

Washington County Board of County Commissioners:
Minutes and Agenda
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	01/11/2000		Public hearing scheduled for 1/11/00 rescheduled for 2/1/00 on amendments to WACO Development Code.	14	22
	01/11/2000		Request that staff investigate whether County could be a community that support the MN Alliance for Youth.	14	24
	01/11/2000		Distirbution of legislation from Coalition of Utility Cities, County Coalition working on similar language.	14	25
	01/11/2000		Board to interview legislative applicants following today's Board meeting. Also, workshop w/legislative delegation this evening at 5:00 p.m., Oak Marsh Golf Club, Oakdale.	14	25

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	03/07/2000		Judy Biller, St. Mary's Point, thanked the Board Chair for his negative vote on the mosquito resolution. Asked that workshop include DNR.	14	121
	03/07/2000		Don Day, Woodbury, asked why the planned Woodbury Library does not include a coffe shop in the Library itself as most modern book stores are doing? Staff to respond to Mr. Day.	14	121
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	03/28/2000		Commissioner Peterson asked that MN Extension be asked to investigate ways to work with parents dealing with attention deficit children.	14	153
	03/28/2000		Commissioner Hegberg asked that staff bring back to the Board a recommendation whether the County should be involved in the 201 management process.	14	154

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	04/04/2000		Eugene Clausen, Woodbury, requested that work be done on Valley Creek Road near Manning Avenue, concerning a lack of a right turn which has resulted in a pot hole on that side of the road.	14	165
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	04/25/2000		NACo Acts of Caring Award given to Historic Courthouse Volunteer Association.	14	183
	04/25/2000		Comm. Peterson reported on long-term care subcommittee of AMC re: funding sources from federal, state and local and how they are broken down.	14	189
	04/25/2000		Comm. Peterson volunteered to serve on the MAAA after it is restructured.	14	189
	04/25/2000		Workshop w/Community Services to discuss status of out-of-home placements.	14	190
	05/02/2000		Public hearing held on request by the City of Woodbury for an economic development tax abatement for funding development of the Tamarack/I-494 interchange.	14	191
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	05/16/2000		League of Local Governments Meeting scheduled for October 30, 2000 at the Prom Center in Oakdale.	14	230
	05/16/2000		Valley Branch Watershed District Board of Managers to meet in workshop session with Board in June to discuss their plan amendment which deals with high water issues in landlocked lakes.	14	230
	05/16/2000		Workshop scheduled for next week to discuss appointments to the Purchase of Development Rights Review Committee.	14	230
	05/16/2000		Legislature authorized the use of credit cards. Request that staff review this.	14	231
	05/16/2000		Commissioner Hegberg reported on meeting and tour with Veterans at the Veteran's Rest Camp.	14	231
	05/16/2000		Sales tax rebates eligible to be attached for delinquent personal property taxes such as mobile homes.	14	231
	05/23/2000		Res. No. 2000-086 adopting an amendment to the WACO 2015 Comp Plan Generalized Land Use Plan Map, Ordinance No. 151.	14	233
	05/23/2000		Res. No. 2000-087 enacting Ordinance No. 152, amending the WACO Development Code Chapter 2, Seciton 1.1, Forest Lake Zoning District Map.	14	235
	05/23/2000	2000-088	Res. No. 2000-088, adopting text amendment to the WACO Development Code, Ordinance No. 153.	14	236
	05/23/2000		Res. No. 2000-093, appreciation for Marie Sunlitis, Court Administrator, who retires on May 31, 2000.	14	247
	05/23/2000		Report on HRA Board meeting held discussing outsourcing Section 8 and other management functions.	14	248
	05/23/2000		Workshop w/Court Services to discuss its Juvenile Placement Annual Report.	14	250
	05/23/2000		Workshop w/Administration to discuss PDR Advisory Committee appointments.	14	250
	06/06/2000		Nominations made for Commissioners Hergberg, Peterson and Pulkrabek to NACo 2000/2001 Steering Committees.	14	255
	06/06/2000		Workshop w/Administration to discuss the federal community development block grant program.	14	257
	06/13/2000		Ronald Harlan Schaefer, Woodbury, asked that the County Board assure his safety and security while in sentence to service detention; and investigate allegations of improper use of his social security number.	14	267
	06/13/2000		Wakota Bridge Coalition to meet on June 14 at 7:30 a.m. to celebrate MN/DOT's decision to fully fund the Wakota Bridge project.	14	268

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Commissioners	06/13/2000		Report in newspaper re: affordable housing issues getting worse. Board will need to discuss this in the future.	14	268
	06/13/2000		Report given on joint meeting of the Mosquito Control and the MN DNR related to spraying of the Fort Snelling area.	14	268
	06/13/2000		Workshop w/Transportation and Physical Development to discuss issues pertaining to Judicial Ditch No. 2 (Hardwood Creek).	14	269
	06/13/2000		Workshop w/Assessment, Taxpayer Services & Elections to discuss status of the rewrite of the collections portion of the tax system.	14	269
	06/13/2000		Workshop w/Transportation and Physical Development to discuss the Met. Council Environmental Services' South WACO Sanitary Sewer Interceptor and the South Washington Watershed District's stormwater central draw project.	14	269
	06/20/2000		Ronald Harlan Schaefer, Woodbury, requested the Board to investigate an Assault and Battery committed while he was in the County jail on June 13.	14	273
	06/20/2000		Commissioner Peterson requested staff to review documents related to Grey Cloud Island and a meeting of the LCMR on June 28.	14	274
	06/20/2000		Commissioner Stafford met with staff from Regions Hospital to discuss a subcommittee on the East Metro Radio Board to address legislative issues.	14	274
	06/20/2000		Workshop w/District Court Judges to discuss the proposed interim space plan.	14	274
	06/20/2000		Workshop w/Information Services to discuss what information should be made available on the Internet.	14	274
Community Services	01/04/2000		Reappt. Lorri Wood, CSS Advisory, to 2nd and final term.	14	3
	01/04/2000		Appt. Corinne C. White, Mental Health Advisory Council, 1st term.	14	4
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Sue Brotherton, Mental Health Adv. Council, 2nd and final term.	14	4
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Kay Buchanan, CSS Advisory, 1st full term.	14	4
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Mary Meyer, Family Member Rep., Mental Health Adv. Council, 1st full term.	14	5
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Jean Buselmeier, Consumer Rep., Mental Health Adv. Council, 2nd & final term.	14	5
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Richard Larson, Consumer Rep., Mental Health Adv. Council, 2nd & final term.	14	5
	01/04/2000		Appt. John Colbert, Public Health Adv. Committee Rep., to the CSS Adv., one-year term.	14	5
	01/04/2000		2000 contract w/Rule 36 Limited Partnership of Duluth III for residential services at Hamilton House in Lake Elmo.	14	5
	01/11/2000		Contract amend. to increase the budget cap amount for East Surburban Resources for day training & habilitation services.	14	21
	01/18/2000		Information only - Child foster care rates for 2000.	14	28
	02/01/2000		Appt. Sara Wenzel, Community Social Services Adv. To 1st term expiring 12/31/02.	14	55
	02/01/2000		Child Care Resources and Referral contract amendment for informal caregiver grants.	14	56

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Community Services	02/08/2000		2000 contract w/St. Paul Rehabilitation, Inc. for mental health case management.	14	71
	02/08/2000		2000 contract w/Human Services, Inc. for mental health, chemical health, aging and transportation services.	14	72
	02/15/2000		Contract w/Community Volunteer Service, transportation for eligible residents.	14	87
	02/15/2000		Host contract w/R-Home of Woodbury, Inc., federal reimbursement for placement of IV-E eligible children.	14	87
	02/15/2000		2000 agreement w/The American Red Cross, emergency social services and crisis response services.	14	88
	02/22/2000		Needs determination - Closure of LAK Home in Cottage Grove.	14	94
	02/22/2000		Agree. w/Family Violence Network, 1/1/00 to 3/31/00.	14	94
	03/07/2000		Appt. the following to the Local Advisory Council on Mental Health to 1st terms expiring 12/31/02: Jerome Malak, Chaplaincy Rep. and Lynn LaVerdiere, other mental health profession outside.	14	113
	03/07/2000		2000-2001 contracts for home and community based services for persons with developmental disabilities. w/the following agencies: ACR Mississippi, Adpated Living Programs, A.M.E. Community Services, Community Living Options, Eastern MN State Operated Communicy Services, MDM Rubison, NEKTON, New Directions, Northeast Residence, Outcomes, Partnerships for MN Futures, REM, sur la rue, and Thomas Allen.	14	114
	03/14/2000		Appt. Tasha Boyd to Local Advisory Council on Mental Health, 1st term to 12/31/02.	14	125
	03/14/2000		Contract w/HRA, housing coordinator.	14	126
	03/14/2000		2000 agree. w/County Attorney, Court Administrator & Sheriff for IV-D program.	14	126
	03/14/2000		Host County contracts for chemical dependency services with the following: Hudson Medical Center, Kinnic Falls Alcohol-Drug Abuse Services, Burkwood Residence, Inc., On-Belay of MN, Fairview Forest Lake, Avalon Programs, Cedar Ridge, Inc., HIS (Jail Treatment Program), Twin Town and We Care Counseling Center.	14	129
	03/14/2000		New positions: 1-year Special Project Clerk II; .5 FTE Social Worker I and conversion of a .5 FTE Family Services Worker to a .5 FTE; and, .7 FTE Eligibility Worker.	14	129
	03/21/2000		Workshop held for an update on the housing coordinator and related housing issues.	14	143
	03/28/2000		Contract w/East Suburban Resources, day training and habilitation.	14	146
	03/28/2000		Expand the County Citizen Review Panel from 13 to 16 members for one year.	14	146
	03/28/2000		2000 contract w/Stivland, Inc., d/b/a Harbor Shelter and Counseling Center.	14	146
	03/28/2000		Appt. Jean Javor, Child Protection Citizen Review Panel.	14	146
	04/04/2000		Welfare reform grant from the McKnight Foundation.	14	155
	04/04/2000		Amend. HSI contract for expanded services for individuals w/a serious and persistent mental illness.	14	155
	04/04/2000		Workshop held to discuss human services financing.	14	166

