

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
MARCH 18, 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 Pulkrabek, Peterson, Stafford, and Kriesel. Commissioner Hegberg absent. Board Vice Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney; Susan Harris, First Assistant County Attorney; Don Theisen, Public Works Director; John Elholm, Parks Director; Mike Rogers, Associate Planner; Mjyke Nelson, Information Technology Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Lowell Johnson, Director of Public Health and Environment; Harley Will, Financial Services Director; Sheriff Bill Hutton; Kevin Corbid, Director of Property Records and Taxpayer Services; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval to appoint Stanley Karwoski, Oakdale, to the Parks and Open Space Commission to a first term expiring December 31, 2010.
2. Approval of Amendment Number Eight with East Suburban Resources to extend the term of the contract through December 31, 2008 to deliver group training and other services intended to equip clients with tools for effective job search behaviors.
3. Approval of Amendment Number One with East Suburban Resources to provide job skills training, job development and placement, and supported employment services for people enrolled in the Diversionary Work Program and the Minnesota Family Investment Program.
4. Approval to amend the county fee schedule to include a \$9.00 fee for flash drives to store files created on personal computers in the Library.
5. Approval to renew contract with Vanguard Appraisals, Inc. for computer aided mass appraisal system and assessor web site.

- 6. Approval to renew on sale and Sunday liquor license for Afton Alps, Inc. for April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009.
- 7. Approval to renew on sale and Sunday liquor license for Stoneridge Golf Club, April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009.
- 8. Approval to renew on sale and Sunday 3.2 malt liquor license and consumption and display permits for the Veteran’s Rest Camp, April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009.
- 9. Approval to renew on sale and Sunday liquor license for the Point, Inc., April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009.
- 10. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2008-036** as follows:

Lawful Gambling Exemption Resolution for the
Missi-Croix Ruffed Grouse Society

WHEREAS, the Missi-Croix Ruffed Grouse Society 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 at The Point, 12378 Point Douglas Dr., Hastings (Denmark Township), 55033 to take place on April 1, 2008.

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

- 11. Bids were received for landscape services as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Bid</u>
Green Street	\$49,531
The Brickman Group, LTD, LLC	\$76,140
Valley Creek Companies, Inc.	\$70,066

Adoption of **Resolution No. 2008-037** as follows:

Bid Award for Landscape Maintenance Services to
The Brickman Group, LTD, LLC

WHEREAS, in order to maintain a highly attractive appearance to all county owned landscaped areas, the county solicited bids for this service; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on February 26, 2008, with The Brickman Group, LTD, LLC, a qualified and responsible contractor, providing the best contract value.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of The Brickman Group, LTD, LLC be accepted and the county enter into a contract with The Brickman Group, LTD, LLC for landscape maintenance services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the county and The Brickman Group, LTD, LLC 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.

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

PROPERTY RECORDS AND TAXPAYER SERVICES

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to renew an on sale and Sunday liquor license for Withrow Ballroom, April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009. Commissioner Kriesel seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Jim Schug, County Administrator, presented a legislative update on the following items: the noncontroversial tax bill has been approved by both the House and Senate and is now signed by the Governor; this bill includes two issues of interest to the county—one is authorization to create either an irrevocable or revocable trust for funding of retiree health care; and the other is elimination of the requirement that debt service for voter authorized bonds be levied against referendum market values; the Senate is considering the local tax bill that would include \$60 million of additional county program aid, but representatives at MICA and AMC do not believe there is much of a likelihood of that being increased; the Governor's budget reducing bill restores the \$10 reimbursement to counties for short-term offenders in 2009—it was raised to \$30 for 2008; and reduction in the sentence-to-service program grants to counties.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Peterson thanked all the Commissioners who participated in last week's Metro Transitways Development Board meeting. She congratulated Emily White of Newport for her 50 years of involvement with the Girl Scout Organization. She also advised the Board that Barry Sittlow, St. Paul Park Administrator, will have his retirement party next Tuesday. He has been the Administrator there for over 30 years. She will attend a Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce meeting next Tuesday morning and may be a little late for the Board meeting.

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BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

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 9:30 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Board met in workshop session with the Information Technology Department to review the status of the county's enterprise content management initiative. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Pulkrabek, Peterson, Stafford, and Kriesel. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Larry Timmerman, Myjke Nelson, Paul Hershfield, Carmen Martin, Susan Harris, Kevin Corbid, Sheriff Bill Hutton, Yvonne Klinnert, Stillwater Courier, and Allie Shah, Star Tribune.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC WORKS

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Works to review the draft Joint Powers Agreement establishing the metropolitan area sales tax. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Pulkrabek, Peterson, Stafford, and Kriesel. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Don Theisen, Mike Rogers, George Kuprian, Lowell Johnson, Kevin Corbid, Harley Will, Sheriff Bill Hutton, Susan Harris, Mjyke Nelson, Yvonne Klinnert, Stillwater Courier, and Allie Shah, Star Tribune.

Myra Peterson, Vice Chair
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator