

# Agenda

## Regular Parks and Recreation Board

**DATE: THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 1, 2022**  
**TIME: 5:15 P.M. – SWAN PARK**

**CITY OF WAUPACA MISSION STATEMENT:** *“The city of Waupaca’s mission is to provide services that ensure a safe, vibrant and connected community.”*

### **General Business:**

- A. ROLL CALL
- B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup> 2022
- D. PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT
- E. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS
  - REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORTS
- F. RECREATION PROGRAM UPDATE – LESLIE BEYERSDORF
- G. SWAN PARK PROJECT UPDATE – LAURA COLBERT

### ***Adjournment***

Laura Colbert  
Parks and Recreation Director

**PLEASE NOTIFY THE CLERK’S OFFICE IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND.**

PLEASE ADVISE THE CITY CLERK’S OFFICE IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS.  
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**This meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall with the option to attend virtually via video / teleconferencing.**

**CITY OF WAUPACA**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2022**  
**5:15 PM**

**A. ROLL CALL**

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**Present:** Logan Janssen, Youth Representative, Phil Durrant, Town of Farmington, Mary Trice, Town of Waupaca, Jeff Barlow, Town of Dayton, Ald. Eric Olson, Ald. Dave Peterson, Meagan Waller, Loren Fritz, Dana Gustke and Pat Phair

**Absent:** Henry Fries, Youth Representative – Excused

**Also Present:** Laura Colbert, Parks and Recreation Director, Leslie Beyersdorf, Recreation Programmer and Aaron Jenson, City Administrator

**B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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**MOVED** by Mr. Phair, **SECONDED** by Ald. Olson to **APPROVE** the Agenda. 10 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.  
**MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE.**

**C. PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR – INTRODUCTION OF LAURA COLBERT**

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City Administrator Aaron Jenson introduced the city's new Parks and Recreation Director Laura Colbert who provided a brief background, saying she started employment with the city on July 19, 2022 and was welcomed by all.

**D. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

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- **Revenue and Expenditure Reports**

**MOVED** by Mr. Gustke, **SECONDED** by Ald. Peterson to **APPROVE** the Monthly Reports. 10 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE.**

**E. RECREATION PROGRAM UPDATE – LESLIE BEYERSDORF**

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Recreation Programmer Leslie Beyersdorf updated the board on the number of participants for Baseball (Youth Boys, Legion and Babe Ruth), Softball (Youth Girls, Men's Softball), T-Ball, After Summer School Adventures, Art in the Park, Youth Soccer, 3 Ball Sport, Waupaca Children's Garden, Disc Golf and Swim Lessons (both sessions). Ms. Beyersdorf then reported on the upcoming Youth and

Adult programs. City Administrator Aaron Jenson commended Ms. Beyersdorf for her leadership role during the transition of Parks and Recreation Directors.

#### **F. UPDATE ON SWAN PARK PROJECT**

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City Administrator Aaron Jenson reported that the Swan Park Splash Pad project is on track and provided details of the bids received. He credited the Friends of Waupaca Parks for their extra fundraising effort where they raised an additional \$45,000; however, there was still a \$97,000 gap that will be filled by the South Park Donor Funds. Mr. Jenson stated that he contacted each major donor and all supported using the monies, adding that the Common Council has also added their stamp of approval.

#### **G. OTHER BUSINESS** - none

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#### **H. ADJOURNMENT**

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**MOVED** by Ald. Olson, **SECONDED** by Mr. Fritz to **ADJOURN** the August 4, 2022 Regular Parks and Recreation Board Meeting. 10 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 P.M.

Laura Colbert  
Parks and Recreation Director

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## Parks and Recreation Director – September Report

### Administrative:

- Lots of exciting things happening at Parks and Recreation. We are closing out our summer season. Soccer Saturday and the triathlon were huge successes. Thankfully the weather held off on August 20<sup>th</sup>.
- A survey was just sent to our summer program participants and I will have the data for you at the next meeting. This packet includes the data from our Spring Program Survey.
- We are gearing up for our fall activities and have ramped up our planning for Fall-O-Rama. The Swan Park Project is moving forward – more info below and on part G of the agenda.
- As always, I welcome feedback on transparency and communication. My door is always open and we at the Parks and Recreation Department want to make sure that you, The Board, and the community feel amply informed and prepared. Please let us know if you see room for improvement.

### Parks:

- **Swan Park Project:** This project is finally underway. We're hoping to break ground on September 12<sup>th</sup>, have the majority of the project complete this fall, and finish the cosmetic and above ground fixtures in the spring. The opening date is scheduled for Memorial Day weekend 2023.
- **Beach:** We had 320 students take lessons at South Park this year. We will leave the docks out at South Park until after Labor Day this year. The beach will be "Swim at your own risk" after August 28<sup>th</sup>, docks will be pulled after Labor Day.
- **Shelter Rentals:** We have 167 scheduled reservations through the end of September.
- **Preparing for fall:** The water will be shut off at all of our parks on October 1<sup>st</sup>. The parks crew have done an incredible job keeping up with unique requests and general maintenance.

### Community Events:

- Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra – **Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>** | 4-6pm
- **September youth programs start:** Flag Football, Youth Volleyball, and Chess
- **September adult programs start:** Open Adult Chess Club, Women's Volleyball, Coed Volleyball, and Pickleball
- Fall-O-Rama – **Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>** | 9am-3pm
- Halloween on Main St. – **Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>** | 4-6pm

*Laura Colbert*

Laura Colbert

Parks and Recreation Director



# Waupaca Parks and Rec Spring Program Survey 2022

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# Waupaca Parks and Recreation

## Spring Program Survey Results

The City of Waupaca led four Spring programs in 2022. They were the After Summer School Program, Youth Baseball, Youth Softball, and T-ball. We surveyed all the families upon program completion. A total of 37 families with 54 participants responded.

Below, you will see the data for each program. Additionally, five individuals asked to be contacted. I have personally reached out to all five of those individuals to set up a meeting.

*“Great communication from the coaches. The facilities are great.”  
~ Anonymous Softball Parent/Guardian*

### Ages:

3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Total
3	0	3	2	5	7	11	4	7	6	0	4	1	0	1	54

### Programs:

After Summer School Program	Baseball	Softball	T-ball	Total
2	22	8	5	37

### After Summer School Program

#### Overall Satisfaction:

- 1 Very Satisfied
- 1 Dissatisfied

#### What went well:

- I'm thankful that they had it.

#### Areas for Improvement:

- Lower the price and do more fun activities with the kids

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## **Baseball**

### *Overall Satisfaction:*

- 6 Very Satisfied
- 14 Satisfied
- 2 Dissatisfied

### *What went well:*

- Everything seemed to run on a timely schedule
- Coaches were nice
- Teams were fairly even
- Fun atmosphere most of the time, learned teamwork
- Great people
- Coaches were great
- Had a fair amount of games played
- Once the season was going the communication between the coach and the parents
- Programs started when stated to start
- Our coaches were good, kids/teams were pretty respectful to each other and other coaches
- The game times were good
- Good coaching. It was fun, for my son to learn baseball.
- Great season in total
- Scheduling was on-time. Umping was mostly good, concessions were consistent
- Nice amount of games

### *Areas for Improvement:*

- Umpires needed! Concessions Updated. Communication is key. Possibly more shade covering over bleachers.
- Scheduling - make it importable into a google calendar. Umps - better recruitment methods. Another week for practices (start 1 week early). Let everyone in and out of the Waupaca community participate - the pricing for those who reside outside the "lines" make it impossible for all children to be afforded the same opportunities and we are missing what's important - opportunity for kids!! There has to be a way for more kids to be involved without the price hike. It affects their future involvement with extra-curricular activities and their mental health
- A lot of cancellations due to weather
- More practices before game play
- They need more consistent ump's! Also we live out of the Waupaca area in Scandinavia, I would like to see a cost savings for our kids in future years especially because I coached! The out of town fees are high
- Travel teams should be more inclusive to other children. My son asked to try out and was not given an opportunity to try out
- Consistency with coaching at the higher levels

- The schedule coming out sooner than 3 days before the season, making sure the teams we play are our own age group so our 15 year olds don't play 17-18 year olds.
- It would be helpful to have baseball schedules much earlier so families can plan other summer activities too. It would also be very helpful if rec activities are not scheduled after 6:30 pm on Wednesdays so there are no conflicts with church programs.
- Better/more umpers
- Tryouts are tricky as many travel players do not attend. I would encourage all to tryout but also have a list of those kids involved with travel available for the draft.
- No rescheduling of games, if we have bad weather and have to cancel, it's understandable.
- For the sake of the sponsors, the sponsor name on the shorts NEEDS to be in sharp contrast to the shirt color. Otherwise it is too difficult to read and that's not fair to the sponsors. Also... we like the "Coach" label on the backs of the coach shirts.

## *Softball*

### *Overall Satisfaction:*

- 2 Very Satisfied
- 6 Satisfied

### *What went well:*

- Communication
- Once the season got going, communication was excellent.
- Good coaches, manageable schedule
- Most of my daughters coaches were positive and encouraging
- Everything
- Great communication from the coaches. The facilities are great.

### *Areas for Improvement:*

- I would love for rec softball and baseball to go all the way through high school
- Schedules for school sports considered when creating rec schedules, communicating as early as possible about schedules so parents can request off work or rearrange schedule to be able to coach.
- I think they need more than 3 practices. Games to not be late on school nights. The girls don't always have to play on the field with no bleachers.
- I would really like to see more practice included as part of the rec softball program. Due to events happening during the school year, my oldest daughter's team only had one night of practice. This was also her first year of fast pitch and more practice would have been helpful. I really don't understand the lack of any practice at all after the first week. Even professional athletes practice. There was really no opportunity to assess skills and improve on those skills with the help of a coach. My daughters also did the basketball program this year and they are not interested in doing it again due to it being all skills and no games. The two programs seem imbalanced in opposite ways.

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## *T-Ball*

### *Overall Satisfaction:*

- 5 Satisfied

### *What went well:*

- There were a lot of helping hands this year for t-ball!
- Great instruction of fundamental skills
- It was fun for my daughter to get a basic start to softball.
- The coach for t-ball...she was AMAZING!

### *Improvements:*

- Make-up days offered for multiple cancelations due to weather
- Rescheduling of practices/games that were cancelled (if more than 2)
- Timing - a 5 PM game was tough to get to for working parents, maybe have a 5:30 & 6:30 start time to get there & out. Parking was at time slightly dangers with close call accidents with folks not looking where they were backing up to. Spring is tough to plan around storms & weather issues but then make it an option to have a makeup date on a different day of the week. I know working with 5 & 6 year olds is tough but the inconsistency amongst the coaches was crazy. At times it was hard to understand what the coaches were trying to teach the kids. Focusing more on skills, catching, throwing, how to hold a bat, what to run, etc.
- Get schedules out sooner.



## August Report

### **Youth Soccer: 381**

U6 (Grade K-1): 10 teams

U8 (Grade 2-3): 9 teams

U10 (Grade 4-5): 8 teams

U13 (Grade 6-8): 7 teams

August 20<sup>th</sup> was Soccer Saturday. Our End of Season Tournament was a great success. We had great weather (which prior to be was not looking so favorable). We were able to get all of our games played. 37 games were played. Our refs did a fantastic job and the Soccer Board was instrumental in that success.

### **3 Ball Sport: 37 participants**

We had the last two weeks of 3 ball sport which was T-ball. We taught the proper way to wear a glove, throwing & batting mechanics and how the game is played. We built off our kick ball session on how to run bases. The kids preferred batting to being in the outfield.

### **Playground Program: 42 participants**

Three weeks of safe, supervised activities at the Lower South Park Pavilion. Educational activities, swimming at the beach, fishing, arts and crafts, and walking field trips were just a few happenings with this group. On August 17<sup>th</sup>, the group spent the day at Hartmans Creek enjoying all the park had to offer.

### **Men's Softball:**

2 leagues with 6 teams each wrapped up the rest of the season. Championship games were played August 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## Upcoming programs:

### Youth:

Flag football: September 6 thru October 22

Youth Volleyball: September 13 thru October 22

Beginner basketball: November 3 thru December 10

Intermediate Basketball: November 1 thru December 10

Kids Chess Club: September 12 thru October 3

### Adult:

Women's Volleyball League: September 13 thru December 15

Coed Volleyball League: September 14 thru December 7

Pickleball League: September 13 thru December 5

Adult Chess: Ongoing

Men's Basketball: December 1-March 16



# WAUPACA SENIOR CENTER

Monthly Report: AUGUST 2022

Andrea Wanty, Senior Center Supervisor

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## MEMBERSHIP

**WE CURRENTLY HAVE 580 MEMBERS FOR 2022 (THROUGH AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup>) WITH 216 UNIQUE USERS. THERE WERE 21 NEW MEMBERS IN AUGUST.**

### ADVISORY BOARD

Next meeting scheduled for October 25<sup>th</sup> at 8AM at the Senior Center.

Special meeting was held on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8AM. Topic of Advisory Board member qualifications was resolved.

## PROGRAM UPDATES

### COMPUTER CLASSES

We continue with Joan Holman offering Tech/Computer classes in the computer lab. The schedule has been full each day. Classes are held two days a week from 9AM-11AM. The designated time allows members to bring in their own devices with questions and/or utilize our computer lab and work with the instructor on specific requests. Depending on wants and needs, the class can be flexible. We are working on creating a few specific topic classes.

### ROCK STEADY BOXING

Vanessa Wowzynski, Theda Care Physical Therapist has been temporarily pulled out of coaching the programming due to staffing shortages within her department. She continues to be available for assessments if needed. Andrea Wanty is currently enrolled in the online coach training for the program and will go to in person training and certification in October. The program requires a Head Coach to keep the affiliation with Rock Steady Boxing. Helen Halverson is currently coaching the class.

### POOL LEAGUE

Continues to have tournaments the last Monday of the month and will go into their Fall League starting Sept. 12. Sign up for the league has begun. We currently have 25 members signed up.

### ALZHEIMER'S- THE SCIENCE OF PREVENTION SERIES

Here is their summary: Alzheimer's can be a preventable and reversible condition. Whether you are experiencing some cognitive loss, concerned about family genetics with Alzheimer's, or giving care for another with cognitive loss, you will benefit from this presentation and discussion. Please join us in viewing this informative docuseries followed by a discussion lead by Rick Menet MD, Internal Medicine and Functional Medicine, and Rita Menet, Functional Medicine Certified Health Coach.

Series was completed last week, attendance was an average of 25 people per session.

### ART'S ON THE SQUARE

Cardio Drummers performed at 10am, approximately 25 members attended.

### COMMUNITY MONOPOLY

Roy and Andrea had a monopoly square and had a cardio drumming challenge.

### LIFE LONG LEARNING

Demonstration was given at the library for Cardio Drumming as well as a presentation about the Senior Center.

### ROTARY

Date pending, we are invited to bring Cardio Drumming to an upcoming Rotary meeting.

### STEPPING ON

Started on August 11<sup>th</sup> and runs through September 22. Class is ran in collaboration with the ADRC

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

### DAY TRIP

The Lacrosse River Boat Lunch Cruise is August 9<sup>th</sup> 6:45-5 PM. We had 43 members attend the trip. The next day trip is being planned, more information to follow.

### ELDER BENEFITS SPECIALIST

Iris Duran will be holding meet and greets with informational Medicare Meetings in June, July and August. Iris is from the Waupaca County Department of Health and Human Services.



#### FAB FOODS

The last Wednesday of the month we will be doing a senior luncheon. Giving members a chance to socialize with a healthy meal option. Healthy eating will be promoted and recipes given. There will be a charge for the luncheon to cover the cost of the food.

#### SEPTEMBER IS SENIOR CENTER MONTH

We have events planned for every weekday of the month. Some of the day's events are member appreciation day, volunteer appreciation day, staff appreciation days, trivia, brain teasers, grandparent's day and many more.

### FUNDRAISING EVENTS

#### BRAT & BURGER FRY

Brat Fry is planned for August 26<sup>th</sup> 10-2PM. The event will be held in the front lawn of the Rec Center.

#### FILLING STATION

September 29<sup>th</sup>- 20% of all sales from food and gas will be given to the Senior Center. Money raised will go towards equipment needed for Rock Steady Boxing.

#### CRYSTAL PUB & GRILL

September 28<sup>th</sup>- 20% of all food sales will be given to the Senior Center. Money raised will go toward equipment needed for Rock Steady Boxing.

Deposit Date	(All)
Money Type	(All)

Year to date summary	YTD-Sum of Amount	Sum of Amount
		0.00%
Concessions Swan Park	\$ 1,091.25	0.79%
Park Shelter Houses	\$ 60.00	0.04%
0 Gazebo / Public Square	\$ (0.88)	0.00%
501 Youth Programs	\$ 55,488.39	40.00%
502 Swimming	\$ 8,966.48	6.46%
504 Youth Center Fees	\$ 1,218.35	0.88%
507 Concessions Rec Center	\$ 4,407.12	3.18%
508 Rent Rec Center	\$ 10,548.34	7.60%
510 Concessions Swan Park	\$ 24,131.51	17.40%
511 Park Shelter Houses	\$ 12,232.88	8.82%
513 Beer Permits	\$ 903.19	0.65%
514 Shelter Deposit	\$ (300.13)	-0.22%
521 Adult Baseball	\$ 5,461.56	3.94%
523 Adult Volleyball	\$ 6,062.72	4.37%
524 Adult Kickball/Tennis	\$ (58.16)	-0.04%
530 Donations-P&R Events (R )	\$ 3,099.60	2.23%
530 Donations-Parks	\$ 1,801.00	1.30%
530 Donations-Swan Park	\$ 1,000.00	0.72%
701 Senior Travel	\$ 245.05	0.18%
702 Senior Programs	\$ 49.88	0.04%
703 Senior Membership	\$ 2,306.85	1.66%
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 138,715.00</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

8/24/2022

Month to date summary	Sum of Amount
501 Youth Programs	\$2,919.35
504 Youth Center Fees	\$116.68
507 Concessions Rec Center	\$120.31
508 Rent Rec Center	\$513.08
511 Park Shelter Houses	\$746.70
513 Beer Permits	\$93.53
514 Shelter Deposit	-\$6,563.48
523 Adult Volleyball	\$367.40
702 Senior Programs	-\$16.24
703 Senior Membership	\$30.69
701 Senior Travel	\$145.61
502 Swimming	\$36.74
530 Donations-Parks	\$1,601.00
510 Concessions Swan Park	\$3,603.30
0 Gazebo / Public Square	
<b>2022</b>	<b>-\$20.10</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$3,694.57</b>





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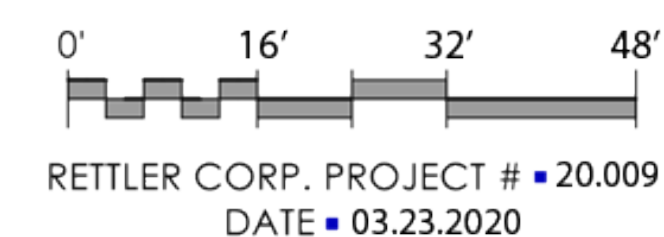
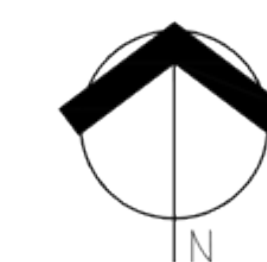
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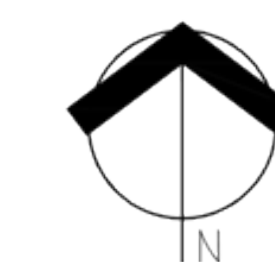
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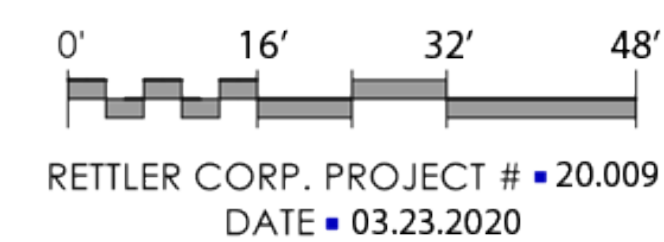
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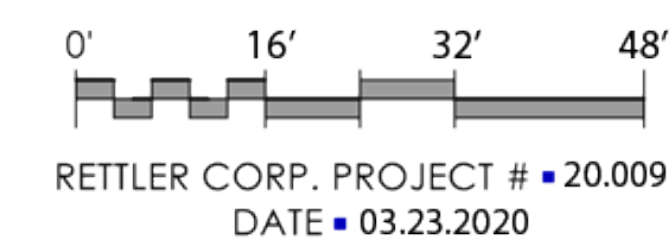
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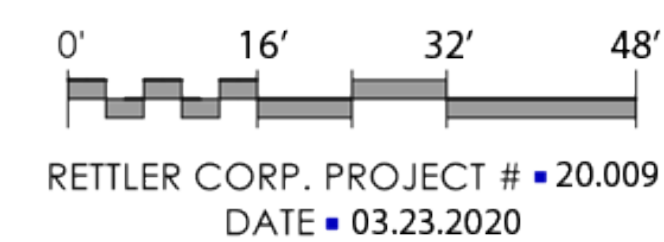
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