

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 19, 2008

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, Hegberg, Stafford, and Kriesel. Absent none. Board Chair Hegberg presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Kevin Corbid, Director of Property Records and Taxpayer Services; Harley Will, Accounting and Finance Director; Kathy Trombly-Ferrin, Accounting and Finance Supervisor; Tom Westling, Accounting and Finance, Principal Accountant; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Don Theisen, Public Works Director; Ted Schoenecker, Transportation Manager; John Elholm, Parks Director; Mike Polehna, Parks Manager; Keith Potter, Facilities Manager; Nancy Brase, Administrative Services Manager; Melinda Kirk, Budget/Financial Analyst; Amanda Hollis, Management Analyst I; Lowell Johnson, Director of Public Health and Environment; Amanda Strommer, Program Manager; Mjyke Nelson, Information Services Director; Tom Adkins, Community Corrections Director; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of contract with John Kaul, d.b.a., Capitol Gains, for legislative liaison services.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2008-102** as follows:

Resolution of Congratulations
 Baytown Township, Minnesota
 on its Sesquicentennial Celebration

WHEREAS, Baytown Township was founded in May 1858 and is celebrating its sesquicentennial during the same year that Minnesota gained statehood and became the 32nd state in the United States of America; and

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WHEREAS, Baytown Township's citizens have consistently demonstrated their civic pride, held on to their independence, preserved their rural character, planned for the future, and offered a strong willingness to undertake action by citizen volunteers to accomplish projects for the betterment of the township; and

WHEREAS, Township officials invited citizens and friends to attend a fun-filled celebration organized by the Baytown Neighbors community group with many activities on Sunday, August 17, 2008, at the Baytown Community Center to observe the township's 150 years as a community in Washington County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners recognizes the exceptional community-based qualities of the local government and citizens of Baytown Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby congratulates the Baytown Township Board of Supervisors, township staff, and citizens on the celebration of the sesquicentennial of Baytown Township during 2008.

3. Approval to accept grant funds from the Department of Human Services to assist in operating the Washington County Child Protection Citizen Review Panel.
4. Approval of a recycling grant agreement with the City of Cottage Grove for distribution of curbside recycling funds, and authorize the Board Chair and County Administrator to execute the contract.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Harley Will, Accounting and Finance Director, presented the 2007 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Comments on 3M Woodbury Disposal Site Proposed Cleanup Plan for PFC's

Amanda Strommer, Program Manager, reviewed comments to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency regarding the 3M Woodbury Disposal Site Proposed Cleanup Plan for Perfluorochemicals.

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the comments to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) regarding the 3M Woodbury Disposal Site proposed cleanup plan for perfluorochemicals and authorized the Board Chair to sign a letter including those comments to the MPCA. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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Right of Entry Agreement with 3M Company

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2008-103** as follows:

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WHEREAS, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency has requested 3M Company conduct groundwater testing from the Jordan aquifer in the Whistling Valley area of Lake Elmo for perfluorochemicals testing; and

WHEREAS, 3M has proposed to install the monitoring well in the Lake Elmo Park Reserve; and

WHEREAS, 3M has met with Parks Staff and determined a mutually agreeable location in the park to meet the MPCA request; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Right of Entry Agreement between the county and 3M Company 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 agreement conditions and approval as to form by the Washington County Attorney's office.

Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Metro Conservation Corridors Program Funds for Land Protection Activities**

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2008-104** authorizing the county to be included in the Metro Conservation Corridors Program application to the Legislative Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources for land protection projects and, if appropriate, to submit to the Legislative Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources, a separate request for matching funds for the county's Land and Water Legacy Program Projects.

Resolution No. 2008-104

Application to Legislative Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources
for Grant Funds to Use as Matching Funds to Acquire Interests in
Property through the Washington County Land and Water Legacy Program

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2007, the County Board authorized staff to begin valuations and negotiations on the Land and Water Legacy Program projects, and to search for opportunities to leverage the county funds through outside funding sources; and

WHEREAS, the Land and Water Legacy Program projects meet the criteria of the Metro Conservation Corridors partnership, including being high quality habitat located within the Metro Conservation Corridors, high priority areas for public and private protection efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources has asked Metro Conservation Corridors partnership to submit a proposal for its consideration for funding in 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Washington County supports the grant request of the Metro Conservation Corridors that includes matching funds for Washington County to purchase conservation easements on high priority lands along the St. Croix River through the Washington County Land and Water Legacy Program.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Performance Measurement Indicator Report

Amanda Hollis, Management Analyst I, presented an overview of the 2007 Annual Performance Measurement Report. The report this year is broken out by county goals rather than departments. They believe this report will be more user friendly for citizens and policy makers. Also, they feel that it will help the organization focus on performance measurement as an organization instead of just by department. The county's goals were reviewed and consolidated from 11 to 4 goals. The updated county goals are: To promote the health, safety, and quality of life of citizens; to provide accessible, high-quality services in a timely and respectful manner; to address today's needs while proactively planning for the future; and to maintain public trust through responsible use of public resources, accountability, and openness of government.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Peterson reported on the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) programming committee meeting she attended last week. They discussed the 2030 Transit Plan which has a lack of projects in the east metro and very little mention of high speed rail. She believes it should be this Board's mission to raise the importance of the I-94 corridor and the amount of freight that moves along that corridor, the growth of the corridor, and the need to examine and develop transit opportunities for the I-94 corridor. She stated at the Programming Committee that the Metropolitan Council should not only be an advocate for its inter-community development, but it should be more involved in promoting our region and its connectivity to other regions such as the high speed rail, the Midwest Rail Compact, and our relationship to Chicago, St. Louis and the other members of the compact. This Board should develop strong resolutions and send them off to Metropolitan Council for their 2030 plan, as well as the Minnesota Department of Transportation's 2030 plan.

Commissioner Kriesel reported that he attended the Veteran's cruise last evening sponsored by the St. Croix Boats and Packets Company. On Sunday he attended the Baytown Township Sesquicentennial celebration.

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Commissioner Stafford reported that this Friday, Saturday and Sunday are Woodbury Days and will be held in Ojibway Park.

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 10:26 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the proposed 2009 Budget with the following departments: Public Works, Library, Internal Services (Accounting and Finance, Administration, Human Resources, and Information Technology), and the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Peterson, Pulkrabek, Hegberg, Stafford, and Kriesel. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Melinda Kirk, Don Theisen, John Elholm, Pat Conley, Kay McAloney, Harley Will, Mjyke Nelson, and Barbara Dacy.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC WORKS

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Works for an update and review of the upcoming Counties Transit Improvement Board meeting to be held on August 20, 2008. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Peterson, Hegberg, Stafford, and Kriesel. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Don Theisen, Ted Schoenecker, Mike Rogers, and Harley Will.

Dennis C. Hegberg, Chair
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator

