance and some other partnering agencies. She pointed out there are a number of people in our community who are unhoused who are faced with some significant mental health and/or AODA issues that prevent them from seeking shelter indoors. She indicated case management is the biggest challenge for her. She stated she has started collaborating with Northcentral Health Care which has shown some positive results and hopes the momentum continues.

Becky McElhaney requested an elaboration of shelter rules and to publicly address the comments that people were turned away during the cold Christmas weekend.

Rieger indicated she could speak publicly about Catholic Charities rules because she used to be a part of it. She explained they are behavioral based, so there is a strike system put in place. When a guest comes in on intake, they review with the person who signs off on those rules, which are no weapons, no drugs, store things in a bin overnight, and be respectful of guests, staff & volunteers. She commented some people just can’t get a handle on that, whether they had a bad day, were using drugs, or had an issue with someone else there and their behavior got them kicked out. The three-strike policy is 10 days out for the first strike, 10 days out for the second strike, and 30 days out for the third; however, if it is 15 degrees or below outdoors Catholic Charities will raise that strike for the evening and allow them shelter. If they are turned away on a cold night, there is a process with the Salvation Army whereby they contact them to see if there is any bed space. They will also take the initiative to contact any other person, whether a friend or relative, to see if they can go there.

Rieger stated Salvation Army has a different subset of rules and they are a 90-day program-based shelter with some different expectations from Catholic Charities. Both shelters are considered low barrier, but Catholic Charities clients can stay there if they are sex offenders or have been using and come in intoxicated or altered in some way as long as they are able to self-care and be safe.

Rieger spoke to misinformation that people were turned away from the shelters during the Christmas holiday. She stated that was not accurate because the fact is that neither shelter was at capacity during that time. McElhaney wanted citizens to know there was room at the shelters to clear up any misconceptions because of media reports that they were full and turning people away. *Discussion followed.*

Communications

None

Adjourn

Motion by Henke, second by Diny to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:13 pm.

CLERK'S REPORT TO PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

February 20, 2023 Meeting

AGENDA ITEM # 2

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

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Applications as listed have or will have a background check run by staff and reviewed by the Police Chief or his 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.

1. Denial Recommendations:

Operator/Bartender: **Abedalrahman Sughayer** - Battery conviction 2013, exempt offense. Cocaine and OWI misdemeanor convictions in 2018; 2) **Staci Edgren** – Two OWI convictions within the past five years.

Public Transport Drivers: 1) **Michael Campobello** - There is a pending child abuse charge (948.03) which is an exempt offense. In addition, there are 2 misdemeanor drug convictions and 1 pending drug case; 2) **David Vargas** - Convicted felon with exempt substantial battery conviction in 2006. In addition, has multiple drug convictions as recent as 2017, some of which were felony drug convictions; 3) **Darrius Williams** - Aggravated Battery, Felon in Possession of Firearm, and False Imprisonment convictions. All felonies and exempt crimes. Also, multiple THC and OWI convictions in the last 10 years.

2. Regular Class B Beer & Liquor License: The Liquor License Review Subcommittee will meet at 4:45pm before the PH&S meeting to review the application from 628 Diner, LLC, owner Tyler Vogt, at 628 N 3rd Avenue; and Honest J's Wausau, LLC, owners Devon Marx-Salzman & Arthur Wood III, at 300 N 3rd St, Ste 103 (formerly The Ugly Mug)

3. Class I Special Events: (O'Malley's) Car Show – 6/10/23; and Boogie on the Block – 9/01/23. **Class II** - Bull Falls Honor Flight 5K – 4/15/23, and Jazz on the River – Sundays.

***Note:** Links to the Special Events applications will be emailed to the committee.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve or deny as indicated on the summary report including those that may be introduced at the meeting. Please let me know if you have any question regarding any license applications listed.

Mary Goede, Deputy Clerk

Date of Report: February 17, 2023 (715) 261-6621



PHS Date 02/20/2023

License ID	License Typ	Name	Address	Details	Business	Begin Dt	End Dt	Police	PHS	Council
179671	9010 - Bartender/Operator New	EDGREN, STACI	725 GILBERT ST, APT 5 WAUSAU WI 54403		KWIK TRIP #735	02/01/2023	06/30/2023	No		
179334	9010 - Bartender/Operator New	SUGHAYER, ABEDALRAHMAN	1757 COUNTY RD X KRONENWETTE R WI 54455		DENMAR	01/11/2023	06/30/2023	No		
179376	9026 - Class I	HOGAN, CINDY	227824 GROUSE LN WAUSAU WI 54401	BOOGIE ON THE BLOCK on FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2023 Organized by CINDY HOGAN						
179791	9026 - Class I	WOLFERT, CODY	3405 W STEWART AVE WAUSAU WI 54401	CAR SHOW on SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 2023 Organized by O'MALLEY AUTOMOTIVE, INC						
179374	9027 - Class II	WEINSCHENK, PETER	625 N 4TH ST EDGAR WI 54426	JAZZ ON THE RIVER on EVERY SUNDAY Organized by RIVERY VALLEY JAZZ SOCIETY						
179457	9027 - Class II	ZAMZOW, MIKE	901 E THOMAS ST WAUSAU WI 54403	BULL FALLS BREWERY NEVER FORGOTTEN HONOR FLIGHT 5K on 4/15/23 Organized by Brittani Hamilton / Mike Zamzow / BullFalls Brewey						



PHS Date 02/20/2023

License ID	License Typ	Name	Address	Details	Business	Begin Dt	End Dt	Police	PHS	Council
179916	9064 - Class B Beer & Liquor	MARX-SALZMAN, DEVON	225780 RIB MOUNTAIN DR WAUSAU WI 54401		HONEST J'S			Yes		
179847	9064 - Class B Beer & Liquor	VOGT, TYLER	145824 IMPATIENS DR WAUSAU WI 54401		TBD (DINER)			Yes		
179776	9076 - Tavern Entertainment	,	201 JEFFERSON ST WAUSAU WI 54403		JEFFERSON STREET INN	02/06/2023	06/30/2023			
179477	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	CAMPOBELLO, MICHAEL	608 ADAMS ST WAUSAU WI 54403		NORTHWOODS CAB	01/17/2023	06/30/2023	No		
179772	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	DAWSON, MADISON	180432 STATE HWY 52 ANIWA WI 54408		NORTHWOODS CAB	02/06/2023	06/30/2023	Yes		
179453	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	KOWALSKI, AMANDA	526 MCCLELLAN ST WAUSAU WI 54401		NORTHWOODS	01/13/2023	06/30/2023	Yes		
179687	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	LOKA, VINCENT	W4466 POPE RD MERRILL WI 54452		NORTHWOODS CAB	02/01/2023	06/30/2023	Yes		
179428	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	PICKENS , BENJAMIN	3110 SPRINGDALE AVE WAUSAU WI 54401		NORTHWOODS CAB	01/12/2023	06/30/2023	Yes		
179620	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	SCHULTZ, CHRISTOPHER	1715 N 2ND ST WAUSAU WI 54403		NORTHWOODS CAB	01/27/2023	06/30/2023	Yes		
179583	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	Springer, Charles	505 E Union St. Wausau WI 54403		NORTHWOODS CAB LLC					
179377	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	VARGAS, DAVID	2600 RICE ST STEVENS POINT WI 54481		NORTHWOODS CAB LLC	01/09/2023	06/30/2023	No		
179520	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	WILLIAMS, DARRIUS	205 S 6TH AVE WAUSAU WI 54401		UNKNOWN			No		



PHS Date 02/20/2023

License ID	License Typ	Name	Address	Details	Business	Begin Dt	End Dt	Police	PHS	Council
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Total Licenses

