

CHIPPEWA COUNTY
CRIMINAL JUSTICE COLLABORATING COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
August 19, 2025
CHIPPEWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, RM 305A
11:30 AM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair, Bobbie Jaeger, called the meeting to order at 11:31 AM.

II. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Position	Status	Arrived
Judge Steve Gibbs (Chair)	Presiding Judge for Chippewa County or Designee	Absent	
Bobbie Jaeger (Vice-Chair)	Director of Chippewa County Department of Human Services or Designee	Present	
Andy Albarado	County Administrator	Present	12:02
Travis Hakes/Curt Dutton	County Sheriff or Designee	Absent	
James Maki	Jail Administrator or Designee	Present	
Kyra Secraw/Kerry Krista	Youth Justice/CWDA Manager or Designee	Present	
Ryan Douglas	Chief of Police - Chippewa Falls or Designee	Present	
Vacant	Chief of Police - Outlying Community or Designee	Vacant	
Wade Newell/Sheila Yohnk	District Attorney or Designee	Absent	
Kirby Harless	Representative of the State Public Defender Office	Absent	
Nathan Liedl	Clerk of Circuit Court or Designee	Present	
Megan Popenhagen/Melissa Buesgen	Department of Corrections Supervisor for Chippewa County or Designee	Absent	
Denise Shervey	Child Support Director or Designee	Absent	
Charles Bomar	County Board Supervisor	Present	
Geri Segal	Citizen Member	Present	
John Ailie (Jail Chaplain)	Citizen Member	Absent	
Nichole Wallsch	Citizen Member	Absent	

Others Present: Rose Baier, Criminal Justice Services Director; Brandi Engel, Human Services Administrative Assistant; Kayce Lawcewicz, Criminal Justice Services Staff; Tiffany Berg, Criminal Justice Services Staff; Adam Walter, Criminal Justice Services Staff; Olivia Kinderman, Criminal Justice Services Intern; Melissa Bishop, Community Member; Donald Mowry, Roundtable Revival Re-Entry Program Representative

III. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO BE HEARD

There were no members of the public wishing to be heard.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was inadvertently skipped during the meeting. All Consent Agenda items will be carried over to the next committee meeting for action.

1. Approve the Agenda
2. Minutes of May 20, 2025 CJCC Meeting
3. Schedule Next Meeting Date – November 18, 2025

V. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. **Approval and Support of Request to Submit Application for Calendar Year 2026 TAD Grant by Committee**

RESULT: APPROVED [8 TO 0]

MOVER: Albarado

SECONDER: Bomar

AYES: Jaeger, Maki, Krista, Douglas, Liedl, Segal

ABSENT: Gibbs, Hakes/Dutton, Newell/Yohnk, Harless, Popenhagen/Buesgen, Shervey, Ailie, Wallsch

VI. REPORTS

1. **Roundtable Revival**

Retired UWEC Professor, Don Mowry, presented on his program, “Roundtable Revival” – a community-based re-entry program offering mentoring, resources, advocacy, and awareness. They received additional grant funding and will begin programming in Chippewa County in 2026 for males and 2028 for females. Will continue discussions on how CJCC, the Chippewa County Jail, and Roundtable Revival can partner together.

2. **Program Updates:** Overall department updates, Baier and Berg will be attending the National CJCC Meeting in Las Vegas the beginning of September as Chippewa County CJCC are members of this organization. Adam Walter was introduced as a new team member within CJS.

- **Recovery Court:** Tiffany Berg reported referrals are down overall and suggested exploring further outreach to educate about program availability. Presently there are 10 enrolled participants and 2 in the referral process.
- **First Time Offender/Worthless Check Diversion Programs:** Kayce Lawcewicz reported 115 referrals from County Fest/Hoof Beat were received as opposed to 150 last year. All under-age drinking classes were completed as of last week. The CJS team worked at the fest along with the Sheriff’s office this year to assist with processing Diversion referrals.
- **Front-End Intervention Treatment Program:** Presently there are 11 participants and about the same number of pending referrals. There have been 29 referrals this year versus 10 last year. Lawcewicz and Baier will be attending the National Association of Pretrial Service Agencies in September and presenting there on our Diversion Programs. We continue to be consulted by other counties related to our programs.
- **Pre-Trial Program:** Pretrial continues to have good outcomes. The grant will be up for renewal again this year. Walters is still training for Pretrial assessments.
- **Re-Entry Program:** Adam Walters reported they’ve completed the third re-entry session containing 2 classes per session with various material to work on between classes. Attendees can benefit from resources, backpacks with hygiene products, and cab vouchers.

3. Take a Stand Against Meth/Crime Stoppers Updates

Summer has been busy with outreach between Take a Stand Against Meth and Crime Stoppers including the Foster Care Picnic, National Night Out, Backpack school events, and the Northern WI State Fair. Currently seeking more volunteers. Donations have been received from the Sheriff's Office K9 program as well as the Crime Prevention Funding Board for Crime Stoppers.

4. State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Grant Updates

The Chippewa County Jail, Stanley Prison, and Department of Corrections have all signed on to train with the mobile *MILO* simulator and a training was held for almost 20 staff last week. DOC will be taking the crisis intervention simulator to Hudson, Barron and Chippewa to train additional staff members in September and October.

5. Committee Member Updates

- Daryl Pries' position is presently vacant as the outlying Chief representative for Cadott Police Department. His replacement will fill this position.
- Nichole Wallsch is resigning. Meliss Bishop has applied to fill this seat.
- Geri Segal, Family Support Center Director: Lethality Assessment Program helps prevent homicides through a screener which then will send out an immediate referral if determined necessary. She also reported their Rapid Rehousing Program can provide up to 2 years of housing assistance for victims of domestic violence for up to 10 participants – presently have 8 participants in the program.

VII. OTHER EMERGING ISSUES

VIII. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

IX. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned without objection at 12:18 PM.

RESULT: APPROVED [8 TO 0]

MOVER: Douglas

SECONDER: Bomar

AYES: Jaeger, Maki, Krista, Douglas, Liedl, Segal

ABSENT: Gibbs, Hakes/Dutton, Newell/Yohnk, Harless, Popenhagen/Buesgen, Shervey, Ailie, Wallsch