

Forest Park Neighborhood Group
August 18, 2015
Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by Ruth Griswald
2. Introductions by name and street
3. Secretary's Report – minutes accepted as printed
4. Treasurer's Report – Balance as of 8/18/15 \$150.00
5. Police Dept Updates – Officer Nate Stetzer
 - Distributed latest *The Briefing Sheet* -- Currently in need of Crossing Guards at the local schools. Can apply on the City's webpage.
 - Don't hesitate to call with any concerns or idea. Officer Stetzer's contact information is on the side of *The Briefing Sheet*. If you are not comfortable calling dispatch you can go directly through Officer Stetzer. You can remain anonymous.
 - Question brought up about boats, trailers, vehicles parked along street all summer.
6. Guest Speakers --
 - a. Rich Grefe & Phil Borchardt – Inspections Department
 - Inspectors do not just patrol neighborhoods. They focus on rentals and complaints. Calls in can be made anonymously. Just call general office and talk with Melissa.
 - Ordinance allows up to 5 vehicles on your property as long as on approved drive/pavement. This can include cars, boats, etc. In a duplex they are allowed up to 7.
 - People are fed up with going-ons on Parcher St. that they are looking to move out of the area. Know the inspectors have been there as the neighbor is quite upset and is found screaming and swearing at the neighbors. Have made a makeshift "driveway" for the last 2-3 weeks and large piles of dirt and a tractor. Backyard is loaded with junk. Going on for about 3 years. Couch was removed from front porch to backyard. A daycare is being run out of the home. Another home with no running water, lawn has never been mowed and there are packages being delivered in front yard.
 - Permits are required for certain sizes of pools.
 - A lot of issues take a long time to get full compliance because there are limitations on citations and fines when they are a property owner. Abatements are limited to items not of value.
 - Three enforcement actions within six months can allow a property to be tagged a chronic nuisance property. Police dept doesn't have a way to track inspection citations so those are not included right now toward the chronic nuisance tags. Once a property is dubbed a chronic nuisance then fines and enforcements step up.
 - Key is to make a record of things going on. So call in with issues.
 - b. Sean Gehin – Crocker Street Updates
 - Utility work is currently be completed on 7th and Crocker
 - Storm sewer and such have been installed.
 - Pressure testing and samples are done and safe.
 - Contractor has started to install services on 7th if weather improves.
 - Underground work and services is completed on Crocker from 11th – 13th.
 - Roadway crew should arrive early next week to start excavation since utility work is done.
 - Curb and gutter has to cure for up to 7 days after sub layer placed before asphalt can be laid.

- Then first layer of asphalt is done
- Landscaping restoration done after first layer and before final layer.
- On schedule and anticipated completion date of October 16th.
- One comment: crew has been very professional and responsive. The process is very disruptive but they are each and every one extremely responsive; very respectful of the properties and their owners. And they love chocolate chip cookies.

1. Summer Picnic Update – Marie Schmidt

- September 15th at 6:30 p.m. at Forest Park
- K-9 Unit and Fire truck will be there
- Bring your un-wanted tennis balls -- #1 reward for the K-9 dogs
- Rain location – Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church at bottom of hill
- If at the rain location do NOT bring alcohol.



2. Neighborhood Updates, Questions, Idea Sharing

- Purple sheets on table are for you to give ideas for speakers, or share concerns.
- Join the Next Door website – at 181 members right now. Lots of communication going on.
- Newsletter sent via email – just sign up at bottom of agenda
- Fall clean up are tentatively set for October 2 and 3 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. at the Yard Waste Site. If that date changes it will be posted on Next Door.
- While we understand the large waste pick up has been a huge cost savings to the City and the cut in hours on the Yard Waste Site as well; it has made it very difficult and congested for people to make it happen.
- Thank you to Marie for her work on website.
- Encourage Forest Park Village residents to attend – maybe bus them up hill?
- Keep up with the district website Alderman Winters has www.wausaudistrict6.com

3. Ideas for Future Programs

4. Next Meeting:

- No meeting due to picnic instead Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at Forest Park.
- Next meeting on October 20, 2015 at Forest Park Village beginning at 6:30 p.m. Speaker will be Mary Anne Groat re: the transition to new garbage and recycling services.
- November meeting will be Joe Quance the new owner of the Ridgewood building
- No meeting in December due to holiday busy-ness.

Please join us on Nextdoor Forest Park

Please join us on Forest Park's Nextdoor private network just for Forest Park neighbors. Nextdoor is free and private. On Nextdoor, neighbors share crime and safety concerns, local events, recommendations, items for sale/free, ideas about how to make our neighborhood better, and much more. Help us to build a better neighborhood!

Please join us!

**nextdoor.com/join
CODE: DFWVCX**



The Briefing Sheet

Wausau Police Department

October (Volume 1, Issue 10)

FOREST PARK

TRICK-OR-TREATING AND SAFETY FOR EVERYONE

We can all remember the excitement we had as children dressing up in our favorite costumes getting a pillowcase or a pumpkin bucket and going to the neighbors in search of an endless amount of candy. Children from around the area get excited to participate in numerous Halloween events but there are several safety concerns that parents should be aware of.