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Community Services	04/11/2000		Contract w/Opportunity Services, day training and habilitation for persons w/developmental disabilities.	14	167
	04/25/2000		Appt. Marge Hooley to Local Advisory Council on Mental Health, 1st Term, Education Rep., 12/31/02.	14	179
	04/25/2000		Proclaiming the Month of May, 2000 as Family Foster Care Month.	14	183
	04/25/2000		Workshop held to discuss status of out-of- home placements.	14	190
	05/09/2000		Child Care Resource and Referral/School Age Grant w/St. Ambrose of Woodbury Catholic School.	14	201
	05/23/2000		Needs determination for expansion of licensed capacity for East Suburban Resources.	14	245
	06/06/2000		Contract w/Youth Service Bureau to serve as fiscal agent for Family Links Local Action Team.	14	251
	06/06/2000		Amend. Contract w/Behavioral Dimensions for children under 21 w/severe emotional disturbance.	14	251
	06/20/2000		Contract w/CommonHealth to serve as fiscal agent for St. Croix Valley Local Action Team and account for local collaborative time study funds.	14	271
Court Administration	03/21/2000		Marie Sunlitis, Court Administrator, to retire effective 5/31/00.	14	141
	03/28/2000		Process for hire of new Court Administrator discussed. Commissioenr Stafford appointed to panel as a non- voting member.	14	152
	04/25/2000		Board Correspondence received announcing the election of R. Joseph Quinn as Chief Judge and Gary R. Schurrer as Assistant Chief Judge.	14	190
	05/23/2000	2000-093	Appreciation for Marie Sunlitis, Court Administrator, who retires effective May 31, 2000.	14	247
	06/06/2000		Contract renewal for guardian ad litem services w/Jean Kubitschek.	14	251
	06/20/2000		Workshop held w/District Court Judges to discuss the proposed interim space plan.	14	274
Court Services	01/04/2000		Reappt. Sandra Swenson, 4th & final term.	14	3
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Randall LaFoy, Community Corrections Advisory Board, 2nd term.	14	3
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Janet Robert, Community Corrections Adv., 3rd term.	14	3
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Chief Lindy Swanson, Law Enforcement Rep., Community Corrections Adv. Board.	14	4
	01/04/2000		Reappt. James Frank, Sheriff Rep., Community Corrections Adv. Board.	14	4
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Thomas VanLeer, Minority Rep., Community Corrections Adv. Board.	14	4
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Susan Miles, Judicial Rep., Community Corrections Adv. Board.	14	4
	01/04/2000		Appt. Mark Kuppe, Mental Health Rep., Community Corrections Adv., 1st term.	14	5
	01/04/2000		2000-2001 Community Corrections Comprehensive Plan.	14	7
	01/25/2000		Appt. Pat Zenner, Public Defender Rep., Community Corrections, 1st term to 12/31/01.	14	37
	01/25/2000		2000 contract w/Dakota County for provision of secure juvenile detention bed service for 1/1/2000 to 12/31/00.	14	48
	03/14/2000		Agree. w/MN Dept. of Economic Security, PLACE II Program grant.	14	126
	04/04/2000		Early hire of a .5 FTE Probation Officer.	14	155

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Court Services	04/04/2000		Intensive communty supervison grant agree. w/MN Dept. of Corrections.	14	155
	04/25/2000		Purchase of service agreements with various Youth Service Bureaus, 1/1/00 - 12/31/00.	14	179
	05/02/2000		Appt. Mary Waldkirch, Victim Rep., to the Community Corrections Advisory Board to a two-year term expiring 12/31/01.	14	191
	05/23/2000		Workhop held to discuss Juvenile Placement Annual Report.	14	250
	06/20/2000		Appt. Dr. Jane Sigford, Community Corrections Advisory Board, Educational Rep., to fill an unexpired term to 12/31/01.	14	271
Financial Services	02/08/2000		Establish reserves and designations of fund balances for FY 12/31/99.	14	71
	03/07/2000		Agree. w/Wells Fargo for purchasing cards.	14	119
	04/18/2000		Policy No. 1805, purchasing card program.	14	173
	06/13/2000	2000-096	Brown's Creek Watershed District Loan (Advance).	14	259
Historical Society	02/22/2000		Operations grant to Historical Society in the amount of \$37,500.	14	94
HRA	01/04/2000		Reappt. Francis Rheinberger, HRA Board, 1st full term.	14	3
	01/25/2000		Workshop held to discuss issues of mutual interest and concern.	14	53
	03/07/2000		Workshop held to discuss issues of mutual interests and concern (continued from 1/25/00).	14	124
	03/28/2000	2000-053	First time home buyer mortgages for the year 2000.	14	150
	03/28/2000		Richard Witte, Stillwater, questions the First Time Home Buyer Mortgages for 2000, and asked if there was a way to be sure that all the money would be spent for its intended purposes and not spent on administrative costs. Staff to respond to Mr. Witte.	14	153
	06/13/2000		Res. 2000-102, enacting special legislation increasing membership on the HRA Board from five to seven.	14	263
	06/27/2000	2000-105	Qualified Allocation Plan for Housing Tax Credits.	14	287
Human Resources	01/04/2000		Reappt. Susan Moore, Personnel Board of Appeals.	14	4
	01/11/2000		Revised Employee Right to Know Policy and Program.	14	21
	01/18/2000		Revised personal protective equipment program.	14	30
	01/25/2000		Matt Nelson, AFSCME Council 14, requested Board to consider using the State of Minnesota in its market study rather than St. Louis County.	14	52
	02/08/2000		Hearing conservation policy, County Employee Safety Program, to comply w/State and Federal OSHA requirements.	14	71
	02/08/2000		Classification changes and attraction/ retention salary ranges for survey technician classification in the Surveyor Section of TP&D.	14	78
	03/07/2000		New positions in T&PD and Community Services tabled to the March 14, 2000 meeting.	14	119
	03/14/2000		Banding/grading recommendations: Appraisal Tech; Transportation Manager; and, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent II.	14	126

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Human Resources	05/16/2000		Banding/grading of Property Manager/ Property Acquisition Specialist at C45-1 and Survey Technician II at B24-3 and new class. and job description for Survey Tech. II.	14	214
	06/13/2000		Revise and rename some clerical/ technical classifications in the County.	14	260
Information Services	06/20/2000		Workshop held to discuss what information should be made available on the Internet.	14	274
Internal Auditor	01/04/2000		Reappt. Thomas H. Niedzwiecki, Internal Audit Adv. Committee, 4th and final term.	14	4
Legislative	01/04/2000		Interviews for three applicants for legislaitve liaison to be scheduled for 1/11/00, following the Board meeting.	14	17
	01/11/2000		2000 Legislative Agenda. Supplemental agenda to be discussed at a future workshop.	14	23
	01/11/2000		Letter of support to increase user service fees on Motor Vehicle transactions.	14	24
	01/18/2000		Hire John Kaul as County Legislative Lobbyist for the 2000 legislative session.	14	32
	01/18/2000		Local Government Day at the Capitol set for February 3, 2000.	14	33
	02/01/2000	2000-020	Supporting MN/DOT "full build" for the I-494 Wakota Bridge and TH 61 improvement project.	14	60
	02/01/2000		John Kaul and Bob McFarlin presented a legislative update.	14	69
	02/15/2000	2000-028	Appreciation to Governor Ventura's recognition of the Wakota Bridge/TH 61/ I-494 as a key MN/DOT Project.	14	89
	02/15/2000		Update presented on legislative action.	14	89
	02/22/2000		HRA Legislative Bill to increase members from 5 to 7 passed through committee.	14	109
	03/07/2000	2000-041	Position on HF 3134 re: Met. Mosquito Control Commission Authority - passed on 3-2 vote. Workshop to be scheduled w/Met. Mosquito Control.	14	120
	03/14/2000	2000-042	Support Joint Wash. Ramsey County Public Safety Training Facility w/financial assistance from State.	14	125
	03/14/2000	2000-046	Support legislative action in 2000 to increase state highway and transportation funding.	14	131
	03/14/2000		HRA membership bill part of the Omnibus Tax Bill.	14	131
	03/14/2000		Mtg. w/legislative delegation at 3:30 this afternoon.	14	132
	03/14/2000	2000-047	Support for constitutional amendment to dedicate 3/16ths of 1% of sales tax to park issues.	14	132
	03/21/2000		Update on HRA membership and Wakota Bridge funding.	14	141
	03/28/2000		Legisltive update presented.	14	153
	04/04/2000		Legislative update.	14	161
	04/11/2000		Legislative update.	14	171
	05/02/2000		HRA expansion bill awaiting Governor's signature.	14	193
	05/09/2000		Bill expanding membership in HRA Board signed by Governor. Possible funding sources found for Wakota Bridge Project. Possible veto of the transportation bill. Bonding bill to be watched closely for funds for St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park reimbursement, Big Marine Park Mapped acquisitions and Grey Cloud.	14	211
	05/09/2000		Staff to investigate for next legislative session, special legislation for the Green Corridor Purchase of Development rights taxing.	14	211