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RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE	
Supporting Reduction of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Energy Security.	
Committee Action:	
Fiscal Impact:	Undetermined
File Number:	Date Introduced:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the city’s Sustainability, Energy and Environment Committee (SEEC) was created to act as an advisory body to the Common Council in the development of policies, programs, and decisions that affect the relationship between the City and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the city of Wausau desires to be among the communities leading on critical environmental and societal issues, having approved a Resolution in support of environmental justice; and

WHEREAS, the city of Wausau has embraced Energy Independence, evidenced by the passing of an energy independence resolution in 2008; and

WHEREAS, the City declared itself an eco-municipality in 2009, and among the guidelines for sustainable practices are reducing dependence upon fossil fuels and reducing dependence upon harmful chemicals and other manufactured substances that can accumulate in nature; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Initiative on Climate Change Impacts (WICCI) shows continued warming, increases in rain and snow, and more frequent extreme rainfall events; and,

WHEREAS, in 2020, the city of Wausau joined other communities in leading a healthier future as a Green Tier Legacy Community through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources; and,

WHEREAS, the Green Tier Legacy Community scorecard encourages member communities to commit to achieving a science-based, community-wide Green House Gas reduction goal, and

WHEREAS, The Federal legislation known the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the Inflation Reduction Act, have created historic opportunities for communities and individuals to transition to renewable energy sources and reduce their greenhouse gas emissions, and

WHEREAS, Future availability and price of fossil fuels for energy production may be volatile due to circumstances beyond the control of the City of Wausau.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the city commits to...

- Determine the level of energy use and greenhouse gas emissions in City government operations
- Develop a municipal energy plan with the goal of moving City government operations to a more secure, and 100% clean energy by 2050
- Provide resources and information to residents and businesses to support them in the transition to a cleaner energy future.
- Create cost savings through efficiency upgrades and clean energy technologies that will reduce the burden of City government operations on the tax levy.

Approved:

Katie Rosenberg, Mayor



Memorandum

From: Andrew Lynch
To: Public Health and Safety Committee
Date: February 14, 2022
Subject: Resolution Supporting Reduction of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Energy Security

The Sustainability, Energy and Environment Committee (SEEC) has developed a Greenhouse Gas Resolution for consideration by the City Council. This resolution was mentioned when committee chair John Kroll presented to the Council in October of 2022. This is also in line with previous actions related to sustainability or energy independence taken by the City as detailed in the resolution.

The committee is seeking Council support to develop a plan that would determine the current level of energy use and greenhouse gas emissions in municipal operations. Then, using that information, a plan would be developed to move City government operations to 100% clean energy by 2050. This goal is in line with the Department of Energy and other governmental agencies. The committee discussed a more aggressive goal but felt the absence of information on current operations could make that problematic.

Moving to a greenhouse gas free future would be done with an eye on reducing the burden of City government operations on the tax levy. The committee and staff will pursue all available sources of outside funding to leverage resources, however there may be a local share or reimbursed project cost in the future. The current resolution is not a budgetary commitment or request.

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 2, 2023

Members Present: John Kroll, Carol Lukens, Jay Coldwell, Mary Kluz, Ashley Lange

Others Present: Brad Lenz, Andrew Lynch

In compliance with Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and transmitted to the Wausau Daily Herald in the proper manner.

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Public Comment

Public comment was received from Joel Lewis 807 Turner St Wausau via email.

3. Approve minutes of December 01, 2022 meeting

Coldwell/Lukens made a motion/second to approve the minutes of December 1, 2022. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Update on Wisconsin Local Government Climate Coalition (WLGCC) membership

Lynch shared that the City was now a member of the WLGCC and listed as such on their website. While there had been some questions at the Public Health and Safety Committee and City Council about the nature of the group, staff was able to provide adequate answers and it passed City Council unanimously. On the third of February, Lenz and Lynch have an onboarding call with WLGCC and hope to get a better idea of what kind of technical assistance will be available and when.

5. Discussion: Nomination for Sustainability Award

The nomination form was updated for 2023 and posted to the website. Kroll discussed nominating the Good News Project and Lange offered to contact them and assist with the application. The group discussed taking the deadline off the application and just fielding nominations year-round. Lynch will send out a link to members for the form on the website.

6. Discussion: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) timeline and allowable activities

This item was moved up in the order by Chair Kroll. Lenz and Lynch discussed the grant options. Dept of Energy has set up a voucher system for smaller communities like Wausau that will require less paperwork and oversight. This voucher will allow communities to receive technical assistance or purchase particular items. Staff will return at subsequent meetings with more information as it is posted by the Dept of Energy.

7. Discussion and Possible Action: Greenhouse Gas Resolution

Lynch stated that after compiling the draft from the discussion at the last meeting there were some changes to the wording of the 'Be It Resolved' section that he wanted the committee to look at it again. In particular, the goal of 100% clean energy profile by 2050. Until the City can learn what their baseline energy use is currently, it is difficult to assign a more ambitious goal. However, it is felt that this goal in the resolution is very wide and given the time, likely attainable. Coldwell suggested pursuing a more ambitious goal of 40% by 2030 which would be in line with Federal standards. Lynch noted that the goal may eventually be adopted as that but as of now he would be unable to say how the City could attain 40% by 2030. Kluz also noted that greenhouse gases were not explicitly called out in this section. She suggested amending the first bullet point to read "...and greenhouse gas emissions in City government....". Kroll suggested removing the word 'profile' from the second bullet point. This would make the goal more ambitious in that it would incorporate all of the City energy use and not just the profile of energy from the power utility. These two edits were agreed upon by the committee.

***Motion by Kluz. Second by Lange. Approve of the Greenhouse Gas Resolution with discussed edits and send to the Public Health and Safety Committee.
Approved unanimously.***

8. Discussion: Food Systems Resilience and the Municipal Role

Kluz started the discussion by noting her work with farmers and how the pandemic stressed the food systems in this country. She and other committee members have an interest on this topic. Kluz found a document published by Johns Hopkins that defined and explored food systems resilience and how to support it. Coldwell noted that it could be tied into the Environmental Justice resolution and work at the local and state level. Kroll noted this was the beginning of the discussion and there are some local resources we can bring in to educate the committee. Lynch will reach out to the Marathon County Health Department to see if anyone on staff is still working on this issue. Kluz will reach out to someone at USDA for more information.

9. Next meeting date:

March 2 at 5pm

10. Adjourn

Motion/Second by Kluz/Coldwell. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7pm.

CITY OF WAUSAU, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, WI 54403

RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Approving Updates to City of Wausau’s Americans with Disabilities Act Title II Accommodation Request Form

Committee Action:

Fiscal Impact:

File Number:

Date Introduced:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, together with the U.S. Department of Justice regulations promulgated to implement the Act and the ADA Accessibility Guidelines (collectively, “ADA”), followed the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and

WHEREAS, Title II of that Act, effective January 26, 1992, governs public entities and prohibits discrimination against persons with disabilities by public entities in the provision of services, programs and activities and guarantees equal access to such services, programs and activities; and

WHEREAS, the ADA has several administrative requirements:

- By January 26, 1993, public entities must perform a self-evaluation of their current services, policies and practices and the effects thereof that do not or may not meet the requirements of Title II, and make necessary modifications;
- Public entities must provide notice to applicants, participants and beneficiaries of their services, programs or activities, regarding the requirements of Title II and its applicability to their services, programs or activities;
- Public entities employing 50 or more persons must designate at least one employee to coordinate its efforts to comply with Title II, including investigation of complaints alleging noncompliance on the part of the public entity;
- Public entities employing 50 or more persons must adopt and publish a grievance procedure providing for the prompt and equitable resolution of complaints alleging action prohibited by Title II; and

WHEREAS, as part of the City’s 2017-2019 Work Plan with its insurer, Cities and Villages Mutual Insurance Company, 2017 Service Activities identified in partnership with them, included Facility Safety Inspections, and ADA Title II Evaluations; and

WHEREAS, an internal team was assembled, representing various departments, that began meeting August 4, 2017 and continues to meet quarterly to review progress on the self-evaluation of the City’s services and properties, programs and activities, and to identify and assign responsibility for various items needing action; and

WHEREAS, an ADA Policy, Notice, Grievance Procedure, Accommodation Request Form, and Complaint Form had been created for consideration by the full Council and was approved at its April 10, 2018 Common Council Meeting; and

WHEREAS, updates to the ADA Policy, Notice, Grievance Procedure, Accommodation Request Form, and Complaint Form had been created for consideration by the full Council and was approved at its June 14, 2022 Common Council Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Drinking Water Treatment Facility was completed in 2022 and needs to be added to the Accommodation Request Form, as all other municipally owned buildings are listed on the form; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk will be assuming the roles and duties of the ADA Coordinator and the telephone contact number is being changed to the City Clerk's number; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council hereby approves and adopts updated versions of the following attached documents:

- City of Wausau Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Title II Policy,
- City of Wausau Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Accommodation Request Form,
- Notice Under the Americans With Disabilities Act,
- City of Wausau Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Complaint Form.

Approved:

Katie Rosenberg, Mayor

CITY OF WAUSAU
Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Title II
Policy

Issue Date: March 28, 2018	Revision Update(s): May 16, 2022	Total Pages: 3
Policy Source: Cities and Villages Mutual Insurance Company Federal Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Department of Justice		
Special Instructions:		

I. PURPOSE

Title II of the American’s with Disabilities Act (ADA) prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities in all programs, activities, and services of public entities. Therefore, this policy outlines the provisions of Title II of the ADA, and the rights and obligations of citizens and the City under federal and state law.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of the City of Wausau to ensure that all citizens have an equal opportunity to participate in and receive the benefits of the services, programs, or activities of the City of Wausau. This will be done in the most integrated setting appropriate to the needs of the qualified individual with a disability. Only where it is absolutely necessary will the City provide services, programs, or activities separately to persons with disabilities. No qualified individual with a disability shall, on the basis of said disability, be screened out of a service, program or activity. Nor, shall any individual be excluded from participation in or denied the benefits of said services, programs or activities, because of their disability.

The City is required to ensure all programs and activities are accessible, but are not required to make each and every facility accessible, as long as all programs are accessible (see “*Transition Plans*”). There are several means by which the City can make its programs readily accessible to and usable by disabled individuals, including:

- Redesigning equipment;
- Reassigning services or programs to alternative, accessible buildings;
- Assigning aides to beneficiaries;
- Providing auxiliary aids;
- Making home visits; or
- Altering existing facilities or building new facilities;

The City of Wausau is required to reasonably modify City-wide policies, practices, or procedures to avoid discrimination. However, modifications may not be required where a particular modification would fundamentally alter the nature of the service, program or activity.

a. Reasonable Accommodation

If a reasonable accommodation is necessary to participate in the services provided by the City of Wausau please contact: the ADA Coordinator, City Hall, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403, 715-261-6622. Every attempt will be made to accommodate the request.

i. Due Process

The following procedure is intended to protect the rights of interested individuals to meet appropriate due process standards and to assure that the City of Wausau complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the implementation regulations.

ii. Complaint Procedure

If anyone utilizing the City's facilities, programs, services or activities believes they have been discriminated against on the basis of a disability in connection with access to any City facility or programs, services or activities, they have the right to file a complaint. Complaints should be addressed to ADA Coordinator, City Hall, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403, 715-261-6622, who has been designated to coordinate ADA compliance efforts.

1. A complaint should be filed in writing, utilizing the City's Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Accommodation Complaint, contain the address of the person filing it, and briefly describe the alleged violation.
2. A complaint should be filed as soon as possible but no later than 60 calendar days after the alleged violation.
3. An investigation, as appropriate, shall follow a complaint filing. The investigation shall be conducted by the ADA Coordinator or its designee, and afford all interested persons and their representatives, if any, an opportunity to submit evidence relevant to a complaint.
4. A written response to the complaint, and a description of the resolution, if any, shall be issued by the ADA Coordinator and a copy forwarded to the complainant no later than 30 calendar days after its filing.
5. The ADA Coordinator will retain the files and records of all ADA complaints filed with the City, for at least three years.
6. The complainant can request a review of the written response issued by the ADA Coordinator, by making such a request within 15 days of the date of issuance to the ADA Coordinator. If made to any other city officer, employee, head of city agency, committee, board or commission, such individual shall be responsible for timely transmission of requests for appeal to the city clerk, in accordance with Wausau Municipal Code 2.21.070. Such appeal request shall then be heard by the Administrative Review Appeals Board, in accordance with Wausau Municipal Code 2.21.040, which provides administrative review of municipal determinations.
7. The right of an individual to a prompt and equitable resolution of the complaint filed with the City shall not be impaired by the individual's pursuit of other remedies such as the filing of an ADA complaint with the responsible federal department or agency.

b. Self Evaluation

The City is required to conduct a *self evaluation*, which includes a comprehensive review of current policies and practices (formal written policies and procedures and actual operating practices). Any policy or practice that does not comply with the requirements of Title II must be identified and modified to bring the policy or practice into compliance. Individuals must be provided the opportunity to submit comments pertaining to the City's effort.

c. Transition Plan

When structural modifications to facilities are necessary in order to make a program, service, or activity accessible to people with disabilities, the City is required to develop a facility transition plan, which must include:

- The physical barriers which limit access to and use of the programs, services, and activities for people with disabilities, including communications features which are structural in nature;
- A detailed description of how the City plans to make the facilities accessible;
- The schedule for barrier removal;
- A yearly schedule, if the transition plan is more than one year long; and
- The name of the individual who is responsible for implementing the transition plan;

The City is required to maintain in operable working condition those features of facilities and equipment that are required to be readily accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities. This includes locked accessible doors, elevators, accessible routes which are obstructed by parked cars or furniture, and complaint signage which is obstructed from vision and touch. This Transition Plan was completed in October 2019 by Accessibility Consultation and Training Services, Inc. The City is currently working through the list of physical barriers and meets quarterly to monitor progress.

NOTICE UNDER THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (“ADA”), the **City of Wausau** will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The **City of Wausau** does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title I of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The **City of Wausau** will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the **City of Wausau’s** programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The **City of Wausau** will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in **City of Wausau** offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the **City of Wausau**, should contact the **ADA Coordinator, City Hall, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403, 715-261-6622** as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the **City of Wausau** to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the **City of Wausau** is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to the **ADA Coordinator, City Hall, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403, 715-261-6622**.

The **City of Wausau** will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

**CITY OF WAUSAU
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)
ACCOMMODATION REQUEST**

Protection is afforded under the ADA to a qualified individual with a disability.

Instructions: Please complete this form in its entirety and return to ADA Coordinator:
 Mail to: City of Wausau Attention ADA Coordinator, 407 Grant Street, Wausau WI 54403 (or)
 Email: ADAServices@ci.wausau.wi.us (or)
 Fax: 715-261-6626

Any questions regarding this form, please call ADA Coordinator at 715-261-6622.

