

TOWN OF CALEDONIA – WAUPACA COUNTY

Park Committee Meeting

October 14, 2026, 4:30-6:30 pm

On Site at Gruetzmacher Park, N2261 Bean City Rd, New London WI

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Caledonia Park Committee will conduct a meeting.

These meetings of the Town Board are open to the public. Proper notice has been posted with the time, place, and agenda of the meeting. Call this meeting to order.

No Public Forum will be offered at the beginning of this meeting

For those interested, Scott Jaeger from Scott's Trees, will be at the park from 3:30-4:30 on the 14th before this meeting to set the location of the ten trees around the Community Center and playground, please join us if you want to participate.

Also, Committee members are encouraged to tour the facilities before the meeting so each of us has had the opportunity to see the incredible final result

Agenda

Old Business

- DNR Grant Coordinator Jess Terrien input from the 9/9/2026 visit
- Impressions from the Gruetzmacher Family following their on site get together
- Park visitation since opening/feedback
- Rental fees for Gruetzmacher Family

Action Items:

- Approve minutes of August 2026 meeting, September meeting was canceled
- Align on principles for rental policies
- Endorse the 2027 park/recreation budget to send to the Town Board

Reports:

- Gruetzmacher Park

Status:

Trails - completed
Pickleball courts - completed
Playground - completed
Site - planting of prairie and pollinator garden in November, prep before
Grass areas- overplanted this fall
Community Center - punchlist items underway - 95% complete
Bike courses - completed
Driveway/stripping - completed
Signage - completed
Last ten trees - completed in late October
Pond plantings/construction - completed
Trash pick-up - completed
Fire Inspection - completed
Building inspection - completed, Occupancy approved
Insurance prep - completed
Sledding hill - completed
2026 invasive species removal - completed
Future invasive plant removal planned with the USDA
Park furnishings/equipment - completed
Final Grant payment submission - Nov target
Community Center above door sign - Completed by the end of October?
Security cameras - 95% completed, need monitor at town hall installed
Door lockers - not completed, working through some issues with controller
Final payments for phase 1 projects - underway

2027 Maintenance Budget Review and Reimbursement

Proposed budget

Proposed reimbursement plan

Police Extra Patrols

Nearly a dozen drive throughs so far

One act of vandalism - signs torn off wall

Issues being addressed

Bikes on courts

Bikes on sledding hill

2027 Donation Options

Community Center bed planting - Wohlt, private parties

Phase 2 prairie planting - Abba donation, others?

Four Seasons room furnishings - private party also included in Wohlt grant request

Fall 2027 Wohlt Grant Submitted

Numerous items included

2027 projects

Bed planting around Community Center

Finish prairie planting

Potential Phase 2 Projects

Funded by grants and donations

More courts - pickleball? Basketball and kids play area

Frisbee golf course

Possible small splash pad?

Grand opening planning discussion

May 2027

- Discussion - any issues or concerns? Topics for discussion
- **Next meeting - In this meeting we will decide if we need a November meeting and will set the date**

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