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Legislative	05/16/2000		Legislative update presented by John Kaul and Bob McFarlin.	14	229
	06/13/2000	2000-102	Enacting special legislation increasing membership on the HRA Board from five to seven.	14	263
Library	01/04/2000		Reappt. JoAnn Bailey, Library Board, 2nd and final term.	14	3
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Margaret Grilley, Library Board, 1st full term.	14	3
	02/15/2000		Revised MELSA Joint Powers Agreement.	14	86
	03/28/2000		Contract w/City of Forest Lake, provision of library services in the City of Forest Lake.	14	146
Minnesota Extension	01/04/2000		Appt. Myron Tank, MN Extension Committee, 1st term.	14	4
Public Health & Environment	01/04/2000		Agree. W/State of Minnesota for recycling services.	14	9
	01/04/2000		Workshop held to discuss revisions to WACO Food Protection and Lodging Ordinances and review new ordinance language for manufactured home parks/recreational camping areas and public pools.	14	19
	01/18/2000		Postpone appeal by Robert Novak d/b/a Lake Elmo Oil for violation of tobacco ordinance until next week.	14	32
	01/25/2000		Appeal from Robert Novak, Lake Elmo Oil, Inc., Violation of Tobacco Ordinance.	14	48
	01/25/2000	2000-018	Imposing administrative penalty under the WACO Youth Access to Tobacco Ordinance - Robert Novak, Lake Elmo Oil, Inc.	14	51
	02/01/2000		Solicit participation of local governments, non-profit organizations and business/ industry in Project Impact for community emergency preparedness and disaster mitigation.	14	56
	02/01/2000		Final draft ordinances: Food Code, Lodging Establishments, Manufacture Home Parks/Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camps, and Public Pools approved. Public hearing set for 2/22/00 at 9:00 a.m.	14	56
	02/08/2000		Workshop held to discuss the 2001 waste management service charge.	14	81
	02/15/2000	2000-026	Joint County Task Force to address utility deregulation and approval of funding in the amount of \$5,358.	14	87
	02/22/2000		Public Hearing held: amendments to WACO Food Code and Lodging Ordinances and Manufactured Home Park/Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance and the Public Pools Ordinance.	14	95
	02/22/2000	2000-030	Adopting WACO Food Code Ordinance No. 145.	14	96
	02/22/2000	2000-031	Adopting WACO Lodging Establishment Ordinance No. 146.	14	98
	02/22/2000	2000-032	Adopting WACO Manufactured Home Park, Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance No. 147.	14	101
	02/22/2000	2000-033	Adopting WACO Public Pool Ordinance No. 148.	14	103
	02/22/2000		Workshop held to review updated changes to WACO Administrative Ordinance.	14	111
	03/07/2000		Set public hearing on amendments to WACO Administratiave Ordinance.	14	115

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Public Health & Environment	03/07/2000		Delegation agreements w/MN Dept. of Health: Amend existing agree. for Food Code and Lodging Establishment Ord; and New agree. for Manufactured Home Parks/Recreational Camping Areas/Youth Camps and Public Pools.	14	119
	03/07/2000		Workshop held to discuss MN Youth Tobacco Prevention Initiative and County's tobacco prevention strategic plan.	14	124
	03/21/2000		Agree. w/Lakeview Memorial Hospital, medical services to County jail.	14	135
	03/21/2000	2000-048	Public Hearing held and adoption of WACO Administrative Ordinance No. 149 and repealing Ordinance No. 36.	14	136
	03/21/2000	2000-049	Fees for licensing manufactured home parks/recreational camping areas/youth camps and public pools and establishing a fee exempt status for private and public school districts for 2000.	14	137
	03/21/2000		Individual sewage treatment system maintenance program and establishment of a \$10.00 pumping report fee tabled for two weeks.	14	138
	03/28/2000	2000-052	Support entering into an inter-county agree. w/Ramsey County for the purposes of creating a Ramsey/ Washington EMS Committee.	14	147
	04/04/2000	2000-055	Proclaim Aprl 3-9, 2000 as Naitonal Public Health Week.	14	155
	04/04/2000		Establish a \$10 pumping report fee for individual sewage treatment system maintenance program.	14	160
	04/11/2000		Appt. Barbara Jane Leonard, Health Professional Rep. to the Public Health Adv. to fill an unexpired term to 12/31/00.	14	167
	04/11/2000	2000-059	Auth. to accept clean water partnership grant.	14	167
	04/11/2000		Agree. w/NSP for collection of fluorescent lamps.	14	167
	04/11/2000		Agree. w/Onyx Environmental Services for household hazardous waste management services.	14	170
	04/25/2000		Household hazardous waste licenses with various municipalities.	14	181
	04/25/2000		Report on MN Tobacco Use Prevention Initiative Community-Based Project Grant.	14	185
	04/25/2000	2000-070	MN Office of Environmental Assistance Grant application.	14	186
	05/02/2000		Report of staff research on volume based waste management service charge, does not warrant further exploration at this time.	14	193
	05/09/2000		Amended delegation agree. w/MN Dept. of Health, for local regulation of manufactured home parks/recreational camping areas/youth camps and public swimming pools.	14	201
	05/09/2000		Agree. w/City of Landfall HRA, re: inspection and payment of fees.	14	201
	05/16/2000		Contract w/MN Valley Testing Laboratories, Inc. for water analysis.	14	214
	05/16/2000		Special Project Public Health Nurse position for 12 - 24 months to assist in the implementation of the Family Enhancement Initiative.	14	226
	05/16/2000		12-month Special Project Environmental Specialist to serve as an outreach coordinator for the Ramsey/Washington Resource Recovery Project Board.	14	228
	05/23/2000	2000-091	EMS Performance Grant w/the MN Dept. of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management.	14	245

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Public Health & Environment	06/13/2000	2000-097	Setting amount of financial assurance for a short term (<10-Day) hazaradous waste transfer facility in Hugo, MN.	14	260
	06/13/2000		New position of .5 FTE EIN Coordinater effective July 1, 2000.	14	260
	06/27/2000		Agreement w/City of Woodbury and auth. Payment for distribution of curbside recycling funds.	14	284
	06/27/2000		Report that the Resource Recovery Project Board has adopted its 2001 budget and that it will be coming before the County Board in a few weeks.	14	291
Recorder	02/01/2000		Plat of Hunter's Ridge 2nd Addition, May Twp.	14	56
	03/07/2000		Plat of Swenson's Goose Lake Farm Estates, New Scandia Township.	14	115
	03/21/2000		Plat of The Arbors 3rd Addition, West Lakeland Twp.	14	135
	04/11/2000		Plat of Sherwood Acres Second Addition, New Scandia Township.	14	168
	05/09/2000		Plat of Whitetail Crossing Estates, Denmark Township.	14	197
Regional Rail Authority	01/04/2000		Workshop held w/Dept. of Transporation and Physical Development to discuss issues that will be addressed at a 1/7/00 joint meeting w/Ramsey, Dakota and WACO's on transporation issues.	14	19
	01/18/2000		RRA meeting held; Election of Officers and Comments on MN/Dot Commuter Rail Study.	14	27
	02/15/2000		Update on the Red Rock Corridor and Rush Line Corridor studies	14	83
	03/14/2000		Workshop held to discuss Personal Rapid System Taxi 2000.	14	134
	03/28/2000		RRA met for updates on Rush Line and Red Rock Corridor Studies; Resolutions adopted supporting request for federal funding of each corridor.	14	145
	04/25/2000		Red Rock Corridor Land Use Forum to meet on May 3, 2000, at 4:00 p.m., St. Paul Park City Hall.	14	190
	05/23/2000		Red Rock Corridor and Rush Line Task Force updates given and projected budget implications based on future activities.	14	233
Sheriff	01/04/2000		Second amendment to agree. for jail bed rental w/Ramsey County and increase per diem rate by 3% for 2000.	14	5
	01/04/2000		Grant award for purchase of tire deflators.	14	7
	01/11/2000		Agree. W/Mobile Radio Engineering, antenna space on radio tower in Denmark Twp.	14	21
	01/18/2000		Grant from U.S. Dept. of Justice - School resource deputy for Mahtomedi Schools.	14	31
	01/18/2000		Hiring grant from U.S. Dept. of Justice, Town of Forest Lake, amend. To LEC agreement increasing number of deputies from two to three.	14	31
	01/25/2000		New position of .5 Clerk (Canten Clerk) in Sheriff's Office.	14	37
	02/15/2000		Agreement w/Upper Midwest Community Policing Institute for law enforcement services and hire of a replacement FTE for the term of the contract.	14	88
	03/21/2000		Workshop held on Sheriff's 1999 report.	14	143
	04/11/2000	2000-060	Recognizing public safety dispatchers in WACO in honor of National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.	14	168
	04/18/2000		Contract for funds from the DNR to assist in the enforcement of BWI and other boating safety laws.	14	173

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Sheriff	06/13/2000	2000-098	Annual boat and water safety enforcement agreement.	14	260
Transportation-Facilities	01/04/2000		Reappt. Patrick Taylor, Historic Courthouse Adv., 3rd term.	14	3
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Richard Danzl, Historic Courthouse Adv., 2nd term.	14	3
	01/04/2000		Gayle Hill, reappointed to Historic Courthouse Adv., 2nd term.	14	4
	01/11/2000		Reject all bids for 2000 carpet replacement services.	14	22
	01/18/2000	2000-011	Final payment to Parkos Construction Company, Historical Courthouse exterior painting and repairs.	14	30
	01/18/2000	2000-012	Final payment to Restoration Technologies, Inc. for waterproof/ sealcoating LEC parking ramp.	14	30
	02/01/2000		Auth. to rebid for county carpeting w/out specification for the Seal of Approval.	14	60
	02/22/2000		Update on Woodbury Library and Indoor Park Design and Cost Estimates. Discussion continued to workshop on 3/7/00.	14	106
	03/07/2000		Woodbury Library project Option C: Base price, 8,000 sq ft for future 2nd floor, 2,000 sq ft for lower level space and bid to include alternates for additional lower level space, hire a project manager for County's portion of project.	14	120
	03/14/2000	2000-044	Award of contract for 2000 carpet replacement services to Hiller Commercial Floors.	14	128
	04/04/2000	2000-057	Award of contract for remodeling River Heights License Center to Schrieber & Mullaney Construction; and authorize the use of fund balance in the amount of \$53,956.	14	157
	04/11/2000	2000-061	Award of contract for electrical services within the County to Polyphase Electric, Inc.	14	169
	04/11/2000		Contract for professional project management services for the Woodbury Library Project w/Gauger Engineering, Inc.	14	170
	04/11/2000		Presentation of Historic Courthouse Video "Sentry on the Hill".	14	170
	04/25/2000	2000-068	Award of contract for retaining wall construction project to George Siegfried Construction Co.	14	182
	04/25/2000	2000-069	Official intent of WACO to reimburse certain expenditures from the proceeds of tax exempt bonds to be issued by the County (relates to Res. No. 2000-068, Historic Courthouse retaining wall).	14	182
	04/25/2000		NACo Acts of Caring Award given to Historic Courthouse Volunteer Association	14	183
	05/09/2000		Lease amendment for the WACO License Center in the River Heights Plaza Mall.	14	200
	05/16/2000		Contract w/Gauger Engineering, Inc., project management services during Woodbury Library construction project (Res. 2000-082 relates to this project).	14	215
	05/16/2000	2000-082	Declaring the official intent to reimburse certain expenditures from the proceeds to be issued by the County (relates to contract w/Gauger for Woodbury Library project manager).	14	215
	05/16/2000	2000-083	Agreements w/City of Woodbury for construction and maintenance of traffic control signals at Radio Drive and Central Park Place and at Valley Creek Road and Donegal Drive/Central Park Place.	14	216
	06/13/2000	2000-100	Award of contract for the South Shop modification project to Cannon Construction, Inc.	14	262

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Transportation-Facilities	06/13/2000	2000-101	Declaring the official intent of the County to reimburse certain expenditures from the proceeds to be issued by the County (relates to Res. 2000-100).	14	263
	06/20/2000		Update on Woodbury Library Construction Project.	14	272
Transportation-General	01/04/2000	2000-007	Set public hearing on transportation and physial development fee schedule permits.	14	10
	02/01/2000		Reappt. Pamela Skinner, to the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed to 3-year term expiring 2/22/03.	14	55
	03/14/2000		New position of .12 FTE Secretary.	14	129
	03/21/2000		Appt. of Duane Johnson, West Lakeland Township, to the Valley Branch Watershed District to fill an unexpired term to 11/13/01.	14	141
	05/02/2000		Staff comments on the Car-Mar Watershed District Plan.	14	191
	05/16/2000		Memorandum of Understanding w/Car- Mar, technical assistance, Landlocked Basin Study Pilot Project.	14	213
	05/16/2000	2000-084	Proclaiming May 14-20, 2000 as Transportation Week in WACO.	14	217
	05/23/2000		Reappoint Michael White, New Scandia Township, to the Carnelian Marine Watershed District to a 2nd term expiring 6/21/03.	14	248
	05/23/2000		Reappoint Carol Hockert, Cottage Grove, to the South Washington Watershed to a first full term expiring May 1, 2003.	14	248
	06/13/2000		Res. No. 2000-096, Brown's Creek Watershed District Loan (Advance).	14	259
	06/13/2000		Workshop held to discuss the Met. Council Environmental Services' South WACO Sanitary Sewer Interceptor plans and the South Washington Watershed District's stormwater central draw project.	14	269
	06/13/2000		Workshop held to discuss issues pertaining to Judicial Ditch No. 2 (Hardwood Creek).	14	269
	06/27/2000		Presentation of Valley Branch Watershed District's proposed plan amendment.	14	286
Transportation-Parks	01/04/2000		Appt. Karen Rheinberger, Parks and Open Space Commission, 1st term.	14	3
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Richard Peterson, Parks and Open Space Commission, 1st full term.	14	4
	01/04/2000	2000-002	Award of contract for sign supply to Newman Signs.	14	5
	01/04/2000	2000-003	Bid award for year 2000 motor vehicle fuel supplies to Kath Brothers Fuel Oil Co.	14	6
	01/04/2000		Lease of agricultural land within County parks.	14	7
	01/04/2000		Agree. W/Brauer & Associates, Ltd, development of master plan for proposed Lake Links Trail Network.	14	7
	02/22/2000		Appt. Keith Hegstrom, Parks and Open Space, partial term to 12/31/00.	14	93
	02/22/2000		Seasonal employee pay rates.	14	94
	04/18/2000	2000-064	MN Trail Assistance Program.	14	174
	05/02/2000		Workshop w/Parks and Open Space Commission to discuss purchase of development rights.	14	196
	05/09/2000		Ribbon cutting ceremony, Hardwood Creek Trail, 6/3/00, 9:30 a.m., Forest Lake.	14	197
	06/06/2000		Conduct deer harvest in Lake Elmo Park Reserve.	14	251
	06/06/2000		Letter to City of Cottage Grove listing the County's priorities for Grey Cloud Island Regional Park.	14	252

