



**Lincoln County
Opioid Task Force
January 14, 2026 2:00 P.M.
Draft Meeting Minutes**

Members Present:

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| ☒ Lincoln County Health Department, Erin Ray, Shelley Cohrs
☒ Lincoln County Board of Health, Laurie Thiel
☐ Merrill Area Public Schools – Amber Haluska

☒ Tomahawk School District – Adam Spiegel | ☒ Lincoln county Social Services, Jessi Rumsey

☐ North Central Healthcare, Kimberly Moore
☒ Lincoln County Probation and Parole, Michelle Hubbard
☒ Lincoln County Administration, Renee Krueger | ☐ Lincoln County Sherriff

☐ Aspirus – Joni Hahn
☐ Lincoln County Emergency Management, Tyler Verhasselt |
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Partners Present:

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| ☐ Merrill Police Department – Corey Bennett
☒ Justice Department Representative – Becky Byer | ☐ Tomahawk Police Department
☒ Community Representatives, Kim W | ☐ Merrill Emergency Services – Josh Klug
☐ Tomahawk Emergency Services – Bob Kirkley |
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Guests Present: Marla R, Deanna E.

Agenda Item	Notes:	Action Items
1. Call to Order	Meeting called to order by Thiel at 2:00pm.	
2. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting	Byer motions to approve the December meeting minutes. Second by Thiel. All ayes, motion carried.	
3. Written Update by Opioid Task Force Grant Coordinator	Written update reviewed.	
4. Narcan Distribution Information	If anyone needs Narcan for their organization, they can reach out to Tiara Bonilla, Tbonilla@norcen.org . LCHD can provide training if needed.	
5. Treatment Court	Byer shared that judges are interested in moving forward with a Family Treatment Court. Will work to put together a proposal/presentation to help the task force make an informed decision.	
6. Funding Ideas	Ray shared current settlement balance. LC jail administration would like the task force to consider helping fund the mandated MAT program in the jail. They are also in need of a social worker.	

	LC social services requesting consideration of allocating money to help cover room & board for inpatient treatment when that is the only barrier to treatment. Also looking at treatment court.	
7. Next Meeting Agenda Items	Presentations for funding proposals.	
8. Set Next Meeting Date; Adjourn	Wednesday, February 11, 2026 @ 2pm. Meeting adjourned at 2:51pm.	

Minutes submitted by: Erin Ray, Opioid Grant Coordinator on 1/16/2026.