

GRANT COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT TASK FORCE  
August 1, 2022

The Opioid Settlement Task Force met on Monday, August 1, 2022 at 9:00 a.m., at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Those in attendance in the room were: Shane Drinkwater, Jeff Kindrai, Robert Keeney, Tonya White, Gary Ranum, Amanda Degenhardt, Jeff Lockhart, Megan Wolf and Pastor Mark Hoehne. Those present via Zoom were: Max Long, Michelle Farrell, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Nate Dreckman, Joyce Roling and Grant County Herald Independent.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Robert Keeney. The County Clerk verified that the meeting was in compliance with the open meeting law, posted in the Administration Building, Courthouse and on the county website.

**Agenda:** Gary Ranum, second by Jeff Kindrai made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Introductions:** The Task Force members gave a brief introduction of themselves.

**Election of Leadership:** It was determined that at this time Robert Keeney will be the moderator of the Task Force meetings.

**Discussion on the Opioid crisis and settlements:** Grant County could receive around \$50,000 a year.

**Discussion of Needs Assessment related to Opioid Settlement Funds:** Jeff Lockhart explained the three-step process that was laid out by WCA. The first step should be to set the funds aside. The second step is to do a needs assessment. The third step is to use the results of the needs assessment and look at what is needed in the county. Jeff Kindrai believes asset mapping should also be done with the needs assessment. Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning is helping Iowa County with a needs assessment and would like to have the results to Iowa County by late summer, early fall. If there is multi county involvement the cost may be around \$3,000. WCA is working on securitization of the funds.

**Discussion on recommendations for use of Opioid Settlement Funds:** It was the consensus of the Task Force that contacting Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning to conduct a needs assessment was the first step. Robert Keeney will talk with Troy Maggid to start the process. The Task Force would like Troy Maggid to attend the next meeting to discuss the questions that will be asked during the needs assessment.

**Discussion on future meeting date and time:** The next meeting of the Opioid Settlement Task Force will take place August 22, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.

**Adjournment:** Jeff Kindrai, second by Mark Hoehne made the motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.