

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
December 5, 2017

CONFERENCE ROOM BEHIND COUNTY BOARD CHAMBERS
AT IVES GROVE OFFICE COMPLEX
14200 WASHINGTON AVENUE
STURTEVANT, WISCONSIN 53177

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Russell Clark.

Meeting attended by: Supervisors Zenner-Richards, Bernberg, Molnar, Cooke, Maier, Gleason, and Shakoor, II. Also attending were Supervisor Dawson, Corporation Counsel Michael Lanzdorf, Asst. Corporation Counsel John Serketich and Asst. Corporation Counsel Sarah McNutt.

Excused: Supervisor Miller.

Absent: Supervisor Roanhouse.

#1 – Discussion and consideration of a Resolution by the Racine County Executive Committee Authorizing the Engagement of Counsel for Purposes of Pursuing Claims Against Opioid Manufacturers for 1st Reading at the December 5, 2017 County Board meeting

Corporation Counsel Lanzdorf explained the resolution was to engage outside counsel to pursue claims against the opioid manufacturers as it related to the opioid epidemic and their involvement in either creating or contributing to those issues. He cited the legal firms who were presented the case and said they would bear the costs and expenses. The framework is that we sign onto the litigation and they would represent the county's interests. He and county staff had looked at the issue extensively and talked about the pros and cons. There could be some staff time required if the case proceeded to the discovery stage in compiling information. He gave some of the points and departments that potentially could be involved in preparing that information. He also stated that the county could reevaluate our involvement at any time and would also have the ability to withdraw from the lawsuit at a later date.

Action: To approve the Resolution by the Racine County Executive Committee Authorizing the Engagement Counsel for Purposes of Pursuing Claims Against Opioid Manufacturers for 1st Reading at the December 5, 2017 County Board meeting. **Motion passed.**
Moved: Supervisor Shakoor, II. Seconded: Supervisor Bernberg. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays.

#2 - Adjournment

Action: Adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. **Motion Passed.** Moved: Supervisor Molnar. Seconded: Supervisor Cooke. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays.