

January 4, 2010

Chairman Watne called the regular meeting of the Wright County Board of Supervisors to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present were Beenken, Maasdam, Toftey, Amdahl, and Watne.

Motion by Amdahl and seconded by Toftey to appoint Lucas Beenken as the Chairman for 2010 year and Watne as Chairman Pro-Tem. Motion carries.

Approve minutes of the December 28, 2009 regular board meeting.
Approved claims for payment.

Motion by Watne and seconded by Amdahl to approve the cash count for December 31, 2009 at the Wright County Treasurers office. Motion carries.

Amdahl left the meeting for a funeral.

Motion by Toftey and seconded by Maasdam to designate the Belmond Independent, Eagle Grove Eagle, and the Wright County Monitor as the legal newspapers for publishing county news for 2010. Motion carries.

Dan Waid, Wright County Engineer updated the board on the overtime and road clearing for the secondary roads department.

Brad Leckrone, MH/DD Director and Eric Simonson, Wright County Attorney met with the board concerning a client that is continually being committed. The cost associated with this is now close to \$200,000 paid by the county. Leckrone is looking for an answer as to how to cut cost and save the county some money yet help this client. Simonson explained the Magistrate's duty toward the commitment process. It was a consensus of this board to write a letter to the Magistrate judges to make them aware of this situation.

Brad Leckrone then presented the County Management Plan for the MH/DD department. There are two areas that will be changed. They are:

1. To update the plan to be consistent with administrative rule changes
 - a. Income and resources – no person at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines can be charged a fee for services
 - b. Persons services are authorized according to the county plan of residence, not the county plan of legal settlement
 - c. The final step in the appeal process cannot be the Board of Supervisors and so has been changed to an Administrative Law Judge
2. To "regionalize" the plan to rectify state and provider complaints that the state MH/DD system has 99 counties with 99 different management plans.

Held discussion on the designated holidays for 2010. An e-mail will be sent to department heads and then put back on the agenda for next Monday.

Motion by Maasdam and seconded by Toftey to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries.