

**TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2015**

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD**

**STATE OF MINNESOTA)  
COUNTY OF DODGE)**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE  
MANTORVILLE, MN**

**2015-13 C.O.W.**

The Dodge County Commissioners met in Committee of the Whole July 14, 2015, in the Commissioner's Room at the Dodge County Government Services Building, Mantorville, MN, at 9:00 a.m. CDT. Chair John Allen opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. CDT.

Meeting Convened

The Chair acknowledged those present:

Those Present

Members present:	John Allen	District #1
	Tim Tjosaas	District #2
	Rodney Peterson	District #3
	Steven Gray	District #5
Members absent:	David Erickson	District #4
Also present:	Jim Elmquist	County Administrator
	Becky Lubahn	Deputy Clerk
	Carolyn Wheeler	SCHRC Executive Director

South Central Human Relations Center (SCHRC) Executive Director Carolyn Wheeler provided the Board with a SCHRC update.

SCHRC Update

MnPrairie Adult and Disability Services Program Manager Charity Floen was available to answer questions.

Ms. Wheeler informed the Board SCHRC has been working with Dodge County for over 51 years.

The Executive Director reported SCHRC works primarily with Dodge, Steele and Waseca Counties.

Ms. Wheeler shared with the Board SCHRC staffing levels and noted they serve 3,000 clients across the three counties.

The Executive Director discussed with the Board the school linked mental health services program which was started in Dodge County in January 2015. Ms. Wheeler reported there is a Therapist that works in each of the schools and that the Therapist works with 25 families. The Executive Director informed the Board a similar program will be started in Blooming Prairie.

Ms. Wheeler stated SCHRC tries to deliver timely services and programs that remove barriers.

The Executive Director briefly discussed SCHRC statistics with the Board, areas where they scored high and areas in which they scored low.

Commissioner Gray asked Ms. Wheeler and Ms. Floen to expand on the relationship between MnPrairie and SCHRC.

Ms. Floen discussed the working relationship between the two entities and pointed out there is a lot of sharing of information. The Adult and Disability Services Program Manager reported the two entities have a close working relationship and are very intertwined.

SCHRC Update -  
Continued

Commissioner Gray clarified there isn't a duplication of services, rather a collaboration of services.

Ms. Wheeler stated SCHRC has a good working relationship with the county.

The Board thanked Ms. Wheeler and Ms. Floen for the information.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:27 a.m. CDT.

Meeting Adjourned

**ATTEST:**

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**JOHN ALLEN  
CHAIR, COUNTY BOARD**

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**BECKY LUBAHN  
DEPUTY CLERK**

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