

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
JUNE 8, 2010

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 Kriesel, Pulkrabek, Peterson, and Weik. Commissioner Hegberg absent. Board Chair Pulkrabek presided. Also present were Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Cindy Rupp, Community Services Division Manager; Deb Tulloch, Community Services Supervisor; Mjyke Nelson, Information Technology Director; Lowell Johnson, Director of Public Health and Environment; Deb Paige, Emergency Services Manager; Kevin Corbid, Director of Property Records and Taxpayer Services; Don Theisen, Public Works Director; John Elholm, Parks Director; Greg Wood, Facilities Manager; Harley Will, Accounting and Finance Director; Tom Adkins, Community Corrections Director; and Yvonne Klinnert, Public Information Coordinator II.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mayor Dean Johnston, City of Lake Elmo, informed the Board that the City Council would discuss the Rosalie E. Wahl Library and the limited access to the library at a workshop this evening and probably at their June 15 meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the May 25, 2010 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to authorize the Community Corrections Director to amend the State Fiscal year 2010/2011 Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota for Sentence to Service crews from \$291,680 to \$217,682.50.
3. Approval and authorization from the County Board Chair and Administrator to enter into an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Division of Homeland and Emergency Management, to receive funding through the Emergency Management Performance Grant Program.
4. Approval and execution by Board Chair and Administrator of Recycling Grant Agreement with the City of Oakdale for distribution of curbside recycling funds.

5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2010-089** as follows:

State Cost-Share Assistance Contract with Washington
Conservation District Native Vegetation Restoration

WHEREAS, the Washington County Parks Division requested State Cost-Share Assistance from the Washington Conservation District to enhance the Square Lake Water Quality Improvement Project by planting native vegetation throughout the project site; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Conservation District has made available a State Cost-Share Assistance Contract to Washington County for the described project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners authorize the Chair of the Washington County Board of Commissioners to sign on behalf of the County the State Cost-Share Assistance Contract between Washington County and the Washington Conservation District conditioned upon approval as to form by the Washington County Attorney's office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the grant funds for the described native vegetation project be directed to Washington County without further action by the County Board.

6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2010-090** as follows:

Resolution Establishing the Date for a Public Hearing on the Proposal
that Washington County Approve the Issuance and Principal Amount
of Certain Governmental Housing Revenue Refunding Bonds to be Issued
by the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority,
to Which the General Obligation of Washington County will be
Pledged as Additional Security, in an Estimated Original Principal Amount
of up to \$4,750,000 Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.034

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.034, as amended (the "Act"), the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") is authorized to pledge the general obligation of Washington County (the "County") as additional security for certain governmental housing revenue bonds to be issued by the Authority to finance or refinance a qualified housing development project (as defined in the Act), subject to approval by the County of the principal amount of the issue; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has proposed to issue certain governmental housing revenue refunding bonds (the "Bonds"), to which the general obligation of the County is proposed to be pledged as additional security, in an estimated original principal amount of up to \$4,750,000, for the purpose of refunding the Authority's \$7,200,000 Governmental Housing Revenue Refunding Bonds (Washington County General Obligation – Landfall Terrace Project) Series 1997 (the "1997 Bonds") issued by the Authority to finance a qualified housing development project located in the City of Landfall Village, Minnesota, consisting of 318 sites for manufactured housing and related facilities; and

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WHEREAS, the general obligation of the County was duly pledged as additional security for the 1997 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, a public hearing will be held on issuance of the Bonds by the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Washington County that:

1. The Board of Commissioners of the County will conduct a public hearing on the issuance and principal amount of the Bonds on July 6, 2010 at or after 9:00 a.m. at the Washington County Government Center Board Room, Stillwater, Minnesota.
2. A notice of public hearing in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A shall be published in the official newspaper of the County. Publication of the Notice shall be at least fifteen (15) days before the date set for the hearing.

Exhibit A
Washington County, Minnesota

Notice Of Public Hearing Regarding The Issuance By The Washington County Housing And Redevelopment Authority Of Governmental Housing Revenue Refunding Bonds In An Aggregate Principal Amount Not To Exceed \$4,750,000 Backed By The Full Faith And Credit Of Washington County

Notice is hereby given that the Washington County Board of Commissioners (the "County Board") will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, July 6, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room of the Washington County Government Center, 14949 62nd Street North, Stillwater, Minnesota 55082-0006 regarding the proposed issuance by the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") of governmental housing revenue refunding bonds (the "Bonds") in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$4,750,000. The Bonds are proposed to be backed by the full faith and credit of Washington County in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 469.034, subd. 2 (the "Act"). Proceeds of the Bonds will be used to refund the Authority's \$7,200,000 Governmental Housing Revenue Refunding Bonds (Washington County General Obligation – Landfall Terrace Project) Series 1997 issued by the Authority to finance a qualified housing development project located in the City of Landfall Village, Minnesota, consisting of 318 sites for manufactured housing and related facilities.

