

CORPORATION COUNSEL

4th QTR REPORT 2023

SELECTED PERFORMANCE MEASURES	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal is 97% 100% of Contracts were reviewed within 7 days of receipt 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal is 97% 100% of resolutions and ordinances were reviewed within 7 days
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal is 100% 100% of Chapter 51 ED's and GN&PP reviews were completed within statutory time requirements- 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal is 100% 100% of CHIPS & JIPS referrals were responded to in 20 days
SUMMARY OF CURRENT ACTIVITIES	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ongoing prosecution of CH 51, 54 & 55 cases, along with Chapter 48 CHIPS and TPRs and 938 JIPs cases, and county ordinance violations. ▪ Ongoing representation of the State and Child Support Agency in Chapter 767 paternity and child support cases. ▪ Ongoing, provide legal representation for Eau Claire County and its Board, Departments and Agencies. ▪ Continued review of Corp. Counsel Performance Management Structure for revisions. ▪ Junk Property cleaned up working with Salvage Co. to get inventory of items scrapped. ▪ Working with Chippewa Off Road Bike Assoc. (CORBA) on amended contract for 2 new skills parks, one at Expo and the other at Lowes Creek Park. ▪ County wide EMS discussion and meetings-further recommendation based on new information to not continue with this initiative. ▪ Worked on Property issues and Lease dispute with Airport. ▪ Guardianship/Protective Placement Fee Schedule approved by Judges after presentation of data gathered from surrounding counties. ▪ Truancy Court-initiative to change to ordinance filings rather than JIPs Petitions. ▪ Set up online Training program for Admin Staff through Lorman Education Services. ▪ Updated DHS procedural processes for locating adoptive resources to be reviewed. ▪ Assist with creating process and participate with code review and proposed changes. Title 3 modifications were initially made. Modifications will continue with Title 4. ▪ In REM Ct defaulted 3 properties that haven't been redeemed. Determination on how to handle late payments and fees - which should be heard and ruled on by the Court. ▪ Working on Contracts with P & F for USA National Snowshoe Event and Mt. Bike Summer Group. ▪ Working on Intergovernmental Agreement for property obtained due to back taxes owed, to be purchased by City of Eau Claire. 	
ISSUES ON THE HORIZON AND SIGNIFICANT TRENDS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ongoing training and cross training of Assistant Corporation Counsels and Legal Specialists for efficiency in workflow. ▪ Substantial increase in request for Jury Trials in Guardianship and protective placement cases by the Public Defender Attorneys. ▪ Discussion regarding Contracted GAL's and replacements. ▪ Redistribution of case assignment areas for Assistant Corporation Counsels. ▪ Assisted with revision and drafting of resolution proposed by a supervisor regarding refugee resettlement. ▪ Review internal processes for handling 3 party mental commitment cases. Meet with DHS to determine referral process and what is handled prior to reaching our office. 	

CURRENT COLLABORATIONS (INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL)

- All county departments as an internal services provider.
 - Parks and Forest Carbon Credit Registration
 - Working with P & F for Altoona Dam for needed repairs.
 - Working with P & D and P & F regarding the possibility of acreage added for application of additional carbon credits due to P & D redefining setbacks of floodplains in some areas of county owned property.
 - DHS-CHIPS/JIPS/TPR/GN/ME cases
 - Airport - Working with CVRA on real property projects.
- Working with Friends of Fair on Memorandum of Understanding and discuss possible separation from County in 2024.
- Met with Dunn Co., Judge Long and EC Co. DHS social workers on a better process for handling Truancy cases. Initiative to change to ordinance filings rather than JIPs Petitions.
- Area hospitals and law enforcement agencies regarding mental commitment and guardianship and protective placement cases – including meetings with behavioral health unit at Mayo and HSHS.
- Interagency and community group involvement related to overdose fatalities and suicide death review.
- Interagency and community group involvement related to “Sharps Disposal” throughout Eau Claire County; Related to disposal of used needles as the numbers climb upward.
- Working with Chippewa Off Road Bike Assoc. on amended contract for 2 new skills parks, one at Expo and the other at Lowes Creek Park.
- Met with LSS and State DCF about adoptive resources

GOALS FOR NEXT QUARTER

- Continue with training and cross training for employees in the office.
- Maintain performance measures.
- Assist in Completion of requirements of the Carbon Credit Registration.
- Complete review and revision of Performance Management Structure.
- Create a spreadsheet with CLE credits for attorneys in the office.