



OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

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Meeting of the: **PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE**
Date/Time: **Monday, September 18, 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 meeting (8/21/2023)
 - 2 Consider approval or denial of various license applications
 - 3 Consider Central Business District Obstruction Permit Applications - The Chocolate Shop, 532 S 3rd Ave and Forward Beverage Co, 303 N 3rd St
 - 4 Discussion and possible action on creating Section 12.44.055 Block parties as a result of sunset/auto-repeal of original ordinance on November 1, 2023, at 12:01 a.m.
 - 5 Discussion and possible action on relocating District 1 & 2 polling place from Pilgrim Lutheran Church to the Lakeview Conference Center located at 1000 Lake View Dr (Door 31)
 - 6 Discussion and possible action on relocating District 6 polling place from Sylvan Hill to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church located at 930 Edgewood Rd.
 - 7 Operations Report from Fire Department August 2023
 - 8 Tavern Activities Report - August 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023
 - 9 Community Outreach Update
- Adjourn

Lisa Rasmussen, Chairperson

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

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

This Notice was posted at City Hall and sent to the Daily Herald newsroom on 9/15/23 @ 2:00 PM

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PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Date and Time: Monday, August 21, 2023, at 5:15 p.m., (Council Chambers)

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

Excused: Becky McElhaney

Others Present: Anne Jacobson, Matt Barnes, Jeremy Kopp, Tracy Rieger, Kaitlyn Bernarde, Katie Rosenberg, Kody Hart

In compliance with Wis. Stat. s. 19.84, notice of this meeting was duly posted and sent to the *Wausau Daily Herald* in the proper manner.

Noting the presence of a quorum, Chairperson Rasmussen called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Minutes of previous meetings (7/17/23 & 8/08/23)

Motion by Diny, second by Henke, to approve the minutes of the previous meetings. Motion carried 4-0.

Consider approval or denial of various license applications

Rasmussen provided an opportunity for applicants recommended for denial of licenses to address the committee to discuss their record. Donald Alsteen and Peter Goetsch were not in attendance. Emmanuel Reyes was present and stated disagreements with the recommendation in regard to the amount of time that has passed since the conviction involving a motor vehicle and spoke on rehabilitation since the other convictions. Rasmussen stated a recommendation to hold Reyes' approval or denial for Reyes to provide documents to show rehabilitation.

Larson questioned the meaning on "habitual truancy enhancers on more recent convictions" provided in the Clerk's Report to the Public Health & Safety Committee. It was stated that consultation with the city attorney's office may be needed to further understand Reyes' record.

Henke stated a recommendation to Reyes to provide further documentation on Reyes becoming a foster parent.

Motion by Larson, seconded by Diny, to approve or deny licenses as recommended by staff with the exception of Emmanuel Reyes. Motion carried 4-0.

Consider request for waiver of WMC Section 3.06.010(a) Payment of taxes, claims, forfeitures, judgments prior to issuance of license, due to extraordinary financial hardship (Adrian McMahan, Public Transport Driver License)

Rasmussen explained that licenses are not issued if there is a debt owed to the city unless waived by the committee and provided the applicant an opportunity to address the committee. Adrian McMahan was not in attendance.

Larson questioned if a waiver is granted, could the committee place a timeframe for repayment. It was stated that a timeframe for repayment has been provided in the past and that if a waiver was granted it could be set for a date certain in the future or as a condition for renewal of the license in July of next year. Repayment would also be transferred to the tax bill in November. It was stated that McMahan had a license in the previous year.

Diny questioned when the hold on the license was discovered. The hold was implemented upon the debt check performed by the Clerk's Office. Since that time late charges have been added increasing the amount owed for repayment.

Motion by Henke, seconded by Larson, to approve a waiver until the end of the license term. Motion carried 4-0.

Consider Central Business District Obstruction Permit (Sugar 'n Spice Cheesecakes, 419 Forest St)

Rasmussen explained that the permit would allow tables and chairs to be on the sidewalk in front of the business.

Motion by Larson, seconded by Diny, to approve. Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion and possible action regarding an ordinance amending Section 9.04.010 State statutes adopted and Section 1.01.025 Issuance of citations (Re: Restrictions on the Use of Facsimile Firearms)

Matt Barnes, Deputy Chief, stated the purpose of the ordinance change was to adopt a state statute as allowed so the forfeiture would provide revenue to the city through the municipal court.

Motion by Larson, seconded by Henke, to approve. Motion carried 4-0.

Operations Report from Fire Department July 2023

Jeremy Kopp, Deputy Chief, outlined the report. The Fire Department was awarded 2023 Mission: Life EMS Recognition by the American Heart Association for quality care of heart attack patients above the national average. The CAAS Accreditation outcome was impending, and it was stated that the department expects the accreditation.

Report placed on file.

Tavern Activities Report – July 1, 2023 through July 31, 2023

Barnes outlined the report and drew attention to establishments that receive frequent calls from the Police Department.

Larson questioned the high frequency of calls to the Cop Shoppe Pub. It was stated that officers were called to this location a number of times over the last several months. Barnes stated hope to improve upon the business relationship to mitigate calls and responses needed. Rasmussen stated future action that could be taken by the Police Department and committee members to help address issues before they get worse.

Rasmussen stated that activity at Aftershock Bar and Grill increased due to more activity at the establishment and noted it is something to be watchful of as it sits in a largely residential area.

Kaitlyn Bernarde, Clerk, stated that an agent of Crusin 1724 stated the establishment was open for regular hours 6 days a week until the end of May and is currently operating on summer hours which are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. with plans to return to regular hours in September. The establishment is currently for sale.

Rasmussen stated that the adjusted hours of Crusin 1724 could be an attempt to maintain the liquor license in compliance with the city's abandonment ordinance. It was recommended that the establishment be monitored to ensure that they are keeping the summer and regular hours in accordance with ordinance.

Report placed on file.

Community Outreach Update

Tracy Rieger, Community Outreach Specialist, stated that in July there were 232 unhoused individuals per the organizations that collect that data. On the 3rd Wednesday in July a Point-In-Time (PIT) count was conducted. This July was the highest number of unhoused individuals, with 37 counted as living outside or in a place not meant for human habitation. That number is increased from last July's PIT count at 31 individuals. Barnes stated that some volunteers conducting the PIT count were not able to safely count individuals meaning the number of unhoused individuals is likely higher by 6 or more. Rieger reported the capacity and turn-aways statistics from area shelters.

Larson questioned if The Open Door was back open for regular hours. Rasmussen stated that the organization was still actively seeking an Executive Director and attempting to hold limited hours of operations. The city may be working with partners in the future to help facilitate an ongoing regular day center for individuals.

Report placed on file.

Fire Operations Report, Tavern Report, and the Community Outreach Update available in online packet:
<https://www.wausauwi.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/9443/638279716853470000>

Adjournment

Motion by Henke, second by Larson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

For full meeting video on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5izHukvOipA>

CLERK'S REPORT TO PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

September 18, 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: Public Transport Driver: *Deferred from previous meeting:***
 - 1) **Emmanuel Reyes** - Applicant has 4 battery convictions, the most recent in 2017. In addition, the applicant has habitual truancy enhancers on more recent convictions. Applicant also has a conviction for reckless driving causing injury in 2006.
 - 2) **Peter Goetsch** - *Applicant has felony THC convictions in 2017, felony theft conviction in 2021 and felony burglary convictions in 2021*
2. **Class B Beer/Class C Wine** – A & A Restaurant LLC, 1720 Grand Ave, owner Albiona and Albion Rushani.
3. **Class I Special Events – Wausau Events 2024 Season Applications:** Winter Fest – January 27, Concerts on the Square – June 3 – August 28, Wings Over Wausau - June 21-22, Chalk Fest – June 22-23, 4th of July Fireworks – July 4, Blues Fest – August 17, Beer & Bacon Fest – September 14, Harvest Fest – October 5, Holiday Parade – December 6
4. **Class II Special Events** – Ironbull Red Granite Grinder Bike Race, Saturday, October 14, 2023; Turkey Trot 2023 - Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 2023.

