

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD**  
**WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA**  
**JULY 21, 2009**

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Pulkrabek, Peterson, Weik, and Kriesel. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Linda Krafthefer, Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Tom Adkins, Community Corrections Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Patrick Singel, Deputy Community Services Director; Josh Beck, Community Services Associate Planner; Pam McCauley, Community Services Supervisor; Sheriff Bill Hutton; Lowell Johnson, Director of Public Health and Environment; Sue Hedlund, Deputy Director of Public Health and Environment; Don Theisen, Public Works Director; Wayne Sandberg, Deputy Public Works Director; and Yvonne Klinnert, Public Information Coordinator II.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was held for the members of the 34<sup>th</sup> Red Bull Infantry Division who were killed this past week in Basra, Iraq.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

The Board Chair asked for comments from the audience; none were heard.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Commissioner Kriesel moved, seconded by Commissioner Hegberg to adopt the following Consent Calendar:

1. Approval of the June 30, 2009 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval of three contracts to provide transportation to individuals receiving home and community based services through Medical Assistance Waivers for the term of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2012 with Twin City Medical Transportation, Inc., North Star Transit Corp., and People Responding in Social Ministry.
3. Approval of contract with Community Thread (d/b/a Community Volunteer Service and Senior Center) to provide transportation for the term of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2012.
4. Approval of subgrantee agreement with Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority to acquire and rehabilitate up to 38 units of foreclosed upon homes in the Cities of Cottage Grove and Oakdale.

5. Approval of subgrantee agreement with the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority to use \$196,392 in Community Development Block Grant Recovery funds allocated by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to complete repairs of three HRA buildings.
6. Approval of the new cooperative agreement with the State of Minnesota Department of Agriculture for the continuation of the Minnesota Waste Pesticide Collection Program and authorize execution by the Board Chair and County Administrator.
7. Approval of Work Order 18 for the CSAH 13 road construction project contract with CS McCrossan Construction.
8. Bids were received for turn lane construction on CSAH 12 in the City of Grant as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Dresel Contracting, Inc.	\$256,866.00
Tower Asphalt	\$268,422.40
WB Miller	\$367,728.10

Adoption of **Resolution No. 2009-074** as follows:

Bid Award for Turn Lane Construction Project on CSAH 12  
in the City of Grant to Dresel Contracting, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete road maintenance construction on county roads, the county solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on July 9, 2009, with Dresel Contracting, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Dresel Contracting, Inc. be accepted and the county enter into a contract with Dresel Contracting, Inc. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the county and Dresel Contracting, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chair of the Washington County Board of Commissioners and the Washington County Administrator without further action of the County Board conditioned upon compliance with all bid specifications requirements and approval as to form by the Washington County Attorney's office.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

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**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to authorize the Community Corrections Director to apply for Byrne Grant funds to address domestic violence, drug use by offenders, and juvenile probation services, through the Minnesota Office of Justice Programs, Minnesota Department of Public Safety. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

**SHERIFF'S OFFICE****Application for Byrne Grant Funds – Office Support II**

Commissioner Pulkrabek authorized the Sheriff's Office to apply for funding from the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funds for Office Support II personnel through the Minnesota Office of Justice Programs, Department of Public Safety. Commissioner Weik seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

**Application for Byrne Grant Funds – Licensed Civil Deputy and Office Support II**

Commissioner Hegberg authorized the Sheriff's Office to apply for funding from the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funds for a licensed Civil Deputy and Office Support II personnel through the Minnesota Office of Justice Programs, Department of Public Safety. Commissioner Kriesel seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

**Application for Byrne Grant Funds – Licensed Apprehension Deputy (Sgt.) and Analyst**

Commissioner Kriesel authorized the Sheriff's Office to apply for funding from the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funds for a licensed Apprehension Deputy (Sgt.) and an Analyst through the Minnesota Office of Justice Programs, Department of Public Safety. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Sheriff Hutton noted that a former Bailiff, Bob Peterson, passed away last Friday. He was a great guy and was helpful to everyone he met. Commissioner Kriesel indicated that Bob was the sort of individual that everybody liked.

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**PUBLIC WORKS**

Commissioner Hegberg moved to award a contract to 3M Company to perform intersection pavement marking services and authorize execution of the contract through the signatures of the Chair of the Washington County Board of Commissioners and the Washington County Administrator without further action of the County Board conditioned upon the execution of a contract as approved by law. Commissioner Weik seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to approve the Plan of Cooperation between the Sheriff's Office and the Community Services Department to investigate possible fraud of public assistance programs and the Fraud Prevention Investigation Plan and grant agreement between the Community Services Department and the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

Jim Schug, County Administrator, reviewed a letter from the State Department of Veteran's Affairs announcing the availability and the opening of the grant application cycle for a grant program from the State that would allow the enhancement of services for veterans through the Veterans Service Office. Staff is reviewing the application and will come to the Board at a future date.

Mr. Schug noted that following today's Board meeting the Washington County Board of Commissioners and the Dakota County Board of Commissioners will have a joint meeting at the Schaar's Bluff Center (Spring Lake Park Reserve) in Hastings beginning at noon.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Hegberg reported that he attended the Hugo City Council meeting where they discussed 4-H funding and a presentation from Deb Paige, Washington County Emergency Services Manager, regarding what buildings should and should not be used for emergency situations. He reported on the Counties Transit Improvement Board meeting which reviewed projects. The Rush Line Corridor met and discussed the bus services from Forest Lake to St. Paul. That will probably be delayed until December because RFP's need to be sent out and the Met Council has a substantial change in funding they have available because of low car sales, sales tax, and gas tax. They also discussed improvements that are planning to be made at the transit center at the Maplewood Mall. The Community Action Partnership (CAP) of Ramsey and Washington Counties is discussing the extra funds for Head Start. The Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust will meet to discuss the rates for Community Action Programs

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throughout the State because they are increasing their activities but their premiums have not been adequate to cover their losses. Commissioner Hegberg stated he will be attending the National Association of Counties Conference and will not be at next week's Board meeting.

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported that he will also attend the National Association of Counties Conference next week and will not be at the Board meeting.

Commissioner Weik reported she attended the Parks and Open Space Commission which discussed the request for Land and Water Legacy funds from the City of Woodbury. Andrew Craig owns the property next to the wooded area that is proposed for acquisition and indicated all the wildlife that lives there and he would like to see the entire parcel purchased. A representative from Dale Properties was also in attendance. The Parks and Open Space Commission unanimously recommended support to funding through the Land and Water Legacy program, but stipulated they would like to have two appraisals, one from the City of Woodbury and one from the county. She attended the silent vigil in Stillwater for the fallen soldiers. She expressed her condolences to all of the families. She will be attending the City of Woodbury Yellow Ribbon meeting Thursday evening.

Commissioner Kriesel stated that countless citizens in Washington County have expressed their support for the families of the soldiers who were recently killed. At the vigil, there was an opportunity for individuals to write notes that would be sent to the families. They will be communicating with the communities that if they would like to collect those types of cards and messages at their community center, they will be picked up and provided to the families.

Commissioner Peterson reminded the Board that Senator Franken's staff will be in Stillwater from 10:00 to 12:00 at the city hall and in Woodbury from 2:30 to 4:30 at the city hall. Tomorrow night the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency will hold a meeting in Cottage Grove to present their standards and processes. Commissioner Peterson reported that she called Met Council Executive Director Peter Bell to inform him that she was unhappy that the Hastings Park-n-Ride was not approved as part of Met Council's application for funding. She indicated to him that the Hasting's Bridge will be replaced starting next year, the Lafayette Bridge is starting to be replaced in 2013, there will be road repair on 52 and 55, repair is going on highway 61 and this would be the perfect opportunity to encourage people to use public transportation. Mr. Bell stated that she had presented some good arguments and they would continue the dialog.

#### **EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION WITH PUBLIC WORKS**

The Board met in Executive Session at 10:07 a.m. for an attorney-client closed session to discuss the appeal options from the jury verdict to the compensation and damages for TMT Land V-reconstruction of CSAH 13. Present for the Executive Session were Commissioners Peterson, Hegberg, Weik and

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Kriesel. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Don Theisen, Wayne Sandberg, Sharon Price, Doug Johnson, Richard Hodsdon, and Patricia Raddatz.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Weik moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hegberg and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:26. a.m.

### **BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration for preliminary discussion of the 2010 budget. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Peterson, Hegberg, Weik and Kriesel. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Melinda Kirk, Mjyke Nelson, Kevin Corbid, Tom Adkins, Harley Will, Dan Papin, Patrick Singel, Michelle Kemper, Lowell Johnson, Sue Hedlund, Doug Johnson, Sue Harris, Kay McAloney, Sheriff Bill Hutton, Don Theisen, and Wayne Sandberg.

Myra Peterson, Chair  
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug  
County Administrator