

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 18, 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 Pulkrabek, Peterson, Weik, and Kriesel. Commissioner Hegberg absent. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney; Patricia Conley, Library Director; Larry Timmerman, Senior Planner; Lowell Johnson, Director of Public Health and Environment; Chief Deputy Sheriff Mike Johnson; Kevin Corbid, Director of Property Records and Taxpayer Services; Tom Adkins, Community Corrections Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Harley Will, Accounting and Finance Director; Don Theisen, Public Works Director; Ted Schoenecker, Transportation Manager; Mjyke Nelson, Information Technology Director; and Yvonne Klinnert, 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 Weik moved, seconded by Commission Kriesel, to adopt the following Consent Calendar:

1. Approval of county comments on the City of St. Paul Park's proposed modification to the Tax Increment Financing Plan for Development District No. 1, the Scattered Site Redevelopment Tax Increment Financing District, also known as County Identifier #8.
2. Approval to accept a \$50 donation to the Sentence-to-Service program from Myrtle Vollmer.
3. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2009-083** as follows:

2009 Title II Grant Amendment

WHEREAS, Washington County Community Corrections has a high number of juveniles on probation from culturally-diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, Washington County Community Corrections has a significant number of juveniles on probation for assaultive offenses; and

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WHEREAS, Washington County Community Corrections has been awarded a Title II Grant for the third year to continue implementation of two evidence-based interventions for high-risk juveniles on probation; and

WHEREAS, an additional \$5,282 is available under this Title II grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLED, that the Community Corrections Director is authorized to execute such agreements and amendments, as are necessary to implement the Title II Grant from January 1, 2009, until December 31, 2009 for the new amount of \$65,052.58

4. Approval of Amendment #2 to contracts for services between Washington County Library and the Stillwater Library and between Washington County Library and the Bayport Library to extend the contracts from July 12, 2009 to December 31, 2010.
5. Approval of temporary on-sale liquor license for the St. Croix Preparatory Academy on November 13, 2009.
6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2009-084** as follows:

Lawful Gambling Exemption for the
St. Croix Preparatory Academy in Baytown Township

WHEREAS, the St. Croix Preparatory Academy has made application to the Gambling Control Board for the exemption from certain requirements contained in M.S. 349.166 sub 2 in order to conduct a raffle in the Academy gym, 4260 Stagecoach Trail, Stillwater (Baytown Township), the event will take place on November 13, 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners does not oppose issuance of exemption consistent with the application.

7. Approval to set a public hearing date for the Washington County Development Code, Chapter Four, Subsurface Sewage Treatment Regulations for September 8, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.
8. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2009-085** as follows:

House Lease with John J. Hummel at
15330 Afton Hills Court South, Afton

WHEREAS, the County of Washington and John J. Hummel propose to enter into a house lease agreement at 15330 Afton Hills South, Afton MN 55001 from August 1, 2009 to August 31, 2011; and

WHEREAS, John J. Hummel has approved and signed said lease; and

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NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the lease between the County of Washington and John J. Hummel be executed through the signatures of the Chairman of the Washington County Board of Commissioners and Washington County Administrator, without further action of the County Board conditioned upon compliance with all lease specifications, requirements, and approval as to form by the Washington County Attorney's office.

9. Approval of Change Order #16 with People's Electric, in the amount of \$57,210.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Lowell Johnson, Director of Public Health and Environment, advised the Board that the Washington County 4-H Federation, a volunteer led organization, has made a commitment to fund one full-time 4-H Program Coordinator and a .5 FTE Program Support position for the period of September 15, 2009 through December 31, 2009. He is asking that the County Board rescind the termination of the prior Agreement and enter into a new agreement through December 31, 2009.

Commissioner Kriesel moved to authorize staff to send a letter to the University of Minnesota Extension rescinding termination of the prior Agreement for 4-H Youth Development programs and entering into a new agreement replacing the old which would extend the agreement through December 31, 2009. Commissioner Weik seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

LIBRARY

Commissioner Kriesel moved to accept the Washington County Library's Strategic 2030 Facility Plan as recommended by the Washington County Library Board. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on the Association of Minnesota Counties Leadership Conference and the AMC Board of Directors meeting he attended last week. Items discussed were: AMC budget for 2010 is \$2 million, 50% of their budget comes from dues counties pay, and they are expecting a 10% increase in health insurance for their 20 employees; they reaffirmed the dues formula and voted for no dues increase for 2010; the redesign project was discussed; and they voted to renew the Tunheim consulting contract.

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Commissioner Peterson thanked Commissioner Pulkrabek for attending the AMC Board of Director's meeting.

Commissioner Kriesel reported on the I-94 Corridor Commission meeting. They discussed who should be the fiscal agent and that was tabled. They also approved Baytown Township's request to participate on the I-94 Corridor Commission. He attended the Veteran's Memorial fund raising cruise last evening. Tomorrow he will be attending the Counties Transit Investment Board and the Transportation Advisory Board.

Commissioner Weik reported that the I-94 Corridor Commission also discussed recruiting additional entities and organizations to join the group. She thought a couple of groups to include would be Minnesota Parks and Trails, the 3M Company, and Metro State University. She would also like to see an invitation extended to various cycling groups. Last week she toured East Ridge High School in Woodbury. The City of Woodbury Administrator brought up an issue with the snowmobile trails that run along Bailey Road close to the high school, and he asked her if the county would look into that. This afternoon she will tour the parcel in the northeast corner of Woodbury that the county is considering contributing Land and Water Legacy Matching Grant program funds for the city to purchase. She filmed County Insight last week on how the Housing and Redevelopment Authority can help people stay in their homes during these extreme economic times. They will have a segment on the P.L.A.C.E. Program. They also had the county health inspectors on-site in a restaurant in Cottage Grove that showed what they do during an inspection. Last week she was introduced to the Wakota CARE (Community Awareness and Emergency Response) Group.

Commissioner Peterson reported on a rail policy meeting she attended last Friday. An issue being brought forward in the State Rail Plan is that the company hired is not using the same data in evaluating the corridors. There is a concern that there is a lack of continuity in the data they were using to evaluating all the corridors. The Metropolitan Emergency Services Board met and discussed the importance of GIS and the importance of having a good data source. She has asked staff to have a short workshop for an update on where and how the GIS is being used. She attended the Hastings City Council meeting to discuss the Red Rock Corridor. Red Rock Corridor had requested \$500,000 to develop an existing rail site for a Park-n-Ride. With upcoming bridge projects in this area during the next few years this will be needed. The High Speed Rail Coalition will meet in Winona this afternoon with Senator Al Franken.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Kriesel moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC WORKS

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Works to review the Counties Transit Improvement Board agenda for August 19. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Pulkrabek, Peterson, Weik, and Kriesel. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Don Theisen, and Ted Schoenecker.

Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator

