

Finance Committee
May 11, 2023

Present: Cedric Schnitzler, Wallace Habegger, James Kuhn, David Pierce, Toni Wissestad
Others: Tina Osterberg, Diane Erickson, Lisa Aldinger Hamblin, Judge Ziegler, Wes Revels, Tracy Thorsen, Tara Nichols, Eric Weihe, Tiffany Giesler, Natalie Morescki

The meeting was called to order at the Monroe County Board Assembly Room at 2:00 p.m. by Chair Cedric Schnitzler.

- Proposed uses of Opioid Settlement Funds – Judge Ziegler explained that a Opioid Fund workgroup was created to discuss the use of the Opioid Settlement Funds. A sober house is needed in the county, however the realization is that there is no funding. The top three wishes of the workgroup are listed below:

#1 Full-Time Grant Writer Manager that falls within the Opioid Settlement Funds guidelines.

#2 Full-Time/Part-Time Justice Program Specialist.

#3 General Fund set aside for Opioid purposes.

Other requests:

-Eric Weihe, Justice Programs Manager requested funding for alternative drug testing. The initial request is \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00 per year.

-Wes Revels, Sheriff discussed the lack of mental health in corrections.

-Supervisor James Kuhn discussed the lack of school education for anti-drug/alcohol use to head off future issues before they happen.

- Finance Committee Opioid Fund Recommendations – It was recommended that a formal request for proposed uses be presented to the Finance Committee on June 21st, 2023.
- Chair Cedric Schnitzler adjourned the meeting at 3:23 p.m. Carried 5-0.

Shelley Bohl, County Clerk
Recorder