



MARATHON COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES, FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Date & Time of Meeting: **Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 3:00 pm**

Meeting Location: **Assembly Room, Courthouse, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI 54403**

Committee Members: John Robinson, Chair; Gayle Marshall, Vice-Chair; Kurt Gibbs, Kody Hart, Ann Lemmer, Scott Poole, Jordan Reynolds

Marathon County Mission Statement: Marathon County Government serves people by leading, coordinating, and providing county, regional, and statewide initiatives. It directly or in cooperation with other public and private partners provides services and creates opportunities that make Marathon County and the surrounding area a preferred place to live, work, visit, and do business. (Last updated: 12-20-05)

Committee Mission Statement: Provide leadership for the implementation of the County Strategic Plan, monitor outcomes, review, and recommend to the County Board policies related to human resources initiatives, finance and property of the County.

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1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment (15 Minutes)** (Any person who wishes to address the committee during the "Public Comment" portion of the meetings, must provide his or her name, address, and the topic he or she wishes to present to the Marathon County Clerk, or chair of the committee, no later than five minutes before the start of the meeting. All comments must be germane to a topic within the jurisdiction of the committee.)
4. **Approval of Minutes from the July 10, 2024 HRFC meeting**
5. **Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination**
 - A. Consideration of Easement Request from WPS for Parcel ID Number 072-2809-233-0994.
6. **Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, Resolution, or Policy**
 - A. Items for Discussion and Possible Action by HRFC
 1. Discussion regarding 2025 Annual Budget Development and Policy Recommendations from the committee, including Review of the Mandatory / Discretionary Program Document and Discussion of Rates and Fees for Departments of Jurisdiction
 2. Discussion regarding 2024-25 Committee Workplan Development and Future Agenda Planning
 - B. Items for Discussion and Possible Action by HRFC to Forward to County Board
 1. Approval of Budget Amendment to Allocate up to \$50,000.00 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for Participation in the 2024 Uniquely Wisconsin Program
 2. Discussion of Draft Revisions to Ordinance section 1.51(7) – Conduit Financing – and Process for Finalizing Proposed Revisions for County Board.
7. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
 - A. Review 2025 Budget Process Timeline and Upcoming Work
8. **Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements and Future Agenda Items**
 - A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.
 - B. Next meeting: Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at 3:00 pm
9. **Adjournment**

*Any Person planning to attend this meeting who needs some type of special accommodation in order to participate should call the County Clerk's Office at 261.1500 or email countyclerk@co.marathon.wi.us one business day before the meeting.

SIGNED s/s John Robinson
Presiding Officer or Designee

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MARATHON COUNTY

HUMAN RESOURCES, FINANCE AND PROPERTY

COMMITTEE AGENDA with MINUTES

Date & Time of Meeting: Wednesday, July 10, 2024 at 3:00 pm

Meeting Location: Assembly Room, Courthouse, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI 54403

John Robinson	Present
Gayle Marshall	Present
Kurt Gibbs	Excused
Kody Hart	Present
Ann Lemmer	Present
Scott Poole	Present
Jordan Reynolds	Present

Staff Present: Molly Adzic, Michael Puerner, Kim Trueblood, Lance Leonhard, Gerry Klein, Connie Beyersdorff
 Others Present: Eric Porter (USI Insurance Services)

[Meeting Recording Part 1](#)

[Meeting Recording Part 2](#)

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment** – None
4. **Approval of Minutes from the June 18, 2024 HRFC meeting** (Part 1 :20) – Motion by Lemmer, Second by Poole to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote unanimously.
5. **Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination**
 - A. Discussion regarding 2025 Annual Budget Development and Policy Recommendations from the committee, including Review of the Mandatory / Discretionary Program Document and Discussion of Rates and Fees (Part 1 :50)
6. **Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, Resolution, or Policy**
 - A. Items for Discussion and Possible Action by HRFC
 1. Land Records Software Updates Related to Rib Mountain Incorporation (Part 1 29:45) – Motion by Poole, Second by Lemmer to direct the administrator to come up with the appropriate funding for the service. Motion carried on a voice vote unanimously.
 - B. Items for Discussion and Possible Action by HRFC to Forward to County Board
 1. Abolish 1 FTE DA Investigator and Create 1 FTE Deputy Sheriff Position Within the Sheriff’s Office by Way of Interagency Agreement Between the District Attorney’s Office and the Sheriff’s Office (Part 2 :30)
 2. Development of 2025 Annual Budget Revenue and Expense Assumptions (Part 2 4:08) Motion by Robinson, Second by Lemmer to forward the budget revenue and expense assumptions to the full board, including an increase to public charges at a rate of 3% and reducing the utility cost increases from 6% to 4.5%.
 3. Motion to go into Closed Session (roll call vote suggested), pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 19.85(1)(e), for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, to wit: review of offer to purchase and discussion of strategy regarding the potential sale of certain county property located, to wit: real property with a parcel identification number of 168-2807-034-0982, in the Village of Rib Mountain; and the discussion of health clinic contract options and the impact of clinic options on future employee benefit plans. (Part 1 38:00) Motion by Lemmer, Second by Marshall to go into closed session. Motion carried on a roll call vote unanimously.
 4. Motion to Return to Open Session (Roll Call Vote not Required) – Motion by Marshall, Second by Hart to return to Open Session. Motion carried on a voice vote unanimously.
 5. Discussion and Possible Action Resulting from Closed Session Discussion (Part 2 :12) – Nothing to report; there will be additional meetings in the future.
7. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
 - A. 2023 Audit Update (Part 2 29:36)
 - B. 2024 Sales Tax Revenue Update (Part 2 29:36)
8. **Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements and Future Agenda Items**
 - A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.
 - B. Next meeting: Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 3:00 pm
9. **Adjournment** – Motion by Marshall, Second by Poole to adjourn. Motion carried on a voice vote unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Kim Trueblood, County Clerk



6/27/2024

Wisconsin Public Service Corporation
P.O. Box 19001
Green Bay, WI 54307-9001
www.wisconsinpublicservice.com

Marathon County
500 FOREST ST
Wausau, WI 54403

Dear Customer:

You or your agent recently worked with a Wisconsin Public Service Corporation representative to define the location of an easement at ***172922 STATE HIGHWAY 29 in the Town of Ringle County of Marathon, State of Wisconsin.***

I have enclosed two copies of the easement for your review. Signing this document will allow Wisconsin Public Service Corporation to install facilities on your property in the location described in the easement.

Please note that the Public Service Commission entitles you to a minimum of five days to examine the materials provided. However, you have the option to waive the five-day review period and sign and return the easement at any time.

*You will note that the documents **require** you to sign them in the presence of a **Notary Public**.* Please make the necessary arrangements to meet with a Notary Public in your vicinity and have the Notary sign the documents where indicated. All signatures and blanks filled in must be completed in **BLACK INK** to be accepted by the Register of Deeds for recording.

Please return one of the documents to me in the pre-paid envelope provided at your earliest convenience. The second document is for your records. Installation cannot be scheduled until the completed document has been received.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the easement. Please refer to Work Request **WMIS-3406860**.

Erica Pomerening- Right of Way Agent
Wisconsin Public Service Corporation
920-433-4929
Erica.Pomerening@wisconsinpublicservice.com

Enclosed

3321662

Easement

THIS INDENTURE is made this _____ day of _____, _____, by and between **Marathon County, a municipal body corporate of the State of Wisconsin**, ("Grantor") and **WISCONSIN PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION**, a Wisconsin Corporation, along with its successors and assigns (collectively, "Grantee") for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Grantor, owner of land, hereby grants and warrants to, Grantee, a permanent easement upon, within, beneath, over and across a part of Grantor's land hereinafter referred to as "easement area" more particularly described as follows:

Part of Lot 1 of Certified Survey Map No. 10013 Recorded in the Marathon County Register of Deeds Volume 41 of Certified Survey Maps on Page 36 as Document 1122630; being part of The Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4 – SW 1/4) of Section **23**, Township **28 North**, Range **9 East**, Town of **Ringle**, County of **Marathon**, State of **Wisconsin**, as shown on the *attached Exhibit "A"*.

Return to:
Wisconsin Public Service Corp.
Real Estate Dept.
P.O. Box 19001
Green Bay, WI 54307-9001

Tax Parcel Identification Number
(PIN)

07228092330994

Grantee shall have the right to install Grantee's facilities upon the above described Grantor's land.

It is anticipated that the facilities shall be installed in the area of Grantor's land shown approximately on the **attached Exhibit "A"**, but in all events, upon installation of the Grantee's facilities, the actual "easement area" shall consist of a strip of land twelve (12) feet in width, lying six (6) feet on each side of the centerline of Grantee's facilities as installed (including, as applicable, the center location of any pad mounts, pedestals, slabs, or similar facilities).

In the event of any replacements or additions, the easement area shall be deemed to shift to include an area that is twelve (12) feet in width, lying six (6) feet on each side of the centerline of such replacements.

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1. **Purpose: ELECTRIC UNDERGROUND** - The purpose of this easement is to construct, install, operate, maintain, repair, replace and extend underground utility facilities, conduit and cables, electric pad-mounted transformers, manhole, electric pad-mounted switch-fuse units, electric pad-mounted vacuum fault interrupter, concrete slabs, power pedestals, riser equipment, terminals and markers, together with all necessary and appurtenant equipment under and above ground as deemed necessary by Grantee, all to transmit electric energy, signals, television and telecommunication services, including the customary growth and replacement thereof. Trees, bushes, branches and roots may be trimmed or removed so as not to interfere with Grantee's use of the easement area.
2. **Access:** Grantee shall have the right to enter on and across any of the Grantor's property outside of the easement area as may be reasonably necessary to gain access to the easement area and as may be reasonably necessary for the construction, installation, operation, maintenance, inspection, removal or replacement of the Grantee's facilities.
3. **Buildings or Other Structures:** Grantor agrees that no structures will be erected in the easement area or in such close proximity to Grantee's facilities as to create a violation of all applicable State of Wisconsin electric and gas codes or any amendments thereto.
4. **Elevation:** Grantor agrees that the elevation of the ground surface existing as of the date of the initial installation of Grantee's facilities within the easement area will not be altered by more than 4 inches without the written consent of Grantee.
5. **Restoration:** Grantee agrees to restore or cause to have restored Grantor's land, as nearly as is reasonably possible, to the condition existing prior to such entry by Grantee or its agents. This restoration, however, does not apply to any trees, bushes, branches or roots which may interfere with Grantee's use of the easement area.
6. **Exercise of Rights:** It is agreed that the complete exercise of the rights herein conveyed may be gradual and not fully exercised until sometime in the future, and that none of the rights herein granted shall be lost by non-use.
7. **Binding on Future Parties:** This grant of easement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors and assigns of all parties hereto.
8. **Easement Review:** Grantor acknowledges receipt of materials which describe Grantor's rights and options in the easement negotiation process and furthermore acknowledges that Grantor has had at least 5 days to review this easement document *or* voluntarily waives the five day review period.

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WITNESS the hand and seal of the Grantor the day and year first above written

Marathon County, a municipal body corporate of the State of Wisconsin

Organization name _____

Sign Name _____

Print name & title _____

Sign Name _____

Print name & title _____

STATE)
OF _____

)SS

COUNTY)
OF _____

This instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, _____, by the above-named _____ **Marathon County, a municipal body corporate of the State of Wisconsin**, to me known to be the Grantor(s) who executed the foregoing instrument on behalf of said Grantor(s) and acknowledged the same

Sign Name _____

Print Name _____

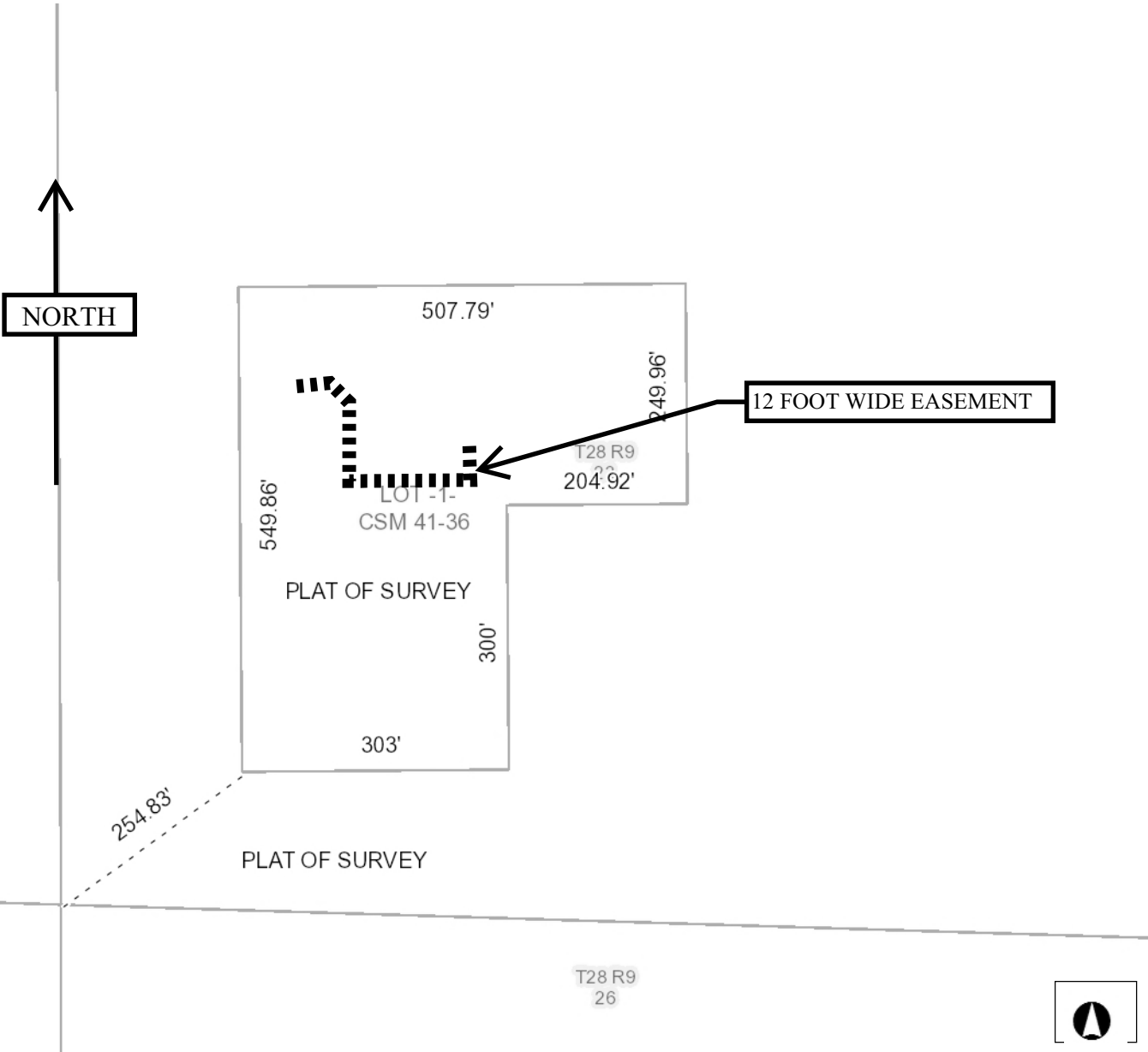
Notary Public, State of _____

My Commission expires: _____

This instrument drafted by: Erica Pomerening
Wisconsin Public Service Corporation

REMS Entity ID	WR Number	Document ID	REMS Formatted Number
1477938	WMIS-3406860	3321662	INT11-477-938

EXHIBIT "A"
NOT TO SCALE
FOR REFERENCE ONLY





MANDATED SERVICES REVIEW – 2025 Budget Prep

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Service Area	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Specific Staffing Levels within Departments	No, generally.	<p>Wis. Stat. § 59.22, provides that “the board <i>may</i> . . . establish the number of employees in any department or office including deputies to elective officers.”</p> <p>Annually, within the budget, the Board of Supervisors is presented with the full-time equivalent summary by department.</p>

CLERK OF COURT		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Case filing/docket/minutes	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.40(2) & 799.10 and Supreme Court Rules
Judgment & lien docket	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.40(2) & Ch. 779 and 806 and Supreme Court Rules
Collect payments & filing fees	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.40(2), 799.25 & Ch. 814 and Supreme Court Rules
Jury management	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.40(2) & Ch. 756 and Supreme Court Rules
Appeals	Yes	Wis. Stat. Ch. 808 and Supreme Court Rules
Appoint and revoke deputy clerks	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.40(1)(a) and Supreme Court Rules
Provide public with information regarding the Circuit Court's small claims system	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 799.09 and Supreme Court Rules
Retention and Maintenance of Court Records	Yes	Supreme Court Rule 72
PROBATE and JUVENILE SPECIFIC		
Register in Probate can act as the Clerk of Juvenile Court	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 851.72(7), § 48.04
Case file management, docket, keep minutes: probate files	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 851.72; Chps 851-879
Case file management, docket, keep minutes: emergency detention, guardianship, and juvenile files	Yes	Wis. Stat. Ch. 51, 53-55, Ch. 48 & 938
Collect filing and other fees	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 814.66
Appeals	Yes	Wis. Stat. Ch. 808
MISCELLANEOUS		

Counties have circuit court judges and court commissioners; all perform statutory / constitutionally mandated circuit court functions.	Yes	Wis. Stat. Chps. 753, 757; Supreme Court Rules
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<p>Additional information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - § 753.30 enumerates the Clerk of Circuit Court powers. - Additional information: Other statutory duties include: procuring, scheduling and paying interpreters; witnesses; marking, storing and retention of exhibits and mandatory reporting to the State for: interpreter reimbursement, juvenile legal fees, US Attorney billings, unclaimed funds, jury evaluation report and annual report of costs. - The positions of Clerk of Circuit Court and one deputy are mandated. - Court Mediation Programming – as part of the 2020 Annual Budget, the Board of Supervisors provided funding for a mediation program via Wisconsin Judicare. Additional information on the program is available here https://www.marathoncounty.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/10848/638372899066100000

MEDICAL EXAMINER

Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Reporting Death	Yes	Wis. Stats. § 979.01 Wis. Adm. Code DHS 135.09
Determine cause and manner of death, death certificate signing	Yes	Wis. Stats. § 59.34, 69.18, 979.03 Wis. Adm. Code DHS 135.09
Issue cremation and disinterment permits.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.34, 69.18(4) Wis. Adm. Code DHS 135.09
Subpoena documents	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 979.015
Burial of bodies (homeless or no one claims body)	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 979.09
Reporting deaths of public health concerns	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 979.012
Order autopsy	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 979.02, 025, 03
Reporting deaths of public health concern	Yes	WIS 979.012
Autopsy of correctional inmate	Yes	979.025
Autopsy for SIDS	Yes	979.03
Inquests	Yes	979.05
Death Review Team (e.g., Suicide, Overdose) participation and leadership, Community & Partner training and consultation	No	
Mass Fatality Planning and HERC participation	No	
Family grief support program and services	No	

Additional information:

- Counties may operate under a Coroner (elected) or Medical Examiner (appointed) system. In addition to those outlined above, applicable statutes include §§ 59.34 and .38.
- Upon adoption of a professionally-led (i.e., by a forensic pathologist) office, additional services will be directly performed. This list will be update as part of the 2026 budget development process, based on the transition.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY/VICTIM WITNESS		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Prosecution of Crimes – (all aspects, including related procedures such as John Doe, Inquests)	Yes	Wis. Stat. Chs. 950, 967, 978.05(3)
Diversion Activities	No	
Treatment Court participation	No	
Summer Internship Program	No	
Community Partner Education (e.g., presentations to local schools on consent, sexting, etc.)	No	
VICTIM WITNESS ACTIVITIES		
County is responsible for providing services to victims and witnesses	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 950.055 <u>Wisconsin Constitution</u> <u>Art I Sec 9m</u>
Assistance to Victims and Witnesses of Adult and Juvenile Criminal Acts as Listed in Basic Bill of Rights for Crime Victims	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 950.04 <u>Wisconsin Constitution</u> <u>Art I Sec 9m</u>
Court Notification	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 950.04 <u>Wisconsin Constitution</u> <u>Art I Sec 9m</u>
Escort and Court Support	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 950.04

Employee Intercession	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 950.04
Restitution Information	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 950.04
Victim Impact Statements	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 950.04 <u>Wisconsin Constitution</u> <u>Art I Sec 9m</u>
Appropriate Referrals	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 950.04
Property Return and Parole Eligibility Notification	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 950.04 <u>Wisconsin Constitution</u> <u>Art I Sec 9m</u>
<p>Additional information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - District Attorney (state prosecutor) responsibilities are provided in chapter 978, which clarifies that the intergovernmental cooperation envisioned by the statutes does not “limit[] the authority of counties to regulate the hiring, employment and supervision or county employees.” - Electronic records retention management is an area of increasing concern given the significant storage costs associated with the volume of records generated during the investigation and prosecution process. - Victim Rights are governed by Wis. Stat. § 950.04(1v); Witness rights are governed by Wis. Stat. § 950.04(2w). Wisconsin Constitution Art I Sec 9m - § 950.07 requires intergovernmental cooperation between the county board, district attorney, local law enforcement agencies, social services agencies, victim witness offices and courts to ensure statutes regarding victims and witnesses are complied with. 		

CORPORATION COUNSEL		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Prosecution of Mental Commitment Proceedings	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 51.20(4)
Prosecution of Guardianship and Protective Placement Proceedings	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 55.02(3)
Legal Advice to County Officials, Committees, Boards and Commissions	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.42(1)(c); 19.59(5)
Advise and Assists Treasurer with Foreclosures/Tax Liens	No	Wis. Stat. § 59.42(1)(c)
Prosecution of Zoning Codes / Septic System Violations / Human Health Hazards / misc. enforcement	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.42(1)(c); 59.69; 254.59; 173.23; 173.24; various ordinances
Represent the County in Civil Actions	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.42(1)(c)
Preparation of Documents for Court Action	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.42(1)(c)
Review/Preparation of Contracts, Agreements & Leases	No	Wis. Stat. § 59.42(1)(c)
Establishes Paternity, Enforce Child Support Collections and Represent Child Support Agency in Court Proceedings	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 49.22(7) and 59.53(5), (6) & Title IV-D of Federal Social Security Act
Prosecute Child Protection Actions, including minor guardianships	Yes (County is mandated to perform)	Wis. Stat. § 48.095 requires designation of Corporation Counsel or District Attorney,

		Marathon County has designated Corporation Counsel
Represent Interests of the Public in Termination of Parental Rights Proceedings	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 48.09
Property Insurance Administration and Claims Management	Yes*	Local governments are required to respond to claims; however, insurance is discretionary as provided in § 59.52(11)
Liability Insurance Administration & Claims Management	No	Local governments are required to respond to claims; however, insurance is discretionary as provided in § 59.52(11)

Additional information:

- § 59.42 provides that the Board **may** appoint a corporation counsel. When authorized by the Board, in a county administrator led county, the County Administrator shall have the authority to appoint and supervise the position. If a County Board does not authorize the creation of the position, the board is responsible for designating an attorney to perform the duties provided by law.
- Property Insurance Administration and Claims Management and Liability Insurance Administration & Claims Management were transferred from Human Resources to Corporation Counsel in 2023/2024.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Coordinate all functions not vested by law in boards or commissions	Yes*	Wis. Stat. §59.18(2)(a)
Chief Administrative Officer	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 59.18(2)
Ensure observation, enforcement, and administration of all state and federal laws and local ordinances	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 59.18(2)
Assist Board in Long-Range (Strategic Planning)	No	
Annual Budget	Yes*	Wis. Stat. §59.18(5)
Annual Workplan	No*	Submission of a workplan is required by existing board rules.
Assist Committee Chairs Committee Agenda development	No	
Participate in Economic Development bodies (e.g.,	No	Wis. Stat. § 59.57, provides the board may

Chamber of Commerce, MCDEVCO)		appropriate money for limited activities.
Appoint Members of Boards and Commissions	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 59.18(2)(c)
Appoint and Supervise Department Heads	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 59.18(2)(b)
Conduct Performance Evaluations	No	
Public Communications Oversight and Coordination	No	
Service on Intergovernmental organizations of which Marathon County is a founder/member	No*	Participation on NCHC bodies (Executive & Board) and CCITC Board is mandated by respective intergovernmental agreements approved by County Board
Internal Communications Oversight and Coordination	No	
Performance Data – generation, oversight, reporting, and response coordination	No	
JUSTICE SYSTEMS		
Criminal Justice Collaborating Council staffing support and leadership	No	
Case Management & Treatment Services Program (coordination and oversight in collaboration with courts)	No	
Diversion Programs (coordination and contract management)	No	

Treatment courts and Supportive Services (coordination and oversight in collaboration with courts) (e.g., Community Service program, Driving with Care, Domestic Violence SAFE, Risk Assessment, etc.)	No	
Pretrial Assessment and Supervision	No	

Additional information:

*The County Administrator is not a county-mandated position. There are alternate forms of governance that may be utilized by counties, such as an Administrative Coordinator or County Executive. Marathon County has opted for an Administrator form of governance. Therefore, the County Administrator is required to comply with the requirements of Wis. Stat. § 59.18.

COUNTY CLERK		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Administer and oversee all County, State and National elections in conjunction with local municipal clerks.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 5.05(14), 7.10 Chapters 5 - 12
Provides voter registration services for Marathon County municipalities (requires necessary technology and training)	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 6.28
Record and maintain all County Board proceedings and coding of adopted resolutions and ordinances; county administration; planning and zoning authority; claims against the County	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.23(2)
Process marriage licenses and issue marriage certificates	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 765.05, 765.15, 765.12
Issue domestic partnership terminations	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 770.07(2)
Maintain dog license records; process dog damage claims and issue dog tags to local treasurers	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 174.07(1)(c), 174.07(2)(b), 174.11(2)(b)

Issue Permits for Timber Harvest of Raw Forest Products	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 26.03
File Probate Claim Notices	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 859.07(2)
Legal custodian of the County's Code of Ordinances	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 66.0103
Tax Deeds – coordinate sales, notices	Yes	Wis. Stat. Chapters 75 – 77
Resignations, Vacancies, and Removals from Office	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 17.01(5), 17.01(13)(b)
Oaths and Bonds, Public Records and Property	Yes	Wis. Stats. § 19.21(1)
Publication of Legal Notices	Yes	Wis. Stats. Chapter 985
Prepare and maintain annual budget for County Board and Assembly Room	No	
Compile official County Directory which includes County Departments and staff, County Board Supervisors and Committees, Federal, State, and local officials	Yes/No	Municipal Officers to provide to clerk (responsible to send to Secretary of State) per Wis. Stat. § 59.23(2)(s)
Serve as agent for the U.S. Department of State in processing passport applications	No	Wis. Stat. § 69.30(2m) allows either a County Clerk or Clerk of Court to copy certified copies of birth certificates for the purpose of processing passport applications
Provide internal and public notary services	No	
Issue Direct Seller Permits	No	Issuance of direct seller permits is governed by Section 12.05 of Marathon County's General Code, which places the Clerk in charge of issuance.
Process in and outgoing mail, maintain postage meter	No	

Additional information:

- § 59.23 provides that the positions of County Clerk and one deputy are mandated, as well as an annual salary for the Clerk. Deputy salary is nonmandated, as well as assistants to the Clerk. If, however, an assistant(s) is/are authorized by the Board, the State mandates the provision of a salary.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Collective Bargaining and Labor Negotiations Administration*	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 111.70
Coordination of Recruitment and selection of employees to comply with applicable federal and state requirements.	Yes*	See e.g. Wis. Stat. §§ 111.322, 111.33, 111.335, 111.36
Coordination and administration of employee benefits, such as: Health Insurance plan, Wellness Program and Initiatives, Open Enrollment,	No	Insurance is discretionary as provided in § 59.52(11)
Coordination and management of all applicable health insurance laws and notification requirements (HIPAA, COBRA)	Yes*	26 CFR § 54.4980B
Advise Department Heads, Division Managers, and Program Supervisors on human resources issues	No	
Employee Safety and Health & Loss Control	Yes* (level of service)	Local governments are required to respond to claims; however, insurance is discretionary as provided in § 59.52(11); see

		<i>also</i> Wis. Stat. § 101.055; Wis. Admin. Code Chapters SPS 361, 362
Job classification system management	No, but 59.52(10)	§ 59.52(10) requires salaries to be paid.
Performance Review Management	No	
Administer applicable programs (e.g., ADA, EAP, FMLA, Civil Rights Compliance and Equal Opportunity) in accordance with state and federal laws	Yes*	42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 - 12213; 14 CFR § 120.115; 29 CFR Part 825; 42 U.S.C. § 2000e; 29 U.S.C. § 206(d); 29 U.S.C. § 621; 42 U.S.C. § 1981
Custodian of personnel records*	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 19.21
Training of employees	Yes/No	State and Federal laws do have specific training (initial/ongoing) requirements for various positions; however, general employee training and development is not mandated.
IDEAS Academy training delivery and coordination (continuous improvement)	No	

Additional information:

* The requirements set forth in federal and state law pertaining to the human resource functions are not statutory requirements of the Human Resources Department, but rather counties in general. In Marathon County, Human Resources performs these functions.

CITY-COUNTY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Hardware and Software procurement coordination and management	No	
Network Administration and Management (including Information Security and WCAN)	No	
Provide records retention for electronic data and communications	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 19.21
Provide and maintain telephone system for County	No	
Technical Support for public website	No	
Software training	No	
Helpdesk and PC Support	No	
Broadband Taskforce Support	No	

Additional information:

- The Intergovernmental Agreement creating CCITC provides that members' respective budgetary allocations for technology support are determined by the CCITC Board.

FINANCE

Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Accounting*	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 59.61
Payroll*	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 59.52(10)
Financial Reporting*	Yes*	Wis. Stat. §§ 59.61 & 59.65
Accounts Payable*	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 59.61
Auditing*	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 59.47(2)
Assist with CIP and Operating Budget Preparation, Submittal and Ongoing monitoring*	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 59.60(4)(a)-(c)
ERP System Technical Support	No	
Investment Policy management	No	Wis. Stat. § 66.0603 (1m)
Period End Bank Reconciliation	No	
Director serves as Tax Increment Financing Review Board representative for County	Yes/No	§ 66.1105 requires a county representative; however, it is not required to be the Finance Director.

Additional information: The requirements set forth in Wis. Stat. Ch. 59 pertaining to the Finance Department are not statutory requirements of the Finance Department, but rather counties in general. Marathon County has chosen to deliver these services through a Finance Department; however, the Department itself is not statutorily mandated.

TREASURER		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Collection of property tax, including: payment of taxes, settlement of taxes, adjustment of taxes, collection of delinquent taxes, issuance of tax certificates, and management of tax software	Yes	Wis. Stat. 59.25(3) & 74.07
Delinquent Tax Parcel Payment Agreement program	No	
Maintenance of ownership and description of all real property parcels in the county. Coordination of real property parcel information in the county for use by municipal clerks and treasurers, county offices, title and mortgage companies, district assessors, and the public. Coordination between county and taxation districts for assessment and taxation purposes, including coordination of computer services for same. Preparation and printing of tax bills, tax rolls and assessment rolls for all municipalities. *	Yes	Wis. Stat. 59.72, 70.09 & 74
Receipt all county monies	Yes	Wis. Stat. 59.25(3)
Disbursement of all county payments	Yes	Wis. Stat. 59.25(3)
Implementation of tax deed and/or foreclosures	Yes	Wis. Stat. 75
Administrative duties, such as receipt of all forms	Yes	Wis. Stat. 59.25(3), 59.52(4) & 59.66
Management of unclaimed funds including receipt of monies and publication	Yes	Wis. Stat. 59.66

Banking and internal revenue processing	Yes	Wis. Stat. 59.25(3)
Completion of tax roll	Yes	Wis. Stat. 59.25(3)(e)
Management of lottery credit program including settlement preparation and payments	Yes	Wis. Stat. 79.10(5)-(11) Wis. Adm. Code Ch. 20

Additional Information: *These duties are referenced within § 70.09, as duties that may be delegated to a Real Property Lister (RPL). The RPL position (together with a Geographical Information System position) is housed within the Conservation, Planning & Zoning (CPZ) Department and is coordinating the above-mentioned activities. Similarly, the CPZ Department is sharing is now completing much of the tax roll preparation, balancing, and printing processes. Because these processes are foundational to the issuance of tax bills, the County Treasurer's Office continues to work very closely with CPZ and the Land Information Council. The Treasure remains responsible for items expressly referenced in § 59.25 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Facilities & Capital Management Department		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Day-to-Day Maintenance of County Buildings	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 101.11
Emergency On-Call program	Yes*	Wis. Stat. § 101.11
Day-to-Day Custodial Services of County Buildings (including garbage contract management)	No*	
Capital Improvement Program – Administration (develop all architecture, design, and engineering bids, RFPs, and contracts in accordance with state law and ordinance)	Yes/No	§ 59.52(29) provides for specific processes for public works. Local ordinance sets additional procurement procedures.
Capital Improvement Program – Development	No	
Capital Improvement Program – Implementation & Project Management Oversight	No	
Issuance of Keys and ID Badges	No	County Policy
Oversee Specific Equipment Certification & Inspection Program (Fire, Boiler, Sprinkler, Elevator, etc.)	Yes	Wis. Admin. Code Chapters SPS 364, 365

HVAC Services (Controls Building Automation & HVAC)*	No	
Maintain Department Records Retention*	Yes	Chapter 19 of State Statutes
Pest Control Program	No	
Inter-Office Courier Service	No	
Lake View Drive Campus parking lot and grounds maintenance	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 101.11
Conference Room Reservation and Management	No	
<p>Additional information:</p> <p>Specific services levels regarding facility condition and repair are not frequently mandated: however, absent properly maintained facilities, other departments would be unable to deliver their mandated services. A number of areas have significant health & safety requirements relative to facilities (most notably the North Central Health Care Center campus and our jail and secure detention). In the absence of specific regulation, Wisconsin's "safe place statute" would require reasonable care.</p>		

REGISTER OF DEEDS		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Real Property Program - Record or file, index, maintain and provide access to all real estate documents and all other documents authorized by law to be recorded.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.43(a)
Collect appropriate recording fees.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.43(2)(d)
Record all financing statements pertaining to realty-related collateral and related records.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 409.501-409.521 & 59.43(1)(L)
Submit report to state on portion of recording fees collected for the state land information program.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.72(5)
Collect appropriate real estate transfer fees on all conveyance documents recorded.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 77.22
Vital Records Program - Register, index, maintain and provide access to all marriages, deaths, births, and domestic partnership occurring in the county as authorized by law.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 69.05 & 59.43(1)(h)
Record, index, maintain and provide access to military discharges.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.535(1)
Constituent Assistance – Termination of Interest form completion	No	
Perform notarial acts as requested	No	
Genealogy and general constituent assistance	No	

Additional information:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Local Health Department	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 251.02(1) (see below)
Prenatal Home Visiting Programming: Nurse Family Partnership and Prenatal Care Coordination. Programs support expected outcomes in the Community Health Improvement Plan.	No	
Restaurant and Licensure Activities:	No	<p>Level III Health Department Requirement: Can be performed by the state, however, there is an associated cost and inspections may not happen on a yearly basis.</p> <p>The State prefers local municipalities provide this program as they can provide a more efficient service.</p> <p>Our health department level would need to be adjusted to a level II to cease this service</p>
Water Testing Lab	No	Supported by fees and can be performed by local or state resources, however, drawbacks may be cost and timely response.
Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN)	No	Fully grant funded program that assists families with resources for special health care needs.

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Additional information: the following is a summary of focus areas of public health departments:

Community Health Improvement Plan and the Community Health Assessment; communicable disease surveillance, investigation, and control; maternal child health, environmental health, chronic disease, and injuries; and birth to three.

Wis. Stat. § 251.02(1) indicates in counties with a population of less than 500,000, unless a county board establishes a city-county health department under sub. (1m) jointly with the governing body of a city or establishes a multiple county health department under sub. (3) in conjunction with another county, the county board shall establish a single county health department, which shall meet the requirements of this chapter. The county health department shall serve all areas of the county that are not served by a city health department that was established prior to January 1, 1994, by a town or village health department established under sub. (3m), or by a multiple municipal local health department established under sub. (3r) or by a city-city health department established under sub. (3t). No governing body of a city may establish a city health department after January 1, 1994.

Wis. Stat. § 250.03 (1) (L) provides that the department (the state) shall perform or facilitate the performance of all of the following services and functions:

1. Monitor the health status of populations to identify and solve community health problems.
2. Investigate and diagnose community health problems and health hazards.
3. Inform and educate individuals about health issues.
4. Mobilize public and private sector collaboration and action to identify and solve health problems.
5. Develop policies, plans, and programs that support individual and community health efforts.
6. Enforce statutes and rules that protect health and ensure safety.
7. Link individuals to needed personal health services.
8. Assure a competent public health workforce.
9. Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services.
10. Provide research to develop insights into and innovative solutions for health problems.

State DHS facilitates the performance of these services through the delivery of services/programs by Marathon County Health Department. The state conducts

periodic reviews to ensure compliance. The public health department also meets the requirements of Wisconsin State Statutes, chapter 250-255.