According to the Center for Disease Control website, children and parents may take several precautions to have the safest Halloween experience. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) recommends that children shouldn't trick-or-treat alone. Staying with a group and having a trusted adult supervise the children dramatically decreases the chances of something happening to a child. Children should also wear reflective clothing and stay on the sidewalk if they can to prevent being hurt from a vehicle.

While sweet treats are what the nights ghosts, mummies, and pirates, are search for, parents should also take a precaution on what their children are consuming. The CDC recommends that parents should check the candy to make sure that it is not a choking hazard for their child and that it has not been tampered with. Parents can check this by making sure that all wrappers are complexly sealed. If there is a wrapper that is open or does not hold air on the inside, do not allow your child to consume that item. It is recommended that children should also avoid eating homemade treats.

Parents should know which route your child takes while trick or treating and establish a curfew if they are trick or treating alone.



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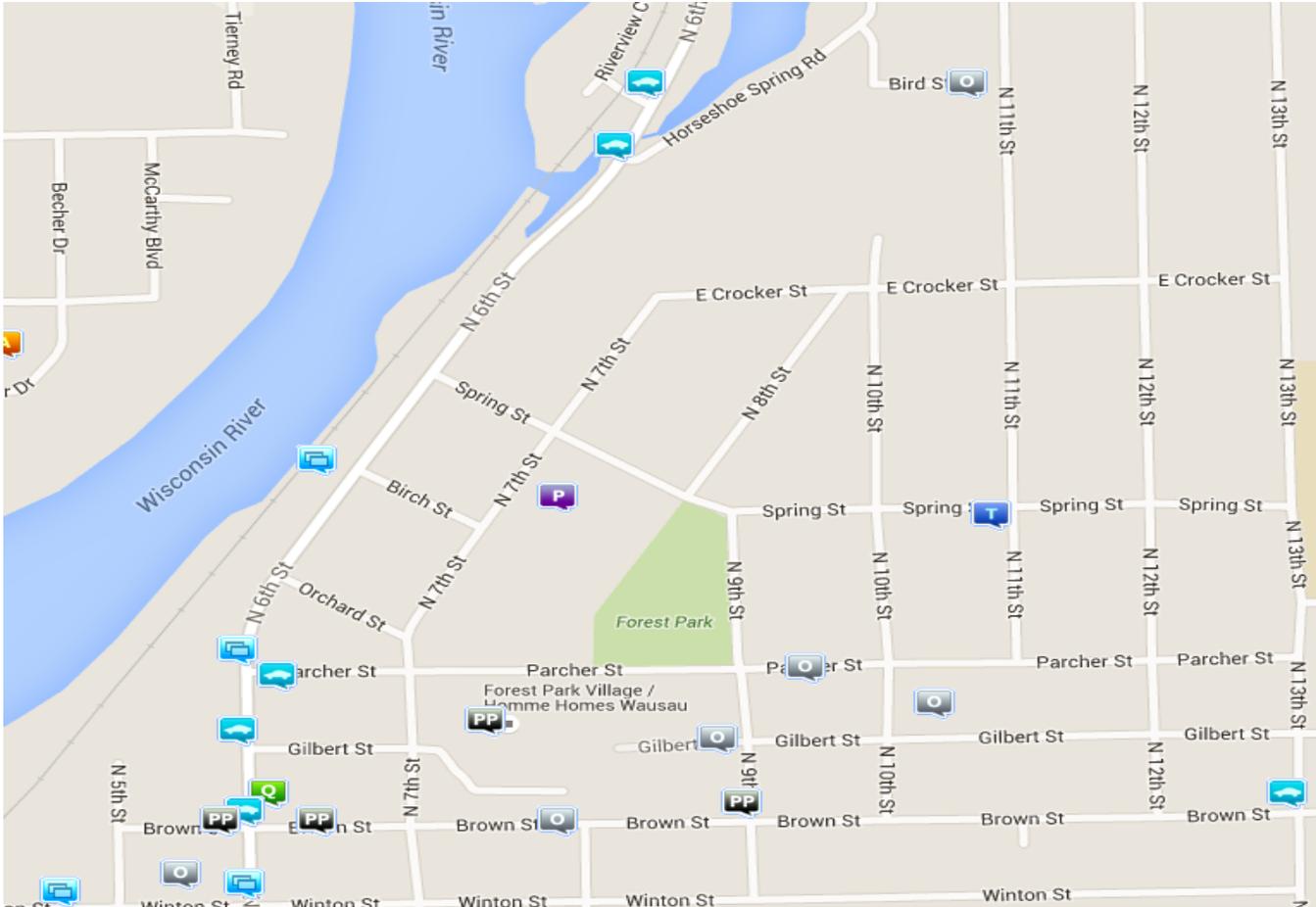
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City of Wausau Trick-or Treating time is 4 PM– 7 PM on October 31, 2015.