All persons interested may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above or may file written comments with the County Administrator prior to the date of the public hearing set forth above.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted 4-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Kriesel, Peterson, Weik, and Pulkrabek; Nays, none; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

COMMISSIONERS AWARD

The County Board presented a Commissioners Award to Alec Vujovich, who risked his life jumping into the St. Croix River to save the life of another young man on May 26, 2010.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Deb Tulloch, Community Services Supervisor, presented an overview of adult protection activities, responsibilities, and legislative changes for reporting vulnerable adult concerns which were implemented in August of 2009. She also reviewed the funding implications of the Elder Justice Act which passed Congress in March of this year. She noted that Washington County is implementing several Structured Decision Making tools as part of a six county pilot project. These tools will help establish more consistent guidelines for accepting cases and providing services to vulnerable adults. Ms. Tulloch also noted that June 15 is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**National Association of Counties Voting Delegate**

Commissioner Peterson moved to appoint Commissioner Dennis C. Hegberg as voting delegate and Commissioner Gary Kriesel as alternate to the National Association of Counties Election to be held in Washoe County, Nevada, on July 16-20, 2010. Commissioner Weik seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

Standard and Poor's Rating Agency

Ms. O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator, reported that last week several county staff held a conference call with Standard and Poor's Rating Agency. The county expects to hear from the rating agency later this week. The county, at this time, has the highest rating standard that can be given and are hopeful that it can retain that rating.

Board of Appeal and Equalization

Ms. O'Rourke noted that next week's County Board meeting will be an afternoon meeting. The Board of Appeal and Equalization needs to start at 5:00 p.m. and continue to at least 7:00 p.m. The County Board meeting will begin around 2:30 p.m.

Commissioner Peterson stated that the Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) is meeting at 3:30 p.m. and she understands that her vote is needed.

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Ms. O'Rourke will discuss this matter with Barbara Dacy, HRA Executive Director, today.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Kriesel announced that Washington County was named a 2010 Achievement Award winner by the National Association of Counties for its Yellow Ribbon Network Program. He also met yesterday with a new chapter of Let's Go Fishing that is starting in the Stillwater Area. They will be christening their new pontoon on Wednesday, June 16th at noon at the Beach House Marina in Bayport. The Beach House Marina is located at 1 Lake Circle, Bayport. Let's Go Fishing is a non-profit organization that goes all the way from the Canadian border down to Fairmount, Minnesota. They provide fishing opportunities to seniors at no cost. They will also provide those opportunities to families of deployed military members.

Commissioner Kriesel announced that he and Public Works Director Don Theisen will be going to Washington D.C. to meet with legislators to talk about transportation issues.

Commissioners Peterson reported she had lunch last week with Teresa VanderBent to discuss housing and the Three Rivers Land Trust.

Commissioner Weik attended the Metro Energy Policy Coalition last week. One of the topics was Understanding Property Assessed Clean Energy Financing. She felt this would be a good workshop topic for the county.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

The Board recessed into Executive Session at 9:41 a.m. to discuss possible purchase of the Parks and Trails Council parcel for inclusion into the Grey Cloud Island Regional Park. Present for the Executive Session were Commissioners Kriesel, Pulkrabek, Peterson, and Weik. Also present were Molly O'Rourke, Jane Harper, Doug Johnson, Rick Hodsdon, Don Theisen, John Elholm, Sharon Price, and Patricia Raddatz.

The County Board reconvened at 10:03 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Kriesel moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

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BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to review county efforts to improve efficiency, effectiveness and responsiveness. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Kriesel, Pulkrabek, Peterson, and Weik. Also present were Molly O'Rourke, Dan Papin, Don Theisen, Vicki DeFord, Tom Adkins, Harley Will, Kevin Corbid, Mjyke Nelson, Lowell Johnson, Yvonne Klinnert, Jim Anderson, Star Tribune, Scott Wentz, Woodbury Bulletin.

Bill Pulkrabek, Chair
County Board

Attest:

Molly F. O'Rourke
Deputy Administrator