

## STATE APPEAL BOARD

In Re:        **Story County**                    )  
                 **Budget Appeal**                )  
                                                    )  
                 **FY 2002-2003**                 )                    **May 6, 2002**

---

**BEFORE STATE AUDITOR, RICHARD D. JOHNSON; STATE TREASURER, MICHAEL L. FITZGERALD; AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT, CYNTHIA P. EISENHAUER:**

### PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The FY2003 Story County proposed budget summary was published in the Daily Tribune (Ames), the Nevada Journal, and the Tri-County Times all on February 28, 2002. The budget was adopted on March 14, 2002.

A petition protesting the certified FY2003 Story County budget was filed with the Story County Auditor on March 25, 2002, and was received by the State Appeal Board on March 28, 2002. On the petition document, the petitioners objected to the following:

1. The payment of law enforcement and animal shelter expenditures out of the Rural Services Fund.

Their reason for the objection is the County's public safety department and animal shelter programs are primarily intended to benefit all County residents, not just rural residents; therefore, the expenditures should be paid from the General Fund.

A hearing on the above captioned matter was scheduled pursuant to the provisions of Section 331.436 and Chapter 24 of the Code of Iowa, on April 24, 2002. On April 22, 2002 the petitioners withdrew their request for a public hearing and withdrew the budget appeal of Story County Fiscal Year 2003 budget.

### CONCLUSION

Pursuant to the Petitioners request of April 22, 2002 no action required to be taken by the State Appeal Board on Story County Fiscal year 2003 adopted budget.