Name:		
Address:		
Telephone Numbers: Work:	Home:	Other:

Please identify below of the facility and/or building you are requesting an accommodation:

Municipal Buildings:

- City Hall – 407 Grant Street
- Community Development Authority – 550 E. Thomas Street
- Drinking Water Treatment Facility – 1801 Burek Avenue
- Fire Department (Main) – 606 E. Thomas Street
- Fire Department Station #2 – 3017 Seymour Lane
- Fire Department Station #3 – 800 E. Bridge Street
- Public Works Facility- 400 Myron Street
- Police Department – 515 Grand Avenue
- Metro Ride – 420 Plumer Street
- Wausau Municipal Airport - Woods Place
- Meter Department – 1701 N. River Drive
- Wastewater Plant– 435 Adrian Street
- Water Plant – 1801 N. River Drive

Parks & Recreation Facilities:

- Airport Park – 155 Lake View Drive
- Alexander Park – 625 Lake View Drive
- Anne’s Tot Lot – 909 Prospect Avenue
- Athletic Park – 324 E. Wausau Avenue
- Barker-Stewart Island – 600 Stewart Island
- Big Bull Falls Park – 204 W. Scott Street
- Boileau Field – 2404 N. 5th Street
- Brockmeyer Community Park – 4200 Stettin Drive
- City Hall Park – 407 Grant Street
- Eau Claire River Conservancy – 507 E. Kent Street
- Forest Park – 3100 9th Street
- Gilbert Park – 3000 N. 6th Street

- ___ Hammond Park – 600 Grand Avenue
- ___ Isle of Ferns Park – 450 Island
- ___ Kaiser Pool – 900 E. Bridge Street
- ___ Lincoln Tot Lot – 822 S. 5th Avenue
- ___ Memorial Park and Pool – 505 Memorial Park Road
- ___ Oak Island Park – 500 River Drive
- ___ Paff Woods Nature Preserve – 1601 Kickbusch Street
- ___ Picnic Island – 300 Picnic Island
- ___ Pleasant View Park – 1221 Sumner Street
- ___ Reservoir Park – 1130 Elm Street
- ___ River Edge Trail
- ___ River Highlands Park – 1901 Marquardt Road
- ___ RiverLife – 1200 N River Drive
- ___ Riverside Park – 100 Sherman Street
- ___ Scholfield Park – 606 E. Randolph Street
- ___ Schulenburg Park and Pool – 1533 Summit Drive
- ___ Stewart Park – 508 10th Street
- ___ Sylvan Hill Park – 1329 Sylvan Street
- ___ Two Heart’s Dog Park – 224 S 4th Street
- ___ 10th Street Park – 935 Jackson Street
- ___ The 400 Block – 401 N. 3rd Street
- ___ 3M Park – 405 Park Boulevard
- ___ Westview Terrace – 1501 Bissel Street
- ___ White Water Park – 200 River Drive
- ___ Woodson Park – 220 W. Washington Street
- ___ Yawkey Park – 320 Grant Street

Accommodation(s) Request: Please list the accommodation(s) requested and reason for request in the area below.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



Office of the City Attorney

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Anne L. Jacobson
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Assistant City Attorney

To: Public Health & Safety Committee

From: Tara G. Alfonso, Asst. City Attorney

Date: February 14, 2023

Re: Comments on amending W.M.C. §9.24.050 Safety and peace nuisances

Subsection (j) of W.M.C. §9.24.050 Safety and peace nuisances is proposed to be amended so that its language more closely mirrors that of W.M.C. §9.04.030 Loud and unnecessary noise prohibited. The language of the latter ordinance is more specific than the current language of W.M.C. §9.24.050(j) and the use of the term “unreasonable” provides a better standard so that a person of ordinary intelligence has a reasonable opportunity to know what is prohibited. The Wisconsin Supreme Court in *City of Madison v. Baumann*, 162 Wis.2d 660, 681, 470 N.W.2d 296 (1991) has upheld language similar to that which is proposed to be included in W.M.C. §9.24.050(j) as language that “on its face passes constitutional muster.”

CITY OF WAUSAU, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, WI 54403

ORDINANCE OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Amending Section 9.24.050 Safety and peace nuisances.

Committee Action:

Ordinance Number:

Fiscal Impact: None

File Number:

Date Introduced:

The Common Council of the City of Wausau do ordain as follows:

Add ()

Delete ()

Section 1. That Section 9.24.050 Safety and peace nuisances, is hereby amended to read as follows:

The following acts, omissions, places, conditions and things are declared to be public nuisances affecting peace and safety, but such enumeration shall not be construed to exclude other nuisances affecting public peace or safety coming within the provisions in section 9.24.020:

...

- (j) ~~All loud, discordant and unnecessary noises or vibrations of any kind;~~ Any noise or vibration tending to unreasonably disturb the peace and quiet of persons in the vicinity thereof unless the making and continuing of the same cannot be prevented and is necessary for the protection or preservation of property or the health, safety, life or limb of some person.

...

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect on the day after its publication.

Adopted:

Approved:

Approved:

Published:

Attest:

Katie Rosenberg, Mayor

Attest:

Kaitlyn Bernarde, Clerk

Wausau Fire Department Monthly Report

January 2023



(PFAS Foam being picked up for proper disposal)

Fire Chief Report by Chief Robert Barteck

January's unusually above-average temperate conditions were a welcome treat for our staff. Performing fire, rescue, and EMS operations in ultra-cold temps make everything more difficult and dangerous. When temps drop below zero, operations can become brutal. Crews take extra time to don proper warm protective gear. Paramedics must protect themselves from the cold and the patients they care for. During the cold weather, they pack extra blankets and towels to bundle the patient up during the movement from the home to the ambulance. Every little detail becomes more difficult. Our seasoned staff members pass along the tradecraft of cold-weather operations to our younger members.

Here is an update on a few of the things from the Fire Chief's office in January:

Recruitment:

Our Human Resources was busy in January, moving thirteen candidates through pre-employment physicals and psychological evaluations and getting final offer letters out. Unfortunately, we had two candidates take offers with other communities after receiving their final offer letters. Another candidate was removed from the process, which left ten that will join the department in February. Once the ten new firefighters are on-board, we will advertise for applications to hire the remaining few positions.

We are working closely with the Northcentral Technical College to provide the new firefighter's paramedic-level training. NTC is a crucial partner for us in this process and has been very helpful. We are excited to launch this new and unique training plan to help solve the department's staffing issues.

It is an exciting time, and every day we seem to have a new problem to solve regarding how we grow our department by a dozen new positions. We keep using the analogy that we are building the plane while flying it. I am happy to report that we are about to bolt on some essential pieces in February.

Center for Domestic Preparedness:

In January, I was honored to be chosen to travel to the FEMA's Center for Domestic Preparedness in Anniston, Alabama, to attend the Health Care Leadership for Mass Casualties Incidents course. This cutting-edge training is fully funded for all accepted into the course. My class had 42 healthcare leaders from across the country. We came together for a week and learned how better to prepare our healthcare systems for mass casualty events. I look forward to incorporating lessons learned to help build more resiliency into our community's preparedness for mass casualty events.

I hope you find this monthly report informative. Please get in touch with me if you have any further questions or want additional information added to this report.

Robert Barteck – Fire Chief

EMS Division by EMS Division Chief Jared Thompson

Training

The EMS Division delivered the first official death notification training, addressing the hardships and stresses involved. All three crews had this training provided with the assistance of our three department chaplains. No national, state, or local EMS training curriculums address or train EMS first responders on appropriately delivering tragic news like this to families that have lost a loved one. The training focused on phrases to use and avoid, how to provide emotional support and compassion, and how to cope with the stress placed on first responders. Over the careers of many first responders, they may have to notify families of death more than one may think. Having the proper training instills confidence that in doing so, they can effectively help the families' grief. We also addressed how to answer sensitive questions the family may ask us.

New Ambulance

In the fall of 2023, the EMS Division looks forward to the delivery of two new ambulances. In late summer, an ambulance committee was formed to begin building specifications for a new ambulance box design. The committee comprised the Deputy Chief, EMS Division Chief, three firefighter/paramedics, and DPW personnel. The ambulance committee has decided to build our ambulances with American Emergency Vehicle (AEV). They are in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. In late October, the EMS DC and one of the ambulance committee members were able to tour the AEV manufacturing plant and see their production lines.

The design is complete, and some new features help us meet the requirements for CAAS (Commission on Accreditation of Ambulances) accreditation which the current ambulances do not. The new ambulances also have safety features to filter highly contagious airborne diseases such as COVID, RSV, and Influenza. They have also been designed with airbags in the patient compartment and an oxygen cylinder lift system to prevent back injuries, options that our current ambulances do not have. The box of the ambulance has been completely reconfigured to allow the paramedics to stay seated and belted during patient transport to the emergency department.

During a 24-hour shift, our paramedics utilize our ambulances the most out of the entire department fleet. The committee selected ergonomically safe features that would allow overall patient comfort and safety. These ambulances will be versatile pieces of apparatus capable of responding to incidents on the highway system, complex or challenging EMS incidents, providing all necessary safety features.

ARV can have the ambulances built and delivered by October 2023.

Responses by Municipality (EMS Patient Care Reports):

City	# of Runs	% of Runs	# of Runs – YTD
City of Abbotsford	0	0.00%	0
City of Merrill	0	0.00%	0
City of Mosinee	0	0.00%	0
City of Schofield	0	0.00%	0
City of Wausau	487	92.23%	487
Clark County	0	0.00%	0
Other	0	0.00%	0
Town of Berlin	4	0.76%	4
Town of Bevent	0	0.00%	0
Town of Bern	0	0.00%	0
Town of Cassel	0	0.00%	0
Town of Elderon	0	0.00%	0
Town of Emmet	0	0.00%	0
Town of Franzen	0	0.00%	0
Town of Hamburg	0	0.00%	0

Town of Halsey	0	0.00%	0
Town of Harrison	0	0.00%	0
Town of Hewitt	1	0.19%	1
Town of Johnson	0	0.00%	0
Town of Marathon	0	0.00%	0
Town of Mosinee	0	0.00%	0
Town of Rib Falls	0	0.00%	0
Town of Rib Mountain	0	0.00%	0
Town of Rietbrock	0	0.00%	0
Town of Stettin	0	0.00%	0
Town of Texas	2	0.38%	2
Town of Wausau	15	2.84%	15
Town of Wien	1	0.19%	1
Village of Athens	0	0.00%	0
Village of Edgar	1	0.19%	1
Village of Kronenwetter	0	0.00%	0
Village of Maine	13	2.46%	13
Village of Marathon City	1	0.19%	1
Village of Rothschild	0	0.00%	0
Village of Stratford	0	0.00%	0
Village of Weston	3	0.57%	3
Wittenberg	0	0.00%	0
Wood County	0	0.00%	0
Total	528	100.00%	528

Fire Training Division by Training Division Chief David Briggs

January Scheduled Training:

- Respiratory Protection Fit Testing
- Ropes, Knots, and Hoisting
- Haz-Mat Field Survey Instruments
- The Art of Reading Smoke

A brief breakdown of our scheduled activities follows:

Respiratory Protection Fit Testing

Every year, our members are refreshed on state and federally mandated respiratory protection requirements and proper application and fit of various types of masks. Scheduled each January, every member in the organization who could be required to wear an N95 mask or a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) must undergo quantitative fit testing to ensure proper mask seal and function. Part of this training and assessment includes a review of the SCBA unit itself and cleaning of all equipment.

Ropes, Knots, and Hoisting

A foundational knowledge of ropes, knots, and how to hoist tools is essential to safe fireground operations. In January, all members refreshed on skills that brand new firefighters are taught in their basic training. However, Wausau FD also performs multiple technical rescue disciplines that highly utilize ropes and knots. This drill intended to review and refresh on a foundational skill that is used by the newest members, to our most highly trained.

Haz-Mat Field Survey Instruments

Hazardous Materials monitoring and metering is an essential aspect of our nearly daily responsibilities. Even in the absence of a large-scale spill or leak, we are often called to a “smell of gas” or a carbon monoxide meter

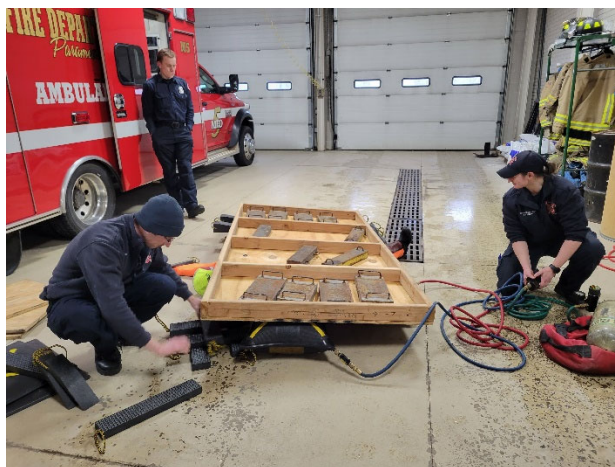
alarming in a residence. Learning how to properly meter, and what the meter readings indicate allows us to respond to the most basic calls for “smells and bells” to the most complex hazardous materials responses in the state. While not required in any specific training interval, we frequently review this knowledge and these skills to ensure proficiency when called to respond to atmospheric hazards and alarms.

The Art of Reading Smoke

In the fire service, we equate smoke to fuel. This is a true assessment in that smoke contains unburnt particles, chemicals, and some level of air that simply needs the right mixture to light off. We frequently take time to review the facts about smoke and how to size it up in relation to a building’s construction and how they influence a fire attack. “Reading Smoke” is a term used to visibly assess a fire’s location, size, intensity, direction or travel, and interaction with a building. Each of these clues provides us with the means to form an educated assessment of where the fire is, and how it will develop if unchecked. This drill included a brief introductory video for review and followed with scenario-based learning for every member to perform a smoke size-up and provide their initial actions to mitigate the incident.

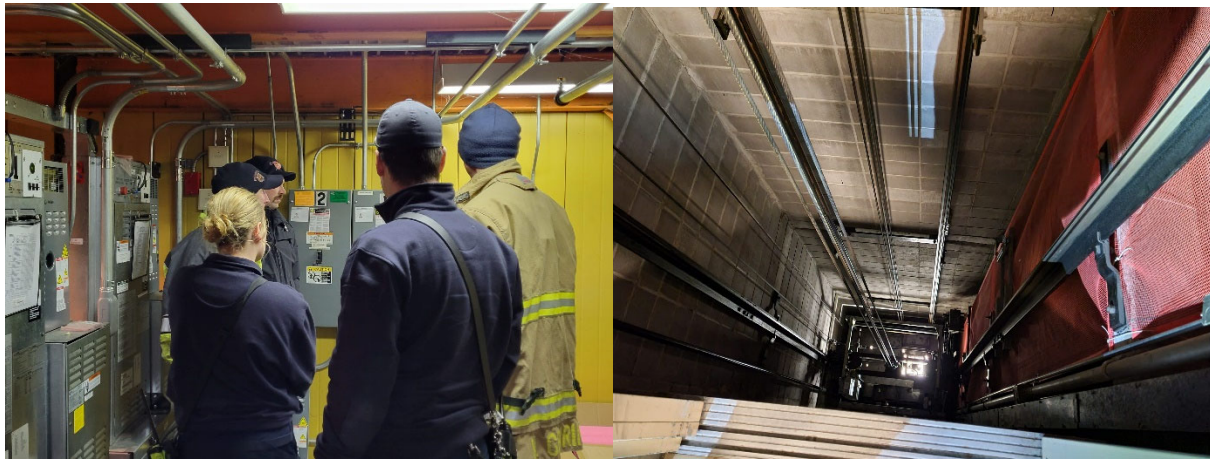
Crew Self-Initiated Training

Crews are frequently self-initiating training that is not on any form a schedule based entirely on what they know and acknowledge they need. In January, two groups were photographed working on different skills. One of these impromptu drills included “B” crew at the Central Station working through a drill to free an entrapped victim from a collapsed item, a vehicle, or another heavy object. “A” crew on January 31st wanted to review elevator emergencies. They reviewed a training drill on hydraulic and cable-driven elevators and then went to a local building to perform elevator rescues from basic intervention to slightly more complex.



“B” crew freeing an entrapped victim.





“A” Crew working through elevator emergencies.

Wisconsin State Committees (WFD is represented on)

Technical Rescue Committee

The committee met in January and is ready to meet in-person to review all content collectively before submission to national accrediting entities such as the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress and Proboard. Once our review of the current three disciplines is complete, we will be able to move forward with the creation of more curriculums for state adoption.

Type of Training	# of Hours	% of Hours	# of Hours -YTD
Company Training	582.5	69.53%	582.5
Driver/Operator Training	10.5	1.25%	10.5
Facilities Training	0	0.00%	0
Hazardous Materials Training	80.5	9.61%	80.5
Misc Training	3	0.36%	3
Officer Training	73.5	8.77%	73.5
Specialty Training	87.75	10.47%	87.75
Total	837.75	100.00%	837.75

Training Categories:

Company Training – General firefighting training

Officer Training – Included leadership, management, supervision, and tactical considerations

Driver/Operator Training – Operation of fire apparatus

Hazardous Materials Training – How to mitigate the leak or spill of hazardous substances

Specialty Training – Rope, confined space, trench, collapse, ice, water, and other special rescues.

Facilities Training – Training at a live-burn facility (may include off-duty time)

Misc Training – Any other training category such as software, administrative, etc.

Type of Training	# of Hours	% of Hours	# of Hours -YTD
Admin Training	1	0.28%	1
EMS Training	317.75	90.40%	317.75
Fire Instructor Training	22.75	6.47%	22.75
Fire Prevention Training	0	0.00%	0
Investigation Training	10	2.84%	10
Total	351.50	100.00%	351.50

Fire Prevention Division by Fire Marshal Brian Stahl

Inspections: Within the City of Wausau for the month of January, we performed 70 total inspections. Of those, 34 were re-inspections from the previous year. We had 15 properties that had Fire Code Violations with 33.3% being Fire Extinguisher Annual Maintenance, 16.7% being for the cleaning of Hood Systems and 16.7% for Emergency Lighting. These properties will require follow up inspections to confirm compliance. We conducted 5 consultation inspections for the month. Of those, all were either remodel projects or new construction, including- Knox box installation, fire protection and fire alarm systems.

Investigations: The Prevention Division happily reports no fires needed investigating for the month of January.

Public Outreach: We have had no opportunities for the month of January for public outreach. January is typically a slower month in this category, unless someone calls for our Smoke/CO Detector placement program.

Education: Lt. Shahn Kariger left for the National Fire Academy on January 28th for the Expert Witness and Testimony class. This class will be completed by February 3rd. The Spring months are normally reserved for the continuing education required for our EMS certifications. This education is obtained through the Tech college or through our department instructors.



Prevention Division Activities:

Inspections Completed	Monthly	Year to Date
Routine Fire Inspections	31	31
Re-inspections	34	34
All other Inspections (Consults/burn complaints,etc)	6	6
Total Inspections	70	70
Fire Investigations	0	0
Inspection Department Activities	Number	YTD
Public Engagement Activities	7	7

Fire Operations Division by Deputy Chief Jeremy Kopp

Significant Calls:

January was a surprising month in the fact that we only had one significant call which was a forklift engulfed in flames inside of Linetec. The fire was contained to the forklift and extinguished quickly with a handline from engine 3 with a crew of two. Extinguishers were used by employees as well as the police department, but they were unable to extinguish the fire. Ventilation efforts were utilized by the crews as well as maintenance at Linetec to remove smoke from the facility. This fire had real potential of being a major incident, key factors of 911 being called promptly and excellent work done by the F.D. members to recognize the hazards involve making a safe and quick extinguishment.

Recruitment and Retention:

The month of January was a busy month preparing for our transitional year with the arrival of E.M.T. Basic students starting the Paramedic course in February. Retention ideas have started with the Peer Focus Group as well as help from the union. Local 415 has implemented paying for and hosting a celebration party for members who complete their first year of probation inviting all members to come and congratulate them on a successful year. We continue to celebrate achievements such as promotions, awards, and milestones for all our members on social media and with their crews.

Fleet:

Med 4 and med 5 are due for replacement and the first steps in the approval process of this venture begun with the approval from the finance committee to order the first replacement ambulance and to meet again in the coming months to find money to order the second ambulance. The cost of ambulances has been on the rise significantly the past couple years and cost twice as much as what was budgeted for. Thank you to everyone who was involved in helping us find the right manufacturer and ambulance that fit our needs. Battalion 1 should be coming back in February from Belco and the upfitting to get in ready to be placed in service. This will replace the command vehicle for the Battalion Chiefs.

Buildings and Grounds:

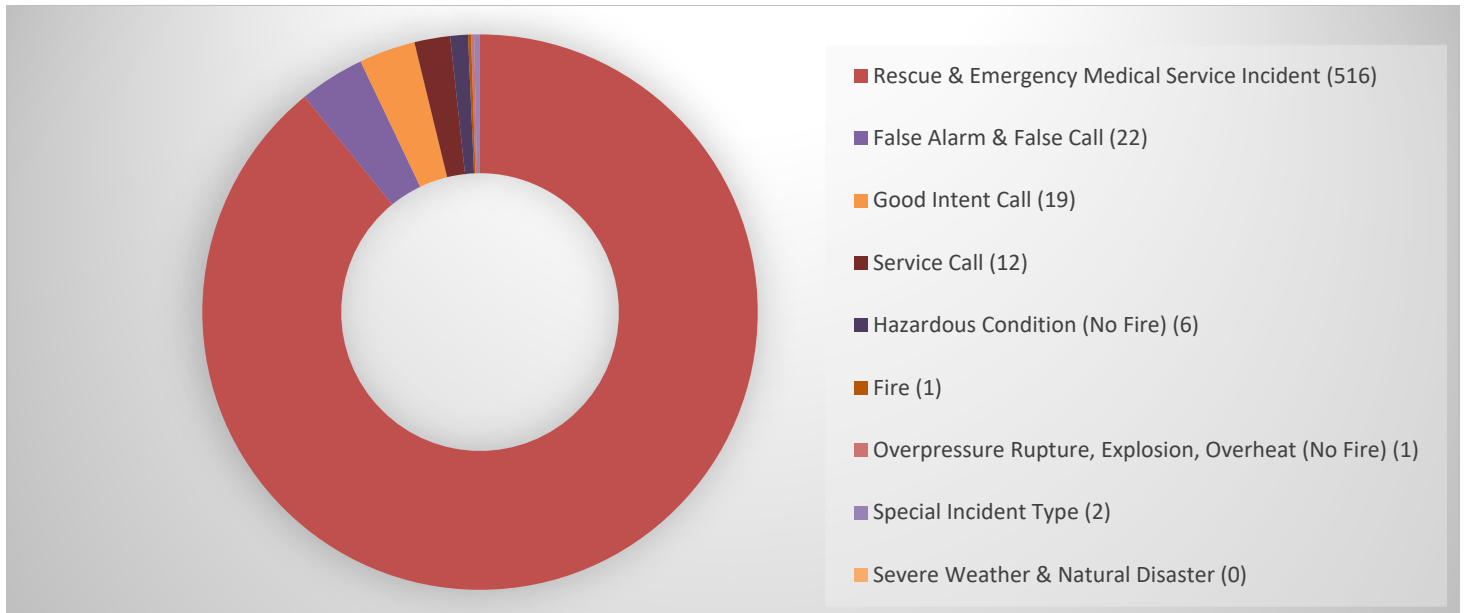
All PFAS foam has been collected from Wausau Fire Department collection site by the DNR in January for the entire county. The was such an important task with huge benefits for the environment and firefighter safety.

Significant Fire Events:

Date	Address	City	Incident #	Type
1/13/2023	7500 Stewart Avenue	City of Wausau	F23000072	Off-road vehicle or heavy equipment fire

Monthly NFIRS Incident Comparison:

	2023	2022	2021	% Of Change from 2022 to 2023
January	579	591	502	-2.00%
February		507	456	
March		540	497	
April		498	503	
May		574	556	
June		590	583	
July		531	587	
August		600	577	
September		524	525	
October		545	552	
November		574	562	
December		612	590	
TOTAL		6686	6490	



Responses by Municipality (All NFIRS Reports):

City	# of Runs	% of Runs	# of Runs - YTD
City of Abbotsford	0	0.00%	0
City of Colby	0	0.00%	0
City of Merrill	0	0.00%	0
City Of Mosinee	0	0.00%	0
City Of Schofield	0	0.00%	0
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Town of Johnson	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Marathon	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Mosinee	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Rib Falls	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Rib Mountain	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Rietbrock	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Stettin	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Texas	2	0.35%	2
Town Of Wausau	15	2.59%	15
Town Of Weston	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Wien	1	0.17%	1
Village Of Athens	0	0.00%	0
Village Of Brokaw	0	0.00%	0
Village Of Edgar	1	0.17%	1
Village Of Kronenwetter	0	0.00%	0
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Village Of Marathon City	1	0.17%	1
Village Of Rothschild	0	0.00%	0
Village of Stratford	0	0.00%	0
Village Of Weston	3	0.52%	3
Wittenberg	0	0.00%	0
Wood County	0	0.00%	0
Total	579	100.00%	579

Activity/Incident Hours Committed:

Category	Time Committed
NFIRS Incidents	94:00:07 Hours
EMS Incidents	838:36:58 Hours
Non-Incident Activities (Station Maintenance, Vehicle Check-off/Fire Pre-plan, Hazmat Outreach, Administration duties, Public Education, Committee and Staff Meetings)	1,082.75 Hours
Training (including Wellness)	1,189.25 Hours

Aid Responses:

Type of Aid	# of Runs
Mutual Aid Given – EMS	4
Mutual Aid Given – Fire	0
Automatic Aid Given – EMS	0
Automatic Aid Given – Fire	0
Mutual Aid Received – EMS	23
Mutual Aid Received – Fire	0
Automatic Aid Received – EMS	0
Automatic Aid Received – Fire	0
Other Aid Given – EMS	0
Request for EMS from Other Agencies to the City of Wausau (not Aid)	3
Request for Fire from Other Agencies to the City of Wausau (not Aid)	0
Total Non-Aid Incidents (outside City with no other agency response)	14



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Date 02/07/2023
To Chief Bliven
From Lt. Mike Felder
Subject TAVERN REPORT January 1, 2023, through January 31, 2023

ROUTINE TAVERN INSPECTIONS (No violations unless noted)

101 Pub, 101 N. 3rd Avenue

Pregame Pub, 2002 N. 6th Street

- License wasn't properly posted. Officers issued a verbal warning and plan to check back in a couple of weeks.

After Shock, 1418 Lenard Street

The Bar, 1025 S. 3rd Avenue

Bob & Randy's Bar, 1515 N. 6th Street

Bull Falls Brewery, 901 E. Thomas Street

Kin and Kind, 2108 Grand Avenue

Callon Street Pub, 209 Callon Street

Campus Pub, 1110 W. Campus Drive

The Chatterbox Bar, 102 S. 2nd Avenue

Cop Shoppe Pub, 701 Washington Street

Day's Bowl-A-Dome, 1715 Stewart Avenue

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CONVENIENCE/GROCERY STORE INSPECTIONS (No violations unless noted)

None.

RESTAURANT INSPECTIONS (No violations unless noted)

None.

ALCOHOL COMPLIANCE CHECKS

None.

NOTABLE INCIDENTS AT TAVERNS TO WHICH POLICE WERE DISPATCHED.

Bob & Randy's Bar, 1515 N. 6th Street

- (1) *Case #23000571, 01/19/2023 at 11:53 PM:* CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS: A **bartender** called to report that a male suspect had thrown a rock through the front window, breaking it. The suspect had left the scene, last observed running onto Chicago Avenue. The bartender was familiar with the male, who had been a patron the previous evening. He had been asked to leave the bar that evening, and when he returned on this occasion, was advised by the bartender that he would not be served and asked to leave again. The male became agitated and raised a bar stool above his head as if to throw it. The male put the stool down and left. He immediately returned outside and threw the rock through the window. The employee ran outside in time to see the male running from the bar. Officers attempted contact with the suspect, but he would not come to the door. He was referred for Criminal Damage to Property and Disorderly Conduct.

Glass Hat, 1203 N 3rd Street

- (1) *Event #23000040, 01/01/2023 at 1:37 AM:* CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS: A citizen called to report that there was a male in the bar that had a "no drink" prohibition. Officers responded and located the male in question. He was found to be on probation, with a condition that he was not to be drinking or in possession of alcohol or be in a bar. The male submitted to a Preliminary Breath Test (PBT) which indicated a 0.17% BrAC. The Probation/Parole after-hours office was contacted, and they declined to authorize a hold.
- (2) *Event #23010349, 01/23/2023 at 8:35 PM:* SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY: The **owner** called in a report of a vehicle parked nearby with a woman sitting in it for about an hour. There was a concern that the vehicle occupant(s) were buying drugs from an address next door. An officer responded but was unable to locate the vehicle.

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Intermission Bar, 325 N. 4th Street

- (1) *Event #23007119, 01/16/2023 at 5:03 PM:* CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS: The **bartender** called after kicking out a male that was making female patrons uncomfortable. As the male was leaving, the bartender thought the male had made a comment similar to a declaration that he was going “to do a drive-by.” An officer responded and attempted to locate the male, who was known to the bartender. The male was eventually located by the officer and spoken to. The male denied making that type of comment, and said he would never do such a thing. The officer advised the male that he was no longer welcome in the bar, as requested by the bartender. The male was agreeable and released. The officer later contacted the male’s residence to make sure he got home safely.

Loppnow’s Bar, 1502 N. 3rd Street

- (1) *Event #23000409, 01/02/2023 at 3:30 AM:* SERVICE MISCELLANEOUS: A **bartender** called to request an officer stand-by while she closed the bar as they had some suspicious people hanging around after bar time in the past. At the end of the stand-by, the bartender was about to leave but accidentally pulled on the door handle to a vehicle that was not hers. This set off the alarm on the vehicle. The officer attempted to call the registered owner, but was only able to leave a message.

Wausau On Water (WOW), 1300 N. River Drive

- (1) *Event #23000248, 01/01/2023 at 4:32 PM:* MENTAL SUBJECT: A **manager** called after having an ongoing situation with an employee that showed up late. The late employee got into an argument with the other employee that was forced to stay longer to cover for the late employee. The late employee eventually became hysterical and made a comment about killing herself. Officers responded and spoke with the employee. The employee was assessed by a North Central Health Care Center (HCC) intake worker and a safety plan was agreed to. The woman had been drinking, so she was given a ride home by one of the officers.

Christine’s Bar, 936 S. 3rd Avenue

- (1) *Event#23009618, 01/21/2023 at 11:44 PM:* CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS: An **employee** called to report that there had been an argument outside the bar. The caller thought that the people involved may have left, but wasn’t sure. An officer spoke with a bartender, who related that there had been an argument in the parking lot, but the people involved left the area when the other person called. Nothing was observed by the officer at the time.

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Eagle's Club, 1703 S. 3rd Avenue

- (1) *Event #23004992, 01/11/2023 at 10:02 PM:* SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY: A citizen called after observing a red truck pull into the parking lot with several men in it, after everyone had left. The men got out of the truck and tried to enter the bar. Upon finding the door locked, they got back into the truck and sat in the parking lot for about five minutes, then left. The caller was no longer on scene, but thought it was suspicious. The caller didn't know if the bartender was still on scene. When officers arrived, they found the building locked and unoccupied. No other issues were noted.

Jim's Corner Pub, 1244 S. 9th Avenue

- (1) *Event #23008029, 01/18/2023 at 4:01 PM:* MEDICAL EMERGENCY: An ambulance was requested for a male that was believed to be deceased. A female on scene was reportedly giving the male CPR. Approximately thirty seconds later, an update was received from the caller that the male was up and talking. On the arrival of the officer, WFD personnel advised that the male had not died, but was intoxicated and passed out. The male's wife was on scene to take care of him.

Treu's Tic Tock, 818 S. 3rd Avenue

- (1) *Case #23000847, 01/31/2023 at 10:17 PM:* ALARMS: Officers were dispatched to a report of a panic alarm at the business. The alarm button got stuck under the cash register somehow, and the worker allowed the officers to check the building. No problems were located. A false alarm report was completed.

Matt's 101 Pub, 101 N. 3rd Street

- (1) *Event #13009120, 01/20/2023 at 9:54 PM:* CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS: Officers were requested to respond for a male that was "causing problems" by an **employee**. The caller noted that the male had made a comment about wanting to "put a bullet in someone's head." Officers located the male in the alley behind the bar. He denied all accusations. The officers contacted the reporting person, who described the male as being intoxicated, falling in the snowbanks, and holding himself up on other patron's vehicles. He simply wanted the male gone. The male had contacted a cab, which arrived while officers were there. The male was from out of town but staying at the Motel 6. He left willingly in the cab.
- (2) *Event #23013433, 01/30/2023 at 6:16 PM:* WELFARE CHECK: An **employee** called for assistance with a woman that had wandered into the bar for the second time that night. The woman wouldn't tell the bartender her name or anything. They suspected she was under the influence of a drug or may have mental health issues. Officers arrived and made similar observations regarding the woman's condition. They were able to get her to the Warming Center, where she stayed for the night.



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Moua's Callon Street Pub, 209 Callon Street

(1) *Event #23000819, 01/02/2023 at 10:42 PM:* CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS: A patron called to report that her phone had been stolen in the bar. Bar employees allowed the victim and officer to view the surveillance footage which showed the suspect taking the phone while talking to the victim. The suspect was known to the bar employees. The victim was able to locate the phone through tracking software to the suspect's residence. An officer responded to the suspect's residence and spoke with him. The male was heavily intoxicated, and initially denied taking anyone else's phone. He presented what he believed to be his own phone, but when he saw the lock screen, he realized it was not his phone. He apologized and showed the officer his phone, which had a similar case. He claimed he had taken the victim's phone by mistake. The victim didn't necessarily believe that it had been a mistake, but decided not to pursue charges after getting her phone returned.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE DEMERIT POINTS ASSESSED

- Jalapeno's dropped seventy-five (75) Demerit Points due to time to one hundred fifty (150). See below synopsis and attached report.

Respectfully submitted,
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ADDENDUM #1: SYNOPSIS OF CURRENT DEMERIT POINTS

Campus Pub 50 Demerit Points
Disorderly Conduct on Premise/Failure to Summon Police

Christine's Bar 25 Demerit Points
Open After Hours

Jalapeno's 225 Demerit Points
Open After Hours (06/19/2022)
Allowing Underage on Premise (06/19/2022)
Serving Underage Person (06/19/2022)
Leaving with Open Container (06/19/2022)
No Licensed Bartender on Duty/Premises (09/19/2022)

M and R Station 50 Demerit Points
Failure to Summon Police

Milwaukee Burger Company 50 Demerit Points
No Licensed Bartender on Duty/Premise

Newch's Eatery 100 Demerit Points
Disorderly Conduct on Premises
Penalty Enhancer for severe offenses (Bodily Harm)

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE DEMERIT POINTS ASSESSED TO TAVERNS/STORES

Establishment	Defendant/Relationship	Date of Violation	Ord. Section/Statute Number	Type of Violation	Point Value*	Case #
6th Street Pub					Total	0
101 Pub					Total	0
Aftershock Bar & Grill					Total	0
Applebee's Restaurant					Total	0
Buffalo Wild Wings					Total	0
Bunker's					Total	0
Cabaret					Total	0
Callon Street Pub					Total	0
Campus Pub	Kevin Steinke/Owner	8/20/2022		Disorderly Conduct on Premise	50	Case #22007058
					Total	50
Cheers Bar					Total	0
Christine's Bar	Pahoua Chee Yang/Bartender	4/24/2022	5.64.010/125.32(3)(a)	Open After Hours	25	Event #22052223
					Total	25
Cop Shoppe Pub					Total	0
Crossroad's County Market					Total	0
Cruisin 1724					Total	0
Den Mar					Total	0
Days' Bowl-a-Dome					Total	0
Domino Bar					Total	0
Eagle's Club					Total	0
Glass Hat					Total	0

Hiawatha							Total	
Hmong Eggroll Restaurant								
							Total	0
Hutch's Bar								
							Total	
Intermission Bar								
							Total	
Jalapeno's	Jose Pedro Pineda-Medellin/Owner	6/19/2022	5.64.010/125.07(3)	Open After Hours/Underage Person on Premise	25/25	Case #22005159		
	Jose Pedro Pineda-Medellin/Owner	9/19/2022	5.64.010/125.68(2)	Serve Underage Person	25			
				Leaving with Open Container	25			
				No Licensed Bartender on Duty	50	Event #22128462		
							Total	150
Jim's Corner Pub								
							Total	
Labor Temple								
							Total	
Limmerick's Public House								
							Total	
Loppnow's Bar								
							Total	
Lumpy's								
							Total	
Kohlman and Lee's IGA								
							Total	
Krist Food Mart #89								
							Total	0
M & R Station	Rick Gordon/Owner	5/29/2022		Failure to Summon Police	50	Case #22004445		
							Total	50
Malarkey's Pub								
							Total	0
Milwaukee Burger Company	Jack Haldeman/Agent	8/29/2022	5.64.010/125.68(2)	No Liscensed Bartender	50	Case #22007009		
							Total	50
Newchee's Eatery	Mai Yang Lor,Newchee Lor/Owner	3/20/2022	5.64.010	Disorderly Conduct on Premises w/ Bodily Harm	100	Case #22002411		
							Total	1
North End Pub								
							Total	
Pick N' Save #6405								
							Total	
Pine Ridge Mobil								
							Total	0
Player's								

		Total	C
Pregame Pub			
		Total	C
R Store #31			
		Total	C
R Store #34			
		Total	
Red Eye Brewing Company			
		Total	
Showtime Gentlemen's Club			
		Total	
The Store #62			
		Total	
Thrive Foodery			
		Total	
Treu's Tic Toc			
		Total	
Tobacco Outlet Plus #501			
		Total	C
Trig's Wausau			
		Total	
VFW Burns Post 388			
		Total	C
Wausau BP			
		Total	
Walgreen's #13371			
		Total	C
Wausau Labor Temple			
		Total	C
Wausau Mine Company			
		Total	
Whiskey River Bar & Grill			
		Total	