Required services of local health departments are further explained by Chapter DHS 140, which lists the requirements for the level of health department.

Level I health departments must provide the following:

- Surveillance and investigation of local health issues
- Communicable disease control including education, monitoring, and prevention
- Chronic disease prevention
- Human health hazard control
- Policy and planning support
- Leadership and organizational competency regarding health issues to local partners and stakeholders
- Public Health nursing services

Level II health departments must comply with the requirements for a level I while also providing:

- Support and leadership to address community needs
- Evaluating health services
- Annual performance evaluations
- Quality Improvement activities

Level III health departments must comply with the requirements for a level I, II and III, which also includes:

- Data collection
- Providing public health expertise to local government stakeholders
- Identify and address population health issues
- Establish and implement an environmental health program
- Quality Improvement activities on individual and department levels
- Evaluation of collaborative efforts to assess, develop services

For the full list, please see DHS Chapter 140. Marathon County Health Department is a Level III Department.

SOCIAL SERVICES		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Child Welfare Division		
Children’s Services and Youth Justice Services	Yes	Wis. Stat. Ch. 48 & 938
Child Welfare Services	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 48.56
Powers and Duties of County Departments	Yes	Wis. Stat. §§ 48.57 & 938.57
Children’s Community Options Program	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 46.272
Economic Support Division		
Wisconsin Shares – Child Care Subsidy	No	Wis. Stat. § 49.155
Income Maintenance Administration – Medical Assistance	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 49.45
Income Maintenance Administration – Food Share	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 49.79
Fraud Investigations and Error Reduction	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 49.845
Child Support Division		
Administration of the child and spousal support program	Yes	Wis. Stats. § 49.22 & Title IV-D of Federal Social Security Act
Establish paternity & enforce child support collections	Yes	Wis. Stats. § 59.53(5) & Title IV-D of Federal Social Security Act
Establish & enforce medical support liability programs	Yes	Wis. Stats. § 59.53(5) & Title IV-D of Federal Social Security Act
ELEVATE work program - This program is an innovative, grant funded, employment success program for child support participants. Our Agency coordinates services with local resources.	No	
The Children First Grant - developed to provide employment and job search services for noncustodial parents (NCPs)	No	Wis. Stats. §49.36 and §767.55

who are not paying child support due to being unemployed or underemployed.		
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Additional information:

Child Welfare Division

Summary of services provided in Children Services includes: child protection access, assessment and ongoing services, including services provided through community response; youth justice intake and ongoing services; emergency on-call services; Coordinated Family Services (CFS), Children’s Long Term Support (CLTS) waivers, Family Centered Treatment (FCT), Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) and assessment/referral. As well as stepparent adoptions, day care certifications, foster parent licensing, independent living services and purchased services (foster care, short term shelter care, kinship care, group home, residential care, corrections, secure custody, etc..).

Wis. Stat. Ch. 48 is the Children’s Code and Wis. Stat. Ch. 938 is the Juvenile Justice Code.

Wis. Stat. § 48.56 requires each county having a population of less than 500,000 shall provide child welfare services through its county department. Each county department shall employ personnel who devote all or part of their time to child welfare services. Whenever possible, these personnel shall be social workers certified under Ch. 457.

Wis. Stat. § 48.57 (1) indicates that each county department shall administer and expend such amounts as may be necessary out of any moneys which may be appropriated for child welfare purposes by the county board of supervisors or by the legislature, which may be donated by individuals or private organizations or which may be otherwise provided.

Wis. Stat. § 938.57(1) indicates that each county department shall administer and expend such amounts as may be necessary out of any moneys which may be appropriated for juvenile welfare purposes by the county board of supervisors or donated by individuals or private organizations.

Wis. Stat. § 51.437 indicates that the county board of supervisors has the primary governmental responsibility for the well-being of those developmentally disabled citizens residing within its county and the families of the developmentally disabled insofar as the usual resultant family stresses bear on the well-being of the developmentally disabled citizen. This primary governmental responsibility is limited to the programs, services and resources that the county board of supervisors is

reasonably able to provide within the limits of available state and federal funds and of county funds required to be appropriated to match state funds.

Wis. Stat. § 46.272 governs the Children's Community Options Program. This statutory section requires the department to establish a children's community options program with the main purpose of providing a coordinated approach to supporting families who have a child with a disability. Individual counties must determine what shall be done to meet these responsibilities in a way that adequately complies with the law. The burden of demonstrating that those responsibilities have been met to an adequate degree falls upon the county. The services, therefore, are not identical in each county even though the same basic mandate exists.

Children's Long-Term Support (CLTS) waivers provide the county access to State and Federal funding to serve the health and safety needs of children in the County. In many instances, these health and safety needs would otherwise be funded solely through local tax levy funding.

Income Maintenance Division

Wis. Stat. § 16.27 (4) indicates that a household may apply after September 30 and before May 16 of any year for heating assistance from the county department under s. 46.215 (1) (n) or 46.22 (1) (b) 4m. a. to e. or from another local governmental agency or a private nonprofit organization. Funding received for this program is budgeted to cover direct operational costs.

Wis. Stat. § 49.155 (3) the county department or agency with which the department contracts under sub. (1m) to determine eligibility in a particular geographic region or for a particular Indian tribal unit shall administer child care assistance in that geographic region or for that tribal unit. Funding received for this program is budgeted to cover direct operational costs.

Wis. Stat. Ch. 49-Income Maintenance Administration. We are part of a 4 county consortium that administers medical assistance and FoodShare. The county opted to be part of this consortium, but could decide not to provide direct administration of these programs and services; however, the county would still be required to contribute local funding (tax levy) to the consortium for direct operational costs. Administration of child care assistance, as well as, program integrity, fraud and overpayment recovery efforts are also consolidated within the 10 county consortium to further increase accuracy, consistency and efficiency in the administration of these public benefits

SHERIFF'S OFFICE		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
JAIL		
Electronic Monitoring	No	Wis. Stat. § 303.80
Medical/Mental Health/Dental	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 302.38, DOC 350.09, 350.18, 350.19, 350.20
Food Service	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 302.37, DOC 350.09(6)
Laundry/Sanitation/Inmate uniforms/property bags/mattresses	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 302.37, DOC 350.08
Canteen	Yes	DOC § 350.27
Recreation	Yes	DOC § 350.25
Chaplain and Religious programming	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 302.24, 302.39
Instructional aids – Reading materials	Yes	DOC § 350.26
Education and Programming (juvenile)	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 302.365(1)(a)(3) and 346
Education and Programming (adult)	No	
PATROL		
Patrol General Operations	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.28(1), 349.02
Water patrol – DNR reimbursed	No	Wis. Stat. § 59.27(11)
Snowmobile patrol – DNR reimbursed	No	Wis. Stat. § 29.921
Recreation & Auxiliary deputies	No	
Crash Investigation & Reconstruction	No	
Dive Team	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.27(11)
Bomb Team	No	
Canine Unit	No	
Crisis Negotiations	No	
SWAT	No	
Mobile Field Force Team	No	
Crisis Assessment Response Team	No	
Town of Rib Mountain contract	No	

INVESTIGATIONS		
Drug Unit (Grant & Asset Forfeiture Program)	No	
Evidence & Property Management	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 177.13, 968.18, 968.19, 968.20
Civil process (writs, Sheriff Sales, etc.)	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.27(4), (5), (9), (12)
ADMINISTRATION		
Annual In-service Training Program management	No	But, see § 165 for training requirements and monitoring
Court house security	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.27(3)
Transport	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.27(3)
State & Federal Reporting (NIBRS/UCR), Fingerprints, DNA	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 83.013(1); DOC 165, etc.
Records Management & Requests (including Warrants, injunctions, etc).	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 19.35, Wis. Stat. § 83.013(1); 59.27(4), (5), and (9).
COMMUNICATIONS		
Operate, manage and maintain a Countywide Public Safety Radio Communications System	No	§ 59.54(3), the Board may appropriate money for . . .
Emergency Fire / EMS / law enforcement dispatch communications	No	Wis. Stat. § 256.35(2)
Non-Emergency Fire / EMS / law enforcement dispatch communication	No	Wis. Stat. § 256.35(2)
TIME system operation	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.54(9)

Additional information:

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
ADMINISTRATION & ENGINEERING		
Administer County-Aid Bridge Program for Towns within the County	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 82.08
Administer LRIP Program for Local Units of Government	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 86.31(6), TRANS 206
Internal Service Fund Operations -Town Road Maintenance/Construction	Yes	Wis. Stat. §§ 83.01, 83.018 & 83.035
Make Surveys and Maps	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 83.01(7)(e) & (g)
Examine Roads, Bridges & Culverts for Improvements or Relocations	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 83.015(2)(a)
Purchase/Maintain all road Equipment, Tools, and supplies	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 83.015(2)(a)
Use WisDOT Cost Accounting System	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 83.015(3)
ROADWAY MAINTENANCE PROGRAM		
Construct/Maintain all County Roads	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 83.025 & 83.03 (1), TRANS 205 +
State Highway Maintenance	Yes*	Annual Routine Maintenance Agreement (*could refuse to sign)
Examine Roads, Bridges & Culverts for Improvements or Relocations	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 83.015(2)(a)
Inspection of Bridges	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 84.17, Federal regulation 23 USC 144
Salt Storage	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 85.17, TRANS 277,
Removal of Snow	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 893.83
Removal of Fallen Trees	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 86.03(1)
Highway Encroachments	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 86.04
Invasive Species management	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 23.22, NR 40
Remove Noxious Weeds and Brush	Yes	Wis. Stat. §§ 66.0407, 83.015(2)(a), TRANS 280
Driveways	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 86.07
Signing	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 86.19, 86.191, 86.196, 340.01, 346.41, 346.503, FHWA & WisDOT MUTCD, TRANS 200

Traffic Control & Work Zones	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 86.19, 86.191, 86.196, 340.01, 346.41, 346.503, FHWA & WisDOT MUTCD, TRANS 200
Administer LRIP Program for Local Units of Government	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 86.31(6), TRANS 206
Posting program	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 348
Litter & Debris Removal	Yes*	Annual Routine Maintenance Agreement (*could refuse to sign)
Inter-department construction assistance (parking lots, grading, construction, maintenance)	No	

Additional information:

- Marking and maintenance of county highways is mandated; however, service levels are generally non-mandated. Levels of service with respect to county staff activities on the state roadway system are dictated by the State of Wisconsin.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Develop, adopt and implement an Emergency Management Plan & Program that is compatible with state plan of emergency management	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 323.14(1)(a)(1) Wis. Stat. 323.15(1)(a)
Coordinate information related to the Local Emergency Planning Committee	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.54(8), 323.60(2)(f), 323.60(3)
Provide assistance in developing hazardous response plans under EPCRA	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 323.60(3)(a)
Each County Board shall designate a head of Emergency Management	Yes	Wis. Stat. 323.14(1)(a)2
Each County Board shall designate a committee of the board as a county emergency management committee (<i>e.g.</i> LEPC)	Yes	Wis. Stat. 323.14(1)(a)(3)
The emergency management plans shall require the use of the incident command system by all emergency response agencies, including local health departments, during a state of emergency declared under 323.10 or 323.11	Yes	Wis. Stat. 323.15(1)(a)
Emergency Operations Center – maintenance responsibility	No	Our local plans task Emergency Management with this responsibility
The head of Emergency Management for each county shall coordinate and assist in developing city, village, and town emergency management plans within the county, integrate the plans with the county plan, advise the department of military affairs of all emergency management	Yes	Wis. Stat. 323.15(1)(b)

planning in the county and submit to the adjutant general the reports that he or she requires, direct, and coordinate emergency management activities throughout the county during a state of emergency, and direct countywide emergency management training programs and exercises.		
Assist local units of government and law enforcement agencies in responding to disaster.	*No, activity is permitted	Wis. Stat. § 323.14(3)(b)
Medical Reserve Corp. administration	*No, activity is permitted	WI Chapter 257 – Emergency Volunteer Health Care Practitioners Wis. Stat. § 323.15
Provide the WEM Administrator with a written notice of intent to apply for the Wisconsin Disaster Fund (WDF) within 30 days of a disaster.	Yes	WEM 7.04(2)
Disaster Assessment, Response, and Reimbursement – submits documentation to WEM as required relative to state and federal disaster programs.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 323.30 & 31
Implement the local emergency response plan upon notification of the release of a hazardous substance.	Yes	Wis. Stat. 323.60(3)(a)

Additional information:

Many of the activities undertaken by Emergency Management address the issues of legal standards of care and due diligence in providing and meeting public expectations for public safety. Grant funding for the Emergency Management Office requires specific Plan of Work responsibilities that if left undone would jeopardize revenue.

Federal Regulations: 42 USC 1100-11050: Superfund Amendments & Reauthorization Act Title III, Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act: 29 CFR 1910 & 40 CFR 311, Robert T Stafford Act

State Regulations: Chapter 323: Department of Commerce Administrative Rules

CONSERVATION, PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Comprehensive Plan	Yes	Wis. Stat. §66.1001
Sanitary (POWTS) Ordinance	Yes*	Wis. Stat. §§ 59.70(5), 145.04, 145.19, 145.20, 145.245, & 254.59
Land Division Ordinance	No	Wis. Stat. Ch. 145, 236, 92 & 281 & §§ 59.69, 59.54(4) & 87.30; NR 151 with an ordinance in place we require staff to administer the ordinance.
Public Land Survey System Re-monumentation & Maintenance	Yes	Wis. Stat. Ch. 59
Nonmetallic Mining Ordinance	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.692, 59.694, 295 NR 135
Zoning Ordinance	No	Wis. Stat. § 59.69 to 59.698, 66.1001 to 66.1037, 91.30-91.40 with an ordinance in place, we require staff to administer the ordinance.
Board of Adjustment Procedures	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.694, because we have a zoning ordinance, we

		are required to have a Board of Adjustment.
Shoreland / Wetland / Floodplain Ord.	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.69, 59.692 NR 115, & 87.30 NR 116
Real Property Description	No*	Wis. Stat. § 70.09
Land Information Plan & Program, including Parcel Mapping	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.72
Land Information Officer	No	Wis. Stat. § 59.72
Land Information Council	No	Wis. Stat. § 59.72 (2)
Geographic Information System Database, Address Information	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.72 Maps & Data Publication Requirements
Redistricting	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 59.10 County Board mandate that has historically involved CPZ
Elderly & Disabled Transportation Assistance Program (Funded via Federal DOT with 20% match from County)	No	Wis. Stat. § 85.21
Land and Water Resource Management Plan & Implementation	Yes	Wis. Stat. Ch. 92.10
Animal Waste Storage and Nutrient Management Ordinance	Yes	Wis. Stat. §§ 92.07, 92.15, & 92.16 ATCP 51 & NR 151; with an ordinance in place we are required to administer
Livestock Facility Siting Ordinance	Yes	Wis. Stat. §§ 92.15, 93.90, and ATCP 51; with an ordinance in place we are required to administer
Soil and Water Resource Management Program	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 92.14 Marathon County receives staff funding to administer this program.
Land and Water State Cost-Share – Bond & SEG Funding	No	Marathon County receives staff funding to administer these state programs. Relevant statutory provisions include: Wis. Stat. Ch. 92, NR 12, and NR 151.

		Provisions in these statutes indicate that an offer of cost share must be made to assist landowners with NR 151 compliance. Bond and SEG funds can provide one avenue to make this offer.
Farmland Preservation Program	Yes	Wis. Stat. Ch. 91.10, Marathon County receives staff funding to administer state programs in accordance with our preservation/comprehensive plans.
Fenwood Creek Project	No	
Priority Watersheds & Compliance with Ag Performance Standards	Yes	U.S. Clean Water Act, Environmental Protection Agency Approved a TMDL mandated reductions in water quality problems. NR 151.005 requires that ATCP 50 or stricter standards be adopted to achieve the TMDL. Wis. Admin. Code ATCP 50.04 states that landowners engaged in agricultural practices in WI shall implement conservation practices to NR 151.04 standards. Marathon County receives staff funding to administer state programs
Total Maximum Daily Load – Watershed program	Yes	U.S. Clean Water Act, Environmental Protection Agency Approved a TMDL mandated reductions in water quality problems. NR 151.005 requires that ATCP 50 or stricter standards be adopted to achieve the TMDL.
Wildlife Damage Program	No	Marathon County receives state reimbursement for out-of-

		pocket costs related to this program.
Wausau MPO	Yes	23 USC § 134
Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Program Requirements	Yes	The U.S. EPA develops stormwater runoff requirements. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is responsible for administering the U.S. EPA Permit Program. Chapter 283 Wis. Stats, and chapters NR 151 and 216 of the Wis. Admin Code outline the regulations for owners and operators MS4s to discharge, and compliance requirements for these permits.
<p><i>Additional information:</i> * Real Property Description and GIS Mapping support the work of our County Treasurer's Office related to tax bill generation and our mandates relative to § 59.72(2).</p>		

PARKS, RECREATION & FORESTRY		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Aquatics Programs and Maintenance	No	
County Forestry Administration & Management	No	Wis. Stat. § 28.10 & 11
Flowage & Dam Protection program	No	
Boat Launch programs	No	
Motorized Vehicle Trail Management	No	NR 50.09 (Snowmobile aid)
City of Wausau Parks programs, including recreation programming	No	Services provided in accordance with intergovernmental agreement, reimbursement provided.
Campground programs	No	
County Park operations and maintenance	No	
Landscaping, Grounds & Parking Lot Maintenance (Non-Parks)	Yes/No	Wis. Stats. § 101.11
Snow removal and winter maintenance	Yes/No	Wis. Stats. § 101.11
Indoor Ice Rink Operations and Maintenance	No	
Marathon Junction – operations, rental, maintenance	No	
Train (Marathon Park) – operations and maintenance	No	
Mountain Bay Trail State Park – operations and maintenance	No	Intergovernmental agreement between Wisconsin DNR and Marathon County PRF
Facility Rental program (including Wisconsin Valley Fair)	No	
Sports Complex – maintenance, operations, and reservations	No	
Nine Mile County Forest operations, maintenance, and events	No	
Recreation Deputy program	No	Contractual arrangement with Marathon County Sheriff's Office
Shooting Range operations, maintenance, and reservations	No	

Additional Information: Because Park facilities are non-mandated, various maintenance activities that may otherwise be required by Wisconsin's safe place law are noted as Yes/No relative to mandate.

