Awareness Month
Domestic Violence October declared
Bayfield bed and breakfast

First Friday to make the bed and breakfast

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Support for victims and survivors

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February 8, the City Council passed

the ordinance to authorize the bed and breakfast

on October 8.

The ordinance, which allows for bed and breakfast

establishments in the city, was passed by the council in

February.

The City of Bayfield's

domestic violence

Awareness Month

October is designated as Domestic Violence

Awareness Month.

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the conditional-use permit for Harbor Hill House, a bed and breakfast, for insufficient parking and "has another( bed and breakfast) in its crosshairs," said Kamenick.

Kate Mader, part-owner of Harbor Hill House, said the parking violation was a "technicality" the city used as an excuse to lessen some of the competition for lodging tourists.

"That's what they seem to be doing... and they (the council) vote on ordinances that affect their businesses," she said.

Councilman Jon Nelson, who doesn't own a lodging establishment, said he voted against the amendment because he didn't think it was constitutional.

"I didn't think it was legal to require someone to have a Wisconsin driver's license or have their primary residence here in order to operate a bed and breakfast. If someone lives in Florida and comes up here five months to operate a bed and breakfast, I don't think you can force them to become a city resident; it seems like it would violate the Constitution," he said Thursday.

Kamenick said residency requirements that other cities have tried to impose on business operators have been found to be unlawful discrimination and have been struck down in other cases.

The new requirements even impinge on the bed and breakfast owner's right to vote elsewhere, the suit alleged.

The Hoekstras have been trying to sell Lucy's Place since 2010, but the new restrictions have reduced the market for their property to only those who would live in Bayfield at least six months each year and have at least 50 percent ownership in the property.

The suit seeks a court order declaring the June amendments unconstitutional and other unspecified relief.

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year we are making our second annual effort.

Spangle said last year's low-key effort raised a surprising $3,500 and the organization this year has set an ambitious goal of $5,000.

Spangle said the council has, in the nearly four decades of its existence, helped thousands of area people struggling with substance. That number continues to this day.

"Last year we saw 514 individuals, so we impact a lot of people from Ashland and Bayfield counties," Spangle said.

The group doesn't plan any public activities, given the nature of what they do, they are content to let the need of their organization be known, and rely on the generosity of the community.

FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

Director Randy Spangle, land. The council is preparing funding of the program. (Rick