

FOREST PARK NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP

..:***:. NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17th AT 6:30 PM ..:*****:.
Receive updates and participate in discussions of happenings in the neighborhood.**



SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS

Please join us as we welcome Blaine Peterson, Wausau City Forester. With the park and other large, old trees in the neighborhood, Blaine will be addressing tree health, when to cut them down, and how to ID disease.

Romey Wagner, President of the City Council and Chair of the HR Committee, will also be joining us to discuss the referendum for the future of city governance - Discussion on mayor vs. administrator - as well as share the report created through partnership with the Wausau Region Chamber of Commerce.

**MEETING WILL BE HELD AT
FOREST PARK VILLAGE
2901 N. 7TH STREET
WAUSAU, WI 54403
Entrance under the green awning**



Please consider attending. This is a great opportunity to speak with your neighbors, elected officials, and Wausau Police Officers. Share your ideas, concerns, or ask questions.

The Forest Park Neighborhood Group is bounded by 6th Street to 13th Street and Winton Street to Sylvan Street.

AGENDA

- Introductions
- Police department updates
- Guest speakers(s)
- Neighborhood updates

- Questions, answers, sharing, ideas, etc
- Ideas for future topics
- Next meeting date:
March 17, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

..*~*~*~*~*.. IMPORTANT UPCOMING INFORMATIONAL MEETING ..*~*~*~*~*..

This important information meeting is between consultant Dr. Stephen Hintz and the city council on January 28th from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at City Hall to talk about the options for the future leadership. There is no public comment allowed, but it will have recommendations, pros/cons, etc. This is a great opportunity to listen and learn.

****All present are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with our City's Core Values****



OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

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

*****CORRECTED DAY*****

Meeting of the:	POSSIBLE QUORUM OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Date/Time:	Tuesday, Wednesday, January 28, 2015 at 5:30 pm
Location:	City Hall Council Chambers
Members:	Bill Nagle, Romey Wagner, David Nutting, Tom Neal, Gary Gisselman, Keene Winters, Lisa Rasmussen, Karen Kellbach, David Oberbeck, Sherry Abitz, Robert Mielke, Mayor Jim Tipple

Common Council Workshop

5:30pm - 8:30pm A majority of Council members may be present at workshop with Dr. Stephen Hintz.
No business to be transacted and no public comment.



..*~*~*~*~*.. PLEASE TELL YOUR NEIGHBOR ABOUT THE MEETINGS ..*~*~*~*~*..

Page 7 of this newsletter is a sign up form for those residents who wish to get regular monthly updates through email. If you know of a neighbor who may be interested in these updates, please share this with them.



The Briefing Sheet

Wausau Police Department

January 2015 (Volume 1, Issue 1)

Forest Park

Your Police, Our Community

“The police are the public and the public are the police.”

~ Sir Robert Peel



Officer Ben Graham

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The mission of the Wausau Police Department is to strive for excellence in policing by partnering with the community to enhance the quality of life. The philosophy behind this mission carries with it ideas that can be traced back to the 19th century. Sir Robert Peel, a British statesman known by many as the founder of the modern police force, is known for his Nine Principles of Policing. The most notable principle reads, “Police, at all times, should maintain a relationship with the public that gives reality to the historic tradition that the police are the public and the public are the police; the police being only members of the public who are paid to give full-time attention to duties which are incumbent on every citizen in the interests of community welfare and existence.” In essence, we are *your* police, this is *our* community, and *we* must work together to find ways to enhance the quality of life.

In 2013, the Wausau Police Department created the Community Resource Unit; a unit designed to identify and target underlying conditions that give rise to chronic nuisance activities that diminish quality of life. The unit has evolved from one officer in 2013 to four officers in 2015. It did not take long for officers to identify drugs as the most pervasive underlying condition that precipitated a significant amount of crime and quality of life issues. Accordingly, the Community Resource Unit focused attention on drug use and distribution and executed approximately 80 search warrants, arrested over 340 individuals, and seized over \$138,000 worth of illegal drugs in its first two years.

During the course of tracking “Nuisance Activity,” as defined by 9.24.070 (Wausau Municipal Code), the Community Resource Unit determined in 2013 that 84 percent of properties identified as a “Chronic Nuisance Premises” were rental properties, as opposed to the 16 percent that were owner-occupied. In an effort to reduce chronic nuisance activity in rental properties, over 1,900 letters were sent to landlords notifying them of relevant police responses to properties they own. Knowledge can mean power when the information provided is acted upon. We are certain that increased communication between police and landlords has increased the efficiency in which nuisance activity is resolved.

In 2015, with the addition of a fourth officer to the Community Resource Unit, we are looking at additional ways of partnering with the community to enhance the quality of life. Officer Ben Graham will be working in cooperation with neighborhood groups, City departments, the Wausau School District, and many others to create, cast, and carry out a common vision that promotes a greater sense of community in each of our neighborhoods.

In 2015, we look forward to continuing to serve with you as *your* police within *our* community.

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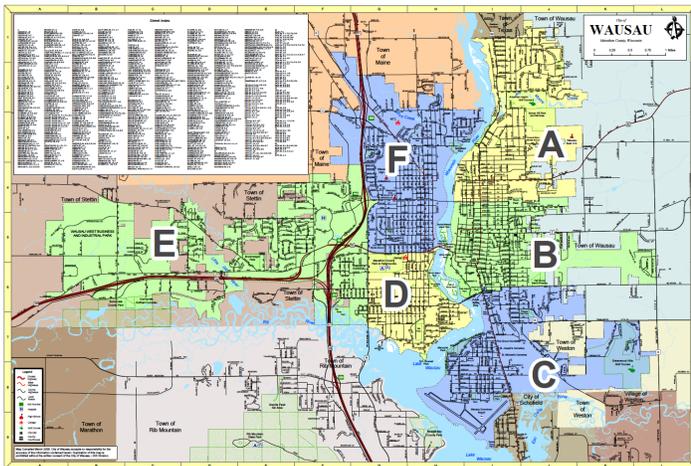
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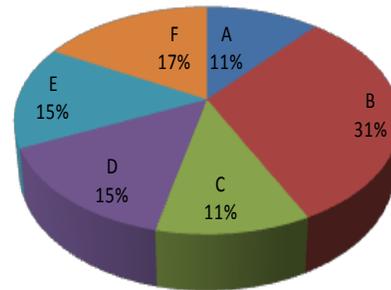
STATISTICS

Last Month in Review

December 2014	Sector A	Sector B	Sector C	Sector D	Sector F	Sector E
Civil Complaints*	14	19	13	9	23	5
Service Miscellaneous*	61	170	44	107	71	113
Criminal Miscellaneous*	51	184	44	64	73	110
Domestic Violence	7	14	5	12	5	13
Noise Complaints	1	7	3	5	2	7
Animal Complaints	9	21	10	8	9	20
Suspicious Activity	8	38	10	10	6	23
Traffic Stops	49	152	66	55	60	43
Traffic Accidents	12	34	13	28	53	29
Crisis Intervention*	17	41	17	16	22	21
Probation/Parole Checks	27	29	21	17	7	1
Chronic Nuisance Properties	0	0	1	0	1	2
Monthly Total	256	709	247	331	332	387



2,262 Police Contacts in December



- * Civil Complaint—Child Custody, Civil Standby, Landlord/Tenant, etc.
- * Service Miscellaneous—Business Checks, Community Relations Activities, Funeral Escorts, Lost and Found, Parking Complaints, Residential Security Checks, Extra Patrol, Disabled Vehicles, etc.
- * Criminal Miscellaneous— Alarms, Bar Checks, Batteries, Criminal Damage to Property, Thefts, Fights, Gas Skips, 9-1-1 Hang-ups, Juvenile Runaways, Sexual Assaults, Arrest Warrants, Search Warrants, etc.
- * Crisis Intervention—Emergency Detentions for Suicidal and/or Intoxicated Persons, Welfare Checks, etc.



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“The Briefing Sheet”

January 2015 Neighborhood Group Meeting
Prepared by Detective Jon Kindlarski (715) 261-7969



Community Resource Unit: 2014 Year End Update

- The Community Resource Unit (CRO Unit) is proud of the strides taken in the year 2014 to enhance the quality of life for Wausau area residents through partnerships with the community we serve. Drugs, prostitution, and poor rental management have undoubtedly been the focus of much of our enforcement efforts, which have in some fashion contributed to many of the quality of life issues we have been asked to resolve.
- We executed 59 search warrants and seized over \$138,000 in illegal drugs and proceeds over the last year. We arrested 228 individuals as a result of our investigations.
- The unit seized almost \$20,000 in currency and executed forfeitures of over \$14,000 additional currency and a vehicle. As a result of the investigations, 16 firearms were seized.
- Total drug seizures included: 5,278 grams of Marijuana, 61.44 grams of Cocaine, 612.46 grams of Methamphetamine, 33.06 grams of heroin, and 1381.61 grams of Psilocybin. Other seizures included quantities of Ecstasy, LSD, and Prescription Pills.
- The unit investigated (3) different marijuana grows in residences within the city. This resulted in the seizure of 52 marijuana plants and numerous grow related items.
- In total, the CRO Unit arrested 6 persons for prostitution and issued 9 citations for violation of the City of Wausau Prostitution Ordinance.
- 953 Notices of police response were sent to landlords. 28 chronic nuisance premises declarations made. 3 chronic nuisance premise citations issued. There were no (0) chronic nuisance landlord citations.

New Police Canine

- Meet Rex. He is our newest police canine and will be assigned to Officer Jaeger. They are getting to know one another and are going through training together. The canine is paired with a handler based upon a number of factors. The goal is to create a “team” that will work well together. Welcome home to Wausau Rex!



Current Scams

- On 12/23/14 the WPD received two complaints reporting suspicious phone calls they had received. The reporting parties said they had received phone calls from a male who said he was collecting donations for the sheriff’s department canine program. The Marathon County Sheriff’s Department is not conducting any type of fundraiser right now.
- In December a citizen reported they had received a letter from a party who said he was “Robert Fieldman”. The envelope included a check issued by “Directions Credit Union” and instructions on how to purchase Green Dot Moneypaks as part of a secret shopper program. The scammer wanted the “shopper” to send him the Moneypaks. As payment the shopper receives \$300.

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Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. @ Forest Park Village

I/We are interested in receiving regular monthly updates through our email Communicator newsletter.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____

*Email _____

*Email _____

***All newsletter emails are sent BCC to ensure your privacy.**

My/Our concerns that we have about our neighborhood:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

Any additional comments you would like to share:

Please bring form to meeting or email information to ForestParkNeighborhood@aol.com

Forest Park Leadership Contact Information ...

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Special Note:

The best, easiest and most cost effective method to get the newsletter information out is electronically. The email newsletter will be sent on a monthly basis to all individuals signed up who have provided an email address. Share the newsletter with your friends and neighbors. Invite them to come to the next meeting.



**INTERESTED IN HELPING OUR
WAUSAU POLICE DEPARTMENT?**

Tired of high speed traffic in your area? Want to help the Wausau Police Department slow down those cars flying in front of your home? The Wausau Police Department is looking for permission to park in your driveway to set up their radar. The element of surprise from various locations other than the street side would help to eliminate high speed traffic. If you would like to give the Wausau Police Department permission to park in your driveway please contact Officer Benjamin Graham at 715-261-7955 or Benjamin.Graham@ci.wausau.wi.us Officer Graham will need your contact information and home address.

**PLEASE REPORT ALL SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO POLICE DEPARTMENT
715-261-7800 NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER
911 EMERGENCY NUMBER**

**Wausau Police Department Sector A Officers:
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