

Local Municipality Status due to CORVID-19

UPDATED 3/28/20 -This information is subject to changing conditions and may be changed without notice to the CVHBA.

Eau Claire County

As of Friday, March 20th, the Eau Claire County Courthouse / Government Center building will be closed to visitors for regular business until further notice. Employees, where feasible, are being asked to work from home. Employees who do not have the ability to work from home are working at the courthouse. Inspector Fred Dahlke is working remotely.

They are doing their business to maintain continuity of services including, but not limited to review, approval and issuing of permits. Currently inspections are being done at the discretion of the inspector(s). Contractors must still call in for inspections in the manner they are accustomed to. If an inspection is not performed, work may proceed as outlined in SPS 320.10 (2) (b) 3 for all inspections except a final. Occupancy may proceed as outlined in SPS 320.10 (3) (h) 2. If an inspection is not able to be done, contractors should document the work through pictures, video, etc for their own records and/or our review.

SPS 320.10 (2) (b) 3. Construction may proceed if the inspection has not taken place by the end of the second business day following the day of notification or as otherwise agreed between the applicant and the municipality or authorized UDC inspection agency.

SPS 320.10 (3) (h) 2. Occupancy may proceed in accordance with local ordinances if the inspection has not been completed by the end of the fifth business day following the day of notification or as otherwise agreed between the applicant and the department or municipality.

City of Eau Claire

The City of Eau Claire will be utilizing their new software to conduct 'electronic inspections' where contractors will need to upload photos or videos for the inspection. They are working to have it available by Monday, March 30th. For more information, visit their website: <https://www.eauclairewi.gov/government/our-divisions/inspections>.

City Hall is currently open to the public, but contractors are asked to handle all business remotely by using the online system or by contacting the department by phone or email. They are trying to reduce as much contact with possible with the public. Most of the permitting and inspection department will be working remotely, including Calvin Miller and Kristy Higley. They are attempting to keep up with issuing permits while working remotely. If you need to speak with them, you are asked to email them and they will either email you or call you back. They are currently keeping up on inspections and may be modifying how inspections happen to ensure the safety of all staff per DSPS recommendations. As things change, they will notify us. If you need to talk to someone immediately, you're asked to call 715-829-4947 and Nolan will assist you.

City of Altoona

Altoona City Hall is closed to the public and city staff are working remotely. All meetings will be conducted by phone or video conference. City phones will forward to staff. To ensure maximum continuity for development activities and planning, please continue to work with city staff via phone and email. Construction permitting will continue uninterrupted online. Permit fees will be accepted by mail or deposited in the water utility drop box (please include permit #). Planning permits should be completed electronically, scanned and emailed. Please contact Matt Flatland 715-271-6691 to schedule building inspections as far in advance as possible.

Chippewa County

As of March 20th, the Chippewa County Court House is closed to the public, but employees are still working. Permits must be mailed in. Inspections will be conducted at the discretion of the inspector. For new homes, rough-in's and final inspections will be conducted in person. Other inspections will be determined based upon the inspectors' relationship with the contractor and electronic inspections (photo/video) may be used in place of an in-person inspection.

City of Chippewa Falls

The City of Chippewa Falls is not open to visitors, however the inspection department is still in operation. Staff are in the office and taking phone calls and answering emails. Applications, plan reviews and permits are continuing to be issued. A drop box is located outside the building for applications and fees or they can be mailed. Inspections are continuing as usual using the CDC's recommendations for preventative measures regarding COVID-19.

Dunn County

Dunn County is asking that all applications are emailed or mailed in to 3001 US Highway 12 E, Suite 240-A, Menomonie WI 54751. They are asking for permit fees to be mailed as well. Offices will be closed to the general public beginning on Monday March 23rd, however staff are available by appointment if necessary. They will continue to review permits and conduct inspections (maintaining 6 feet of distance with all interactions).

City of Menomonie

The City of Menomonie offices are closed to the public, but they are still accepting applications and doing inspections. Contractors are asked to email or mail in applications and they will conduct all "open air" inspections, when possible. Other inspections will be handled on an individual basis, according to the inspector.

Buffalo County

They have not yet responded with their updates.

Pepin County

Pepin county is asking that all permits and payments be sent via mail, they are continuing to issue permits. They will continue to staff the office as long as everyone is healthy. Inspections are continuing per the CDC guidelines.

Clark County

All permitting and inspections are continuing as normal with additional considerations per the CDC guidelines.