

MADISON COUNTY BOARD
November 18, 2020

EXECUTIVE SESSION (A)

PRESENT: Chapman, Dalton, Dutton-Wiley, Foster, Glasper, Goggin, Guy, Hankins, Harriss, Holliday, King, Malone, McRae, Minner, Moore, Mueller-Jones, Parkinson, Petrillo, Pollard, Valentine, Walters and Wesley

OTHERS: J. Ezra, T. Cook, A. Schoeberle, R. Faccin, K. Prenzler

Executive Session was called to order to discuss pending litigation pertaining to Brad Lavite and the VAC.

J. Ezra stated the proposed settlement is \$65,000 for 10 years (totaling \$650,000) to fund a Veteran's Crisis Program and wants to tie it to current litigation that is before the Appellate Court which has been denied twice by Judge Dugan. The case is currently on appeal.

The general consensus of the Litigation Committee was that the settlement not be tied to the Veterans Crisis Program.

To date, Mr. Lavite's Attorney (Burkhart) has been paid over \$570,000 by the County Board.

Mr. Ezra voiced that if the County Board did not pay the money agreed upon in future years, the statute of limitations could be raised and the lawsuit could be reinstated. Mr. Ezra, stated that Don Moore, a member of the Litigation Subcommittee, feels that they should dismiss the lawsuit as a sign of good faith and the VAC should seek grants and other sources of funding.

Mr. Ezra stated he feels that the County Board has a good and strong chance to win on appeal.

The cases with Chris Slusser and Lisa Ciampoli have been dismissed.

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