

## **Special Meeting**

**IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CASCADE, IDAHO**

**March 24, 2009**

**PRESENT: GERALD "JERRY" WINKLE) CHAIRMAN  
FRANK W. ELD) COMMISSIONERS  
GORDON L. CRUICKSHANK)  
ARCHIE N. BANBURY, CLERK**

Chairman Winkle called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss mental health holds with representatives of Health and Welfare. Sheriff Bolen attended, together with Prosecutor Matt Williams, Gina Westcott and Landis Rossi.

Anyone placed on a mental health hold (by the Sheriff, with consultation by the Prosecuting Attorney) must presently be transported to Boise. A designated examiner could be recruited and trained locally. The person must be examined within 12 hours of being detained. The examiner would not be on a retainer, but on a flat fee negotiated individually. (Could also pay them by the hour) Thought is \$50-\$75 per hour.

After discussion, Commissioner Eld asked to place an ad in the paper to see if there are qualified persons here to perform the Designated Examiner task, via Human Resources Officer. If available, training by Health and Welfare is required.

Begin communications between Matt, Sheriff and Bill Behnke. Gina offered to assist. Hospital ability to secure holds must be clarified. If qualified Designated Examiners are found, they will be trained by Health and Welfare, and contracted.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**GERALD WINKLE, CHAIRMAN**

**ATTEST:**

**ARCHIE BANBURY, CLERK**