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Transportation-Parks	06/06/2000		Support request by Met. Park and Open Space Commission for a master plan study for a trail along the St. Croix River and auth. Staff to pursue a grant to fund this study.	14	253
	06/06/2000	2000-095	Award of Contract for Swim Filtration System at Lake Elmo Park Reserve to Shank Constructors, Inc.	14	254
	06/06/2000		Auth. Acquisition of three parcels in Big Marine Park Reserve.	14	255
	06/06/2000		Report given on Hardwood Creek Trail dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony held on June 3.	14	256
	06/13/2000	2000-099	MN Trail Assistance Program - Star Trail Association.	14	261
	06/27/2000	2000-104	Purchase of Patrin property for inclusion into the Big Marine Regional Park Reserve.	14	284
	06/27/2000		License to lease land from WACO by Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Wariakois, Big Marine Park.	14	286
	06/27/2000		License to operate snowmobiles on County property within Big Marine Park Reserve by Star Trail Association.	14	286
	06/27/2000		LCMR meeting scheduled for June 28. DNR will be requesting \$10 million for acquistion of property in Grey Cloud Island.	14	291
ransportation-Roads	01/11/2000		Agree. W/City of Marine for jurisdictional transfer of CSAH 7 within Marine.	14	21
	01/25/2000		Public hearing held on proposed permit fee schedule.	14	46
	01/25/2000	2000-017	Permit fee schedule.	14	47
	02/01/2000	2000-019	Revoking County Road 53 to New Scandia Township.	14	59
	02/01/2000		Workshop held w/Met. Council, Metro Transit and MN/DOT to review transportation/ transit issues in WACO and the region.	14	70
	02/08/2000	2000-022	Final payment to Hardrives, Inc. for 1999 overlay on CSAH 2, 15 and 17.	14	72
	02/15/2000	2000-027	Final payment to Danner, Inc. for road construction on CSAH 16.	14	88
	02/15/2000		Traffic signal maintenance agreements w/City of Forest Lake.	14	88
	02/22/2000	2000-029	Final Payment to Dresel Contracting for road construction on CSAH 2.	14	94
	03/07/2000	2000-035	Award of contract for traffic sign replacement & computer software to Northern Traffic Supply.	14	115
	03/07/2000		Information only - Town Road allotments.	14	115
	03/07/2000	2000-037	Award of contract for CSAH 21 road and bridge construction to F.M. Frattalone Excavation & Grading.	14	116
	03/07/2000	2000-036	Award of contract for CSAH 19 road & signal construction to Shafer Construction.	14	116
	03/07/2000	2000-038	MN DOT grant for Bridge funding of Bridge No. 82508, Trout Brook.	14	117
	03/07/2000	2000-039	Award of contract for bridge painting/rehab and guard rail to Progressive Contractors, Inc.	14	117
	03/07/2000	2000-040	MN DOT grant for Bridge funding of Bridge No. 82501 on CSAH 5.	14	118
	03/07/2000		Recap of 1999 Transportation Division construction season and review of 2000 construction program.	14	119
	03/14/2000	2000-043	Access control over certain portions of CSAH 16 right of way.	14	126
	03/14/2000	2000-045	Advance funding for State Aid regular construction fund in 2000 for state aid projects up to a maximum of \$1,700,000.	14	130

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Transportation-Roads	03/28/2000	2000-050	Space lease amendment for the Forest Lake District Courts.	14	146
	04/04/2000	2000-056	No parking zone on the east side of CSAH 17, Lake Elmo Elementary School.	14	156
	04/18/2000	2000-062	Bid award for microsurfacing road project to Monarch Oil, Inc.	14	173
	04/18/2000	2000-063	Right of way permit and facility use agreement w/Metricom, Inc.	14	174
	04/18/2000	2000-065	Award of contract for seasonal materials, sand material and plant mixed bituminous supply.	14	175
	04/25/2000	2000-067	Acquire right of way on CSAH 13.	14	181
	05/09/2000	2000-073	Final payment to T.A. Schifsky & Sons, Inc., for Hardwood Creek Trail & Bridge construction.	14	197
	05/09/2000	2000-075	Award of contract for 2000 overlay projects to Tower Asphalt, Inc.	14	198
	05/09/2000	2000-074	Final payment to Arcon Construction Company, Inc. for CSAH 39 road construction.	14	198
	05/09/2000	2000-077	Award of contract for 2000 plant mixed bituminous material inplace to Tower Asphalt, Inc.	14	199
	05/09/2000	2000-076	DNR Grant for road preservation funding.	14	199
	05/09/2000	2000-078	Award of contract for 2000 chemical weed control to Mattson's Lawn & Garden, Inc.	14	200
	05/16/2000	2000-080	Award of contract for 2000 sealcoat project to Allied Blacktop.	14	214
	05/16/2000	2000-081	Award of contract for 2000 crackseal project to Astech Asphalt Surface Technologies.	14	215
	05/23/2000	2000-092	Convey parcel on CR 64 to the City of Stillwater.	14	245
	06/06/2000	2000-094	Installation of Parking Prohibition on Third Street (CSAH 23) in the City of Stillwater in front of the St. Croix Catholic School.	14	252
	06/20/2000	2000-103	Award of contract for 2000 CIR overlay projects to Tower Asphalt, Inc.	14	271
	06/20/2000		Agree. To accept securities in place of retainage on road construction project SP82-619-11, CSAH 19.	14	272
	06/27/2000		Change Order #1, crackseal provision and installation on County roads.	14	286
	06/27/2000		Change Order #18, road construction on Olinda Trail (CSAH 3) in May and New Scandia Townships.	14	286
	06/27/2000		Auth. to design and participate in the bid process w/the City of Woodbury for the propoed parking lot expansion for the present Woodbury Branch Library.	14	290
ransportation-Surveyor	01/04/2000		Reappt. Steven DeLapp, Planning Advisory Commission, 2nd term.	14	3
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Tamara Fast, Planning Advisory Commission, 1st full term.	14	3
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Robert Mann, Planning Advisory Commission, 1st full term.	14	4
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Abigail Grenfel, Board of Adjustment & Appeals, 2nd term.	14	4
	01/04/2000		Reappt. Harry Melander, Board of Adjustment & Appeals, 2nd term.	14	4
	01/04/2000	2000-006	Negative determination on the need for an Environmental Impact Statement - Tiller Corp. in New Scandia Twp.	14	10
	01/11/2000		Public hearing rescheduled on amendments to WACO Development Code for 2/1/00.	14	22
	01/18/2000	2000-013	Award of bid for aerial photography to GRW, Inc.	14	31

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Transportation-Surveyor	01/25/2000		Public hearing held on draft EIS for CAMAS MN, Inc., mining expansion in West Lakeland Township.	14	38
	01/25/2000	2000-016	EIS for CAMAS opened for 10 days to receive further comments; and that responses be prepared by staff to comments.	14	45
	02/01/2000		Public hearing held on housekeeping amendments to the WACO Development Code. County Attorney directed to prepare resolution approving amendments for next Board meeting.	14	57
	02/08/2000		Classification changes and attraction/ retention salary ranges for survey technician classification.	14	78
	02/15/2000	2000-024	Approving Text Amendments to the WACO Development Code, Ordinance No. 143.	14	83
	02/22/2000		Appt Randall Samuelson, Planning Advisory Commission, 1st term to 12/31/02.	14	93
	03/14/2000		Workshop held to discuss the current mining ordinance as it relates to borrow pits.	14	133
	03/21/2000		Responses to comments made on the CAMAS, Inc. EIS as presented.	14	139
	03/28/2000		Historic Contexts Study. Pilot project surveying and evaluating historic sites in one or two townships to be discussed during the 2001 TP&D budget process.	14	148
	04/25/2000		Public hearing set on appeal of mining CUP, Tiller Corporation, for May 9, 2000.	14	181
	04/25/2000	2000-071	Final EIS for CAMAS, Inc., Lakeland Sand & Gravel Mine Expansion and Reclamation Plans, Lakeland and West Lakeland Township, MN.	14	186
	05/09/2000		Appeal by John Lindell, modifying mining limits for the Tiller Mining Operation in New Scandia Twp. heard and denied.	14	202
	05/16/2000		Public hearing held on amendments to Chapter 7 Mining Regulations of the WACO Development Code relative to borrow pits.	14	217
	05/16/2000	2000-085	Ordinance No. 150, amending WACO Development Code, Ordinance No. 140, to allow borrow pits within Chapter 7, Section 6.1(19) Mining Regulations.	14	219
	05/16/2000		Public hearing held and amendments approved to WACO Comprehensive Generalized Land Use Plan Map pertaining to Forest Lake Township. County Attorney to bring back resolution at next Board meeting.	14	221
	05/16/2000		Public hearing held and amendments approved to the WACO Development Code to create two new zoning districts in Forest Lake Township.	14	224
	05/16/2000		Public hearing held and amendments approved to WACO Development Code, Forest Lake Township Zoning District Map. County Attorney to bring back resolution at next meeting.	14	224
	05/23/2000	2000-086	Adopting an amendment to the WACO 2015 Comp Plan, General Land Use Plan Map, Ordinance No. 151.	14	233
	05/23/2000	2000-087	Ordinance No. 152 amending the WACO Development Code Chapter Two Section 1.1, Forest Lake Township Zoning District Map.	14	235
	05/23/2000	2000-088	Ordinance No. 153, adopting text amendment to the WACO Development Code.	14	236
	06/27/2000		Fee schedule for the sale of digital aerial photography and two foot contours.	14	289

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Veterans Service	02/15/2000		Appt. James Young, Woodbury, to the Veteran's Rest Camp, 1st term to 12/31/02.	14	90
	02/15/2000		Appt. Raymond Smith, Lake St. Croix Beach, to the Veteran's Rest Camp, 1st term to 12/31/01.	14	90
	02/22/2000		Board's recent appt. to the Veteran's Rest Camp Board, Raymond Smith, passed away.	14	94
	02/22/2000		Appt. Dennis Stewart, Veteran's Rest Camp Board, 1st term, 12/31/02	14	94
	05/02/2000		Reappt. Jon Larson as VSO through 5/15/04.	14	191
Workforce Center	01/04/2000	2000-004	State dislocated worker proram.	14	7
	01/11/2000		Acceptance of Annual Report for program year 7/1/98 - 6/30/99.	14	22
	02/01/2000		Appt. Daniel Winter, large business rep., Workforce Council to a term expiring 6/30/02.	14	55
	02/01/2000		Mini-Plan for JTPA 5% incentive funds for 7/1/99 to 6/30/00.	14	56
	02/15/2000		Workshop held with the Workforce Council to discuss priorities for 2000.	14	92
	03/07/2000		Appt. Alan Bakke, Workforce Council, large business rep. to 1st term expiring 6/30/02.	14	113
	03/07/2000		Modification to Welfare-to-Work grant agree. w/MN Dept. of Economic Security, to extend original date of 9/30/01 to 6/30/02.	14	114
	03/14/2000		WIA Title I grant agree. w/Dept. of Economic Security, for adult and youth services and dislocated worker services, 4/1/00 to 3/31/03.	14	126
	04/18/2000		Agree. w/Twin Cities Tree Trust for the summer 2000 youth employment program.	14	175
	04/18/2000		Workshop held to discuss the Southeast Metro School-to-Work Partnership's three year accomplishments.	14	176
	04/25/2000		Local Service Unit Interim Plan for PY 2000.	14	184
	04/25/2000		School-to-Work Partnership Grant for Year IV, 4/1/00 - 3/31/01.	14	185
	05/02/2000		Workforce Investment Act Five Year Plan beginning 7/1/00.	14	193
	05/02/2000		Workshop held to discuss options for the dislocated worker program.	14	195
	05/09/2000		Jobs Access and Reverse Commute Subgrant Agree. w/Met. Council.	14	201
	05/09/2000		2000-2001 Community Volunteer Services, transportation for persons transitioning from welfare to work.	14	201
	05/16/2000		One-year special project Case Manager and one-year special project Clerk II for the dislocated worker program.	14	214
	06/20/2000		Modification number 1 to MN Youth Program grant agreement, extended to 6/30/01.	14	271

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA JANUARY 4, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 4:40 p.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Abrahamson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Douglas Johnson, County Attorney; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Judy Hunter, Public Health and Environment Manger; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Jeff Travis, Public Health and Environment; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Meredeth Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Cindy Rupp, Court Services Department; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Larry Nybeck, Land Survey/Land Management; Konrad Koosmann, Soil and Water Conservation District; Cindy Weckwerth, Public Health and Environment; Jane Harper, Principal Planner; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

Chair Abrahamson called for unfinished business for 1999. There was none. Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn sine die. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

A new roll call was taken. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none.

County Administrator James Schug called for nominations for temporary chair. Commissioner Abrahamson nominated Commissioner Stafford. There were no further nominations. Commissioner Peterson moved to approve Commissioner Stafford as temporary chair of the County Board. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Temporary Chair Stafford declared nominations open for Chair of the Washington County Board of Commissioners for 2000. Commissioner Peterson nominated Commissioner Stafford. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the nomination. No further nominations were heard. Commissioner Peterson moved, seconded by Commissioner Abrahamson to elect Commissioner Stafford as Washington County Board Chair for 2000 and it was adopted unanimously.

Chair Stafford declared nominations open for Vice Chair of the Washington County Board of Commissioners for 2000. Commissioner Pulkrabek nominated Commissioner Peterson. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the nomination. No further nominations were heard and Commissioner Peterson was unanimously elected Vice Chair of the Washington County Board of Commissioner for 2000.

Chair Stafford presented outgoing Chair Abrahamson with a plaque honoring him for his service as Chair for the past year.

#### **BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 2000**

Commissioner Peterson moved to set meetings of the Washington County Board of Commissioners for 2000 for the first four Tuesdays of each month, excluding any Tuesday which is a legal holiday, and that the first meeting of the month be an afternoon meeting starting at 4:30 p.m. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the December 14, 1999 Board meeting minutes.
- 2. Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-001 as follows:

Award of 2000 Newspaper Publication Bids

WHEREAS, pursuant to bid advertisement, newspaper publication bids were received until 3:00 p.m., December 1, 1999 for the following publications:

- 1) Official Board Proceedings (Board minutes in summary form)
- 2) Legal Notices
- Delinquent Real Estate Tax List
- 4) Financial Statement (first & second publication)

WHEREAS, timely bids were received from the Lillie Suburban Newspapers, St. Croix Valley Press, Forest Lake Times, and the Oakdale Clarion; and

WHEREAS, Washington County newspaper publishing awards are based on lowest index number for all bids.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby awards newspaper publication bids for 2000 as follows:

 Official Proceedings of the Washington County Board of Commissioners (Board Minutes in Summary Form):

St. Croix Valley Press

2) Legal Notices:

Lillie Suburban

3) Notice and List of Real Estate Taxes Remaining Delinquent:

St. Croix Valley Press

4) First Publication of the Financial Statement for year ending December 31, 1999:

St. Croix Valley Press

5) Second publication of the Financial Statement to be distributed as an insert:

Lillie Suburban

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to each newspaper.

3. Approval of appointments/reappointments to County Advisory Committees for 2000 as follows:

#### District 1

Sandra Swenson, Forest Lake, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a fourth and final term expiring December 31, 2001;

Lorri Wood, Stillwater, reappointed to the Community Social Services Advisory Committee, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2002;

Patrick Taylor, Stillwater, reappointed to the Historic Courthouse Advisory Council, to a third term expiring December 31, 2001;

#### District 2

Randall LaFoy, Birchwood, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a second term expiring December 31, 2001;

Margaret Grilley, Mahtomedi, reappointed to the Library Board, to a first full term expiring December 31, 2002;

Steven DeLapp, Lake Elmo, reappointed to the Planning Advisory Commission, to a second term expiring December 31, 2002;

#### District 3

Janet Robert, Oak Park Heights, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a third term expiring December 31, 2001;

Francis Rheinberger, Stillwater, reappointed to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority to a first full term expiring December 31, 2002;

Karen Rheinberger, Stillwater, appointed to the Parks and Open Space Commission, to a first term expiring December 31, 2002;

Tamara Fast, Stillwater, reappointed to the Planning Advisory Commission, to a first full term expiring December 31, 2002;

#### District 4

Richard Danzl, Cottage Grove, reappointed to the Historic Courthouse Advisory Council, to a second term expiring December 31, 2001;

JoAnn Bailey, Newport, reappointed to the Library Board, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2002;

#### District 4 (continued)

Richard Peterson, St. Paul Park, reappointed to the Parks and Open Space Commission, to a first full term expiring December 31, 2002;

Robert Mann, St. Paul Park, reappointed to the Planning Advisory Commission, to a first full term expiring December 31, 2002;

Corinne C. White, Cottage Grove, appointed to the Mental Health Advisory Council, to a first term expiring December 31, 2002;

#### District 5

Kay Buchanan, Woodbury, reappointed to the Community Social Services Advisory Committee, to a first full term expiring December 31, 2002;

Gayle Hill, Woodbury, reappointed to the Historic Courthouse Advisory Council, to a second term expiring December 31, 2001;

Sue Brotherton, Woodbury, reappointed to the Mental Health Advisory Council, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2002;

#### At Large

Harry Melander, Mahtomedi, reappointed to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals, to a second term expiring December 31, 2002;

Abigail Grenfell, Cottage Grove, reappointed to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals, to a second term expiring December 31, 2002;

Thomas H. Niedzwiecki, Marine on St. Croix, reappointed to the Internal Audit Advisory Committee, to a fourth and final term expiring December 31, 2001;

Myron Tank, Cottage Grove, appointed to the Minnesota Extension Committee, to a first term expiring December 31, 2002;

Susan Moore, Cottage Grove, reappointed to the Personnel Board of Appeals, to a term expiring December 31, 2002;

#### Affirmation of the following committee appointments:

Chief Lindy Swanson, Chief of Police, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a term expiring December 31, 2001;

James Frank, Sheriff, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a term expiring December 31, 2001;

Thomas VanLeer, Minority Representative, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a term expiring December 31, 2001;

The Honorable Susan Miles, Judge, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a term expiring December 31, 2001;

#### Affirmation of the following committee appointments (continued):

John Colbert, Public Health Advisory Committee Representative, appointed to the Community Social Services Advisory Committee to a one year term expiring December 31, 2000;

Richard Larson, Consumer Representative, reappointed to the Mental Health Advisory Council to a second and final term expiring December 21, 2002;

Jean Buselmeier, Consumer Representative, reappointed to the Mental Health Advisory Council to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2002;

Mary Meyer, Family Member Representative, reappointed to the Mental Health Advisory Council to a first full term expiring December 31, 2002.

