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OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

of a meeting of a City Board, Commission, Department Committee, Agency, Corporation, Quasi-Municipal Corporation or Sub-unit thereof.

Joint Meeting: **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE & PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE**
Date/Time: **Monday, August 7, 2023 at 4:30pm**
Location: **407 Grant St, Wausau WI 54403 - Council Chambers**
PR Members: **Dawn Herbst, Carol Lukens, Tom Kilian, Lou Larson, Sarah Watson**
PHS Members: **Lisa Rasmussen, Doug Diny, Lou Larson, Becky McElhaney, Chad Henke**

AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION (All items listed may be acted upon)

Joint Item:

- 1 Discussion and Possible Action Amending Section 9.20.020 Regulations of Persons and Section 1.01.025 Issuance of Citations
Adjourn Public Health and Safety Committee
Lisa Rasmussen, PHS Chair

Parks and Recreation Items:

- 2 Public Comment or Suggestions
- 3 Approve Minutes - June 5, 2023
- 4 Discussion and Possible Action of Petition Submitted for Repair of Stewart Park
- 5 Educational Items
 - A. Park Updates (Barker Stewart Island Goats, Brockmeyer Park, Scholfield Park Parking Lot, Lincoln Tot Lot, Trail Tales, Skate Park, Vandalism)
 - B. Riverside Park Remediation Update
- 6 Future Agenda Items -
- 7 Next Meeting Date - September TBD, 407 Grant St, Wausau WI 54403 - Council Chambers
- 8 Adjournment

Jamie Polley, Director

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Distribution List: City Website, Media, WSD-Admin, Alderpersons, Mayor, Polley, Dept. Staff, Maryanne Groat, Brad Lenz, Eric Lindman, Lance Leonhard, Wisconsin Woodchucks, Wausau Events, Public Access, Wausau River District

Joint Item:

1. Discussion and Possible Action Amending Section 9.20.020 Regulations of Persons and Section 1.01.025 Issuance of Citations

Please review the attached documents pertaining to Section 9.20.020 in preparation for discussion in a joint meeting with the Public Health and Safety Committee.

Parks and Recreation Items:

4. Discussion and Possible Action of Petition Submitted for Repair of Stewart Park

The City Clerk received the attached petition for repairs to Stewart Park. The petitioners are requesting funding to repair the historic rock wall structures within the park.

Staff met with Mr. Johansen and Alder Diny earlier in the summer and then again spoke with Mr. Johansen to look at the park. As you are aware Stewart Park is a very old park. The rock walls are all dry stack walls meaning the majority of the wall does not contain mortar and do require repair as they age. Staff met with a contractor and assessed the cracking of the stage wall. There are areas in need of tuckpointing. The contractor feels the cap of the wall should be replaced as this is where the water is getting into the rock causing some separation. The wall is solid and the foundation has not shifted so there is not an immediate threat or danger. The items that need to be completed are maintenance items. We do have staff that has the ability to complete some of the tuckpointing as time allows. At this time, we do not have the staff available. We did inform Mr. Johansen and Alder Diny that we have these items on our work list and will work on them as time allows. As with all our tasks we must prioritize the work that we do and address the items in immediate need first. We did this a few years ago with the pillars at Stewart Park. The pillars did pose a safety risk.

The contractor will be providing staff with a quote for 1. Tuckpointing the cracks and other areas as needed. 2. Forming and installing a new cap. We will have the quote for the meeting on August 7th.

Each year as we develop our CIP requests, we prioritize the projects that we submit for funding due to the limited CIP funds. The City has continually not funded maintenance items such as this due to the limited CIP funding increasing the deferred maintenance within the parks. The project we submitted for 2024 were of highest priority and based on conversations at the CIP committee will once again not receive funding. This project has not been submitted because it does not exceed the priority of the projects that have been submitted.





5A. Park Updates

Barker-Stewart Island goats are back and enjoying the buckthorn. Once completed they will return in September.

Brockmeyer shelter pad was repoured from frost damage.

Scholfield parking lot received new gravel base and is complete.

Lincoln Tot Lot playground is complete.

Trail Tails book is up from Oak Island boat launch to River Drive offices.

Vandalism has increased in the downtown area, including needle finds.

Skate Park bidding document completion is on hold due to contract delays. It is our hope this can be addressed on our end quickly to keep the project moving forward.

5B. Riverside Park Remediation Update – The remedial excavation had a few delays however the grading, infill, topsoil and erosion control was completed the last week in July to complete the remediation of the park.

7. September meeting date falls on Monday, September 4, 2023 which is Labor Day. The Committee is asked to reschedule the meeting date to Monday, September 11, 2023 at either 3:30pm or 6:00pm. Currently on this date the Human Resources Committee is meeting at 4:45pm.

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CITY OF WAUSAU – PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date/Time: June 5, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. Location: Council Chambers, City Hall

Members Present: Dawn Herbst (c), Lou Larson, Tom Kilian, Carol Lukens, Sarah Watson

Others Present: Jamie Polley-Parks Director, Brad Lenz – Community Development Director, Anne Jacobson – City Attorney

1. In accordance with Chapter 19, Wisc. Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and sent to the Daily Herald in the proper manner. A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order by Chair Herbst at 4:30pm.
2. Public Comment or Suggestions – none brought forward.
3. Approve Minutes – May 1, 2023 – **Motion** by Watson, second by Larson to approve the Park and Recreation Committee draft May 1, 2023 minutes. Motion **carried** by voice vote, vote reflected as 5-0.
4. Discussion and Possible Action on Mill Building Update – Polley explained that the City had dismantled the Stone Mill building in 2012 and wanted to keep it for historical purposes. After determining Barker Stewart Island wasn't the best location for it another possible idea is in the planned south riverfront development area. In January 2022 the Finance Committee approved the remaining CIP funding for the development plan of Barker Stewart Island be utilized to complete the design of the mill building. Staff has been working with the architectural firm Galbraith Carnahan Architects (GCA) to develop a plan that would reflect the historic look of the mill building, utilize some of the original wood and provide utilization by the community. The wood has been evaluated as to whether the building could be rebuilt or replicated and it's estimated that thirty percent of the wood is reusable. Lenz discussed the south riverfront plan and the idea for the mill building which is to make it a permanent market structure. Kilian requested that a future a public meeting be held in the Island Place Apartment's lobby for those residents to give input.

Polley said staff had been told to finish the design of the mill building and give a cost estimate. It will be up to City Council whether they want to build it or build it somewhere else. She had it as an actionable item in case Committee saw anything in the plan they didn't like and wanted to change. The design puts together the look of the old stone building utilizing some of the existing timber as accent pieces. The roof style and interior are similar to the old 1883 building. Lenz gave historical context that this was the first site in Wausau to have electricity and in 1984 when a City survey was done it was the last remaining sawmill from those early days so its significant in that sense as well. Funding for the project is yet to be determined. The timbers have been stored with a resident for a long time so the City should decide what they are going to do with them. Polley will bring this item back for action to release the wood because if only a small amount is going to be used, if this building is ever built, they will keep the wood they want for construction and relocate it to a site the City controls. Polley noted the cost estimates will be higher in future years.

5. Discussion and Possible Action on Skate Park Update – Polley explained that the skate park design is complete. The design includes two phases. The first phase includes new features such as ramps, rails, stairs on a new concrete base. The second phase will add a new concrete base for existing equipment and refurbish the existing ramps. Doing the design in two phases will be based on funding. The City has provided funding and a grant has been received from the Community Foundation. Two more grants have been applied for and if those are received then they will have the budget necessary for the cost estimate of the first phase. The big cost to the second phase is the concrete surfacing which is the ideal surfacing after that the existing ramps could be refurbished over time. Spohn Ranch is going forward with the final design and specifications. Phase 1 will be bid out and then the alternates for phase 2 will be concrete as the first alternate and the ramp refurbishing as the second alternate. Depending upon how prices come in and the amount of funding secured if they can enough to do at least all the concrete right away that would be ideal. Polley was hopeful that if the timing goes right that this could be brought back to Committee in August so the contractor could do some of the work this year. Questions were answered.

6. Educational Items

A. Park Updates – Barker Stewart Island Bridge – Barker-Stewart bridge decking replacement is nearly complete, the side areas are remaining and will be completed as staff time allows. Lincoln Tot Lot – Lincoln Tot Lot Playground has been removed. The installation of the new playground will begin the week of June 5. Pools – Preparing pools for start-up. Pools open Saturday, June 3. Wharf Docks – Riverlife Wharf docks will be installed the week of June 5. Scholfield boat launch will be closed for two days to stage the equipment and components of the docks. Briq’s – Briq’s is now open for the season at Riverlife. Athletic Park – Woodchucks first game was May 31st. Season is now in full swing. Urban Forestry – Tree planting is almost complete in the boulevards and parks. Staff will have planted 328 trees this spring with a total planned planting of 450 trees once complete. Large urban forestry grant has been submitted to assist the department in routine pruning, tree plantings and tree removals. Hanging baskets have been installed and crews are installing plants in the planting beds. Spring planting is substantially complete.

B. Riverside Park Remediation Update – A prework meeting took place on Friday, May 19th. The Board of Public Works will be voting on the contractor’s request to provide an irrevocable letter of credit in lieu of the payment/performance bond on Tuesday, June 6. Once approved the work will be scheduled. Work on remediation is progressing and the work will be completed as directed by the WDNR in the RAOR.

Discussion occurred regarding the procedure and funding for installing signage and covering of an area to prevent public access between the sampling location P10 and P12 in the interim before the remedial activity starts. The Department of Health Services had recommended this be done in a letter received by Alder Kilian after he had asked them to look at the last set of samples. Larson said as chair of CISM he would contact Lindman the next day to find out what the procedure is to start on the signage in-house.

7. Future Agenda Items – none brought forward

8. Next Meeting Date – The next regular scheduled meeting will be Monday, July 10, 2023 at 3:15pm in Council Chambers at City Hall, 407 Grant St., Wausau WI 54403.

9. Adjournment – **Motion** by Kilian, second by Lukens to adjourn at 5:30pm. Motion **carried** by voice vote, vote reflected as 5-0.



Office of the City Attorney

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Anne L. Jacobson
City Attorney

Tara G. Alfonso
Assistant City Attorney

To: Public Health & Safety Committee

Parks and Recreation Committee

From: Tara G. Alfonso, Asst. City Attorney

Date: July 17, 2023

Re: Comments on proposed amendment to W.M.C. §9.20.020 concerning alcohol in parks

- This office was requested to draft a proposed amendment to W.M.C. §9.20.020 prohibiting the possession and consumption of alcohol in certain City parks. The draft ordinance presented also clarifies that the prohibition applies to facilities and improvements within City parks such as playgrounds, athletic fields or courts and swimming and wading pools.
- As currently drafted the prohibition would apply to parks within an area bounded by the south side of East Wausau Avenue on the north, the south side of Thomas Street on the south, the west side of 3rd Avenue on the west, and the east side of 6th Street to the east.
- The draft ordinance excepts from its prohibition: alcohol consumption between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. (to accommodate picnics and other similar gatherings or activities); approved Class I, II, or III Special Events upon the request of the event organizer and as approved under the City's Special Events Policy and Procedures; campsites, park shelters or facilities reserved through the Wausau and Marathon County Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department; and Athletic Park.

- A random sampling of ordinances in other communities indicates the following:

Municipality	Restriction	Sample of Exceptions
Beloit - §15.06	General prohibition on possession, consumption and sale in any City park.	Many detailed exceptions including: licensed premises of golf course clubhouse; golf course grounds; beer at certain parks during City sponsored baseball or softball league games; wine or fermented malt beverages at certain parks under permit granted by Division of Parks or Parks Director; alcohol beverages at the Beloit Rotary River Center under various conditions; alcohol beverages at certain parks and during certain times of the day.
Green Bay - §28-4	General prohibition on possession or consumption in any park, playground, athletic field or court, swimming or wading pool, or parking lot.	Exemptions for fermented malt beverages and wine in picnic areas in 3 specific parks between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. and in the baseball stadium. In any other park as approved by the Parks Committee or, in accordance with and under the terms of the written policy approved by the Council.
Kenosha - §6.02	Prohibition on sale, giving away, possession or consumption of any alcohol beverage.	Fermented malt beverages and wine permitted in City Parks and buildings pursuant to a permit issued for an approved date which shall expire at 10:00 p.m. each day; and, Simmons Island Beachhouse under an approved alcohol license issued under state and local law.
Madison - §8.24	Makes it unlawful to sell, give away, possess or consume alcohol on certain designated properties.	Many detailed prohibited locations which include: specifically named parks; other specifically named parks except in duly designated and cordoned off areas set aside for alcohol consumption; certain named parks except with prior approval of Parks Division or Parks Superintendent.
Neenah - §11-3	No fermented malt beverages or intoxicating liquor sold, given away, dispensed, consumed, stored in or brought onto any public property of the City.	Exceptions for grounds and buildings of Whiting boathouse and Bergstrom-Mahler Museum under an approved liquor issued by the City; any area temporarily licensed for consumption of liquor or fermented malt beverages under municipal liquor laws; and as carried by a properly licensed bartender working at a licensed

		establishment between a licensed establishment and a sidewalk café.
Wauwatosa - §7.65.080	General prohibition on any spiritous, vinous, malt or mixed liquors in any park or parkway.	Except areas designated by the park commission in writing and except at such places as beverages are sold by licensees of the commission.
Whitewater - §7.38.010	No alcoholic beverages allowed in any city park (except Starin Park) without a permit. No intoxicating liquors permitted on Indian Mounds Park.	Permits for parks, park buildings and other municipal buildings may be issued by the city clerk as deemed appropriate by the city manager.

- As can be seen from the random sample above, restrictions can be fashioned in multiple ways.
- The forfeiture deposit for violation is suggested in the draft ordinance at \$50 (which is the same amount as for a violation of possession and consumption prohibitions at the 400 Block). With court costs, the total forfeiture would be \$124.00.

**JOINT ORDINANCE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
AND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Amending Section 9.20.020 Regulation of persons and Section 1.01.025 Issuance of citations.

Committee Action: PH&S: **Ordinance Number:**
Parks & Rec:

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 9.20.020 Regulation of persons is hereby amended to read as follows:

9.20.020 - Regulation of persons.

Persons using the public parks shall comply with the following:

....

(s) No person shall possess or consume intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverages in or upon The 400 Block except between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.; during a Class I, II, or III Special Event upon request of the event organizer and as approved under the City's Special Events Policy and Procedures for a period beginning two hours before the time for the Class I, II, or III Special Event and ending one hour after the event if the event closes prior to 4:00 p.m., or such hours beginning before and ending after the event as may otherwise be approved by the Public Health and Safety Committee; or, as otherwise approved by the Public Health and Safety Committee and Common Council as provided in section 9.04.025(d).

(t) No person shall possess or consume intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverages in any park, playground, athletic field or court, swimming or wading pool located within an area bounded by the south side of East Wausau Avenue on the north, the south side of Thomas Street on the south, the west side of 3rd Avenue on the west, and the east side of 6th Street to the east except as follows:

(i) Between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.;

(ii) During a Class I, II, or III Special Event upon request of the event

organizer and as approved under the City’s Special Events Policy and Procedures and the period beginning two hours before the time for the event and ending one hour after the event if the event closes prior to 4:00 p.m., or such hours beginning before and ending after the event as may otherwise be approved by the Public Health & Safety Committee;

(iii) At campsites, park shelters or facilities reserved through the Wausau and Marathon County Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department;

(iv) At Athletic Park.

Section 2. That Section 1.01.025 Issuance of citations, is hereby amended to read as follows:

1.01.025 Issuance of citations.

....

(c) Schedule of cash deposits.

(1) A schedule of cash deposits is established as follows:

....

(B) For violations of all ordinances other than those governed by the aforescribed Uniform State Deposit Schedule and except as provided in subsection (C), the cash deposit schedule shall be as follows:

Municipal Ordinance Schedule of Deposits

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<u>Ord. No.</u>	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Deposit</u>
9.20.020(b)	Park—after hours	50.00
9.20.020(r)	Animals on cross-country ski trails	10.00
9.20.020(t)	Possess consume alcohol in park	50.00
9.22.020	Jumping and diving from bridges	25.00

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect beginning on January 1, 2024.

Adopted:
Approved:
Published:
Attest:

Approved:

Katie Rosenberg, Mayor

Attest:

Kaitlyn Bernarde, Clerk

P E T I T I O N
TO THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF WAUSAU, WISCONSIN

7/19/23
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 Date Filed with City Clerk

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The undersigned petitioners respectfully request that your honorable body take such action as will cause the:

City of Wausau to approve special funding to repair and maintain
the amphitheater wall, retaining walls, and stairways of
Stewart Park

Signature of Electors	Print Name Clearly	Print Home Address	Date of Signing
1. <u>Thomas Johansen</u>	Thomas Johansen	917 McClellan St.	7-11-23
2. <u>Meg Johansen</u>	Meg Johansen	917 McClellan St	7-11-23
3. <u>Susan Rattle</u>	Susan Rattle	804 Scott St	7-11-23
4. <u>Fanny Verhaeghe</u>	Fanny Verhaeghe	745 Scotts	7-11-23
5. <u>Todd Mitchell</u>	Todd Mitchell	901 Scott St	7-11-23
6. <u>Sarah Mitchell</u>	Sarah Mitchell	901 Scott St	7/11/23
7. <u>Michelle Jordan</u>	Michelle Jordan	501 LaSalle St	7/11/23
8. <u>Brooke Klerman</u>	Brooke Klerman	915 Scott St	7/11/23
9. <u>Anthony Klerman</u>	Anthony Klerman	915 Scott St	7-11-23
10. <u>Stephan Dikoforst</u>	Stephan Dikoforst	910 N. 10 th St.	7/11/23
11. <u>Brooke Jacques</u>	Brooke Jacques	410 N. 10 th St.	7/11/23
12. <u>Dennis Piper</u>	Dennis Piper	409 N. 10 th	7-11-23
13. <u>James Collison</u>	JAMES COLLISON	1005 McClellan Rd	7/11/23
14. <u>Kathy Spender</u>	Kathy Spender	611 N. 10 th Street	7/11/23
15. <u>John Hager</u>	John Hager	619 N. 10 th ST	7/11/23

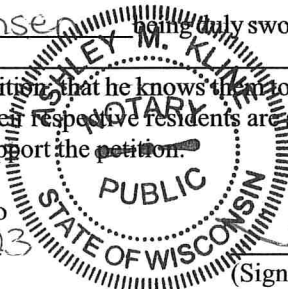
AFFIDAVIT OF CIRCULATOR

STATE OF WISCONSIN

CITY OF WAUSAU Thomas Johansen being duly sworn disposes and says that he is a resident of the affected area, residing at 917 McClellan St in the City of Wausau; that he is personally acquainted with the persons who have signed the foregoing petition, that he knows them to be residents of the affected area; that they signed the same with full knowledge of the contents thereof; that their respective residences are stated therein; that each signer signed the same on the date stated opposite his name; and that he intends to support the petition.

Filed in the Office of the City Clerk and sworn to before me this 19 day of July, 2023

Ashley M. Kline
 Signature of City Clerk or designee



Thomas Johansen
 (Signature of Circulator)

917 McClellan St
 (Address of Circulator)

PETITION
TO THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF WAUSAU, WISCONSIN

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City of Wausau to approve special funding to repair and maintain the amphitheater wall, retaining walls, and stairways of Stewart Park

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	Betsey Hager	619 N. 10th St	7/11/23
	Eric Sweeney	609 Gray Pl	7/11/23
	Kay W. Palmer	603 Gray Pl	7/11/23
	Burt Palau	603 Gray Place	7-11-23
	Jane Janke Johnson	3125 N. 9th St	7-12-23
	Linda Pfantz	704 Kent St	7-13-23
	Kristen Aschbrenner	1100 Highland Park Blvd.	7/13/23
	Cathy Olson	1710 Statesman Dr.	7/13/23
	Leslie Anklam	226032 Bayview Dr	7/13/23
	David Rusch	1905 N 10th Ave Apt 3	7/14/23
	Steven Schlenger	1321 Crescent Dr	7/17/23
	NIAZ HARVE	9602 HERITAGE HILLS DR	7/13/23
	Doug Littlejohn	151380 ? ? ? Rd	7/13/23
	Gregory U. Gage	229994 W. 128th Ave	7/13/23
	Alissa Davies	514 Bugbee Ave.	7/13/23

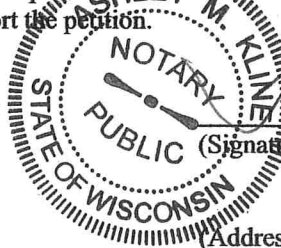
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	Kurt Braunel	916 McClellan St	7-17-23
	Paul Radtke	804 Scott St.	7-17-23
	Ryan Bridges	406 LaSalle St	7-17-23
	Sierra Gatzmann	406 LaSalle St.	7/17/23
	Aaron Kapeluch	925 Scott St	7-17-23
	Jim McKissick	421 N. 10th St	7-17-23
	Ulises Ruiz	1002 McClellan St.	7-17-23
	Luanne Bradford	610 N 11th St.	7-17-23
	DONALD E. BRADFORD	610 N 11th St	7-17-23
	James C. Shatts	614 N 11th St	7-17-23
	Robert W Wulf	622 N. 11th	7-17-23
	Keri Wulf	622 N 11th St	7-17-23
	Gavin Wulf	622 N 11th St.	7-17-23
	Sue Doering	708 N 11th St	7-17-23

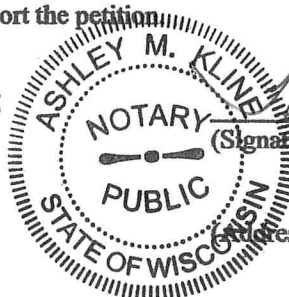
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	Craig Heil	150300 Owl Ln	7/13/23
	CRAIG KERNYK	150450 Begonia	7/13/23
	Michael Loy	514 Aspen Grove Ln	7/13/23
	VACQUE WEND	817 Stark St	7/13/23
	Annina Wendt	817 Stark St	7/13/2023
	Merry Winner	225858 Axtal Ln	7/13/2023
	Jessica Guffey	1906 Eagle Valley Ln	7/13/23
	Matthew W. Hsch	1100 Highland Park Blvd	7/13/23
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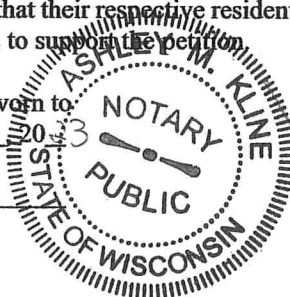
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<u>Ashley Huffman</u>	Ashley Huffman	807 Grant St Wausau WI 54403	7/18/23
<u>Janie Washburn</u>	Janie L Washburn	811 Grant St Wausau WI 54403	7/18/23
<u>Connor Christensen</u>	Connor Christensen	806 Grant St Wausau WI 54403	7/18/23
<u>Heather Jones</u>	HEATHER JONES	616 LaSalle St 54403	7/18/23
<u>Andrew Oyer</u>	Andrew Oyer	704 LaSalle St 54403	7/18/23
<u>Jeff Rothacker</u>	Jeffrey Rothacker	915 Grant 54403	7/18/23
<u>Barbara Ruelle</u>	Barbara Rothacker	915 Grant 54403	7/18/23
<u>Harold Ruelle</u>	Harold Ruelle	715 Gray Place 54403	7/18/23
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<u>Marie Duckworth</u>	MARIE DUCKWORTH	909 FRANKLIN ST 54403	7/18/23
<u>Jeff Hancock</u>	JEFF HANCOCK	906 GRANT ST	7/18/23
<u>Chris Kurth</u>	CHRIS KURTH	923 SCOTT	7/18/23
<u>Andrea Sarger</u>	Andrea Sarger	515 LaSalle	7/19/23
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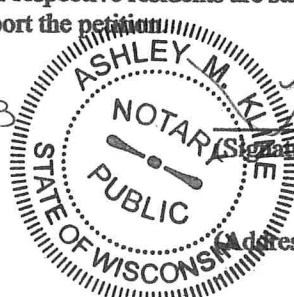
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3. <u>Brian Peacy</u>	Brian Peacy	904 Franklin	7/17/23
4. <u>Lila Hobson</u>	830 Franklin St	Lila J. Hobson	7/17/23
5. <u>Bari Hobson</u>	BARi HOBSON	830 FRANKLIN ST	7/17/23
6. <u>William Reif</u>	Wm Reif	707 Gray Place	7/17/23
7. <u>Kari Ann Sweeney</u>	Kari Sweeney	1009 Gray Place	7/17/23
8. <u>Jackie Mueller</u>	Jackie Mueller	604 Gray Place	7/17/23
9. <u>Mara Johansen</u>	Mara Johansen	1617 Roosevelt St.	7/18/23
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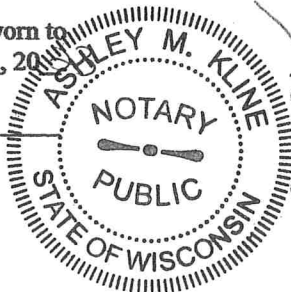
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<i>[Signature]</i>	KEVIN SCHRUEPFER	N735 OLD 26 RD	7/13/23
<i>[Signature]</i>	Kathy Stella	1309 Bissell St. Apt. 7	7/13/23
<i>[Signature]</i>	Dennis McLaughlin	4053 CARL ST	7/13/23
<i>[Signature]</i>	Gene Bartelt	139227 Nauyas St	7/13/23
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<i>[Signature]</i>	Betsy Wendt	150457 County Rd N	7/13/23
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<i>[Signature]</i>	Judy COVER	2200 Waukegan Dr Plover, Wis	7/13/23
<i>[Signature]</i>	Ann Geier	9606 Woodland Dr Weston	7/13/23
<i>[Signature]</i>	Katie Alsteen	5303 Jacob St Weston	7/13/23
<i>[Signature]</i>	Kristi Kuntz	609 16th St Mosine	7/13/23
<i>[Signature]</i>	Kristi Kuntz	3902 Crestwood Dr Wausau	7/13/23
<i>[Signature]</i>	WALTER N. ASCARRENNE	144987 Lincoln DR WAUSAU	7/13/23

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	Antoinette Hayek	149551 Mountain Ln Wausau	7/13/23
	Rachel Peterson	1420 Westwood Dr ^{APT 12}	7/13/23
	JOSEPHINE ANGIE STANLEY	223050 BUCKTHORN CT	7/13/23
	EDWIN C STANLEY	223050 BUCKTHORN CT	7/13/23
	Sue Ashbrennes	144987 Lincoln Dr	7/13/23
	MARCO ESPINOSA	309 Country Club Rd	7/13/23
	Tyenne Hoffmann	404 Kent St.	7/13/23
	Benjamin Herdrid	703 Country Club Rd ^{Wausau, WI}	7/13/23
	Veronica Cabling	9209 Centerway Rd ^{Country Club Rd}	7/13/23
	Jessica Almeida	309 Country Club Rd. ^{Wausau, WI 54475}	7/13/23
	PERRY B LANGE	17050 Mole Brook Rd,	7/13/2023
	Alison Bennett	821 Franklin St ^{Wausau, WI}	7/13/2023
	Stephanie Stella	120 N 3rd Ave Wausau WI	7/13/2023

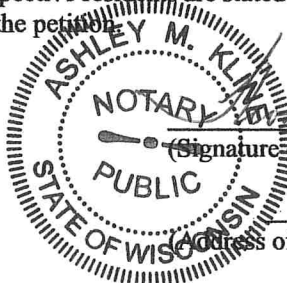
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<i>Arthur Jacobs</i>	Arthur Jacobs	1815 Tall Oaks Dr. Wausau	7/13/23
<i>Adam Stricklin</i>	Adam Stricklin	147833 Eagle View Ln	7/13/23
<i>ANDREA SCZYPSKI</i>	ANDREA SCZYPSKI	230734 Freedom way	54403
<i>AMAN BASSI</i>	AMAN BASSI	226950 Boulder Ridge	7/13/23 54403
<i>Elizabeth Rachu</i>	Elizabeth Rachu	813 1st Street	54474
<i>Samantha Wimmer</i>	Samantha Wimmer	147323 Whippoorwill Rd	7/13/23
<i>Bryan Shingledacker</i>	Bryan Shingledacker	1420 Westward ave	7/13/23
<i>Kathy Rodziewicz</i>	Kathy Rodziewicz	9208 Riverbirch St, Rothschild	7/13/23
<i>Maria Borzecki</i>	Maria Borzecki	1047 Valley Lane, Armstrong Creek	7/13/23
<i>Heech Herdrich</i>	Heech Herdrich	702 Country Club Rd Schafeld	7/13/23
<i>Tolulope Onitilo</i>	Tolulope Onitilo	3621 Golf View Dr	7/13/23
<i>Ola Onitilo</i>	Ola Onitilo	3621 Golf View Dr Wausau	7/13/23
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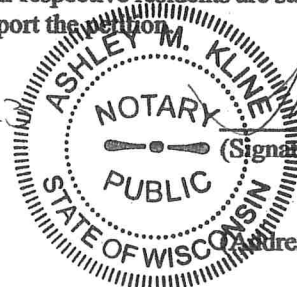
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Mayor Rosenberg and members of the City Council:

I write today as a member of a group of concerned citizens who are worried about the upkeep and general condition of Stewart Park (Performance Park). The park contains old stone masonry that, over the years, has cracked and shifted. The Parks Department has repaired stairways, retaining walls, and pillars as they have deteriorated in the past. More recently however, it has become apparent that the pace of annual maintenance is not keeping up with the pace of deterioration. The stairways, small retaining walls and the large stone backdrop wall of the amphitheater are all in need of repair. Of greatest concern is the tall wall that is used as a backdrop for the performances and weddings that occur in the park. Over the last five years this wall has developed three large cracks, most likely from water that freezes and expands during the winter months. If left unrepaired, the wall will most surely continue to lose more stones and eventually fall.

Wausau is known as a city that supports its parks and values its history. Historically, Stewart Park was developed in 1912 by Mary, Margaret, and Helen Stewart who donated land that had been part of their estate to the city on behalf of their father Alexander. Alexander, was a prominent business man in Wausau who was the founder of Wausau Broom Co. and Wausau Paper Mills. The stone gates still standing today in the park were a part of the Stewart estate. The Stewart women hired root and Hallister of Chicago to make the amphitheater. They hoped that the classics in opera and music could be enjoyed under the giant pines by the citizens of Wausau. The park continues to be used for dance recitals, weddings, special family portraits, high school photos, and other events throughout the year. You may have seen the park on TV ads or other advertising, as it is a visually stimulating and scenic area of our city.

Our group understands that the needed repairs for Stewart Park are beyond the allotted budget of the parks department. Therefore, we are asking that a special fund be approved through the city council to enable the necessary repairs to be completed in the park. Please give strong consideration for our request to allow the citizens of Wausau continued opportunities to enjoy this wonderful park. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Dr. Thomas Johansen