

CITY OF MANITOWOC

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TO: Personnel Committee

FROM: Kathleen M. McDaniel, City Attorney

RE: City Attorney's Office Update

DATE: March 3, 2022

In addition to drafting legislation and reviewing contracts as requested by City departments, the City Attorney's Office has worked on the following projects and initiatives since my February 4, 2022 update:

Environmental Remediation

- Lemberger Landfill: Work continues as planned.
- Gravel Pit: Newell cost recovery for 2021 should be received shortly. Working on watermain project.
- WPS Superfund Site: No update.

Open Records Requests

- M. Mealy re oaths/bonds
- L. Kummer re Director of Tourism
- L. Kummer re stop signs
- CLOCworks re WWTF consumption and charges

Litigation, Prosecution, and Neighborhood Improvement

- MAVCB/Hearty Olive suit: Answer and motions filed, court set briefing schedule
- Howell suit: Counsel appointed, Plaintiff looking for legal counsel
- Lewandowski suit: Court held telephone conference.
- Assist Police with ordinance interpretation questions
- Blighted properties: Asst. City Attorney continues to work with Housing Inspector and Crime Prevention Sergeant to address, see updates from Chief Blaser to Public Safety for razing information

Economic Development

- Assist CD Department with upcoming projects
 - o Metal Ware waiting on developer
 - o Old Heresite property -ongoing
 - o Kaysun project term sheet approved
 - o Other confidential developments

LEAN/BPI

- Assisted staff with advice on BPI events as needed
- Asst. City Attorney serving as chair of BPI committee

Insurance/Risk Management

- Reviewed claims filed against the City, reported to insurance and Finance as appropriate
- ADA Title II work in progress, bimonthly meetings scheduled

Labor Matters

- Assist unionized departments with personnel matters as needed
- Assist HR with policy interpretation, legal questions, and discipline as necessary

Office Matters/Additional Information

- Inservice training provided to Police Department
- Preparing for midyear evaluations

Monthly Reporting on Workload

- 24 Requests for Legal Services received, 27 closed
- 8 new litigation matters (5 animal bites, 1 claim)
- 120 new citations sent over for prosecution, trials scheduled into September