

OPIOID SETTLEMENT REMEDIATION MUNICIPALITY MEETING

November 28, 2023

Location: Virtual

Present: Jana Blomberg, Maggie Myers, Brooke Wetmore (support), Eileen Zah (Chisholm), Josh Matteson (Floodwood PD), Corinne Suonvieri (Floodwood), Tom Chapman (Field Township, City of Cook EMS/Fire), Richard Kari (Midway)

Convened: The meeting was convened at approximately 12:04PM

Jana Blomberg offered an overview of State of MN Opioid Settlement funding based on the Attorney General's Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), St. Louis County's Opioid Remediation Settlement Advisory Committee, St. Louis County spending to date, and intent for future spending.

Corinne Suonvieri (Floodwood) asked if there were any plans for funds and other resources to be directed at Law Enforcement and/or EMS that have used resources to combat the issue. Blomberg noted that there were not currently plans but that St. Louis County Sheriff Ramsay was engaged in conversations around future use of funds. Suonvieri noted that Northeast Law Enforcement Administrator Committee (NLEAC) is a good way to communicate with the region's law enforcement agencies.

Tom Chapman (Field Township, Cook EMS/Fire) asked about what was happening in prevention to avoid the problems of opiates. Blomberg discussed youth education efforts. Chapman hoped for a well-rounded approach and will email deeper suggestions.

Adjourned: 12:49 PM

Minutes prepared by Brooke Wetmore, Administrative Specialist