## **PUBLIC NOTICE Cerro Gordo County**

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **DECEMBER 21, 2021**

The Board of Supervisors of Cerro Gordo County, Iowa, met in regular session pursuant to adjournment. Present: Chairman Casey Callanan Vice Chairman Chris Watts Supervisor Tim Latham and various members of the public.

Chairman Callanan convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Watts moved with Callanan seconding, to approve today's agenda and the meeting minutes for the December 14, 2021 regular session. Motion passed unanimously.

Public comment session was held. Latham moved with Watts seconding, to approve claims. Motion passed unanimously.

Watts moved with Latham seconding, to authorize Rodney McKinney to conduct field review on the following drainage district: Drainage | Reported By | Problem

District Chad DD 57 Sec 21 Markwardt Break Pleasant Valley

Motion passed unanimously. Watts moved with Latham seconding, to certify the costs of the November 2, 2021 City/School Election. Motion passed unanimously.

Latham moved with Watts seconding, to authorize the Chair to sign Letter of Financial Support for the Shell Rock River Watershed Management Coalition's Application for the IDNR Comprehensive Water Quality Management Planning Grant 2021 with a financial commitment of \$500.00. Motion passed

unanimously.

Watts moved with Latham seconding, to approve Resolution 2021-109, WHEREAS, in 2018, the County Board of Supervisors authorized Cerro Gordo County (the "County") to enter into an engagement agree ment with Crueger Dickinson LLC, Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC and von Briesen & Roper, s.c. (the "Law Firms") to pursue litigation against certain manufacturers, distributors, and retailers of opioid pharmaceuticals (the "Opioid Defendants") in an effort to hold the Opioid Defendants financially responsible for the impact on of the Opioid Epidemic on the County and resources necessary to combat the opioid epidemic; WHEREAS, on behalf of the County the Law Firms filed a lawsuit against the Opioid Defendants in 2018 and have been litigating against the Opioid Defendants since that time; WHEREAS, negotiations to settle claims against several of the Opioid Defendants, specifically McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., AmerisourceBergen Corporation, Johnson & Johnson, Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Ortho-Mc-Neil-Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Settling Defendants") have been ongoing for several years; WHEREAS, negotiations with the Settling Defendants have resulted in proposed nationwide settlements of state and local government claims involved in the Litigation; WHERE-AS, copies of the proposed terms of those proposed nationwide settlements have been set forth in the Distributors Master Settlement Agreement and the J&J Master Settlement Agreement (collectively "Settlement Agreements"); WHERE-AS, copies of the Settlement Agreements as well as summary of the main terms of the Settlement Agreements, the deadlines for submitting the Participation Agreements to the Settlement Agreements and the MDL Court's Order setting deadlines for any Plaintiff who declines to enter into the Settlement Agreements have been provided to the County prior to the execution of this Resolu tion; WHEREAS, the Settlement Agreements provide, among other things, for the payment of a certain sum to settling government entities in Iowa including to the State of Iowa and Participating Subdivisions, as that term is defined in the Settlement Agreements, upon occurrence of certain events as defined in the Settlement Agreements ("lowa Opioid Funds"); WHEREAS, the Law Firms have engaged in extensive discussions with the State Attorney General's Office ("AGO") as to how the Iowa Opioid Funds will be allocated, which has resulted in the proposed Iowa Opioid Allocation Memorandum of Understanding ("Allocation MOU"), which is an agreement between all of the entities who are signatories to the Allocation MOU; WHEREAS, a copy of the Allocation MOU and the Exhibits to that MOU has been provided with this Resolution: WHEREAS, the Allocation MOU divides Iowa Opioid Funds as follows: (i) 50% to the State ("the Iowa Abatement Share") and (ii) 50% to Participating Local Governments ("LG Share"), less fees and costs allocated to the lowa Backstop Fund as set forth in Section D of the Allocation MOU and in this Resolution ("LG Abatement Share"). WHEREAS, the LG Abatement Share shall be distributed in

direct payments to the Counties that

are Participating Local Governments according to the allocation model developed in connection with the proposed negotiating class in the National Prescription Opiate Litigation (MDL No. 2804) in the amounts set forth on Exhibit 2 to the Allocation MOU ("Direct Distribution Percentage"). The Direct Distribution Percentage will be multiplied by the total LG Abatement Share to arrive at the total allocation to the Participating Local Government (the "Direct Distribution Amount"). WHEREAS, 100% of the Iowa Abatement Share and the LG Abatement Share, regardless of allocation, shall be utilized only for Opioid Related Expenditures incurred after the Effective Date of this MOU. The list of approved Opioid Related Expenditures are set forth in Exhibit 1 to this MOU. WHEREAS at least 75% of the Iowa Abatement Share and 75% of the LG Abatement Share shall be utilized for only the "Core Strategies" listed in Schedule A of Exhibit 1 to this MOU. WHERE-AS, every Participating Local Government that receives a Direct Distribution Amount shall create a separate fund on its financial books and records that is designated for the receipt and expenditure of the entity's Direct Distribution Amount. called the "LG Abatement Fund." Funds in an LG Abatement Fund shall not be commingled with any other money or funds of the Participating Local Government. A Participating Local Government may invest LG Abatement Fund funds consistent with the investment of other funds of a Participating Local Government. WHEREAS, Funds in a LG Abatement Fund may be expended by a Participating Local Government only for Opioid Related Expenditures. For avoidance of doubt, funds in a LG Abatement Fund may not be expended for costs, disbursements or payments made or incurred prior to the Settlement. WHEREAS, each LG Abatement Fund shall be subject to audit in a manner consistent with Code of lowa §§331.402(2)(i) and 11.6. Any such audit shall be a financial and performance audit to ensure that the LG Abatement Fund disbursements are consistent with the terms of this MOU. If any such audit reveals an expenditure inconsistent with the terms of this MOU, the Participating Local Government shall immediate ly redirect the funds associated with the inconsistent expenditure to an Opioid Related Expenditure. WHEREAS, County has contracted with the Law Firms for representation in the Litigation and the Law Firms have been representing those entities since 2018 and in consideration for the Law Firms' representation, the County entered into a contract with the Law Firms for a 25% contingency fee applied to County's total recovery from any settlement. WHEREAS, the Settlement Agreements provide for the payment of attorney's fees and legal expenses owed by States and Participating Local Governments to outside counsel retained for Opioid Litigation. To effectuate this, the Court in the MDL Litigation has established a fund to compensate attorneys representing plaintiffs in the Litigation (the "Na tional Attorney Fee Fund"). WHERE-AS, the Law Firms intend to make application to the National Attorney Fee Fund. However, because there is still uncertainty regarding what counsel for litigating local governments will recover as compensation for the large volume of work done and the large out of pocket expense of the Litigation, and whereas the Parties to the Allocation MOU desire to fairly compensate outside counsel for the work done on behalf of the Participating Local Governments in Iowa, the Allocation MOU provides that a fund be created from 15 % of the LG Share attributable to

the Litigating Local Governments,

less any amounts a Litigating Local

Government ("lowa Backstop

Fund") WHEREAS, the Iowa Back-

stop Fund is meant to compensate

outside counsel for participating lo-

cal governments only for amounts

not recovered at the National Fee

Fund attributable to their lowa cli-

ents; WHEREAS, to be eligible for

the Iowa Backstop Fund, the Law

Firms must first seek payment from

the National Attorneys' Fees Fund

and may not recover amounts attrib-

utable to Counsel's representation

of the County received at the Na-

tional Attorneys' Fees Fund from the

lowa Backstop Fund; WHEREAS. the County, by this Resolution,

agrees to the creation of the lowa

Backstop Fund in the amount of 15% of the LG Share attributable to

the Litigating Local Governments in

order to fund a state-level "back-

stop" for payment of the fees, costs,

and disbursements of the Law

Firms; WHEREAS, in no event shall

the total of the amounts received by

the Law Firms at the National Attor-

ney's Fees Fund related to the

County and the amount received at

the Iowa Backstop Fund exceed the

amount the Law Firms would have

been entitled to pursuant their fee

contract with the County; WHERE-

tion Agreement to the Distributors Settlement Agreement and any and all documents ancillary thereto. 2. The execution of the Participa-

documents ancillary thereto. 3. The execution of the Allocation MOU by executing the Acknowledgement and Agreement to be Bound to Memorandum of Under-

County hereby establishes an account separate and distinct from the County's general fund which shall be titled "LG Abatement Fund" to receive the LG Abatement Share from the Settlement Agreements, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all actions heretofore taken by the Board of Supervisors and other appropriate public officers and agents of the County with respect to the matters contemplated under this Resolution are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved. Motion passed unani-

Latham moved with Watts seconding, to authorize the Chair to sign the Subdivision Janssen Settlement Participation Form, the Subdivision Distributor Settlement Participation Form, and the Iowa Opioid Allocation Memorandum of Understanding. Motion passed unanimously.

mously.

respondence and other documents that were presented at today's meeting are placed on file with the supplemental minutes. Chairman Casey Callanan

ATTEST: Adam V. Wedmore, Auditor

Accurate Analytical, lab tests. 275.00 2 Active911 Inc, repair ...... 875.00 1 Ahlers & Cooney PC, labor rela

Alliant Energy, utilities......

......164.08 1

......117.60 1

AS, the County, by this Resolution, shall establish an account for the receipt of the LG Abatement Share consistent with the terms of this Resolution ("the LG Abatement Fund"); WHEREAS, the County's LG Abatement Fund shall be separate from the County's general fund, shall not be commingled with any other County funds, and shall be dedicated to funding opioid abatement measures as provided in the Settlement Agreements and the Allocation MOU; WHEREAS, the County must comply annually with the reporting requirements in the Allocation MOU: WHEREAS, the if the County elects to become a Participating Subdivision in the Settlement Agreements it will receive the benefits associated with the Settlement Agreement and the Allocation MOU, provided the County (a) approves the Settlement Agreements; (b) executes the Participation Agreements stating the County's intention to be bound by the Settlement Agreements; (3) approves the Allocation MOU; (4) executes the Acknowledgement and Agreement to be Bound to Memorandum of Understanding necessary to execute the Allocation MOU; WHEREAS, the intent of this Resolution is to authorize the County to enter into the Settlement Agreements by executing the Participation Agreements and to enter into the Allocation MOU by executing the Acknowledgement and Agreement to be Bound to Memorandum of Understanding necessary to execute the Allocation MOU; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RE-SOLVED: the County Board of Supervisors hereby approves and authorizes Tom Meyer to settle and release the County's claims against the Settling Defendants in exchange for the consideration set forth in the Settlement Agreements, Allocation MOU and all exhibits thereto, including taking the following measures: 1. The execution of the Participa-

tion Agreement to the Janssen Settlement Agreement and any and all

standing.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: the

Latham moved with Watts seconding, to adjourn at 10:13 a.m. Motion passed unani-

Various tabulations, reports, cor-

Board of Supervisors

Cerro Gordo County CLAIMS 43 North Iowa, custodial.. .....427.00 1

Absolute Waste Remov, sanit disp .. 1,302.48 5 tions ......54 Ahlers & Cooney PC, legal... ..... 540.00 2

......14,802.95 6
Arnold Motor Supply, parts ..... ..... 529.35 1 Benson, Ericha, meals/mileage.

Bergo Environmental, freight. .....4,400.00 1 BlackStrap Inc, sand/chem... .... 15,076.01 1 BMC Aggregates LC, flood/erosion Bolton & Menk Inc, tile lines ...

Builders First Sourc, parts .... C G Co Health Admini, purch serv. ....2.568.71 1

C G Co Recorder, legal ... 227.00 2 .....319.39 2
Central lowa Distrib, supplies ...... ......226.00 1 CenturyLink, telephone....515.00 1 Cerro Gordo Co Pheas, fertilizer/ seed .......480.00 1 Chosen Valley Testin, material test/ insp ......5,790.00 1 CINTAS, supplies ......82.84 1 City Laundering Co, supplies.. City of Mason City, purch serv. ... 328.48 1 City of Rock Falls, sanit disp ..... City of Thornton, sanit disp..... ......36.00 1 City of Thornton, utilities .... 76.60 2 CJ's Auto Inc, repair ...... 120.00 1 CJ's Auto Inc, tires/tubes . 660.00 1 Clausen Plumbing & H, building re-Connections Inc, purch serv. Consolidated Energy, fuels...... ......270.00 1 Counsel, repair ......35.74 1 Crysteel Truck Equip, parts ...... .....819.36 1 Culligan, repair ......213.30 1 Cypress Solutions, repair ..... ... 2,750.00 1 Dept of Administrati, training... .....250.00 1 Des Moines Register, mag/books. .....257.14 1 Dodd, Shannon, meals/mileage

Exceptional Persons, other serv. .5,720.43 Fareway Stores Inc, supplies ... 22.55 1 Fast Lane Motor Part, repair. ... 294.96 1 Fastenal Company, equip... ......338.70 1 Fastenal Company, parts... 62.20 1 Fastenal Company, repair .....130.50 1 Flatness, Christophe, clean uniforms......17.44 2 Floyd & Leonard Elec, equip .. 286.44 1 .....56.38 1 Forestry Suppliers I, supplies . ...514.50 1 Franklin County Sher, legal ... .....51.56 1 Franklin Rec, utilities ..... .... 90.00 1

Fullerton Funeral Ho, funeral.. ......975.00 1 Galls LLC, uniforms ..... 1,185.88 3 Gempler's Inc, supplies ... 819.97 1 GlaxoSmithKline Phar, medicine ... 2,049.33 2 Glen's Tire Service, repair ... .....32.71 1 Goodnature Work Stop, supplies. Goodnature Work Stop, uniforms... 179.97 1 Goscinki, Tami, purch serv ... ......300.00 1 Gov't Finance Office, purch serv .....610.00 1 Graham Tire Co, repair...

.....1,013.74 2 GRP & Associates Inc, sanit disp Hackman, Mary, purch serv...... .....500.00 1 Hancock County Coop, fuels. ...3,421.06 1 Handcuff Warehouse, training ..... ......350.15 1 Harrah, Joe, tile lines......250.00 1 HEALTHCAREfirst, repair....

... 2,137.58 1

Heartland Asphalt In, equip . ......3,911.65 1 Helps Drain and Sept, freight . ...200.00 1 Hemann, Krista, meals/mileage... .....211.12 1 Hobby Lobby Inc, supplies ... .....54.72 1 Holiday Inn Express, meals/mile-... 211.92 1 Honda Financial Serv, Lease - Vehi-Huber Supply Co Inc, chem/gases ..... 11.49 1 Huber Supply Co Inc, repair.

Hy-Vee Food Store We, purch serv IA State Sheriffs &, training. ......1,825.00 1 Internet Marketing P, public ed ...... Iowa Cancer Consorti, dues . .....20.00 1 Iowa Dept of Public, repair .... 5,010.00 1 Iowa Dept of Transpo, training. .....300.00 1 Iowa Emergency Manag, dues. ... 150.00 1 ItWorks Distributing, equip... J & J Machining Weld, ditch ..... 15,039.00 1 .....474.30 1 J & J Machining Weld, parts. ....714.00 1

Jones, Jody, meals/mileage

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JR Family Inc dba Ar, other serv. ... 107.72 1 Kapalata, Laci, meals/mileage. KCMR Radio, other serv.... Kingland Constructio, repair .... .....6,790.00 1 ......13.67 1 Krones, Betty, meals/mileage...... ......196.11 1 Kruger, Janelle, purch serv.... ............ 865.08 1 Lanczos, Christi, transport..... ......100.41 1
Landfill of North Io, sanit disp...... ......26.00 1 Language Line Servic, purch serv ......30.00 1
Larry Elwood Constru, parts...... ......485.15 1 Lingo Communications, telephone. ......52.35 1 Little Angels Childc, scholarships.. .....2,190.00 1 Little Lambs Prescho, scholarships Lutheran Services in, foster care... 

fice Equipment ...... 573.52 1 Marco Technologies L, repair ....... .....197.13 1 Martin Brothers Dist, equip. 143.75 1 Martin Brothers Dist, food/provi ...... 68.55 1 sions..... Martin Brothers Dist, supplies. Mason City Fire and, ambulance. .....1,000.00 1 Mason City Ford Linc, parts........... 975.47 1 Mason City Lumber Co, wood ... Mason City Tire Serv, parts . .....317.49 1 Mason City Tire Serv, repair .. 193.15 1 Mason City Tire Serv, tires/tubes. .....1,075.31 2 Mayers Digging Compa, tile lines .. 3,450.00 1 McKesson Medical-Sur, supplies. .....1,264.05 2 McKiness Excavating, repair. 

Mechanical Air Syste, repair.....

Mediacom, supplies......357.75 1

Menards, equip......22.37 1

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Menards, parts......44.48 1 Menards, repair ...... 82.90 1 Menards, supplies ...... 126.15 4 MercyOne North Iowa, hosp treat... .....4,192.50 1 MercyOne Occupationa, lab tests . ......111.00 1 MercyOne Occupationa, med Mid-America Publishi, brd proceed 2,261.49 2 Mid-America Publishi, publication... MidAmerican Energy C, utilities... ... 755.22 1 Midwest AcuTech LLC, supplies ... 181.80 1 Midwest Court Report, legal .. .... 94.40 1 Midwest Pipe Supply, flood/erosion .... 800.00 1 control .... Midwest Pipe Supply, tile lines ..... 248.56 1 MidWest Wheel Compan, parts... .....187.61 1 MidWest Wheel Compan, repair. ..... 149.00 1 MidWest Wheel Compan, safety 

NAPA Auto Parts, lubricants .. .....80.17 1 NAPA Auto Parts, parts.... 290.19 1 Nassco Inc, supplies......46.53 1 NEHA, dues......100.00 1 Nelson Septic Servic, sanit disp ..... 806.00 3 Nelson Septic Servic, supplies. North Central Intern, parts... .....234.94 1 North Central Intern, repair... ..... 5,053.38 1 North Central Mechan, repair..

Montag, Steve, tile lines ...

.....625.34 1 North Iowa Area Comm, training .... 1,983.75 2 North Iowa Area Coun, freight .....2,000.00 1 North Iowa Broadcast, public ed..... 1,467.00 1

tention & Shelter Care.... 125.00 1 North Iowa Media Gro, mag/books. North Iowa Mercy Cli, outpatient ....

..... 1,051.00 1 Northern Iowa Therap, purch serv. ......1,785.00 1 Northrup, Shanna, meals/mileage. O B's Plumbing & Hea, purch serv Office Elements, supplies..... Olson, Andrew, purch serv..... ..... 510.76 1 ......217.15 1 Ostermeier, Chelsey, meals/mile-Petro-Blend Corp, lubricants ..... .....407.78 1 Plumb Supply Company, equip ..... 333.99 1 Powerphone Inc, training.......129.00 1 Prairie Energy Coope, utilities ... .....19.50 1 ......773.00 1
Rees Truck & Trailer, parts ...... RICOH USA Inc, Lease - Office

Equipment......39.46 1 Ries, Daniel, meals/mileage...... Sanofi Pasteur Inc, medicine... ......164.54 1 Shawn Williamson Cle, custodial.... .... 127.64 1 Shipley, Danielle, supplies..... .... 255.42 1 Shomo-Madsen Insuran, insurance 1.540.25 1 Sliger, James, meals/mileage. ...... 873.21 1 Staples Business Adv, equip .. .. 110.84 1 Staples Business Adv, printing . Staples Business Adv, supplies... ...266.07 1 Staples Credit Plan, supplies... .. 179.14 2 State Hygienic Labor, lab tests. ......1,496.00 1

Stellar Truck & Trai, parts ... Stevens, Rebecca, meals/mileage 79 52 1 Struchen, Sherry, meals/mileage... Sugar Plum Preschool, scholar-.... 560.00 1 Sult, Rhonda, meals/mileage... .....60.20 1 Summit Food Service, food/provi-Sunset Distributors, supplies..... .....7,260.00 1 Super 8 Mason City, purch serv . 436.80 1 Sure Service Co, repair ... 103.00 1 TASC, purch serv ...... 3,950.19 1 Thrifty White Pharma, medicine . ......3,733.22 1 Thrifty White Pharma, supplies... Tierney Main Street, rent... .....1,154.24 1

Treasurer State Of I, repair. .....210.00 1 Truck Center Compani, parts ... .. 31.72 1 Turnbull, Andrea, meals/mileage. .....51.52 1 Tyler, Carrie, purch serv ... 

.. 42.00 1 US Cellular, telephone..... 652.66 1 Vanguard Appraisals, software... ..... 523.00 1 VanWall Equipment In, parts ..... ... 267.83 1 Verizon Wireless, telephone.. Verizon Wireless, data line ... .....281.48 1

VISA, other serv ...... 44.21 1 Wellmark Blue Cross, purch serv . ......59,000.00 1 Wells Fargo Financia, supplies. . 149.68 1 WHKS & Co Inc, consult... .....6,300.00 2 Wogen, Jeanne, meals/mileage ..... 86.24 1

Ziegler Inc, lubricants ... 3,986.78 Ziegler Inc, parts......290.24 1 Ziegler Inc, repair......... 4,330.91 1 Zimmerman, Angela, meals/mile-.. 104.72 1

Youth & Shelter Serv, Juvenile De-

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