STATISTICS

Last Month in Review - Crimereports.com



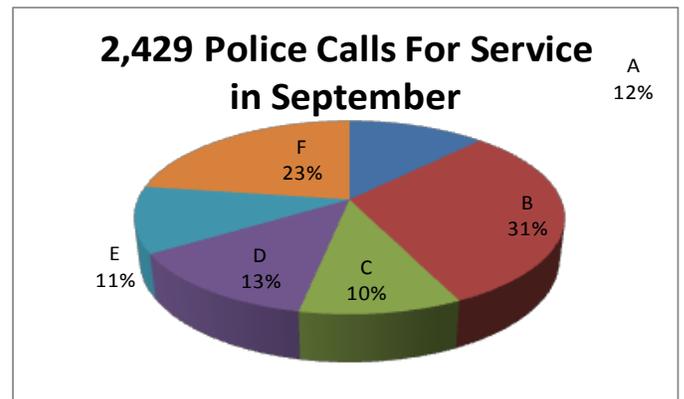
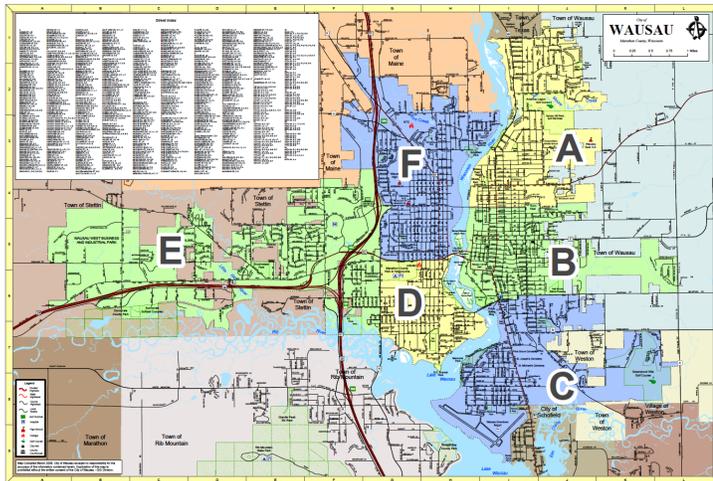
Homicide	 	0	Domestic Violence	 	2
Burglary	 	0	Juvenile Runaway	 	0
Robbery	 	0	Criminal Miscellaneous	 	9
Theft	 	1	Suspicious Activity	 	5
Theft of Vehicle	 	0	Noise Complaint	 	1
Theft from Vehicle	 	0	Animal Complaint	 	0
Sexual Offense	 	0	Alarm	 	0
Assault	 	0	Gas Skip	 	0
Fight	 	0	Traffic Stop	 	14
Property Crime	 	1	Traffic Accident	 	2

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STATISTICS

Last Month in Review

August 2015	Sector A	Sector B	Sector C	Sector D	Sector E	Sector F
Civil Complaints*	8	18	8	6	0	14
Service Miscellaneous*	44	124	73	88	62	80
Criminal Miscellaneous*	83	164	26	62	46	119
Domestic Violence	7	20	3	7	3	26
Noise Complaints	9	9	4	7	2	8
Animal Complaints	8	14	10	13	13	13
Suspicious Activity	15	46	32	15	16	15
Traffic Stops	56	134	47	44	39	129
Traffic Accidents	5	22	8	22	28	14
Crisis Intervention*	20	35	19	23	14	24
Probation/Parole Checks	13	38	4	12	3	21
Chronic Nuisance Properties	2	1	2	0	1	1
Monthly Total	299	743	249	316	269	553



- * 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, Traffic Hazards, etc.
- * Criminal Miscellaneous - Alarms, Arsons, Bar Checks, Batteries, Criminal Damage to Property, Thefts, Fights, Gas Skips, 9-1-1 Hang-ups, Juvenile Runaways, Robberies, Sexual Assaults, Arrest Warrants, Search Warrants, etc.
- * Crisis Intervention - Emergency Detentions for Suicidal and/or Intoxicated Persons, Welfare Checks, etc.



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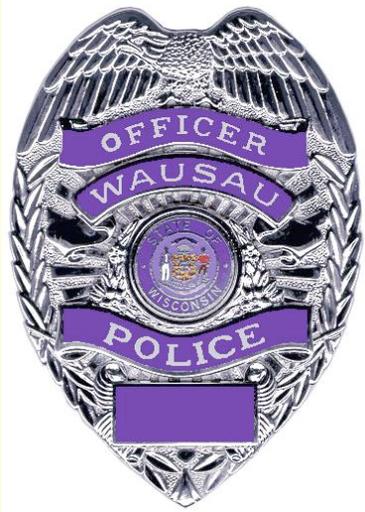
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Special Note:

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 Nate Stetzer at 715-261-7970 or Nathaniel.Stetzer@ci.wausau.wi.us. Officer Stetzer 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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