UW-MADISON, DIVISION OF EXTENSION

Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
AGRICULTURE EDUCATOR		
Dairy and Livestock Production and Management education	No	
Farm Financial Management	No	
Crop, Soil, and Nutrient Management education	No	
Private Pesticide Applicator Licensing Training	No	Wis. Adm. Code ATCP 29.27
HORTICULTURE EDUCATOR Targeted horticulture education to various groups primarily focused on horticulture therapy in the justice system	No	
FOODWISE		
Nutrition and health education for low income families and youth (office space agreement)	No	
4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT		
Countywide 4-H Club Involvement and Youth Development Education Programs	No	
NATURAL RESOURCES Provide office space for regional staff responsible for forest-landowner and agriculture water quality education and resources	No	

Additional Information: UW-Extension positions are funded through a state-county funding split. FoodWise is federally-funded, the county provides office space and technology to support the program.

VETERANS SERVICES		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Establish & Advise Eligibility for Any Benefits Entitled	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.80(5)(a)
Care of Veterans Graves	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.85
VA Compensation/Pension Claims and appeals	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.80(5)(a); 45.80-86.
Federal GI Bill Assistance	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.80(5)(a)
Federal VA Health Care Applications	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.80 (5)(a)
Burial Benefits	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.80(5)(a) Wis. Stat. § 45.84
Military Record Registration/Access	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.05
State Property Tax Credit	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.80(5)(a) & Wis. Stat. § 71.07(6)(e)
State Education Benefits	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.80(5)(a)
Aid to Needy Veterans	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.80(5)(c) Wis. Stat. § 45.86(2)
Applications for Burials and Cemeteries	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.80(5)(a)
Veterans Service Commission	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 45.81 (2)
Speaking Engagements	No	
Attend Local Veterans Organization Meetings	No	
Advise Veterans of benefits available from local non-profits	No	

Additional Information: Veterans Service Office is mandated to advise veterans and their spouses/dependents on all programs/benefits for which they may be entitled. Accreditation through the Veterans Administration is required.

CENTRAL WISCONSIN AIRPORT		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Airport operations	No	Wis. Stat. § 66.0301

Additional Information: Counties are not mandated to provide regional airport services. Marathon County joined with Portage County to form Central Wisconsin Airport (CWA). However, once the determination is made to operate such a facility, the operator is subject to numerous federal and state regulations. Moreover, because the CWA has accepted federal funds (e.g., FAA funding) throughout its history, any determination relative to continued operations is subject to considerable regulation. CWA is overseen, pursuant to the intergovernmental agreement between Portage and Marathon counties by the Central Wisconsin Airport Board.

LIBRARY		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
LIBRARY SITES – (Athens, Edgar, Hatley, Marathon City, Mosinee, Rothschild, Stratford, Spencer, Wausau)	No*	Wis. Stat. § 43.11, 12

Additional Information:

*Counties are not mandated to directly operate library facilities. However, in the event that a county does not directly provide library facilities, the county is required by statute to provide funding for the operations of public libraries within the county, and public libraries in adjacent counties, that serve county residents. Specific information regarding these funding obligations are set forth in section 43.12 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Payments made pursuant to § 43.12 or funds necessary to directly provide county library services under Chapter 43 of the statutes are exempt from Wisconsin levy limits.

Physical Materials

Books, audiobooks, DVDs, magazines, newspapers, video games, art, Wi-Fi hot spots and other electronic devices.

Digital Collections

eBooks, eAudiobooks, and a large selection of databases available through online access.

Programs and Events

MCPL hosts a variety of educational and entertaining programs for all ages, including: story times, creative hands-on activities, music and theater performances, movie screenings, lectures, presentations, and workshops led by experts, authors and other speakers on a diverse range of topics.

Additional Services

Public computers, internet access and printing are available at all locations. Study and meeting rooms, passport services, copy and fax services, notary public services, and material delivery for homebound patrons are available at select locations.

Library Affiliations

MCPL is a member of and the resource library for the Wisconsin Valley Library Service. It also participates in the V-Cat consortium and the Wisconsin Public Library Consortium, providing its patrons with access to an even wider range of resources.

AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF CENTRAL WISCONSIN		
Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Aging Services	No	Wis. Stat. §§ 46.80, 46.82
Resource Center	No	Wis. Stat. § 46.283

Additional information: Marathon County summary of services provided in the ADRC includes: information and assistance, elderly and disability benefit services, nutrition services, dementia care specialist, volunteer program services, and caregiver support and respite services.

Wis. Stat. § 46.80 – The department's primary responsibility to elderly persons is to assure that all elderly and disabled persons have available and accessible a continuum of care or a wide range of community and supportive services so that they may remain in their homes and neighborhoods for as long as it is possible. The department shall be the mechanism by which governmental and nongovernmental agencies may coordinate their policies, plans and activities with regard to the aging.

Wis. Stat. § 46.82 identifies that a county board of supervisors of a county, the county boards of supervisors of 2 or more contiguous counties or an elected tribal governing body of a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state may choose to administer, at the county or tribal level, programs for older individuals. Chapter 46.80 indicates that the department shall divide the state into distinct planning and service areas and designate a public or private nonprofit agency or organization as the area agency on aging for each planning and service area and we are the designated public agency.

Wis. Stat. § 46.283 identifies that a county board of supervisors may decide to apply to the department for a contract to operate a resource center.

The intergovernmental agreement creating the ADRC-CW provides that the funding allocation from each of the counties cannot be modified without the agreement of each of the county members (Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, and Wood).

NCHC – Core Programs

Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Behavioral Health Hospital, Community Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, Substance Use Disorder	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 51.42
Community Support Programs	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 51.421
Care and Custody	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 51.22
Crisis Stabilization Services	No	Wis. Stat. § 51.15; 51.42
Protective Services and Placement	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 55.02
Elder Adult at Risk Agency	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 46.90
Comprehensive Community Services	No	Wis. Stat. § 49.45(30e) (6) Wis. Stat. § 51.42 (7) (6)

Additional Information: On behalf of Marathon County, North Central Health Care delivers services including, but not limited to, alcohol and other drug abuse outpatient services, mental health outpatient services, emergency services, adult protection services, adult community support services, comprehensive community service, psychiatrist and psychologist services, crisis, residential, inpatient, and hospitalization services.

Wis. Stat. § 51.42 identifies that the county board of supervisors has the primary responsibility for the well-being, treatment and care of the mentally ill, developmentally disabled, alcoholic and other drug dependent citizens residing within its county and for ensuring that those individuals in need of such emergency services found within its county receive immediate emergency services. This primary responsibility is limited to the programs, services and resources that the county board of supervisors is reasonably able to provide within the limits of available state and federal funds and of county funds required to be appropriated to match state funds. While counties are not directly mandated to provide crisis stabilization facilities, counties are required to provide care in the least restrictive form necessary. Stabilization facilities serve as a less-restrictive, less costly form of care for individuals discharging from an inpatient setting or as an alternative to an inpatient setting.

Wis. Stat. § 51.42(3) permits a county to meet its obligation through the creation of a multi-county community services program.

Wis. Stat. § 51.421 indicates that if funds are provided, and within the limits of the availability of funds provided under s. 51.423 (2), each county department under s. 51.42 shall establish a community support program. Each community support program shall use a coordinated case management system and shall provide or assure access to services for persons with serious

and persistent mental illness who reside within the community. Services provided or coordinated through a community support program shall include assessment, diagnosis, identification of persons in need of services, case management, crisis intervention, psychiatric treatment including medication supervision, counseling and psychotherapy, activities of daily living, psychosocial rehabilitation which may include services provided by day treatment programs, client advocacy including assistance in applying for any financial support for which the client may be eligible, residential services and recreational activities. Services shall be provided to an individual based upon his or her treatment and psychosocial rehabilitation needs.

Wis. Stat. § 51.22 indicates that except as provided in s. 51.20 (13) (a) 4. or 5., any person committed under this chapter shall be committed to the county department under s. 51.42 or 51.437 serving the person's county of residence, and such county department shall authorize placement of the person in an appropriate facility for care, custody and treatment. The county will incur the cost of these placements if it is not billable to insurance or the consumer.

Individual counties must determine what shall be done to meet these responsibilities in a way that adequately complies with the law. The burden of demonstrating that those responsibilities have been met to an adequate degree falls upon the county. The services, therefore, are not identical in each county even though the same basic mandate exists.

Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) is intended to assist individuals of all ages who are in need of ongoing services for mental illness, substance abuse disorder, or dual diagnosis beyond occasional outpatient care, but less than the intensive care provided in an inpatient setting. While CCS is not a mandated program, county-based governmental entities are the only entity in the state that can be certified.

Wis. Stat. § 55.02 identifies that the chairperson of each county board of supervisors shall designate a county department under s. 46.215, 46.22, 46.23, 51.42, or 51.437 that is providing services in the county on its own or through a joint mechanism with another county department or county to have the responsibility for planning for the provision of protective services and protective placement and for directly providing protective services.

Wis. Stat. § 46.90 requires that each county board shall designate an agency in the county as the elder-adult-at-risk agency. "Elder-adult-at-risk agency" means the agency designated by the county board of supervisors under sub. (2) to receive, respond to, and investigate reports of abuse, neglect, self-neglect, and financial exploitation under sub. (4).

NCHC – OTHER PROGRAMS

Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Mount View Care Nursing Home* (Skilled Nursing, Rehabilitation, Dementia Care, Ventilator care)	No	
Hope House (Sober Living)	No	
Aquatic Therapy Pool	No	
Demand Transportation – 85.21	No	Wis. Stat. § 85.21
Early Intervention Services (Birth to Three)^	Yes	Wis. Stat. § 51.44

Additional information:

*There is no state statute that mandates a county must own or operate a nursing home, adult day services, housing programs, sober living, or aquatic therapy pool. However, should the county undertake these activities, each program area is subject to significant regulation, including through the acceptance of various funding streams (e.g., medicare/Medicaid). Adult Day Services and Community Based Residential Facility operations were ceased in 2023.

Wis. Stat. § 85.21 The purpose of this section is to promote the general public health and welfare by providing financial assistance to counties providing transportation services for elderly and disabled persons, and to thereby improve and promote the maintenance of human dignity and self-sufficiency by affording the benefits of transportation services to those people who would not otherwise have an available or accessible method of transportation. The County Board of Supervisors annually authorizes this program to be delivered through a grant application. The service is delivered through both NCHC and City of Wausau Transit. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation provides for financial assistance to deliver the program.

^Wis. Stat. § 51.44 indicates that each county board of supervisors shall designate the appropriate county department under s. 46.21, 46.23 or 51.437, the local health department of the county or another entity as the local lead agency to provide early intervention services. This chapter goes on to read that the department (the state) shall promulgate rules for the statewide implementation of the program. North Central Health Care currently delivers this program through a contract with Marathon County Special Education, which is located on the Lake View Drive Campus.

SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

Service	Mandated (Yes/No)	Statutory Authority
Solid Waste Management Operations	No	Wis. Stat. § 59.70(2)(a) and Chs. 144 & 159

Additional Information:

Counties are not mandated to directly provide Solid Waste management and recycling services; however, counties are permitted to engage in these activities, which can provide substantial benefits to local municipalities and residents. Should a county elect to provide said services it becomes subject to a wide variety of state and federal regulations (e.g., air permit, wetland management, engineering, gas management, and groundwater testing).

In addition to solid waste management and site operational programs, Marathon County Solid Waste Department provides a number of related services, including but not limited to Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Management; Agricultural Plastics Recycling, Home Composting, Street Sweeping exemption, Medication Drop Box and Sharps Management, and Municipal Recycling education).

Marathon County has a contractual obligation to provide landfill capacity and disposal to Shawano and Portage Counties through 2032. Marathon County also recently entered into a Gas Purchase Agreement and corresponding site lease with a third party relating to the processing and conversion of landfill gas into energy.

2024-26 HRFP Committee Work Plan

Draft (July 2024)

The following is a potential list of issues and policy discussion for the Committee over the next two years.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and other Federal Grants	Establish criteria for the review and ranking of projects and track projects to ensure all funds are obligated by the end of 2024
Policy on sale/disposition of excess county property	Tied into Long Term Facilities Plan, develop a process for disposition of surplus property.
Tax Delinquent Property Process - policy setting	Review recent legislation and establish guidelines, policies and expectations relating to tax deed foreclosure and sale/transfer of property
Long term facilities plan	Establish goals for long term facility and property management
Tax Increment Financing - pursue legislative recommendation and criteria for guiding representative on local committee	Follow-up on recommendations from the TIF Task Force
Promote cultural competence in County employment policies and in the design and delivery of County programs and services.	Develop plan and monitor implementation of plan to address cultural competencies.
Review Chapter 1.51 County Policies	Develop a charter for a task force to develop recommendations relating to the issuance of conduit bonds under 1.51 (7) Evaluate county policies relating to the designation and use of fund balances.
Monitor Energy Efficiency	Monitor and develop policies to reduce energy utilization across county operations.
Program Efficiency	Monitor and evaluate the policies relating to the delivery of services to ensure that they are delivered as cost effectively as possible.
Procurement Policies	Evaluate the county's procurement process including whether certain activities should be centralized or remain within the

departments. Evaluate the benefits and costs associated with hiring a procurement officer.

Benefit Design and Delivery

Evaluate delivery options relating to fringe benefits including health insurance.

Dashboards

Develop policies relating to the tracking of key indicators relating to performance of the county including vacancy rates.

Strategic Plan

Monitor progress on achieving goals and objectives outlined in the county's Strategic Plan

Audit Compliance

Review the annual audit and recommendations and determine if policy changes are needed.

RESOLUTION #R-31-24
Authorizing Participation in the Uniquely Wisconsin Tourism Campaign and
Amending the 2024 Budget

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, tourism was an area that was adversely affected as fewer people traveled; and

WHEREAS, as a result the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) has initiated a “Uniquely Wisconsin” tourism campaign in partnership with Discover Wisconsin to highlight interesting facts about Wisconsin to begin to attract tourists back to Wisconsin counties; and

WHEREAS, in addition to potential full-length Discover Wisconsin episodes, the campaign included social media, television network commercials, podcasts, WCA publications, and more; and

WHEREAS, interested counties were asked to participate with an investment of \$60,000 each, in anticipation that up to 20 counties would choose to participate, creating a \$1.2 million campaign; and

WHEREAS, prior to the pandemic, in 2019, Marathon County had tourism expenditures of \$258.1 million and Marathon County has historically ranked near the top 10 in total tourism expenditures for counties statewide; and

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) includes aid to the tourism industry as an allowable use of funds; and

WHEREAS, Marathon County’s participation in the campaign in 2022-23 was successful, resulting in the creation of considerable content highlighting Marathon County as a tourism destination and resulting in one of the Marathon County episodes being awarded a Midwest Regional Emmy award; and

WHEREAS, participating in the 2024-25 campaign would allow Marathon County to promote tourism at a lower cost than engaging with Discover Wisconsin in its own campaign, particularly given that Visit Wausau, the local Convention & Visitor’s Bureau, has again expressed a willingness to contribute \$10,000 to this campaign, while partnering with other counties to maximize exposure and leverage a unique marketing opportunity while also supporting the overall growth of tourism spending within the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marathon County Board of Supervisors authorizes participation in the Uniquely Wisconsin tourism campaign at a commitment of no greater than \$50,000 using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Administrator is empowered to further engage the local Convention & Visitors Bureau to partner in the development of the campaign.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the amendment of the 2024 budget to provide the necessary funding for participation in the program.

FISCAL NOTE:

These payments will be funded by no more than \$50,000 from Marathon County’s ARPA allocation.

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §§ 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2024 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to § 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats.

EXTENSION, EDUCATION, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE and HUMAN RESOURCES, FINANCE, AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____ [] Voice Vote

Approved and adopted this _____ day of _____, 2024

Denied this _____ day of _____, 2024

Approved as to Form:

SEAL

Michael Puerner, Corporation Counsel

Approved as to Financial Impact (if necessary)

Attest:

Finance Director

Kim Trueblood, Marathon County Clerk

Current version

1.51(7) *Conduit financing*. Conduit financing is debt issued by Marathon County to finance a project of a non-County third party. The County may sponsor conduit financing for those activities (economic and industrial development, health facilities, the arts, etc.) that have a general public purpose and are consistent with the County's overall goals. Unless a compelling public policy rationale exists, such conduit financing will not in any way pledge the County's full faith and credit. The County prior to the approval of such financing may review information regarding the financial feasibility of the project and financial capacity of the entity.

Draft for discussion and feedback

1.51(7) *Conduit financing*. Conduit financing is debt issued by Marathon County to finance a project of a non-County third party. The County may sponsor conduit financing for those activities (economic and industrial development, health facilities, the arts, etc.) as permitted by law, including requests for (a) Industrial Development Revenue Bonding, under section 66.1103 of the Wisconsin Statutes, or its successor; (b) Requests for consent for financing to be procured through the Public Finance Authority; and (c) Requests for Conduit Financing under the county's general obligation debt capacity. Unless a compelling public policy rationale exists, the county will not support financing for a project that would in any way constitute indebtedness of the county or constitute a charge against the county's general credit or taxing powers or a pecuniary liability of the county. Upon receiving a request for conduit financing, the County Board Chairperson shall appoint a Taskforce to consider the request and offer recommendations relative to the request, consistent with the following terms:

A. Purpose. To review requests for conduit financing received by Marathon County government and analyze the request in light of the applicable state laws and county ordinances and policies before making formal recommendations regarding how to proceed to the Board of Supervisors.

B. Membership. A total of five members, consisting of a representative from the Extension, Education, & Economic Development Committee, or its successor; a representative from the two other standing committees that the Chairperson finds to be most interested in the project given its nature; a county board supervisor representing the jurisdiction in which the project is proposed to be located; and the President/CEO of the Greater Wausau Region Chamber of Commerce. In appointing the membership for the Taskforce, the Chairperson of the Board shall appoint a Taskforce Chair and Vice-Chair.

C. Term. The timeframe in which each taskforce shall complete its work and deliver its formal recommendations to the County Board of Supervisors shall be specified within

the authorizing resolution considered by the Board of Supervisors; however, all members shall be appointed to serve a term of no longer than one-year, unless otherwise specified by the Board of Supervisors.

D. Duties and Responsibilities. Each taskforce created by the County Board of Supervisors, pursuant to this section, shall, in addition to other specific duties provided for within the respective authorizing resolution, perform the following:

1. Review requests for conduit financing received by Marathon County and deliver a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors relative to whether to provide approval for the conduit financing sought.
2. Provide formal recommendations relative to financial and non-financial conditions that the Board of Supervisors should require in consideration of conferring conduit financing authority to ensure that the county's health, general welfare, and safety of residents and guests and its financial and natural resources are duly protected.

NOTE: while this ordinance is binding with respect to the requirement of the Chairperson to offer appointments for a taskforce upon receiving a request for conduit financing, it does not bind the Board of Supervisors to authorize the formal creation of a taskforce proposed under this subsection.