***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: September 15, 2023

(715) 261-6621



PHS Date 09/18/2023

License ID	License Typ	Name	Address	Details	Business	Begin Dt	End Dt	Police	PHS	Council
185316	9026 - Class I	ADERHOLDT, ALISSANDRA	316 SCOTT ST WAUSAU WI 54403	2024 WINTER FEST on SATURDAY, JANAURY 27, 2024 Organized by WAUSAU EVENTS						
185318	9026 - Class I	ADERHOLDT, ALISSANDRA	316 SCOTT ST WAUSAU WI 54403	2024 WINGS OVER WAUSAU on FRIDAY, JUNE 21ST, SATURDAY, JUNE 22ND Organized by WAUSAU EVENTS						
185319	9026 - Class I	ADERHOLDT, ALISSANDRA	316 SCOTT ST WAUSAU WI 54403	2024 CHALK FEST on FRIDAY, JUNE 22ND & SATURDAY, JUNE 23RD Organized by WAUSAU EVENTS						
185320	9026 - Class I	ADERHOLDT, ALISSANDRA	316 SCOTT ST WAUSAU WI 54403	4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS & PARADE on THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2024 Organized by WUASU EVENTS						



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185321	9026 - Class I	ADERHOLDT, ALISSANDRA	316 SCOTT ST WAUSAU WI 54403	2024 BLUES FEST on FRIDAY, AUGUST 16TH & SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH Organized by WAUSAU EVENTS						
185322	9026 - Class I	ADERHOLDT, ALISSANDRA	316 SCOTT ST WAUSAU WI 54403	2024 BEER AND BACON FEST on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 Organized by WAUSAU EVENTS						
185324	9026 - Class I	ADERHOLDT, ALISSANDRA	316 SCOTT ST WAUSAU WI 54403	2024 HARVEST FEST on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024 Organized by WAUSAU EVENTS						
185325	9026 - Class I	ADERHOLDT, ALISSANDRA	316 SCOTT ST WAUSAU WI 54403	2024 HOLIDAY PARADE on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2024 Organized by WAUSAU EVENTS						



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185497	9026 - Class I	ADERHOLDT, ALISSANDRA	316 SCOTT ST WAUSAU WI 54403	2024 CONCERTS ON THE SQUARE on WEDNESDAYS, JUNE THRU AUGUST Organized by WAUSAU EVENTS						
185327	9027 - Class II	LARSON, ANDREA	200 WASHINGTON ST, STE 200 WAUSAU WI 54403	IRONBULL RED GRANITE GRINDER BIKE RACE on SATURDAY,, OCTOBER 14, 2024 Organized by IRONBULL (ANDREA LARSON)						
185400	9027 - Class II	LEE, BEN	705 S 24TH AVE WAUSAU WI 54401	2023 TURKEY TROT on THANKSGIVING DAY, NOVEMBER 23RD Organized by UNITED WAY - BEN LEE						
185172	9067 - Class "B" Beer & "Class C" Wine	RUSHANI, ALBIONA	1001 PINE STREET MOSINEE WI 54455		A & A RESTAURANT	08/30/2023	06/30/2024	Yes		
185257	9069 - Temporary "Class B" (Picnic)	,	PO BOX 1611 WAUSAU WI 54402		WAUSAU NOON OPTIMIST					
185072	9069 - Temporary "Class B" (Picnic)	GUMTZ, NICK	PO BOX 176 WAUSAU WI 54402-0176		WAUSAU YOUTH HOCKEY			Yes		
185337	9069 - Temporary "Class B" (Picnic)	HANNEY, CARLY	707 N 3RD ST WAUSAU WI 54403		THE LANDING AT THE WOODSON YMCA					



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184612	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	GOETSCH, PETER	180991 HILLLY ACRES RD ELAND WI 54427		NORTHWOODS CAB	08/01/2023	06/30/2024	No		
184436	9080 - Public Transport Driver New	REYES, EMMANUEL	513 E 1ST ST MERRILL WI 54452		NORTHWOODS CAB	07/25/2023	06/30/2024	No	No	

Total Licenses

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CITY OF WAUSAU CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT OBSTRUCTION PERMIT

The City of Wausau supports a vibrant central business district and recognizes the social and economic benefit in allowing certain activities to take place within the public right of way. Per Chapter 5.63 of the Wausau Municipal Code, such uses as sidewalk cafes and other obstructions including, but not limited to self-supporting signs, sandwich board signs, works of art, planters, potted plants, statues, and other similar types of objects.

The following information is required to complete the application submission:

APPLICANT The Chocolate Shop PHONE NUMBER 715-870-2153
MAILING ADDRESS 532 S. 3rd Ave EMAIL Kristin@sweet-usa.com
ADDRESS OF PROPERTY 532 S. 3rd Ave, Wausau, WI 54401

PERMIT FEE \$20 (Make check payable to the City of Wausau and submit with this application)

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED OBSTRUCTION (Attach photographs, drawings, sketches and other descriptive information.) We have 2 small tables that we will place in front of our windows. The majority of the tables are on our property/stoop. At times, we will put a small sandwich sign in front of the store. note: nobody really sits on the chairs/tables.

EXACT LOCATION OF PROPOSED OBSTRUCTION (Describe and show a brief sketch with dimensions from existing buildings and other fixed objects.)

Photos Attached

INSURANCE COMPANY AND AGENCY (Provide Copy) Shahinian Ins. Agency

LIMITS OF LIABILITY INSURANCE:
Commercial liability insurance in the amount of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage, with the city of Wausau named as an additional insured, shall show that the coverage extends to the area used for the sidewalk cafe, and shall provide that the policies of insurance shall not be cancelled, nonrenewed, or altered without 30 days prior written notice to the city.

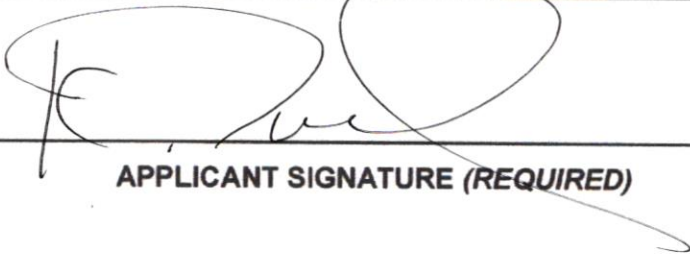
Kristin Zaal

**ACTION BY PUBLIC
HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE**

- PERMIT DENIED
- PERMIT APPROVED (THIS PERMIT IS VALID FROM JULY 1 THROUGH JUNE 30 OF THE CURRENT YEAR)
- PERMIT APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS (THIS PERMIT IS VALID FROM JULY 1 THROUGH JUNE 30 OF THE CURRENT YEAR)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS _____

I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE ABOVE CONDITIONS:



APPLICANT SIGNATURE (REQUIRED)

DATE SIGNED

CHIEF INSPECTOR/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

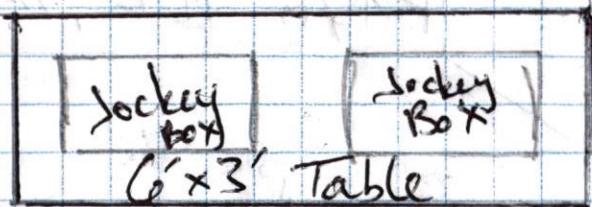
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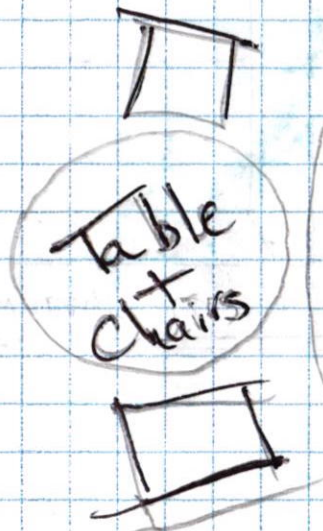


- Tables & Chairs around planter on sidewalk

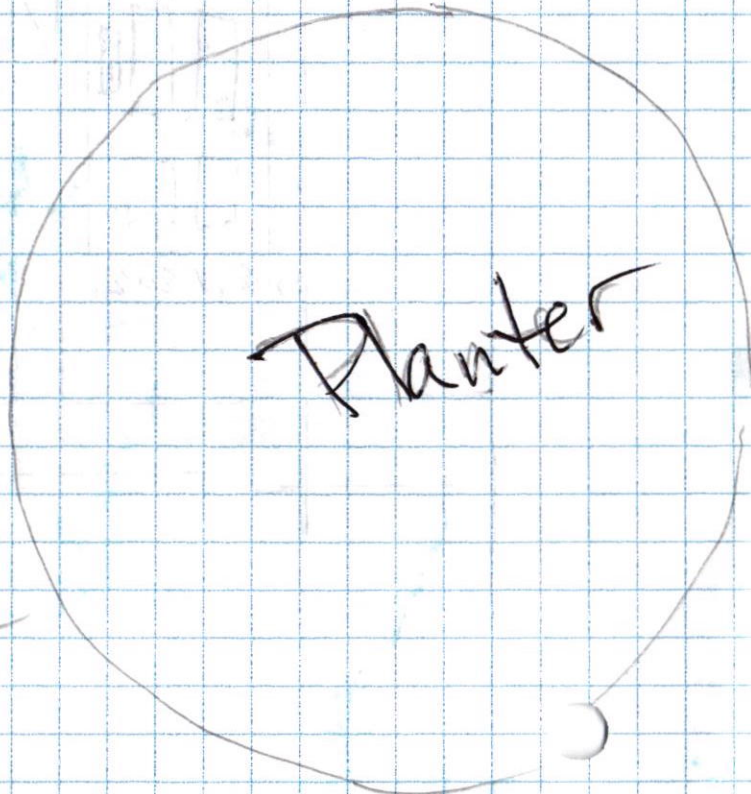


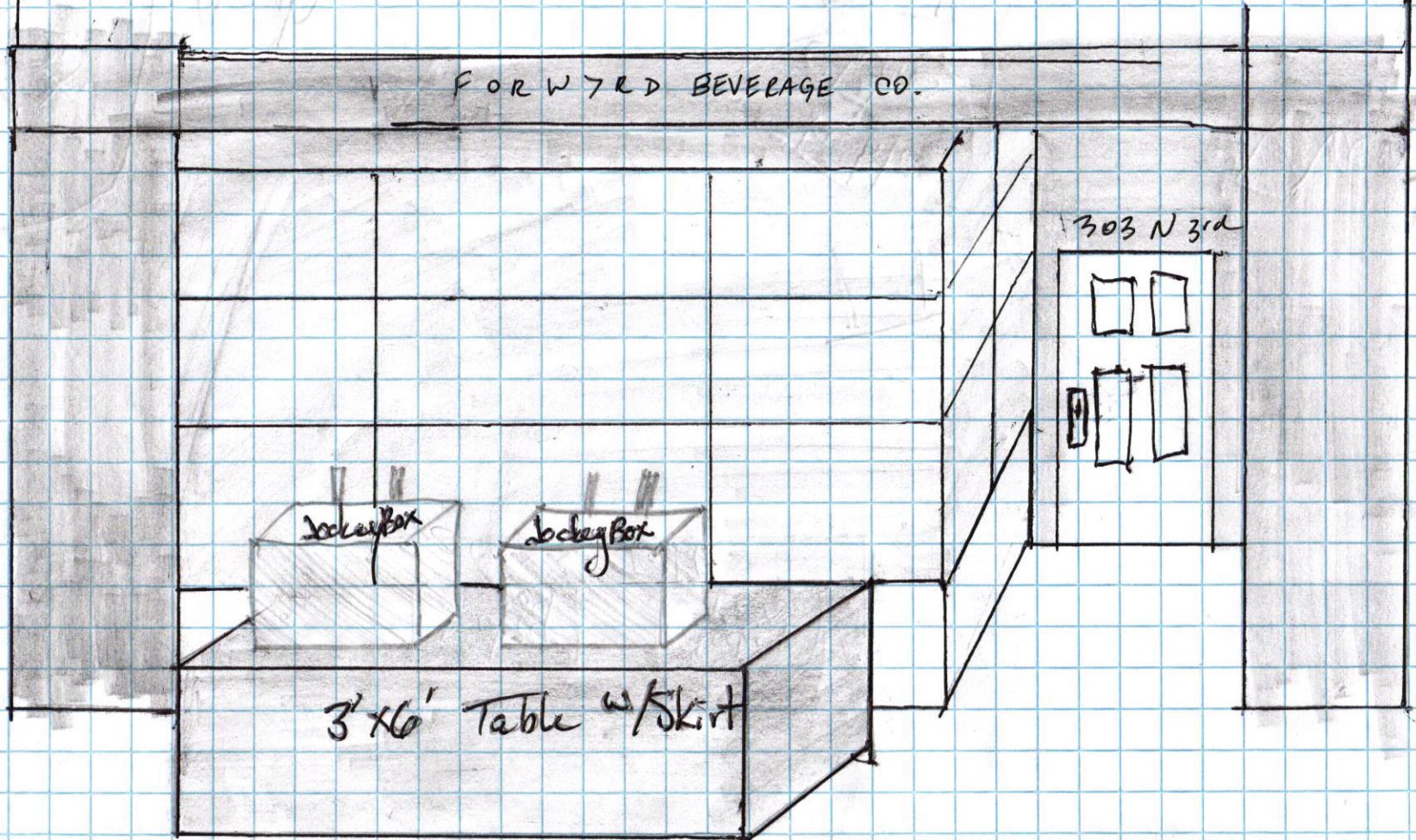
3rd St.

Curb ramp



Planter





- Kegs under the table in ice baths



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)
08/17/2023

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER	SHAHINIAN INSURANCE SERVICES, INC. P.O. BOX 4093 TUSTIN CALIFORNIA 92781-4093 PHONE (800) 457-2231/FAX (714) 544-4370	CONTACT NAME	PAUL & KRISTIN ZAAL	
		PHONE (A/C, No, Ext):	717 945 4048 / 717 945 4011	FAX (A/C, No):
		E-MAIL ADDRESS:	PAUL@SWEET-USA.COM; KRISTIN@SWEET-USA.COM	
		INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	NAIC #	
		INSURER A:	MESA UNDERWRITERS SPECIALTY INSURANCE	36838
INSURED	CHOCOLATE CREATIONS USA LLC SWEET CANDY COMPANY LLC /CHOCOLATE CREATIONS 3906 WENDY LANE WESTON, WI 54476	INSURER B:		
		INSURER C:		
		INSURER D:		
		INSURER E:		
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COVERAGES **CERTIFICATE NUMBER:** 270766 **REVISION NUMBER:**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

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							DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)	\$ 100,000
							MED EXP (Any one person)	\$ 5,000
							PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	\$ 1,000,000
							GENERAL AGGREGATE	\$ 2,000,000
							PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG	\$ 2,000,000
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DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)
LOCATION: 532 S. 3RD AVE., WAUSAU WISCONSIN 54401
CITY OF WAUSAU NAMED AS ADDITIONAL INSURED.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER	CANCELLATION
CITY OF WAUSAU WAUSAU CITY HALL 407 GRANT ST. WAUSAU, WI 54403 715-261-6500	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.
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The following information is required to complete the application submission:

APPLICANT Amy Yanzer (Forward Beverage Co) PHONE NUMBER 608-473-4713

MAILING ADDRESS 914 Oak St. Wausau, WI 54401 EMAIL amyanzer@gmail.com

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY 303 N 3rd St. Wausau, WI 54403

PERMIT FEE \$20 (Make check payable to the City of Wausau and submit with this application)

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED OBSTRUCTION (Attach photographs, drawings, sketches and other descriptive information.) 6" x 3" table with black table skirt ,
with point of sale, cups, lids, and jockey boxes of non alcoholic social seltzers and soft cocktails on Aug 30, 31, 2023.

Tables and chairs outside through Oct 15, 2023.

EXACT LOCATION OF PROPOSED OBSTRUCTION (Describe and show a brief sketch with dimensions from existing buildings and other fixed objects.) Table will be 18" from the windows
with several feet of space for pedestrians to walk in both directions.

INSURANCE COMPANY AND AGENCY (Provide Copy) Acuity Insurance, Thomas Bradley Insurance

LIMITS OF LIABILITY INSURANCE :

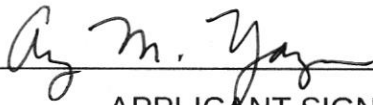
Commercial liability insurance in the amount of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage, with the city of Wausau named as an additional insured, shall show that the coverage extends to the area used for the sidewalk cafe, and shall provide that the policies of insurance shall not be cancelled, nonrenewed, or altered without 30 days prior written notice to the city.

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I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE ABOVE CONDITIONS:



APPLICANT SIGNATURE (REQUIRED)

8/17/2023

DATE SIGNED

CHIEF INSPECTOR/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

DATE SIGNED

Schedule, section 3.40.010(a) and shall accompany the application. An applicant shall certify to the Director of Public Works and Utilities that he/she/it has contacted all residents and businesses abutting the street to be closed and no one has objected to the street closure.

- (c) Closing of streets. The temporary street closing shall be limited to one city block. Permits will not be granted for the closing or detour of federal, state or county trunk highways or connecting highways or where such closure will, or will be likely to cause unreasonable traffic congestion, result in a disturbance of the peace, endanger the public, health welfare and safety, or unreasonably disrupt access to a place of business.
- (d) Responsibilities of the permittee.
 - (1) Acceptance of a permit shall make the applicant primarily liable for damages to persons or property caused by reason of the closing. The City shall not be liable for any damage or injury caused by the street closing.
 - (2) A permittee issued a permit under this section shall notify the police and fire department, bus companies and private ambulance services 24 hours prior to the street closing.
 - (3) The permittee is responsible for the placement of the barricades and advance “Road Closed Ahead” signs provided by the Department of Public Works used to close the streets. Barricades and advance “Road Closed Ahead” signs must be moved into the position approved on the permit by the permittee two hours prior to the beginning of the block party.
 - (4) Barricades and advance “Road Closed Ahead” signs shall be removed from the street and placed on the boulevard area, off the street surface and not obstructing a sidewalk or crosswalk, and shall be placed so as not to shall be visible to motorists.
 - (5) Music or noise levels must be kept at a reasonable level as not to disturb others.
 - (6) Remove all debris, paper, cups, food remains and the like from the street right-of-way prior to 9:00 a.m. on the day following the block party.
- (e) Residential block parties. Block parties held in a residential neighborhood where the attendees are residents of the block and their guests shall start no earlier than 10:00 a.m. and end no later than 10:00 p.m.
- (f) Other block parties. Block parties where the applicant and permittee is a commercial business are subject to the following additional restrictions:
 - (1) Are limited to five hours in length and shall start no earlier than 10:00 a.m. and end no later than 10:00 p.m.
 - (2) Alcohol may be served or sold only by an establishment holding an alcohol beverage license. Open containers of alcohol may not be taken from the licensed premises; alcohol not in the original package or container may be sold for consumption off the premises in accordance with Wis. Stat. s.125.51(3)(a).

- (3) The Director of Public Works may place conditions upon the permit that bear a reasonable relationship to requirements existing under state statutes or elsewhere in this Code and may include without limitation, conditions to reasonably control noise, the accumulation of trash or blowing or scattering of trash from the site, lighting and the disbursement and consumption of alcohol beverages.
- (g) The issuance of an approved permit under this section will stand in place, and in lieu of, a street privilege permit otherwise required under section 12.44.050
- (h) Any person denied a permit may appeal to the board of public works, who shall have the power to review and issue a permit within its discretion in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect on November 1, 2023, at 12:01 a.m.

Adopted:
Approved:
Published:
Attest:

Approved:

Katie Rosenberg, Mayor

Attest:

Kaitlyn A. Bernarde, Clerk

SPECIAL PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Date and Time: Monday, June 5, 2023, at 5:30 pm, (Council Chambers)

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

Members Excused: Chad Henke

Others Present: Anne Jacobson, Kaitlyn Bernarde, Mary Goede, Katie Rosenberg

Lisa Rasmussen stated the special meeting was called to get these items through Council in June in time for the summer season.

Discussion and possible action regarding Creating Ordinance 12.44.055 Block Parties, and Amending §9.04.025(c) Consumption or possession of intoxicants on streets.

Rasmussen stated this came from discussions that staff had with local businesses about street closures. She stated Malarkey's/Townies added the parklet on 3rd Street and would occasionally have an acoustic guitarist standing outside performing. Tyler Vogt, owner, noticed that people listening to the performance would stand or gather between the parklet and the performer off the curb in the parking spaces. There was some concern that people could get hit from vehicles turning the corner from Jefferson Street onto 3rd Street. The discussion was to find a way to close the street during those couple hours while that activity was in progress to keep people safe.

Currently block parties where the street is temporarily closed is only allowed in residential neighborhoods through an application to the Engineering Department and nominal fee. The proposal is to open block party privileges to businesses to close a street for a couple hours and re-open; all in short duration and not to run beyond 10:00 pm. The language is to restrict it from being on major arterial streets or connecting highways. It would be for low traffic streets and not to exceed 5 hours in length.

Tyler Vogt commented often when you travel to other communities the restaurants/bars are able to put on their own corn roast days or their favorite bands, etc. In Wausau most of the events are put on by Wausau Events or the River District and there are a lot of private entities that could help shoulder that ourselves. He did not find anyone opposed to this, there just wasn't a rule to allow it.

Rasmussen stated the ordinance was basically an enabling provision for these small events and are envisioning only a few per year. The committee would like to test it, so it would sunset October 31, 2023 at the end of the season and at the November meeting it will be reviewed and stake holders would be invited to offer feedback before making it permanent.

Doug Diny questioned if there were concerns on how to route traffic specifically on 3rd Street which is a one-way street and if it would be blocking the street during normal business hours.

Rasmussen responded that was one of the considerations in the application process. They will be staff approved rather than go to PH&S Committee and what hours they want and when will be reviewed. She noted this would not be allowed on Scott Street but could be on 3rd Street as long as 4th Street and Jefferson Street stay open. In this particular case if it was happening in front of Malarkey's they would close 3rd Street at the south end but leave the exit open on the north end by the traffic light, so parked cars can get.

Diny questioned if the neighboring businesses would be notified to ensure there were no objections. Clerk Kaitlyn Bernarde pointed out the last thing on the permit application states "The applicant has contacted all residents abutting the street to be closed and no one has objected to the street closure."

Motion by Larson, second by Diny to approve. Motion carried 4-0.

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).

Rasmussen explained this resolution is for the fee of \$31.50 to cover the cost to process by staff.

Motion by Larson, second by Diny to approved. Motion carried 4-0.

Adjourn

Motion by Larson, second by Diny to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:41 pm.



CITY CLERK – CUSTOMER SERVICES

TO: Common Council

FROM: Kaitlyn Bernarde, City Clerk

RE: Resolution to Relocate District 1 & 2 Polling Place to the Lake View Conference Center

DATE: September 11, 2023

Purpose: To establish a new polling place at Lake View Conference Center, 1000 Lake View Drive, for residents in District 1 & 2 starting with the February 20, 2024, Spring Primary.

Background: District 1 & 2 electors have been voting at Pilgrim Lutheran Church since 2011. The church has been a great partner for elections, but the Lake View Conference Center is a more ideal polling site. This is due to the layout and size of the facility and the quantity of parking available. Marathon County is completing the facility which has a large conference room with multiple doorways for easy traffic flow and zero-step entry access throughout the facility.

The Clerk's Office identified the Lake View Conference Center as a great location for the polling place because the facility:

- Has a large, open, indoor conference room to accommodate voters, staff, and equipment for elections, and a lobby area for lines to form in case of inclement weather.
- Is ADA accessible with an automatic sliding door and wide hallways with plenty of off-street and handicap parking.
- Is located on a City of Wausau bus route.
- Is owned and operated by Marathon County.
- Is large enough, it could serve as a backup polling place in case of an emergency.

If approved, all registered voters will be notified by mail of the poll site change. Signage will also be posted at Pilgrim Lutheran Church on Election Day directing voters to the new site, and a notice will be printed in the winter City Newsletter.

Recommendation: To approve the Resolution relocating the District 1 & 2 polling place to Lake View Conference Center starting with the Spring Primary election on February 20, 2024.

Sincerely,

Kaitlyn A. Bernarde

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

RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Relocating District 1 and District 2 Polling Place from Pilgrim Lutheran Church to the Lakeview Conference Center located at 1000 Lake View Drive.

Committee Action: *Pending*

Fiscal Impact: Postage expense of notification to all residents affected by this change.

File Number:

Date Introduced: September 26, 2023

WHEREAS, voters in District 1 and 2 have been voting at Pilgrim Lutheran Church since 2011; and

WHEREAS, Marathon County created the Lakeview Conference Center in 2023, connected to space for county departments, and North Central Health Care; and

WHEREAS, the Marathon County Executive Committee approved the use of the facility as a polling location; and

WHEREAS, the Lake View Conference Center is located within District 1 and is available as a polling place, and has more than sufficient space to accommodate voters, staff, and equipment for elections; and

WHEREAS, the Lake View Conference Center is ADA accessible and has sufficient parking for a large number of voters; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Wausau that the Lakeview Conference Center, 1000 Lake View Drive, in Wausau, be established as a polling location for electors located in District 1 and 2 for all elections beginning with the Spring Primary, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all residences in District 1 and 2 be notified by mail of the location of the new polling site.

Approved:

Katie Rosenberg, Mayor



CITY CLERK – CUSTOMER SERVICES

TO: Common Council

FROM: Kaitlyn Bernarde, City Clerk

RE: Resolution to Relocate District 6 Polling Place to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

DATE: September 15, 2023

Purpose: To establish a new polling place at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 930 Edgewood Rd, Wausau, for residents in District 6 starting with the February 20, 2024, Spring Primary.

Background: District 6 electors have been voting at Sylvan Hill Park since August 2022. My office selected this site due to its large off-street parking, central location within the district, and that it is a city-owned facility. For each election the Wisconsin Elections Commission sends auditors to polling sites around Wisconsin to conduct an ADA Accessibility Audit. Sylvan Hill Park received multiple accessible voting findings including that the accessible parking spaces in the parking area were not on level, firm, stable and slip-resistant ground, due to the poor condition of the parking lot.

The Clerk's Office identified the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church as a new location for the polling place because the facility:

- Is ADA accessible with an ADA power-assisted opener with plenty of off-street and handicap parking that has a stable asphalt surface.
- Has a large, open, indoor fellowship hall to accommodate voters, staff, and equipment for elections, and a narthex area for lines to form inside in case of inclement weather.
- Is located on a City of Wausau bus route.
- Is recognized as a community gathering space by residents in the district.

If approved, all registered voters will be notified by mail of the poll site change. Signage will also be posted at Sylvan Hill on Election Day directing voters to the new site, and a notice will be printed in the winter City Newsletter.

Recommendation: To approve the Resolution relocating the District 6 polling place to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church starting with the Spring Primary election on February 20, 2024.

Sincerely,

Kaitlyn A. Bernarde

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

RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Discussion and possible action on relocating District 6 polling place from Sylvan Hill to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church located at 930 Edgewood Rd.

Committee Action: *Pending*

Fiscal Impact: Postage expense of notification to all registered voters affected by this change.

File Number:

Date Introduced: September 26, 2023

WHEREAS, voters in District 6 have been voting at Sylvan Hill since 2022; and

WHEREAS, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Council approved the use of the facility as a polling location; and

WHEREAS, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is located within District 6 and is available as a polling place, and has sufficient space to accommodate voters, staff, and equipment for elections; and

WHEREAS, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is ADA accessible and has sufficient parking for a large number of voters; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Wausau that Good Shepherd Lutheran Church located at 930 Edgewood Rd, in Wausau, be established as a polling location for electors located in District 6 for all elections beginning with the Spring Primary, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all registered voters in District 6 be notified by mail of the location of the new polling site.

Approved:

Katie Rosenberg, Mayor

Wausau Fire Department Monthly Report

August 2023



(Wausau Fire receives CAAS Accreditation)

Fire Chief Report by Chief Robert Barteck

In August, operational tempo remained high, with several high-acuity calls occurring within the average everyday call volume. August was another memorable month in the Wausau Fire Department's history, with the achievement of the first-ever CAAS Accreditation and the naming of the next Fire Chief. In addition, we experienced a fire on the second floor of Station One, Deputy Chief Kopp discusses the fire in his report.

Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services (CAAS):

CAAS is a non-profit organization established to encourage and promote quality patient care in EMS Systems in the U.S. High-quality patient care is the Commission's primary focus. This is accomplished by establishing national standard benchmarks that address the entire EMS organization from administration, policies & procedures, and patient care. Services that apply for CAAS accreditation must meet at or above 400 benchmarks for quality. CAAS accreditation far exceeds the minimum requirements by the State of Wisconsin. In the Fall of 2021, the Wausau Fire Department set on a course to achieve CAAS Accreditation. Meeting the 400-plus benchmarks that CAAS uses to evaluate forced us to closely examine many policies and operational idiosyncrasies and make changes to meet or exceed CAAS benchmarks. For example, our EMS Division had never asked our customers about their experience when treated and transported by one of our ambulance crews. To that end, we selected a vendor to assist with surveys and, for the first time, received direct feedback about the quality of care the customer experienced under our care. The feedback has been helpful for us to measure our quality of care.

Once we were confident we were ready for a site visit, we submitted an extensive application showing our compliance with the CAAS metrics. In July, we welcomed two CAAS evaluators for a three-day site visit. During that visit, we had to demonstrate our compliance. The evaluators interviewed paramedics who visited our dispatch center, Human Resources, the Mayor, and other critical elements. At the conclusion, we received a PERFECT SCORE! Yes, our first-ever CAAS accreditation, and we nailed it! This is due to our excellent staff and the hard work of EMS Division Chief Jared Thompson. Our accreditation status became final when the CAAS Board unanimously voted to approve our agency for accreditation at their August meeting.

Fire Chief Appointment:

When I announced my intention to retire on December 15 at the June Police and Fire Commission meeting, they immediately went to work to select the best possible candidate to replace me at the end of the year. The PFC and Human Resources Director quickly developed a plan and sent a nationwide advertisement out to recruit the best candidates to apply.

After a lengthy process, the PFC whittled the applicants down to the final four and invited them to participate in an intensive process to be evaluated for the position. After completing the final interviews, the Commission selected Deputy Chief Jeremy Kopp to succeed me. On August 31 the Commission officially appointed Chief Kopp as the next Fire Chief of our organization. He will be the 13th Fire Chief in our organization's 154-year history.

I am thrilled with their selection and have already begun passing the baton of leadership to Chief Kopp. Chief Kopp is a Wausau native who has climbed the internal ladder within our organization. He is highly experienced and educated. He is concluding his master's degree from Purdue University Global in October. I am excited to see the department continue to thrive under the leadership of Fire Chief Jeremy Kopp.

I hope you find this monthly report informative. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have further questions or want additional information added to this report.

Robert Barteck – Fire Chief

EMS Division by EMS Division Chief Jared Thompson

CAAS Accreditation

The City of Wausau Fire Department is officially accredited by CAAS! This whole process has indeed been educational and humbling. We have never invited an agency from the outside to come into our department and comb through everything we do EMS. This accreditation put the City of Wausau Fire Department on the national map when it comes to excellence! With this CAAS Accreditation, the Wausau Fire Department will be 1 of the 182 accredited agencies in the United States and the fourth in Wisconsin.



Outreach

On August 23, the EMS Division assisted Aspirus Wausau Hospital in presenting "STOP THE BLEED" class to over 100 Newman High School teachers. This class, which was developed by the American Collage of Surgeons', is a formal presentation followed by hands-on practice of applying direct pressure, packing a wound, and using a tourniquet to stop bleeding.

Training:

August stated our recertification process for our Prehospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS) certifications. This class is recognized worldwide as the leading continuing education program for prehospital emergency trauma care. The mission of PHTLS is to promote excellence in trauma patient management by all providers involved in the delivery of prehospital care. PHTLS is developed by NAEMT in cooperation with the American College of Surgeons' Committee on Trauma. The course emphasizes the application of trauma education through case studies, skills practice, and patient simulations. PHTLS is the global gold standard in prehospital trauma education and is taught in over 80 countries.



EMS Patient Experience Rep

The EMS Division is excited to share our patient care experience report for May. Our overall score was 96.48%. I want to highlight our five highest scores from this report. As you will see, we scored above the national database in all categories. In this area, you will notice that under the "Likelihood of recommending this ambulance service to others" category, we scored 98.91%. Even though our patients cannot technically choose the ambulance service when dialing 911, we can gather that our patients would speak highly of our service.

5 Highest Scores



Responses by Municipality (EMS Patient Care Reports):

City	# of Reports	% of Reports	# of Reports – YTD
City of Abbotsford	1	0.20%	2
City of Antigo	0	0.00%	1
City of Merrill	0	0.00%	1
City of Mosinee	0	0.00%	0
City of Schofield	0	0.00%	0
City of Wausau	471	91.99%	3,784
Clark County	0	0.00%	1
Other	0	0.00%	0
Town of Bergen	0	0.00%	1
Town of Berlin	2	0.39%	26
Town of Bevent	0	0.00%	0
Town of Bern	0	0.00%	0
Town of Cassel	2	0.39%	3
Town of Elderon	0	0.00%	0
Town of Emmet	0	0.00%	0
Town of Frankfort	0	0.00%	1
Town of Franzen	0	0.00%	0
Town of Hamburg	0	0.00%	0
Town of Halsey	0	0.00%	1
Town of Harrison	0	0.00%	0
Town of Hewitt	2	0.39%	22
Town of Johnson	2	0.39%	3
Town of Marathon	1	0.20%	1
Town of Mosinee	0	0.00%	1
Town of Norrie	0	0.00%	1
Town of Rib Falls	0	0.00%	4
Town of Rib Mountain	1	0.20%	4
Town of Rietbrock	0	0.00%	2
Town of Ringle	0	0.00%	1
Town of Stettin	0	0.00%	2
Town of Texas	5	0.98%	36
Town of Wausau	9	1.76%	95
Town of Wien	2	0.39%	3
Village of Athens	1	0.20%	5
Village of Edgar	0	0.00%	2

Village of Hatley	1	0.20%	1
Village of Kronenwetter	0	0.00%	1
Village of Maine	10	1.95%	105
Village of Marathon City	1	0.20%	5
Village of Rothschild	0	0.00%	1
Village of Stratford	0	0.00%	0
Village of Weston	1	0.20%	24
Wittenberg	0	0.00%	0
Wood County	0	0.00%	0
Total	512	100.00%	4,140

Fire Training Division by Training Division Chief David Briggs

August Scheduled Training:

A brief breakdown of our scheduled activities follows:

- High Rise Fire Operations
- NFPA 1410 #10
- Standpipe and Portable Standpipe Operations
- Technical Rescue Drill – Rope Rescue Horizontal Movement

High Rise Fire Operations & Standpipe/Portable Standpipe Operations

High Rise firefighting is an extremely challenging and physically demanding sub-types of our fire response. These fires require more firefighters, carrying hoses to elevated floors, an exceptional knowledge of fire behavior, and coordination of difficult ventilation of smoke to perform search and rescue. Every member practices and perform skills on aspects of high rise fires each year. We are also in the writing an improved high-rise policy to strengthen our response and standardize the approach to these incidents.



Above: Ladder 2 crew “stretches” a line to supply the standpipe while simultaneously carrying hoses to attack the fire within the structure.

NFPA 1410 #10 (Forward lay to an aerial)

NFPA 1410 is the national Standard on Training for Initial Emergency Scene Operations. Each year, we perform various drills/assessments on 1410 listed proficiencies. This type of training provides the companies and crews with benchmark times to perform specific tasks. A difficulty with performing these drills is that they are based on a higher staffing model per apparatus than we have at the Wausau Fire Department. The times listed provide us with a benchmark to perform to through the best of our abilities.

Technical Rescue Drill – Rope Rescue Horizontal Movement

Our monthly technical rescue drill requires members to rig rescue ropes to move a person/victim horizontally. Nearly all forms of horizontal movement are a technician level skill according to NFPA 1006: Standard for Technical Rescue Personnel Professional Qualifications. Our members are trained in low-tension methods first

and then we work through methods that add tension to rope to move a person further horizontally. This skillset is one of the few we can perform in which we can literally pull a 9000-pound rope to the point of failure. However, through training and a sound foundation in physics and rope-rescue principles, these tasks can be performed safely.

Recruit Training (Paramedic Class Cohort)

Our paramedic student cohort completed their recruit fire training in early August. During their year of Paramedic training, they had a four week break from their technical college courses. This break provided us with the opportunity to complete fire training to shorten the time between the completion of Paramedic and the time when they will be on the street serving the community. Recruit training took them through dozens of skills and lessons from their initial state certification and built on their knowledge, skills, and abilities to serve the City of Wausau in a more intelligently aggressive manner.



Type of Training	# of Hours	% of Hours	# of Hours -YTD
Company Training	1148.75	86.42%	4,944.15
Driver/Operator Training	13.5	1.02%	687.55
Facilities Training	0	0.00%	39
Hazardous Materials Training	35	2.63%	327.50
Misc Training	0	0.00%	55.25
Officer Training	3.5	0.26%	340.45
Specialty Training	128.5	9.67%	1,078.25
Total	1329.25	100.00%	7,472.15

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	2	0.70%	107
EMS Training	228	80.28%	2,130.25
Fire Instructor Training	54	19.01%	404.25
Fire Prevention Training	0	0.00%	0
Investigation Training	0	0.00%	112.5
Total	284	100.00%	2,754.00

Fire Prevention Division by Fire Marshal Brian Stahl

Inspections: Within the City of Wausau for the month of August, we performed 113 total inspections. We had 24 properties that had Fire Code Violations with 28.6% being Fire Extinguisher Annual Maintenance and 22.9% being coded as “Other”. The “other” classification covers items such extension cords and electrical junction box coverings. These properties will require follow-up inspections to confirm compliance. We conducted 1 consultation inspection for the month. This one was for Knox Box placement. We also received and recorded 81 reports through the Compliance Engine for services rendered for fire suppression systems at varying businesses.

Investigations: The Prevention Division investigated three fires in the month of August. These properties included one vehicle fire, one unattached garage, and unfortunately, Station #1. The vehicle fire is currently under investigation. The fire at the unattached garage was classified as incendiary. Wausau Police Detectives are finalizing their portion of this investigation. The fire at the Fire Station is being categorized as “accidental”. It is suspected that new LED lights being placed into a 1960’s era fixture was the culprit. The hypothesis is that the connector attachments in the fixture were loose and worn making the connection insufficient.

Public Outreach: Throughout August we performed outreach two different times. One of these was a Special event meeting for the festival of arts. One was for a new business that requested an early inspection for future compliance with Fire Inspections. The other was witnessing a fire alarm test at a healthcare facility.

Education: Throughout the month of August the Prevention Division worked on maintaining our EMS certifications. We completed training on Bloodborne Pathogens and EMS HIPAA awareness training. With the completion of the Community Risk Reduction Class Lt. Kariger attended, we are now actively researching ideas and ways of enhancing our community’s safety. Lt. Kariger has projected finishing his bachelor’s degree before the end of 2023. Once Lt. Kariger has finished, he has plans to challenge the IAAI CFI Certification. This certification is for the “Certified Fire Investigator” designation through the International Association of Arson Investigators. Currently, all our investigators have the IAAI Fire Investigation Technician (FIT) designation.

THE FACTS

Fires in student housing cause an average of **one death, 32 injuries, and \$15 million** in property damage per year.



Three out of four of these fires began in a **kitchen or cooking area**.

The likelihood of a fire is much greater on **weekends** and on **weekdays from 5 – 9 p.m.**



The most common months for student housing fires are **September and October**.

Prevention Division Activities:

Inspections Completed	Monthly	Year to Date
Routine Fire Inspections	87	2,034
Re-inspections	25	239
All other Inspections (Consults/burn complaints,etc)	1	38
Total Inspections	2,310	2,197
Fire Investigations	3	15
Inspection Department Activities	Number	YTD
Public Engagement Activities	5	81

Fire Operations Division by Deputy Chief Jeremy Kopp

Significant calls:

Wausau Fire responded to seven fire calls in August and one water rescue. One of the fire calls was a vehicle fire and one of the fire calls was a fire in our very own home (central fire station)! This fire occurred in the female locker room on the second floor in the light fixture above the sink. The fire grew and filled the second floor with smoke causing major smoke damage throughout the second-floor dorm area and fire damage to the female locker room. Crews were alerted by one firefighter smelling smoke from base of the steps on the first floor, then investigating the smell to find the fire. Crews took care of the fire quickly and ventilated the building, ventilation was difficult because there are not any windows that open on the second floor. An alarm system would of surely notified us sooner to the fire, nonetheless crews did a very good job taking care of the incident. Crews were displaced for a few days having to sleep on cots in office spaces on the first floor while remediation of the second floor was done by Northstar Restoration.

Recruitment and Retention:

Researching new ways to recruit is always being looked at and discussed throughout the department, the chiefs and the peer focus group are working together with retention ideas and getting surveys completed to learn mor about why people leave and why they stay so we can work on retention strategies. Recruitment talks with the Deputy Chief are still in full force and if you know anyone who may be interested in a career with the Wausau Fire Department, please send them my way for a tour and a chat.

Fleet:

Not much new with fleet other than we are still waiting to receive the new inspector trucks.

Buildings and Grounds:

DPW has started work removing old blacktop and working on landscaping to remedy water leaking into the building. DPW will also be putting in a parking space for two more vehicles on the west side of the building to accommodate employee parking and snow removal. The bids for apparatus floor will close in September with work to be completed by mid-November. Central fire will be receiving new beds and ceiling tile in the second-floor dorm.

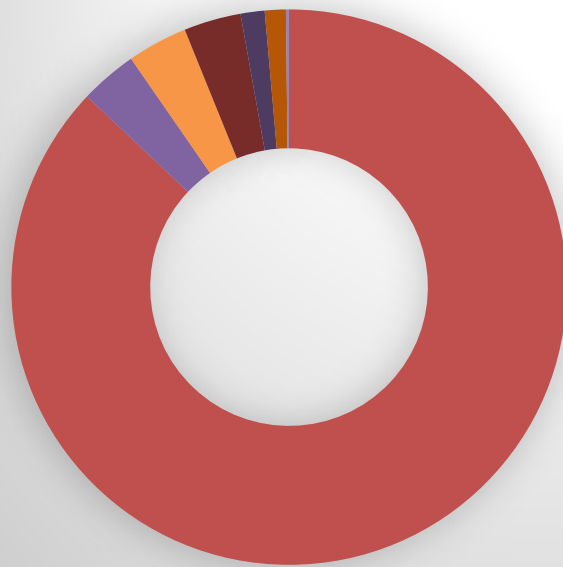
If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or stop by my office. 715-261-7901.

Significant Fire Events:

Date	Address	City	Incident #	Type
8/9/2023	805 North 7th Avenue	City of Wausau	F23001349	Fire, other
8/9/2023	702 Jefferson Street	City of Wausau	F23001352	Cooking fire, confined to container
8/12/2023	381 River Drive	City of Wausau	F23001366	Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire
8/14/2023	4017 Troy Street	City of Wausau	F23001377	Fire, other
8/17/2023	606 East Thomas Street	City of Wausau	F23001400	Building fire
8/27/2023	914 South 9th Avenue	City of Wausau	F23001447	Trash or rubbish fire, contained
8/29/2023	1606 Maple Hill Road	City of Wausau	F23001454	Passenger vehicle fire

Monthly NFIRS Incident Comparison:

	2023	2022	2021	% Of Change from 2022 to 2023
January	579	591	502	-2.03%
February	506	507	456	-0.20%
March	551	540	497	2.04%
April	527	498	503	5.82%
May	574	574	556	0.00%
June	553	590	583	-6.27%
July	679	531	587	27.87%
August	571	600	577	-4.83%
September		524	525	
October		545	552	
November		574	562	
December		612	590	
TOTAL		6686	6490	



- Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident (497)
- False Alarm & False Call (19)
- Good Intent Call (20)
- Service Call (19)
- Hazardous Condition (No Fire) (8)
- Fire (7)
- Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat (No Fire) (0)
- Special Incident Type (1)
- Severe Weather & Natural Disaster (0)

Responses by Municipality (All NFIRS Reports):

City	# of Runs	% of Runs	# of Runs - YTD
City of Abbotsford	1	0.18%	2
City of Antigo	0	0.00%	1
City of Colby	0	0.00%	0
City of Merrill	1	0.18%	2
City Of Mosinee	0	0.00%	0
City Of Schofield	0	0.00%	0
City Of Wausau	530	92.82%	4,191
Clark County	0	0.00%	1
Rosholt	0	0.00%	1
Taylor County	0	0.00%	0
Town of Bergen	0	0.00%	1
Town Of Berlin	2	0.35%	26
Town of Bern	0	0.00%	0
Town of Bevent	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Cassel	2	0.35%	3
Town Of Elderon	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Emmet	0	0.00%	0
Town of Frankfort	0	0.00%	1
Town of Franzen	0	0.00%	0
Town of Halsey	0	0.00%	1
Town Of Hamburg	0	0.00%	0
Town of Harrison	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Hewitt	2	0.35%	19
Town of Johnson	2	0.35%	3
Town Of Marathon	1	0.18%	1
Town Of Mosinee	0	0.00%	2
Town of Norrie	0	0.00%	1
Town Of Rib Falls	0	0.00%	4
Town Of Rib Mountain	1	0.18%	4

Town Of Rietbrock	0	0.00%	2
Town of Ringle	0	0.00%	1
Town Of Stettin	0	0.00%	2
Town Of Texas	5	0.88%	34
Town Of Wausau	9	1.58%	92
Town Of Weston	0	0.00%	0
Town Of Wien	2	0.35%	3
Village Of Athens	0	0.00%	4
Village Of Brokaw	0	0.00%	0
Village Of Edgar	1	0.18%	3
Village of Hatley	1	0.18%	1
Village Of Kronenwetter	0	0.00%	2
Village Of Maine	9	1.58%	102
Village Of Marathon City	1	0.18%	5
Village Of Rothschild	0	0.00%	2
Village of Stratford	0	0.00%	0
Village Of Weston	1	0.18%	23
Wittenberg	0	0.00%	0
Wood County	0	0.00%	0
Total	571	100.00%	4,540

Activity/Incident Hours Committed:

Category	Time Committed
NFIRS Incidents	135:59:54 Hours
EMS Incidents	783:45:37 Hours
Non-Incident Activities (Station Maintenance, Vehicle Check-off/Fire Pre-plan, Hazmat Outreach, Administration duties, Public Education, Committee and Staff Meetings)	760.75 Hours
Training (including Wellness)	1,613.25 Hours

Aid Responses:

Type of Aid	# of Runs
Mutual Aid Given – EMS	10
Mutual Aid Given – Fire	0
Automatic Aid Given – EMS	18
Automatic Aid Given – Fire	0
Mutual Aid Received – EMS	0
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)	0
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)	13



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Date 09/07/2023
To Chief Barnes
From Lt. Nate Stetzer
Subject TAVERN REPORT August 1, 2023, through August 31, 2023

ROUTINE TAVERN INSPECTIONS (No violations unless noted)

Denmar Tavern, 601 W Thomas St

Eagles Club, 1703 S 3rd Avenue

Glass Hat, 1203 N. 3rd Street

Hiawatha, 713 Grant Street

Intermission, 325 N 4th Street

Jim's Corner Pub, 1244 S. 9 Ave

Crusin (Closed), 1724 Merrill Ave

Labor Temple, 318 S. 3rd Ave

Limerick's Public House, 121 Scott S

Loppnow's Bar, 1502 N 3rd Street

Chellis St. Pub, 265 Chellis St

Wausau on the Water (WOW), 1300 N River Dr

Bartender with expired license on 08/19/2023. Bar was closed due to inability to get licensed bartender on premises.

Whisker River Bar and Grill, 5512 Stewart Ave

Domino Bar, 740 Washington St

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CONVENIENCE/GROCERY STORE INSPECTIONS (No violations unless noted)

None.

RESTAURANT INSPECTIONS (No violations unless noted)

None.

ALCOHOL COMPLIANCE CHECKS

None this month. The checks were cancelled due to staffing issues.

NOTABLE INCIDENTS AT TAVERNS TO WHICH POLICE WERE DISPATCHED.

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

- (1) *Event # 23110351, 08/11/2023 at 5:53 PM, MEDICAL EMERGENCY:* **Bartender** called to report a female who was out front but, was never in the bar, who was unconscious. Female was evaluated by medical staff and was determined to be having a medical issue.
- (2) *Event # 23111650, 08/14/2023 at 12:22 PM, WELFARE CHECK:* Refused party had called about a male who was possibly driving intoxicated. Officers located the vehicle but did not locate the driver of the vehicle.
- (3) *Event # 23116876, 08/24/2023 at 20:02, MEDICAL EMERGENCY:* A female had called and said her husband passed out at the bar. She wanted to take her husband privately and no officer was dispatched.

Cop Shoppe Pub, 701 Washington Street

- (1) *Event #23105931, 08/02/2023 at 23:54 PM: CRIMINAL MISC:* Officer received a report of a stolen purse from a vehicle in parking lot.
- (2) *Event # 23105953, 08/03/2023 at 1:27 AM: NOISE:* Officers were dispatched to a bunch of people in the parking lot being loud and arguing. Officers arrived and the **bartender** was dispersing people.
- (3) *Case #231059695, 07/07/2023 at 2:44 AM: WELFARE CHECK:* Officers were called by the **bartender** for a male who was harassing a female outside. A intoxicated female was located who was struggling to stand. Female was released.
- (4) *Event #23106883, 08/04/2023 at 10:36 PM: BAR CHECK:* Lieutenant was driving by and observed a strong smell of marijuana emitting from the area. The bar was checked, and no odor of marijuana was observed inside of the bar.



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Domino Bar, 740 Washington Street

- (1) *Event # 23114374, 08/19/2023 at 9:28 PM. BAR CHECK:* Officer conducted a bar check. There were no issues were noted.
- (2) *Event #23114443, 08/20/2023 at 12:19 PM. CRIMINAL MISC:* Officers were dispatched to an intoxicated female in the parking lot breaking bottles. The reporting party said he had sold her two bottles of alcohol and she took them and began smashing them in the parking lot.
- (3) *Event # 23119726, 08/30/2023, at 3:23 PM, SERVICE MISC:* Dispatch was contacted anonymously to report unlicensed bartenders. No officers were dispatched.

Intermission Bar, 325 N. 4th Street

- (1) *Event 23113974, 08/19/2023 at 12:42 AM, MEDICAL EMERGENCY:* EMS and Officers were dispatched for a report of a 70-year-old male who had fallen and was bleeding. Bartender assisted in trying to stop the bleeding. Medical needs only and no law enforcement actions were taken.
- (2) *Event #23116252, 08/23/2023 at 6:24 PM, 911 HANG-UP,* Dispatch received a 911 hang up call from inside the bar. No officers were dispatched to this call.

Loppnow's Bar, 1502 N. 3rd Street

- (1) *There were several extra patrols conducted due to large crowds.*
- (2) *Event # 23106951, 08/05/2023, at 02:26 AM, Extra Patrol,* Lieutenant observed a large crowd standing in Dekalb Street, yelling, and screaming. Lieutenant had parked near the crowd to help them move along. Contact was made with two intoxicated males, and they were released.
- (3) *Event # 23107463, 08/06/2023, at 2:29 hours, Criminal Misc:* Officers were called by the **bartender** for a large group that had been removed from the bar and were standing outside the bar. The crowd left when officers had arrived.
- (4) *Event #23113987, 08/19/2023, at 01:35 AM, BAR CHECK:* Officers observed a large crowd. As Officers were walking through a vehicle pulled out of the lot at a high rate of speed and proceeded through a red traffic signal. Officers conducted a stop and arrested an underage juvenile for OWI. A underage driver and passenger admitted they were at the bar consuming alcohol. Two bartenders were warned of the violation by a lieutenant. **25 demerit points**
- (5) *Report # 23006212, 08/21/2023 at 1:52 AM, SERVICE MISC:* **Bartender** reported there was a large crowd outside of the bar and bartender wanted them to leave. Officer arrived and located a bag of suspected marijuana. No arrests were made in connection to the drugs.

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

- (1) *Event # 23111522, 08/14/2023 at 7:30 AM, WELFARE CHECK:* Cleaning personnel had called a saying someone was sleeping on the back stoop. Officers located a male who said they were trying to stay out of the rain.

M and R Station, 818 S. 3rd Ave

- (1) *Case # 23005938, 08/09/2023, 11:21 PM, WARRANT ATTEMPT:* Officers were dispatched to bar for a male with a warrant. The male was located and arrested for warrants and cocaine on his person. The male was also arrested for Possession with Intent to deliver cocaine.
- (2) *Event #23109445, 08/09/2023, 11:21 PM, CRIMINAL MISC:* While Officers were on-scene approximately six people were in the back with open intoxicants. There was a very strong smell of marijuana inside and outside the bar. Lieutenant spoke to the bartender who advised he has requested help from ownership during busy times.
- (3) *Event #23111019, 08/13/2023 at 12:06 AM, BAR CHECK:* Officers conducted a walk-through of the bar due to a large crowd. No issues were observed.
- (4) *Event # 23112409, 08/15/2023 at 22:14 hours, CRIMINAL MISC:* Lieutenants observed a large crowd. As they pulled into the lot a male who was standing in the parking lot holding a beer bottle ran behind vehicle and hid the bottle. Contact was made with the bartender who there by himself and said he didn't see the male on the camera.

Chatterbox Bar, 102 S. 2nd Avenue

- (1) *Event #23119780,08/30/2023 at 4:44 PM, SUSPECIOUS ACTIVITY:* A **Bartender** called, and an officer was dispatched for male who had come into the bar yelling carrying a white cup. Officer checked the area and was unable to locate the male.

Cruise In 1724, 1724 Merrill Avenue

- (1) *Officers conducted numerous extra patrols and have observed the bar open for business.*

Wausau on the Water (WOW), 1300 N River Dr

- (1) *Report # 23006184, 08/19/2023 at 8:53 PM, BAR CHECK:* Officers conducted a bar check. Officer noted Bartenders license was expired. A licensed bartender was not present, so the manager elected to close. **50 Demerit Points.**

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ALCOHOL BEVERAGE DEMERIT POINTS ASSESSED

25 Demerit Points were assessed to Loppnow's Bar

50 Demerit Points were assessed to Wausau on the Water

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

- Aftershock Bar & Grill** 25 Demerit Points
Sale to Underage Person (06/27/2023)
- C & B Supermarket** 25 Demerit Points
Sale to Underage Person (04/20/2023)
- Christine's Bar** 25 Demerit Points
Leave with Open Container (05/07/2023)
- Cop Shoppe Pub** 25 Demerit Points
Sale to Underage Person (06/27/2023)
- Den Mar Bar** 50 Demerit Points
No Licensed Bartender on Duty/Premise (02/08/2023)
- Jalapeno's** 50 Demerit Points
No Licensed Bartender on Duty/Premises (09/19/2022)
- Kwik Trip Store #728 (Kent Street)** 25 Demerit Points
Sale to Underage Person (06/27/2023)
- Loppnow's Bar** 25 Demerit Points
Sale to Underage Person (08/09/2023)
- Matt's 101 Pub** 25 Demerit Points
Sale to Underage Person (04/20/2023)
- Moua's Callon Street Pub** 25 Demerit Points
Sale to Underage Person (06/27/2023)
- Wagner Shell Gas Station** 25 Demerit Points
Sale to Underage Person (06/27/2023)
- Whiskey River Bar & Grill** 25 Demerit Points
Open After Hours (06/19/2023)
- Wausau on the Water** 50 Demerit Points
No Licensed Bartender on Duty/ Premise (08/19/2023)

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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	
Aftershock Bar & Grill					Total	0
Applebee's Restaurant					Total	
Buffalo Wild Wings					Total	
Bunker's					Total	
Cabaret					Total	0
Callon Street Pub					Total	0
Campus Pub	Kevin Steinke/Owner	8/20/2022		Disorderly Conduct on Premise	Total	50 Case #22007058
Cheers Bar					Total	
Christine's Bar	Pahoua Chee Yang/Bartender	4/24/2022	5.64.010/125.32(3)(a)	Open After Hours	Total	25 Event #22052223
Cop Shoppe Pub					Total	0
Crossroad's County Market					Total	
Cruisin 1724					Total	
Den Mar	Emily Forrest/Bartender	2/8/2023	5.64.010/125.68(2)	No Licensed Bartender	Total	50 Event #23026406
Days' Bowl-a-Dome					Total	
Domino Bar					Total	0
Eagle's Club					Total	
Glass Hat					Total	

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		
				Serve Underage Person	25			
	Jose Pedro Pineda-Medellin/Owner	9/19/2022	5.64.010/125.68(2)	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	25
		8/19/2023	5.64.010/125.07(3)	Serve Underage Person	25	Event# 23113987		
							Total	25
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							Total	0
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	100
North End Pub							Total	
Pick N' Save #6405							Total	
Pine Ridge Mobil							Total	0
Player's							Total	

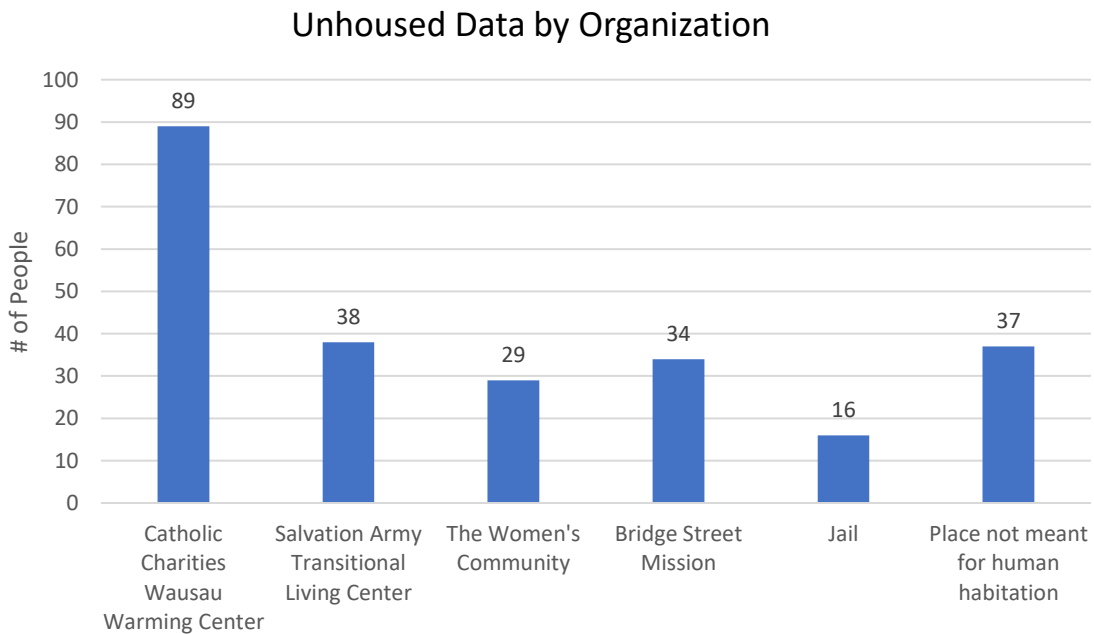
Pregame Pub						Total	C
R Store #31						Total	C
R Store #34						Total	
Red Eye Brewing Company						Total	
Showtime Gentlemen's Club						Total	
The Store #62						Total	
Thrive Foodery						Total	
Treu's Tic Toc						Total	
Tobacco Outlet Plus #501						Total	C
Trig's Wausau						Total	
VFW Burns 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	
Wausau On the Water	Bradley C. Beilke/ Employee	8/19/2023	5.64.010/125.68(2)	No Licensed Bartender on Duty	50	Total	Case #23-6184 5C

To: Public Health and Safety Committee
From: Tracy Rieger, Community Outreach Specialist
Date: August 21, 2023
Re: Community Outreach Update



Unhoused Data

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



Unhoused Data Summary

In August, data suggests there were approximately 243 unhoused individuals in Wausau. As indicated in the footnote, 243 is more than the true number of unhoused. As of today, organizations do not cross-reference names when coming up with their unduplicated count. This means an unhoused individual may be part of more than one organization's count, thereby inflating the true number of unhoused. An example is provided in the footnote.

In the graph above, 85 percent of the unhoused sought or received shelter in the month of August, 15 percent of the unhoused were living outside, or in places not meant for human habitation.

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

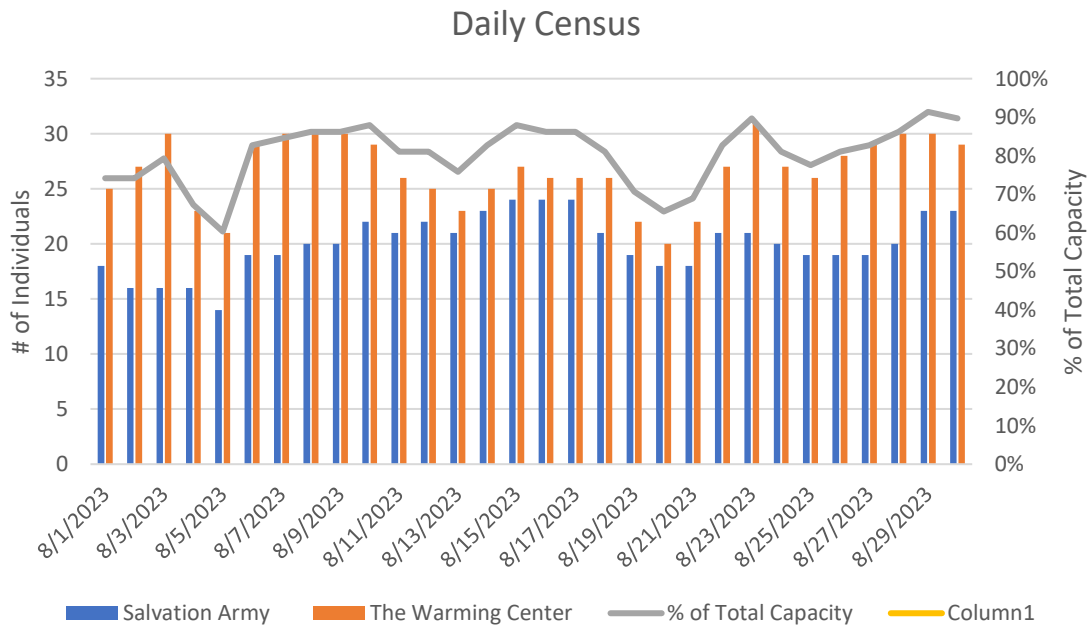
The Women’s Community data includes crime victims who sought shelter because their home was unsafe. This number reflects both single females (17) and their children (12).

Bridge Street Mission includes individuals who have received shelter after release from jail/prison, drug rehab, or homelessness. In previous reports, the number reported to this committee only reflected a small number of individuals who sought shelter in preparation for being transitioned into the “apartments” on the main level of the building. The number reflected should include all individuals who are housed at Bridge Street Mission, because without this amazing program in our community, 34 (per this month’s census) individuals would likely be unhoused in our community.

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

Daily Census

We are working hard to collaborate with partner organizations to get a handle on shelter capacity in Wausau. It’s important to know if we’re meeting or exceeding capacity. The Salvation Army has a capacity of 28. The Warming Center has increased their capacity to 30 but can expand to 40 when temperatures fall below 15 degrees or above 90 degrees. In sum, there is shelter space for 58 individuals on a given night between the 2 organizations.



Daily Census Summary

On average, capacity was at 80 percent for the month of August. The Salvation Army did not reach maximum capacity at all for the month of August. Catholic Charities was at or over their capacity a total of 7 days in the month of August.

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

We continue to work with our partner organizations to learn how many people are turned away each day. In addition to capacity, individuals are turned away for a variety of other reasons. The “turn-away” statistics for the month of August are as follows: Catholic Charities = 10 (7 were turned away due to late arrivals and the remaining 3 were turned away due to shelter capacity) and Salvation Army = 18 (2 turned away due to criminal record, 1 turned away due to safety concerns, 2 turned away per Coordinator review, and 13 were turned away due to capacity)

Outreach Update

In August, outreach resulted in 5 individuals receiving housing. Year to date, 36 individuals have been assisted into stable housing.

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

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

Challenges and Opportunities

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

Stories of Success

61 year old male, homeless, living in places not meant for human habitation since 2019, reached out for assistance to find housing. Has disability income but was not successful finding housing on his own. We met on July 31st and completed a housing application. He shared with me at that time that he had a cat and was hopeful his cat could once again live with him. The cat was living with his ex-wife. He was approved for housing on July 31st, same day we applied. He moved into his fully furnished apartment complete with a litter box, cat food and cat toys. Prior to moving into his place on August 2nd, decided that his fresh start needed to begin with a haircut. New beginnings! He is doing fantastic!