

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 28, 2007

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 Peterson, Pulkrabek, Kriesel, Orth, and Hegberg. Absent none. Board Chair Kriesel presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Theisen, Public Works Director; Wayne Sandburg, Deputy Public Works Director; Joe Lux, Sr. Planner; Cory Slagle, Transportation Manager; Keith Potter, Facilities Manager; Kevin Corbid, Director of Property Records and Taxpayer Services; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Mjyke Nelson, Information Technology Director; Lowell Johnson, Director of Public Health and Environment; Sue Hedlund, Deputy Public Health and Environment Director; Cindy Weckwerth, Program Manager; Amanda Goebel, Sr. Environmental Specialist; John Freitag, Sr. Environmental Specialist; Deb Paige, Emergency Services Manager; Sheriff Bill Hutton; Chief Deputy Sheriff Mike Johnson; Harley Will, Financial Services Director; Deb McDonald, Management Analyst II; and Steve Nelson, Public Information Coordinator II.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Hegberg moved, seconded by Commissioner Peterson to adopt the following Consent Calendar as follows:

1. Approval of the August 14 and 21, 2007 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to cancel the September 18, 2007 County Board meeting.
3. Approval to appoint Kristy Hoff, Cottage Grove, to the Mental Health Advisory Council to a first term expiring December 31, 2010.
4. Approval of an agreement with Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans to provide homeless prevention services with Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program funding within Washington County.

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5. Approval to designate Donald Pelton, Community Services Supervisor, to sign written notifications of intent to interview children on school property.
6. Approval of a consulting agreement with Dunham & Associates to design a data center at the disaster recovery site.
7. Approval of a consulting services agreement for the Department of Information Technology staff to provide Chisago County with system software support and maintenance upgrades to the Automated Law Enforcement Records Tracking System.
8. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2007-100** as follows:

Authorization to Apply for Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources Grant to Develop Innovative Tools to Characterize Non-Point Perfluorochemical (PFC) Sources

WHEREAS, funds are available from the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) Grant program to assist Washington County to develop tools which can help identify the sources of Perfluorochemicals (PFCs) in surface water and groundwater; and

WHEREAS, there are three main goals of the study, including isomer distribution, groundwater history, and understanding movement through the environment; and

WHEREAS, understanding the source of the PFCs, and how PFCs move through the environment in regards to surface water/groundwater interactions (streams/lakes), individual sewage treatment systems, stormwater networks, etc. is important in understanding distribution of PFCs in Washington County and the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, Washington County, State Agencies, University of Minnesota, Watershed Management Organizations, and Local Governmental Units currently lack the technical knowledge to characterize the fate and transport of the PFC sources; and

WHEREAS, no additional levy or program changes will be necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health and Environment will be working in partnership with the University of Minnesota Department of Public Health, University of Minnesota Department of Geology, Minnesota Department of Health, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, City of Cottage Grove, City of Oakdale, City of Woodbury, Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District, and Valley Branch Watershed District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorize the Department of Public Health and Environment to apply for the LCCMR Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Washington County, through the Department of Public Health and Environment will serve as the administrator and fiscal agent for the grant.

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9. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2007-101** as follows:

No Parking on CSAH 35 from Hadley
Avenue North to I-694

WHEREAS, development of the Red Oak Preserve housing project adjacent to CSAH 35 will create a new access point on CSAH 35, with a right-turn lane and a bypass lane; and

WHEREAS, the proximity of intersections and the I-694 overpass leaves no safe areas for vehicle parking along CSAH 35 between Hadley Avenue North and I-694.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Engineer to establish a "No Parking" zone on CSAH 35, from Hadley Avenue North to I-694 and to erect and maintain appropriate signing to enforce that zone.

10. Approval to purchase Right of Way for reconstruction of CSAH 25 (Century Avenue) in Woodbury.
11. Approval of agreement with GE Modular Space to lease a trailer to house Sentence-to-Service work crews during the 2025 Campus Expansion.
12. Approval of a cooperative agreement with the City of Stillwater to contract with SRF Consulting Group, Inc. for consultant services to perform a traffic study near the intersection of CSAH 5 and CSAH 12.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS

Negative Declaration for an EIS on Reconstruction of Manning Avenue

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2007-102** as follows:

Negative Declaration on the Need for an Environmental Impact
Statement for the CSAH 15 (Manning Avenue North)
Reconstruction Project and Approval of Record of Decision

WHEREAS, Washington County is the Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU) for the CSAH 15 reconstruction project; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Rule 4410.1300, Subp. 22 requires an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) to be prepared for the project; and

WHEREAS, an Environmental Assessment (EA) document has been prepared as part of a National Environmental Policy Act process and the State environmental process to fulfill the requirements of both 42 U.S.C. 4332 and M.S. 116D and has been circulated for review and comment; and

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WHEREAS, based on the information contained in the CSAH 15 EA and on comments received on the EA, findings of fact include:

The type and extent of environmental effects are similar to the effects associated with other road construction projects and the project does not have the potential for significant environmental effects.

No cumulative potential effects of related or future projects exist that would pose significant environmental effects.

The anticipated environmental effects are subject to mitigation by ongoing regulatory authorities.

The extent of environmental effects can be anticipated and controlled as a result of experience with other similar highway improvement projects with similar environmental effects.

WHEREAS, no regulatory reviewing agencies indicate a need for an EIS; and

WHEREAS, based on criteria in Minnesota Rule 4410.1770, the project does not have significant environmental effects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby declares that the EA for the CSAH 15 reconstruction project was adequate and a negative declaration is made on the need for an EIS; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the distribution of the Record of Decision documenting this decision.

Commissioner Orth seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

CSAH 19 and Interstate 94 Bridge Award

Bids were received for the construction project on CSAH 19 and Interstate 94 bridge as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
CS McCrossan Construction	\$1,237,388.65
Hardrives	\$1,164,318.97
Tower Asphalt	\$1,096,961.26
Valley Paving	\$1,090,288.31

Commissioner Orth moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2007-103** as follows:

Bid Award for CSAH 19 Construction to Valley Paving

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

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WHEREAS, bids were opened on August 2, 2007, with Valley Paving being the lowest responsible bidder; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Valley Paving be accepted and the county enter into a contract with Valley Paving under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the county and Valley Paving 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 specification requirements and approval as to form by the Washington County Attorney's Office.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Indemnification of Alarm Monitoring Vendor

Commissioner Hegberg moved to authorize the county to enter into an agreement for monitoring of fire and burglar alarms in which the alarm monitoring vendor is indemnified by the county. Commissioner Orth seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

PROPERTY RECORDS AND TAXPAYER SERVICES

Commissioner Peterson moved to authorize that the Washington County License Centers and public service desks waive the \$10 passport photo fee for the time period of September 17 through November 9, 2007. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Jim Schug, County Administrator, announced that construction has begun with the relocation of the storm sewer project on the north and east sides of the Government Center Campus. Trees has been removed by the ponding area, but at the conclusion of that project there will be landscaping and additional trees will be planted. The groundbreaking event for the new courts facility and expansion on top of the Law Enforcement Center will be scheduled for the near future.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Peterson reported that the AMC Policy Committee met and reaffirmed the support of the transportation funding package that the Association of Minnesota Counties past a number of years ago which called for a 10 cent a gallon gas tax.

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Commissioner Hegberg reported on the Metropolitan Mosquito Control meeting he attended last week. They are expanding services in Anoka County and far northern Washington County and will be looking for additional space. He suggested that when staff is looking at a recycling center in this area they might consider working with the district to share space.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that the Rush Line Corridor has discussed bus service between Forest Lake and Hinckley. They have decided that it would only go from Forest Lake to Minneapolis/St. Paul with a shuttle going up to North Branch. The cost of that will be significant and will have to be looked at in the budget. Some county attorneys have a different opinion than Washington County's attorney as to how that can be funded. He suggests that the Washington County Attorney's Office discuss that with Anoka, Dakota, and Olmsted Counties, otherwise, they will have to go for special legislation.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Peterson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

2008 BUDGET WORKSHOP

The Board met in workshop session with the following departments to review their proposed 2008 budgets: Public Health and Environment, and Community Services. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Peterson, Pulkrabek, Kriesel, Orth, and Hegberg. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Melinda Kirk, Lowell Johnson, Sue Hedlund, Deb Paige, Don Scheel, Dan Papin, Patrick Singel, Jeff Travis, Pat Morreim, and Yvonne Klinnert, Stillwater Courier.

Gary Kriesel, Chair
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator