

LONGFELLOW NEIGHBORHOOD



WELCOME TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD
July, 2020

Our monthly meetings are cancelled until September

Dates to Remember

July 4: **Happy 4th of July**

Dining on the Street: 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM, outdoor dining; downtown Wausau restaurants
(7/1, 7/8, 7/15, 7/22, 7/29, 8/5)

Notes From The Editor

Since we didn't have a June meeting, I'd like to use our newsletter to share information that you might not be aware of. **(Please note:** The following items were also included in the Summer 2020 "Wausau Works For You" newsletter.)

Upcoming Elections

There is an August 11th partisan primary. Polling places for residents in Districts 4, 5 and 6 are changing. Information on the new locations will be provided well ahead of the primary so be sure and watch for it. If you would like an absentee ballot for the primary, please do so as soon as possible. You can request an absentee ballot online at Myvote.wi.gov or you can request one by calling the Wausau City Clerk's office at 715-261-6620. Your completed application can be submitted to the City Clerk's office by mail or in person. **Note:** acceptable identification is required for either submission method. Early in-person voting will be held at City Hall on July 27-31 and August 3-7; specific hours will be announced in early July. Additional information will be available on the City's website and Facebook page.

The City is looking for workers for the November general election. This is a paid position and includes training to prepare you to carry out your duties on election day. The City of Wausau has put CDC recommended practices in place to assist in keeping election day workers and voters safe while at the polls. Encourage a friend who resides in Marathon County (City of Wausau residency is not required) to join you in this important task. Applications are available on the City website under the Human Resources Department tab. For more information on the position, please feel free to call the City Clerk at 715-261-6620.

Community Development News

The City created several new initiatives to provide assistance to Wausau businesses throughout the course of pandemic-related closures. Small businesses with existing City-funded loans and ground leases were granted six-month deferments on payments. The City approved temporary changes to

liquor licensing and parking regulations to allow more outdoor dining throughout the City with enhanced social distancing.
The City launched its Wausau Cares grant program to help Wausau-based businesses reopen fully and safely.

Wausau Cares Program

The City of Wausau rolled out its Wausau Cares program in late May to help provide relief to businesses in the City who suffered financial losses as a result of circumstances stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic. The Wausau Cares program authorized grant and loan funding to City-based businesses to assist in recovery and reopening for business. Program funds can be used for business expenses such as payroll, marketing, rent payments, utility bills, inventory, and health and safety improvements. **No city taxpayer dollars were used for this business reinvigoration initiative.** Funding came from dollars allocated to the City as part of the Federal government’s Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The funds are being distributed locally through a partnership with MCDEVCO, Inc. and include 74 grants totaling \$1,500 each and 20 potentially forgivable loans up to an amount of \$20,000 based upon workforce and payroll retention. Details about eligibility criteria or information on how to apply for a grant or loan through MCDEVCO can be found at their website: mcdevco.org.

The August monthly meeting is cancelled.

From My Desk to Yours . . . Anne Heidemann, President, Longfellow Neighborhood

Although the Wausau Police Department is now fully open and our meeting space is available, we’ve made the decision to wait until September to resume our monthly gathering. I hope everyone will be as kind as possible to all the members of our neighborhood and the rest of the community. This is a very difficult time and being kind, considerate and compassionate will help all of us get through it. Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Michael Martens, District 2 Alderman

The pandemic has caused our normally active summer to take a bit of a turn. While there may not be large events like the balloon rally or concerts on the square, there is still plenty of activity in the City. Wednesday evenings have downtown dining on the street and there’s plenty going on in our local parks and the river trail. Be sure to check out the new playground at Oak Island Park and JoJo’s Jungle at Brockmeier Park.

Neighborhood/Community Businesses

Acro Plumbing	904 Sumner Street	715-842-9425
Bull Falls Brewery	901 East Thomas	715-842-2337
Cveykus Law Office	301 Grand Avenue	715-842-5205
801 Custom Threads	801 Genrich Street	715-298-8010
Forward Electronics	115 Prospect Avenue	715-845-4355
JAS Construction	josh@jasbuilds.com	715-432-5732
John Jokela Law Firm	207 Grand Avenue	715-845-9000
Little Bull Falls Soap Works	607 Prospect Avenue	715-846-2555
M & S, The Siding Specialists	818 Henrietta Street	715-842-7965
Meverden Chiropractic	215 Grand Avenue	715-848-4088
Olson Tire and Auto	601 Forest Street	715-845-8473
Incredible Bank	101 Grand Avenue	715-845-0900
Schmidt & Schmidt	123 Grand Avenue	715-845-9621
Subway	601 Forest Street	715-848-1930
The Nathan House	921 Grand Avenue	715-845-4922
The Hair Designers	607 Prospect Avenue	715-845-2666
Townline Market	916 Townline Road	715-842-5201

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uncut grass/unshoveled sidewalks

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