

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
APRIL 29, 2008

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in special 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; Linda Krafthefer, Assistant County Attorney; Meredith Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Don Theisen, Public Works Director; Wayne Sandberg, Deputy Public Works Director; Ted Schoenecker, Transportation Manager; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Planner; Sheriff Bill Hutton; Chief Deputy Sheriff, Mike Johnson; Commander Steve Pott; Tom Adkins, Community Corrections Director; Dave Brierley, Public Information Coordinator; and Maggi Aitkens, 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.

PUBLIC WORKS/SURVEY LAND MANAGEMENT

Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner, presented an overview on the request to extend the 15 day time limit an additional 15 days to approve or deny the need for an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) for a proposed 800 MHz radio tower in the City of Afton. Staff is requesting that the County Board grant a 15 day extension to May 13, 2008 to complete the EAW.

Diane Dettmann, 15276 Afton Hills Court, Afton – Ms. Dettmann, stated she lives three houses away from the proposed site. She invited all of the Commissioners to come and look at this site. It sits on 1.6 acres in a residential area. She is concerned about the height and they don't think it is appropriate. They feel there needs to be more time to study this site and make sure it is the proper place for it.

Commissioner Peterson moved to extend the 15 day time limit an additional 15 days to approve or deny the need for an Environmental Assessment Worksheet for a proposed 800 MHz radio tower in the City of Afton. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

The Board Chair stated that the City of Afton Planning commission will hold a public hearing on this matter on May 5, and the County Board will discuss the need for an Environmental Assessment Worksheet on May 13, 2008.

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COMFORT LAKE-FOREST LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

Commissioner Hegberg noted that he would still like the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District to have Chisago and Washington County Board approval of their budget and management plan and will continue to pursue that.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Peterson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Stafford and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Dennis C. Hegberg, Chair
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator