

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
JUNE 22, 2010

WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY CONVENES

The Washington County Regional Railroad Authority met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Kriesel, Peterson, and Weik. Commissioner Pulkrabek absent. RRA Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Linda Krafthefer, Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Theisen, Public Works Director; Wayne Sandberg, Deputy Public Works Director; Ted Schoenecker, Transportation Manager; Greg Wood, Facilities Manager; Lowell Johnson, Director of Public Health and Environment; Kevin Corbid, Director of Property Records and Taxpayer Services; Jennifer Wagenius, Property Records and Taxpayer Services Division Manager; Mjyke Nelson, Information Technology Director; Harley Will, Accounting and Finance Director; Tom Adkins, Community Corrections Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Mike Johnson, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Amanda Hollis, Management Analyst I; and Yvonne Klinnert, Public Information Coordinator II. Official Proceedings of the Regional Railroad Authority are available in the Office of Administration.

The Board recited the Pledge of allegiance.

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENES

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:06 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Kriesel, Peterson, and Weik. Commissioner Pulkrabek absent. Board Vice Chair Kriesel presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Linda Krafthefer, Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Theisen, Public Works Director; Wayne Sandberg, Deputy Public Works Director; Ted Schoenecker, Transportation Manager; Greg Wood, Facilities Manager; Lowell Johnson, Director of Public Health and Environment; Kevin Corbid, Director of Property Records and Taxpayer Services; Jennifer Wagenius, Property Records and Taxpayer Services Division Manager; Mjyke Nelson, Information Technology Director; Harley Will, Accounting and Finance Director; Tom Adkins, Community Corrections Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Mike Johnson, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Amanda Hollis, Management Analyst I; and Yvonne Klinnert, Public Information Coordinator II.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval to execute a release of liability of the Minnesota Agricultural Society from any and all liability for damages, loss, or injury as a result of using the Minnesota State Fairgrounds for training purposes.
2. Approval of two funding agreements with Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority: 1) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Agreement to use \$304,347 in 2009 CDBG funds; and 2) HOME Agreement to use \$200,012 in 2008 HOME funds. Both funding sources will be used to assist in the acquisition of land and construction of a 70-unit senior apartment project known as TrailSide Senior Living Apartments.
3. Approval and signature of the Third Amendment to Grant Agreement with Minnesota Housing Finance Agency dated April 10, 2010 de-obligating Neighborhood Stabilization Program funds; and approval and signature of Amendment One to contract with Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority regarding de-obligation of Neighborhood Stabilization Program funds.
4. Approval of a cooperative agreement with Hennepin County for the provision of non-emergency medical transportation services for eligible Medical Assistance and Minnesota Care recipients.
5. Approval of Amendment #15 to contract with the Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation of the Twin Cities to continue the existing contract for the Washington County owner-occupied rehabilitation program and amend three program policy guidelines.
6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2010-092** as follows:

Resolution for Continuing Participation in the HOME Consortium with
Anoka County, Dakota County, Ramsey County, and the Cities of
Coon Rapids and Woodbury

WHEREAS, Title I of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (the Act) affirms the national goal that every American family be able to afford a decent home in a suitable environment; and

WHEREAS, Title II of the Act provides for formula allocation of funds among eligible state and local governments; and

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WHEREAS, Section 216 (2) of the Act provides for formation of consortia of units of general local government for the purposes of the Act; and

WHEREAS, Anoka County, Dakota County, Ramsey County, Washington County, and the Cities of Coon Rapids and Woodbury are jointly contiguous units of general local government and each have sufficient authority and administrative capability to carry out the purposes of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned counties agreed in the Spring of 2004 to a HOME Consortium agreement that renews every three years; and

WHEREAS, continued participation in the HOME Consortium will enable Washington County to receive Home Investment Partnership Program funding to meet the affordable housing needs of low-income residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approves Washington County Community Services continued participation in the HOME consortia through a Joint Powers Agreement with Anoka County, Dakota County, Ramsey County, Washington County, and the Cities of Coon Rapids and Woodbury for the 2011, 2012, and 2013 program years.

7. Approval of tax abatement on parcel #34.029.21.33.0004 located at 9220 Hudson Boulevard in the City of Lake Elmo, in the amount of \$13,898.
8. Approval for the County Board Chair and the County Administrator to sign a revised Drinking Water Protection delegation agreement with the Minnesota Department of Health.
9. Approval of an authorization for the County Board Chair and County Administrator to sign an agreement for administration of the Minnesota Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC Program).
10. Approval of amendment to Cooperative Agreement with Inver Grove Heights for funding of Bridge 5600 demolition to add demolition of pier 9.
11. Approval of Change Order #1 to contract with Paul's Architectural Woodcraft Company in the amount of \$14,475 as part of the 2025 Government Center Campus Improvements Project.
12. Approval of Change Order #4 to contract with W. Zintl, Inc. in the amount of \$1,518 as part of the 2025 Government Center Campus Improvements Project.
13. Approval of Change Order #4 to contract with Prestige Builders of Minnesota, LLC in the amount of \$7,402 as part of the 2025 Government Center Campus Improvements Project.

14. Approval of Change Order #4 to contract with Parsons Electric, LLC in the amount of \$39,074.95 as part of the 2025 Government Center Campus Improvements Project.

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

PUBLIC WORKS

Removal of County State Aid Designation from County State Aid Highway 1

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2010-093** as follows:

Resolution Approving the Revocation of County State Aid Designation
of County State Aid Highway 1 (Lofton Avenue), Between Trunk
Highway 97 and the Chisago County Line

WHEREAS, County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 1 (Lofton Avenue) between Trunk Highway (TH) 97 and the north county line, is located in Washington County and the City of Scandia; and

WHEREAS, in conformance with the county's Comprehensive Plan and in conjunction with improvements to the transportation infrastructure in Chisago County, CSAH 1 will no longer serve as the primary inter-county regional route; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with Chisago County, County State Aid Designation will be placed onto County Road 15A, creating a County State Aid corridor connecting TH 36 to US TH 8.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Washington County Board of Commissioners that CSAH 1 as described, be, and hereby is, revoked as a County State Aid Highway of Washington County subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of Minnesota.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the roadway will be renumbered and henceforth be referred to as County Road 91.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Engineer is hereby authorized and directed to forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Commissioner of Transportation for his consideration.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Hegberg, Peterson, Weik, and Kriesel; Nays, none; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

Establish County State Aid Designation to CR 15A in the City of Scandia

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2010-094** as follows:

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Resolution Establishing County State Aid Highway 15 (Manning Avenue), Between Trunk Highway 95 and the Chisago County Line

WHEREAS, County Road (CR) 15A between Trunk Highway (TH) 97 and the north county line, is located in Washington County and the City of Scandia; and

WHEREAS, in conformance with the county's Comprehensive Plan and in conjunction with the improvements to the transportation infrastructure in Chisago County, CR 15A will serve as the primary inter-county regional north south route connecting TH 36 to US TH 8; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Washington County Board of Commissioners that CR 15A, as described, be established as a County State Aid Highway and be placed onto Washington County's State Aid Highway System, subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of Minnesota.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the roadway will be renumbered and henceforth be referred to as County State Aid Highway 15.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Engineer is hereby authorized and directed to forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Commissioner of Transportation for his consideration.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Hegberg, Peterson, Weik, and Kriesel; Nays, none; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

PROPERTY RECORDS AND TAXPAYER SERVICES

Commissioner Hegberg moved to set a public hearing for July 13, 2010 to consider setting fees under M.S. 373.4 for services provided by the county office of Examiner of Titles. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

PUBLIC HEARING – HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Consider TrailSide Senior Housing Tax Increment Financing Amendment

The Board Vice Chair presented an overview of today's public hearing to consider the request from the Housing and Redevelopment Authority that the County Board approve a resolution that would amend the TrailSide Senior Housing Tax Increment Financing (TIF) as follows: Modify the redevelopment plan for redevelopment project no. 2; Modify the tax increment financing plan for TIF district no. 2-1; and Create tax increment financing district no. 2-2 and adopt a TIF plan. The Board Secretary indicated that the notice of public hearing was published and a copy of the affidavit of publication is on file.

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Barbara Dacy, Housing and Redevelopment Authority Executive Director, briefly described the proposed amendment to the redevelopment project area and the creation of a housing Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District for the TrailSide Senior Living project in Forest Lake. In addition to the TrailSide Senior Living project, which will provide affordable housing for seniors, they are hoping that there will be a private sector assisted living and memory care development in the near future. That would make this entire area a full service senior campus in Forest Lake and it is across the street from the Hardwood Creek Library. The intent of the request is to use the tax increment from the future private sector development to help pay for the principal and interest payments or the debt service on the bonds that will finance TrailSide. This proposal was approved in 2008, but the lot lines in the map that was in the redevelopment plan and the TIF plan for the private sector have changed. They are suggesting that the amendment be completed to just show what the existing lot lines are. The same parcels are proposed in this amendment, there are no additional parcels or subtractions.

Ms. Dacy noted that 2014 will be the first year that increment will be collected. That means that the district will terminate in 2039 and this works out well because it runs the term of the bonds that were issued on June 15. The tax increment will be used to pay for the debt service which does two things: it helps to keep the rents affordable; and it may help hold down the requests of the annual Housing and Redevelopment Authority special levy that it requests of the County Board on an annual basis.

Ms. Dacy noted that the Forest Lake City Council approved a resolution to authorize this project on May 24, 2010; and, the Housing and Redevelopment Authority approved a resolution for the Tax Increment Financing District on June 15, 2010.

The Board Vice Chair asked for comments from the audience; none were heard. The Board secretary indicated that she had received all documentary evidence.

The Board Vice Chair closed the public hearing at 9:32 a.m.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2010-095** as follows:

A Resolution Modifying the Redevelopment Plan for Redevelopment
Project No. 2, the Tax Increment Financing Plan for
Tax Increment Financing District No. 2-1,
Creating Tax Increment Financing District No. 2-2
and Adopting a Tax Increment Financing Plan Relating Thereto.

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") of the County of Washington, Minnesota (the "County"), as follows:

Section 1. Recitals.

1.01. It has been proposed and approved by the Housing and Redevelopment Authority in and for the County of Washington (the "Authority") that the Board approve the modifications to the Redevelopment Plan for Redevelopment Project No. 2 (the "Project

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Area”) to reflect increased geographic area, increased project costs and increased bonding authority, pursuant to and in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.001 to 469.047 and Laws of Minnesota 1974 chapter 475, inclusive, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

1.02. It has been proposed and approved by the Authority that the Board approve the modifications to the Tax Increment Financing Plan (the “Existing Plan”) for Tax Increment Financing District No. 2-1 (the “Existing District”) to reflect increased geographic area, increased project costs and increased bonding authority within the Project Area, pursuant to and in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.174 to 469.1799, 469.001 to 469.047 and Laws of Minnesota 1974 chapter 475, inclusive, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

1.03. It has been further proposed and approved by the Authority that the Board approve the creation of Tax Increment Financing District No. 2-2 (the “Proposed District”) within the Project Area and approve and adopt a Tax Increment Financing Plan (the “Proposed Plan”) relating thereto pursuant to and in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.174 to 469.1799, 469.001 to 469.047 and Laws of Minnesota 1974 chapter 475, inclusive, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

1.04. The Authority has caused to be prepared, and this Board has investigated the facts with respect thereto, a modified Redevelopment Plan for the Project Area, a modified Existing Plan for the Existing District and a Proposed Plan for the Proposed District, defining more precisely the property to be included, the public costs to be incurred and other matters relating thereto.

1.05. The Authority and the Board have performed all actions required by law to be performed prior to the approval and adoption of the modified Redevelopment Plan, modified Existing Plan and Proposed Plan.

1.06. The Board hereby determines that it is necessary and in the best interests of the County and the Authority at this time to approve and adopt the modified Redevelopment Plan for the Project Area, the modified Existing Plan for the Existing District, to create the Proposed District and to approve and adopt the Proposed Plan relating thereto.

Section 2. General Findings.

2.01. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the assistance to be provided through the adoption and implementation of the modified Redevelopment Plan, modified Existing Plan and Proposed Plan (collectively the “Plans”) are necessary to assure the development and redevelopment of the Project Area.

2.02. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the Plans conform to the general plan for the development and redevelopment of the County as a whole in that they are consistent with the County 's comprehensive plan.

2.03. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the Plans afford maximum opportunity consistent with the sound needs of the County as a whole for the development and redevelopment of the Project Area by private enterprise.

2.04. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the modification, approval and adoption of the Plans is intended and, in the judgment of this Board, its effect will be to promote the purposes and objectives specified in this Section 2 and otherwise promote certain public purposes and accomplish certain objectives as specified in the Plans.

2.05. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the County made the above findings stated in this Section 2 and has set forth the reasons and supporting facts for each determination in the Plans and Exhibit A to this Resolution.

Section 3. Specific Findings for the Proposed District.

3.01. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the Proposed District constitutes a “tax increment financing district” as defined in Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.174, Subd. 9. The Proposed District also constitutes a “housing district” as defined in Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.174, Subd. 11.

3.02. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the proposed development or redevelopment in the Proposed District, in the opinion of this Board, would not reasonably be expected to occur solely through private investment within the reasonably foreseeable future and, therefore, the use of tax increment financing is deemed necessary.

3.03. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the Forest Lake Economic Development Authority has determined that there is a need for the Authority to proceed with the redevelopment of the TrailSide Senior Living housing project and has forwarded its recommendation to the City Council (the “Council”) of the City of Forest Lake (the “City”).

3.04. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the Council of the City has conducted a public hearing on the need for a senior apartment affordable housing project and the Council has authorized the Authority to proceed with said project.

3.05. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the expenditure of tax increment within the Proposed District primarily serves a public purpose.

3.06. The Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the County made the above findings stated in this Section 2 and has set forth the reasons and supporting facts for each determination in the Plans and Exhibit B to this Resolution.

Section 4. Approvals and Adoptions.

4.01. The modifications to the Redevelopment reflecting increased geographic area, increased project costs and increased bonding authority within the Project Area are hereby approved by the Board of the County.

4.02. The modifications to the Existing Proposed Plan reflecting increased geographic area, increased project costs and increased bonding authority within the Project Area are hereby approved by the Board of the County.

4.03. The creation of the Proposed District within the Project Area and the adoption of the Proposed Plan relating thereto are hereby approved by the Board of the County.

Section 5. Filing of Plans.

5.01. Upon approval and adoption of the Plans, the Board shall request the Authority to cause said Plans to be filed with Washington County, the Minnesota Department of Revenue and the Office of the State Auditor.

5.02. The County Auditor is requested to certify the original net tax capacity and the original local tax rate of the Proposed District, as described in the TIF Plan, and to certify in each year thereafter the amount by which the original net tax capacity of the Proposed District has increased or decreased. The Authority is authorized and directed to forthwith transmit this request to the County Auditor in such form and content as the

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County Auditor may specify, together with a list of all properties within the Proposed District for which building permits have been issued during the 18 months immediately preceding the adoption of this resolution.

EXHIBIT A – GENERAL FINDINGS

The reasons and facts supporting the findings for the Plans for the Project Area, Existing District and Proposed District pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.175, Subdivision 3, are as follows:

1. Finding that the assistance to be provided through the adoption and implementation of the Plans is necessary to assure the development and redevelopment of the Project Area.

The tax increment assistance resulting from the implementation of the Plans is necessary for the proposed project to proceed. Please refer to Exhibit III-D of the Proposed Plan.

2. Finding that the Plans conform to the general plan for the development of the City as a whole in that they are consistent with the County's comprehensive plan.

The City of Forest Lake and the Forest Lake Economic Development Authority have both approved the development plans for the housing project and through the adoption of their respective resolutions on May 24, 2010 have found the Plans to be consistent with the City's comprehensive plan. In addition, the County's Planning Advisory Commission adopted a resolution on May 25, 2010 determining that the modifications to the County's Redevelopment Plan, including modification of the Existing District and creation of the Proposed District, are consistent with the County's comprehensive plan. Further, the Board has reviewed the Plans and has also determined that they are consistent with the County's comprehensive plan.

3. Finding that the Plans afford maximum opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the County as a whole, for the development and redevelopment of the Project Area by private enterprise.

Please refer to the attached Exhibit B for specific information relating to the Proposed District.

4. Finding that the approval and adoption of the Plans is intended and, in the judgment of the Board, its effect will be to promote the public purposes and accomplish the objectives specified in the Plans.

The tax increment that will be generated due to the approval and adoption of the Plans will assist in financing the public improvements and eligible expenses as detailed in the Plans.

EXHIBIT B – SPECIFIC FINDINGS FOR PROPOSED DISTRICT

1. Finding that the Proposed TIF District is a "housing district" as defined in Minnesota Statutes.

The Proposed District will consist of 246 units of senior housing. As required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.174, Subdivision 11, at least 70 of these units will be available for households with incomes less than 60% of the area median income ("AMI"). Of the 70 affordable units, 14 will be available to households at 30% AMI, 42 units at 50% AMI and the remaining 14 units at 60% AMI.

Further, the Proposed District meets the following:

(a) income limitations required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.1761, subdivision 1(a)(1),

(b) square footage limitations for non residential uses required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.1761, subdivision 1(a)(2),

(c) income requirements for qualified residential rental projects under section 142(d) of the Internal Revenue Code and required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.1761, subdivision 3. This subdivision 3 requires that a housing tax increment district composed of residential rental property must satisfy the income requirements initially and prospectively, that is, for the district's duration.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.1761, subdivision 4, failure of the Proposed District to comply with the above requirements is subject Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.1771 (violations).

2. Finding that the proposed development or redevelopment, in the opinion of the Board, would not occur solely through private investment within the reasonably foreseeable future and, therefore, the use of tax increment financing is deemed necessary.

Redevelopment activities within the Proposed District include construction of approximately 70 units of affordable senior rental housing and 176 units of market rate rental housing commencing in 2010 and concluding in 2013.

County staff has reviewed the estimated redevelopment costs and the available methods of financing and has determined that tax increment assistance is necessary to make the redevelopment project economically feasible and to allow the project to proceed at this time.

3. Finding that expenditure of tax increment serves a primarily public purpose.

The expenditure of tax increment is not intended as a private benefit and any such benefit is incidental. Public benefits resulting from the proposed project include (i) an increase in the State, County and City tax bases of over \$22,000,000; the creation of 70 units of affordable senior rental housing; and (iii) the development of property which is not now in its highest or best use.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Hegberg, Peterson, Weik, and Kriesel; Nays, none; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Amanda Hollis, Management Analyst I, presented an overview of the 2009 Annual Performance Measures and Indicators Report as well as the countywide performance measurement and improvement efforts.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Weik reported she attended the Woodbury Lions Annual Officer Installation dinner. She attended the Woodbury Yellow Ribbon meeting recently. There was a presentation on the Washington

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County Community Circles process which helps families in crisis and how it can help members of the military. She attended the Public Health and Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee meeting. They discussed the Medical Reserve Corps Program which is contracted through Community Thread to manage the program. She attended the Counties Transit Improvement Board meeting which adopted the 2010 grants participation process for grants that will be payable in 2011. They also provided a detailed calendar for the remainder of the year. She also attended the Association of Minnesota Counties District 10 meeting. There was a presentation of the Itasca Project which is a group of CEO's in the Twin Cities area restoring job growth in the Minneapolis-St. Paul region. There was also a very brief update and discussion on the redesign project and comprehensive plan. They have reviewed the eight initiatives they want to look at and staff is now going to begin to spearhead efforts to advance each initiative so these items would be available for the new Governor and legislature.

The Commissioners indicated they would be interested on serving on the following initiatives: Examination of County Revenue Diversification, Commissioner Dennis C. Hegberg; Redesign of Statewide Law Enforcement, Commissioner Gary Kriesel; and Refinement/Reorganization of Waters Governance, Commissioner Myra Peterson.

Commissioner Peterson noted that Cottage Grove held its Strawberry Fest this past weekend. She thanked all of the volunteers and the Lions Club. The Lions Clubs have a significant charitable impact on our communities. She suggested sending a thank you to all of the county Lions Clubs, because in every community they do a significant amount of work. She spent over an hour on the phone with Denny McGrann, the federal lobbyist, discussing the High Speed Rail. He indicated that Olmsted County is now supporting the river route. She also received in the mail a notice regarding a public hearing to amend the Chisago County Land Water Management Plan. She would like to talk to staff to see how that works in with Washington County's Water Management Plan.

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the Counties Transit Improvement Board meeting. They are still up in the air on the bonding, somewhere between November and January. He was somewhat disappointed that there was no relief on cash flow, so they will have to cash flow a little more on the Central Corridor. He attended the Transportation Advisory Board where they are changing the by-laws to address alternates to the Board and voting rights. There were changes in the road project priorities because of congressional priorities to maximize the federal monies that might be coming this way. He also attended an event for Chip Robinson, City of Forest Lake Administrator, who is retiring at the end of the month. He asked that the Board proclaim a "Chip Robinson Day" in honor of his many years of service to Forest Lake Township and the City of Forest Lake.

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 Weik moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to review map products for the Land and Water Legacy Program Conservation Plan. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Kriesel, Peterson, and Weik. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Jane Harper, Larry Timmerman, Mjyke Nelson, Paul Hershfield, Kevin Giles, Star Tribune, Scott Wentz, Woodbury Bulletin, Jennie Olson, Stillwater Gazette, Marybeth Block, Department of Natural Resources, Amy Carolan, Washington Conservation District, Jessica Thiel, Washington Conservation District, Jay Riggs, Washington Conservation District, John Elholm, Yvonne Klinnert, and Mary Hauser, resident of Birchwood.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration for a demonstration of the new electronic board action form and process. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Kriesel, Peterson, and Weik. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Larry Timmerman, Mjyke Nelson, Paul Hershfield, and Yvonne Klinnert.

BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION

The County Board convened as the Board of Appeal and Equalization at 12:30 p.m.

Gary Kriesel, Vice Chair
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator