

Minutes

(Unapproved until the January 21, 2027 meeting)

ISABELLA COUNTY OPIOID ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR QUARTERLY MEETING

Central Michigan District Health Department
Conference Room B, 2012 E Preston St, Mt Pleasant, MI 48858
October 15th, 2026 (8:00am)

- I. **Call to Order:** by Committee Chair - Jerry Jaloszynski in conference room B of the Central Michigan District Health Department, 2012 E Preston St, Mt Pleasant, MI 48858. In Person Meeting.

Members Present: Jerry Jaloszynski, Anna Reetz, Amy Campbell, Sue Hahn, Jessica Miller, Hon. Stuart Black, Jennifer McNally

Absent: Ryan Griffus, Rose Jackson, Anna Winters, Jeremy Bennett

- II. **Approval of Agenda:** Jessica Miller motioned to approve October 15th meeting agenda, Jennifer McNally seconded, motion carried

- III. **Consent Agenda:** Amy Campbell moved to approve and place on file the April 16, 2026 Quarterly Meeting Minutes; May 28, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes; and October 1, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes. Jessica Miller seconded, the motion carried

IV. **Public Comments (Agenda items only):**

- a. Carolyn Johnson made herself available for any questions around the Isabella County Trial Court proposal

V. **Old Business**

- a. Funding Recommendations to Board of Commissioners – 8 proposals received
- i. Jerry Jaloszynski disclosed to the group that the county administrator advised the committee can only award the accumulated interest balance of \$120,503.67 at this time since that was presented to the public during the request for proposal time frame

- ii. Jerry Jaloszynski updated the group on discussion at a recent Board of Commissioner meeting around alcohol and tobacco tax dollar funds. He had brought the idea to the Board of Commissioners to consider having those dollars go to programs that would support individuals that have been impacted using those substances. If this idea moves forward, it would be an additional funding source for community organizations to write for to offer support services related to alcohol and tobacco harms
- iii. Committee members were given an opportunity to ask any clarifying questions around the 8 proposals. They then were asked to rank each proposal by order of personal funding preference. Individual scoring sheets were collected and tabulated on an excel document created by the committee chair to show the average score of each proposal. Priority of funding preferences ranked as follows from top priority down:
 - 1. Central Michigan District Health Dept (CMDHD)
 - 2. Isabella County Trial Court
 - 3. Michigan Therapeutic Consultants (BHG)
 - 4. Isabella County Sheriff's Office
 - 5. Ten16 Recovery Network
 - 6. Central Michigan University
 - 7. Meetopolis Digital Recovery Infrastructure
 - 8. New Hope Behavioral Health Center
- iv. While all requests were greatly considered and appreciated, the committee chair shared that the CMU request builds on an existing state platform, and he encouraged them to seek funding through the State of Michigan for their initiative. He also offered to link them to Amy Dolinky if they had any further questions. Ultimately, it was agreed that the New Hope Behavioral Health Center would be too risky to fund since they are currently not operating. Additionally, the concern around the Meetopolis application was that they had no local connections
- v. The committee discussed how many proposals would be funded and the dollar amount each would receive. Questions arose around a reallocation process. To the committee's understanding, if a grantee is unable to utilize all of its dollar award by December 31, 2027, the grantee(s) may request an extension to the project performance period to enable funds to be fully expended. Such requests should accompany a grantee's third quarter performance report to provide adequate time for committee consideration of such

requests. Additionally, unspent funds would otherwise be returned to Isabella County for reallocation in the next funding cycle

- vi. The committee agreed to fund the top four prioritized proposals
 - 1. Amy Campbell moved, second by Jessica Miller, to fully fund the CMDHD proposal of \$5,411. Motion approved with Anna Reetz abstaining
 - 2. Sue Hahn moved, second by Jennifer McNally, to fund the Isabella County Trial Court proposal at \$30,000, Motion approved with Hon. Stuart Black abstaining
 - 3. Hon. Stuart Black moved, second by Sue Hahn, to fund the BHG proposal at \$55,000, Motion approved
 - 4. Jennifer McNally moved, second by Amy Campbell, to fund the Isabella County Sheriff's Office proposal at \$30,092.67 on condition the funding be used exclusively for the proposal's Medication-Assisted Treatment component. Motion approved
- vii. The proposed grant awards to the above four recipients has a sum value of \$120,503.67, which is equal to the total amount cited as available in the *Opioid Settlement Funds Request for Funding Proposal* document. The committee's funding recommendations will now be forwarded to the Isabella County Board of Commissioners for final approval and allocation of funds

VI. New Business

- a. Membership terms expiring on 12/31/26: Sue Hahn, Vacant (SCIT - Behavior Health), Jerry Jaloszynski, Jessica Miller and Jeremy Bennett
 - i. Members with terms expiring will be receiving an email from the county asking if they would like to continue their membership. Jessica Miller said that she would be willing to serve another term and will look for the renewal request
 - ii. Additional vacant membership position (initial term expiring 12/31/27): Member at-large with living/lived experience appointed by CMHCM. Jennifer McNally reported that Community Mental Health is still working on appointing someone for this position
 - iii. Additional vacant membership position (initial term expiring 12/31/2026): SCIT Council representing its Behavioral Health program)
 - iv. Review of Committee membership, calendar, forms, procedures, etc.
 - 1. Clarification was brought up around attending committee meetings virtually. A member may attend virtually; however,

according to the Michigan Open Meetings Act, virtual attendees may not be counted towards a meeting quorum and are not allowed to vote on motions.

2. Looking forward to the upcoming meetings, the committee chair asked members to review the committee's bylaws and to let him know of any desired modifications
3. It was mentioned that the scoring for RFPs moving forward should be addressed to make it less time-consuming. Committee members expressed differing opinions on the importance of making the voting process anonymous, one noting that abstaining from voting on a proposal ties the scoring sheet to specific members. Another member noted that the transparency around voting may be beneficial to ensure conflicts of interest are not happening. Further discussion around how to tabulate votes will need to be addressed before the next voting session
4. Sue Hahn brought to the group information regarding the opportunity for opioid settlement dollars through the City of Mt Pleasant and wondered if there may be an opportunity to collaborate between the city and the county funds. Jerry Jaloszynski disclosed that he had reached out to the city about collaborating and had not received a response

VII. Public Comment (Any topic relevant to subcommittee business): None

VIII. Member Announcements: None

IX. Meeting Adjourned at 9:07am