- Approval of a Memorial Day appropriation of \$100 each upon request in 2000 for the Stillwater Citizens' Memorial Day Association and Washington County Posts and Barracks.
- Approval of contract for 2000 with Rule 36 Limited Partnership of Duluth III for Residential Services at Hamilton House in Lake Elmo.
- Approval to appoint Mark Kuppe to the Washington County Community Corrections Advisory
  Board as a Mental Health Representative to a first term expiring December 31, 2001.
- Approval to execute the second amendment to agreement for jail bed rental with Ramsey County
  and request approval to increase the per diem rate for this rental by 3% for the year 2000.
- 8. Bids were received for County traffic sign replacements as follows:

Newman Signs	\$19,488.12
Earl F. Anderson	21,486.00
M & R signs	22,893.38

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-002 as follows:

Award of Contract for Sign Supply to Newman Signs

WHEREAS, in order to complete sign replacement on County Roads, the County solicited bids for the sign supply; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on December 22, 1999, with Newman Signs, being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Newman Signs be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Newman Signs under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Newman Signs be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

9. Bids were received for Year 2000 motor fuel supplies as follows:

Bidder	Woodbury Garage			Stillwater Garage			Sheriff's Dept.		Parks Dept.		
	Winter Dsl	Reg Dsl	Unlead	Winter Dsl	Reg. Dsl	Unlead	Unlead 89	Unlead 90	Winter Dsl	Reg. Dsl	Unlead
Kath Bros Fuel*	.005	.005	.005	.005	.005	.005	.0045	.0045	.019	.019	.019
Croix Oil Co.	.0075	.0075	.0075	.0075	.0075	.0075	.0075	.0075	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-003 as follows:

Bid Award for Year 2000 Motor Vehicle Fuel Supplies to Kath Brothers Fuel Oil Co.

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the purchase of motor vehicle fuel for vehicle operation, the County solicited bids for these supplies; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on December 20, 1999, with Kath Brothers Fuel Oil Co. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Kath Brothers Fuel Oil Co. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Kath Brothers Fuel Oil Co. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Kath Brothers Fuel Oil Co. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

#### TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Lake Links Trail Network

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to approve the agreement with Brauer & Associates, Ltd. for the development of a master plan for the proposed Lake Links Trail Network. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

The sector - Section

#### Lease of Agricultural Land Within County Parks

Commissioner Stafford moved to approve Lease Amendment No. 2 for parks farmland rental with the following individuals: Myron and Gordon Tank, Cottage Grove Ravine; Myron and Gordon Tank, St. Croix Bluffs; Gordon Herman, Lake Elmo Park; Kenneth Berwald, Pine Point Park; and Jerry Lepinski, Big Marine Park. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### COURT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the Washington County Court Service's 2000-2001 Comprehensive Plan and that it be submitted to the Minnesota Department of Corrections. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Sheriff Jim Frank displayed samples of tire deflators which would be used by law enforcement officers for emergency pursuit driving situations. This product punctures a suspect's vehicle tires which slowly deflate rendering the fleeing vehicle inoperable. Sheriff Frank indicated that there is a grant available from the State of Minnesota, Office of Drug Policy and Violence Prevention. To be eligible for this grant, the County must provide matching funds for the purchase of the tire deflators.

Commissioner Peterson moved to accept the grant award from the State of Minnesota, Office of Drug Policy and Violence Prevention in the amount of \$6,709.50 for the purchase of tire deflators. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES/WORKFORCE CENTER**

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-004** as follows:

#### State Dislocated Worker Program

WHEREAS, the State Dislocated Worker Program is currently under the auspices of the Minnesota Department of Economic Security; and

WHEREAS, in Program Year 1998, State Dislocated Worker Program resources were effectively used to provide retraining and readjustment services to over 4,000 unemployed workers statewide, achieving an entered employment rate of ninety percent and an hourly wage of \$12.24 per hour; and

WHEREAS, in Program Year 1998, over 157 Washington County unemployed workers received services through State and Federal Dislocated Worker Program funds allocated to Ramsey/Washington County SSA which achieved a placement rate of eighty-eight percent and an hourly average wage of \$14.64 per hour; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State Dislocated Worker Program is due in large part to leadership provided by the Minnesota Department of Economic Security in partnership with local service providers; and

WHEREAS, State Dislocated Worker Program participants benefit from close coordination with Workforce Center Programs; and

WHEREAS, existing state legislation will move the State Dislocated Worker Program to the Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development on July 1, 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners supports legislation to keep the State Dislocated Worker Program under the auspices of the Minnesota Department of Economic Security; and

BEIT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Minnesota Department of Economic Security be commended for its role in the success of the State Dislocated Worker Program.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he supports the resolution and agrees that this program should remain in the Department of Economic Security. However, he does question the need for this program and the cost to all employers.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING - OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

#### 2000-2004 Capital Improvement Plan

Chris Eitemiller, Budget and Policy Analyst, presented a brief overview of the draft 2000-2004 Capital Improvement Plan.

The Board Chair asked for comments from the audience; none were heard. The public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-005 as follows:

Adoption and Submittal of the 2000-2004 Washington County Capital Improvement Plan

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has considered the 2000-2004 Washington County Capital Improvement Plan covering a five-year period and setting forth the estimated year, together with the estimated cost, the need for the improvement, and sources of revenue to pay for the improvement; and

WHEREAS, in preparing the Capital Improvement Plan, the County Board of Commissioners has considered for each project and for the overall plan:

- 1) the condition of the County's existing infrastructure, including the projected need for repair or replacement;
- 2) the likely demand for the improvement;
- 3) the estimated cost of the improvement;
- 4) the available public resources;
- 5) the level of overlapping debt in the County;
- 6) the relative benefits and costs of alternative uses of the funds;
- 7) operating costs of the proposed improvements; and
- 8) alternatives for providing services more efficiently through shared facilities with other counties or local government units; and,

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, after public notice, conducted a public hearing on January 4, 2000, for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed 2000-2004 Washington County Capital Improvement Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners adopt the 2000-2004 Washington County Capital Improvement Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners authorize submittal of the plan to the Community Development Division of the Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development for their approval.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Jeff Travis, Sr. Environmental Health Specialist, presented a brief overview of a proposed agreement with the State of Minnesota for recycling services. This agreement will allow the County to utilize the State Recycling Center for management of its recyclable materials and enable it to recycle additional materials than it currently recycles.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve an agreement with the State of Minnesota for recycling services for County offices and authorize execution by the County Administrator and Board Chair. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson suggested that shredded paper should be made available to County citizens for composting.

#### TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Set Public Hearing to Consider Revising the Department's Permit Fee Schedule

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-007 as follows:

Set Public Hearing on Transportation and Physical Development Fee Schedule for Permits

WHEREAS, the fee schedule for permits issued by the Washington County Department of Transportation and Physical Development has not been modified for at least ten years; and

WHEREAS, permit fees may allow the issuing agency to recoup the reasonable administrative costs associated with the permitting process; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required to implement such a change.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Director of Transportation and Physical Development to schedule a public hearing for such purposes at the January 25, 2000 County Board meeting and to advertise that hearing as required.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

## <u>Determination on the Need for an Environmental Impact Statement - Tiller Corporation in New Scandia Township</u>

The Board Chair presented an overview of today's hearing to determine the need for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a revision and expansion of a mining operation owned by Tiller Corporation in New Scandia Township.

Ann Pung-Terwedo, Sr. Land Use Specialist, reported that the Tiller Corporation has submitted an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) for revision and expansion of their sand and mining operations in New Scandia Township. This EAW was distributed to the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, the Minnesota Department of Health, Washington County Soil and Water Conservation District, Metropolitan Council as well as others required by MN Rules 4410.1700. Ms. Pung-Terwedo indicated that the future mining of the site will be over an estimated period of 35 years to an elevation of 925 feet. It is anticipated that the ultimate use of the site will be the development of a groundwater lake to a depth of 30 to 40 feet below the ground water table and will be surrounded by residential homes.

Ms. Pung-Terwedo indicated that several comments and responses were submitted to Washington County including the following: Three letters from Larkin, Hoffman, Daly & Lindgren, Ltd, one December 6, 1999 by Greg Korstad, one dated November 23, 1999 by Greg Korstad and one dated January 4, 2000 by Greg Korstad; Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment, November 30, 1999, by Cindy Weckwerth; Washington County Department of Transportation and Physical Development dated November 17, 1999 by Ann Pung-Terwedo; Sunde Engineering, dated November 10, 1999 by Kirsten Rojina; Tiller Corporation, dated November 10, 1999 by Brent Schlueter; Minnesota Department of Health, dated November 10, 1999 by Jeanne Eggleston; Two letters from the Washington County Soil and Water Conservation District, one dated November 8, 1999 by Mark Doneux and one dated January 4, 2000 by Mark Doneux; Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, dated November 3, 1999 by Denise Leezer; Two letters from Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, one dated November 1, 1999 by Thomas Balcom and one dated January 4, 2000 by Thomas W. Balcom; Metropolitan Council, dated October 28, 1999 by Helen Boyer; Department of Army, dated October 25, 1999 by Char M. Hauger; Minnesota Historical Society, dated October 25, 1999 by Britta L. Bloomberg; and Minnesota Department of Transportation, dated October 19, 1999 by Sharon Anderson.

Ms. Pung-Terwedo indicated that a meeting was held on November 30, 1999 with representatives from the Department of Natural Resources, Soil and Water Conservation District, Tiller Corporation and the Washington County Public Health Department to clarify the scope of this project. She indicated that the staff's greatest concern is exposing the groundwater to pollution related to the development of the future lake. She indicated that exposing groundwater by mining below the water table is a technique that is common; however, long term effects to the groundwater quality may be an issue. She noted that this operation needs to apply for a mining permit every five years and any environmental effects that do arise can be adequately reviewed, controlled and mitigated through the ongoing conditional use permitting process. Ms. Pung-Terwedo indicated that staff's recommendation is that the Board consider a negative declaration of need for an Environmental Impact Statement for the Tiller Mining operation in New Scandia Township.

Commissioner Hegberg feels that the process has missed two important players—the Town of Scandia's Planning Commission and also the watershed districts. He believes they should have an opportunity to review the findings and voice concerns they might have. He is concerned about the mining going into the groundwater area. Other mining operations have requested to go deeper and the County has said they cannot go deeper than 12 feet. He feels this might be setting a precedent.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to table the matter on the determination of need for an Environmental Impact Statement for the Tiller Mining operation for 45 days to allow the Scandia Town Board Planning Commission and the watershed districts to review this plan. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion.

Ann Pung-Terwedo indicated that the EAW's were sent out in late September for a 30 day comment period which ended on November 10, 1999. Staff would have been required to send New Scandia Township the EAW and believes they were. She will review the mailing list to see if they were included. Ms. Pung-Terwedo stated that in regards to the watershed district, Mark Doneux, Soil and Water Conservation District was sent a copy of the EAW. The attachments that were included in the Board's packet were the responses that were received and not who received the EAW.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he is basing his second on the fact that New Scandia Township did not comment. He is concerned that they may not have had a chance to review this plan.

Greg Korstad, Attorney for Tiller Corporation, indicated that the Company needs to submit its application for reissuance of its permit. In order to get it reviewed and reissued prior to the mining season beginning this spring, it is the Company's belief that it would be in the best interest of the community as well as the Company to issue a permit for this new area as soon as possible. He feels that a 45 day delay would bring them close to a March or April startup time for this facility. They would resist having a substantial amount of delay.

Commissioner Hegberg, reading from a document handed to him by County Administrator Jim Schug, indicated that New Scandia Township was notified of the EAW by letter dated October 1, 1999. He is not sure if they realized that this would be going down into the water level.

Mr. Korstad stated that the current mining phasing plan that Tiller Corporation is operating under today and what would be done in the next fiver year permitting period does not get to the groundwater elevation.

Douglas Johnson, County Attorney, advised the Board that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes this matter can only be extended by one 30 day period and that has already been done.

Commissioner Hegberg and Commissioner Abrahamson removed their motion and second to table the matter on the determination of need for an Environmental Impact Statement for the Tiller Mining operation for 45 days to allow the Scandia Town Board Planning Commission and the watershed districts to review this plan.

The Board Chair allowed Tiller Corporation to complete their testimony and allow comments from the audience.

Mr. Korstad feels that the Board is getting hung up on the ultimate final phase of mining at this facility. He feels they have been straightforward with people by telling them all along what the plan is for this facility. In 1987 the EAW described the ultimate plan for this facility which includes mining down to an elevation below the current water table and creating a groundwater lake. They have also described that plan in the current permitting documents. The fact that this exists in their plan today and existed in their plan from 10 years ago and it isn't going to happen until well after the expiration of the permit that they are applying for in 2000, should give the Board, watershed districts, Soil and Water Conservation District, DNR, New Scandia Township and anyone else interested in this facility plenty of time to deal with the issue as it develops and when it finally arrives.

Commissioner Peterson stated her concerns about the closeness to the groundwater. She is not sure she likes the idea of creating a lake in that area when they are done. She asked what recourse does the Board have if it does not like the reclamation plan?

Mr. Korstad stated that the Board has regulatory authority, as well as the Planning Advisory Commission, to impose additional and different conditions on the Company. That is an issue that can be addressed.

Commissioner Hegberg stated that he understands now that for the next 10 years Tiller Corporation does not plan on going into the groundwater. At that point in time, there may be additional information and knowledge about the situation and there will be an opportunity to require an EIS at that time if the Board desires one.

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

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-006 as follows:

Negative Declaration of Need for an Environmental Impact Statement for the Tiller Mining Operation in New Scandia Township, Located in parts of Section 7 and Section 8, Township 32 North, Range 20 West, east of Manning Trail and west of Lofton Avenue, New Scandia Township

WHEREAS, Washington County is the Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU)

WHEREAS, Minnesota Rules 4410 and the Washington County Development Code, Chapter Seven, Mining regulations requires than an ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET (EAW) be prepared for mining operations of less than 160 acres

WHEREAS, the ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET (EAW), dated August 1999 has been prepared and circulated to appropriate agencies pursuant to Minnesota rules 4410.1700 which also requires an EAW

WHEREAS, based on the information contained in the EAW and comments received on the EAW, the County Board concludes the following:

The type, extent, and reversibility of environmental effects are similar to effects associated with other mining operations and the project does not have potential for significant environmental effects

No cumulative potential effects of related or anticipated future projects exist that would pose significant environmental effects

The anticipated environmental effects are subject to by ongoing regulatory authority including the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Washington County, and New Scandia Township

The extent to which environmental effects of the development of the groundwater lake can be anticipated and controlled as a result of the mining permitting process as required by the Washington County Development Code, Chapter 7, Mining Regulations and other environmental studies undertaken by public agencies or the project proposer, or of EIS's previously prepared on similar projects

WHEREAS, based on the criteria in Minnesota Rule 4410.1770, the project does not have significant environmental effects

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the EAW for the Tiller Corporation, New Scandia Township is adequate and a negative declaration is made on the need for an EIS

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

#### **Water Governance Issues**

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, presented a status report on the water governance study. She indicated that several working groups have been established to look at various issues including roles and responsibilities; boundaries; South Washington Watershed District is taking the lead on working in consolidating with East

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Mississippi WMO; the Middle Unit Phasing Work Group is scheduled to hold their first meeting on January 19, 2000; and the North Unit Phasing Work Group.

Ms. Harper stated that the North Unit Phasing Work Group has meet twice to discuss the consolidation. She indicated that the group is having difficulty in making decisions regarding the consolidation. The group asked that the County Board provide them with further direction, particularly a target date for the establishment of the North Unit. Ms. Harper presented proposed direction for the Board to consider.

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt staff's recommendations and directed the establishment of the North Washington County Watershed District as follows: 1) The North Unit will be established as a watershed district effective on June 1, 2001; 2) The County Board asks the Work Group to submit a consolidation plan by November 1, 2000 that contains certain information; and, 3) The Work Group would include the President and one other representative of each of the existing water units. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Ms. Harper indicated that she had wanted to provide similar direction to the Middle Unit Phasing Work Group, but feels she should hold the first meeting and try to get a sense of how much difficulty they may have with that group.

#### Commissioner Committee Assignments for 2000

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the following Commissioner Committee assignments for 2000:

#### Dennis C. Hegberg

Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC)

Corrections Subcommittee

**Extension Committee** 

Energy Task Force (Attending Alternate)

Finance Committee

Ground Water Advisory Committee

Joint Ditch #1

Mental Health Advisory Committee

Metro GIS Policy Committee

Metro Light Rail Transit Joint Powers Board (Alternate)

Metro Mosquito Control

Minnesota Association of Governments Investing for Counties

Minnesota County Extension, Washington County

Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust

National Association of Counties (NACo)

**Environment and Natural Resources** 

**Human Services** 

NSP St. Croix Area Advisory Commission

Ramsey/Washington Resource Recovery Joint Powers Board Regional Rail Authority Regional Solid Waste Management Coordination Board Rush Line Rail Corridor Sentence to Service Task Force Water Governance

#### Bill Pulkrabek

Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC)

Legislative Steering Committee

**Human Services Committee** 

**Community Corrections** 

Community Social Services

Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Joint Ditch #1

Legislative Committee

Library Board

Minnesota Extension Service, Washington County

National Association of Counties (NACo)

General Government

Parks and Open Space Commission (Alternate)

Public Health Advisory

Ramsey/Washington Resource Recovery Joint Powers Board

Regional Rail Authority

#### Wally Abrahamson

Andersen XL Project Ad Hoc Committee

Association of Minnesota Counties

Comparable Worth Committee

East Metro Radio Communications Board

Historic Courthouse Advisory Council

Metropolitan 911 Board

Metropolitan 911 Executive Committee

National Association of Counties (NACo)

NSP St. Croix Area Advisory Commission

Noxious Weed Appeal Committee

Personnel Committee

Planning Advisory Commission

Plat Commission

Regional Rail Authority

Space & Facilities Planning Committee

#### **Myra Peterson**

Association of Minnesota Counties District X Rep.

Association of Minnesota Counties

Board of Directors

Citizenship

Housing

Sustainable Development Subcommittee

Transportation

I-494 Wakota Bridge Coalition

Library Board (Alternate)

MELSA/Metronet

Metro East Development

Metropolitan Inter-County Association (MICA)

Metro Light Rail Transit Joint Powers Board

#### Myra Peterson (continued)

Metropolitan Mosquito Control
Metro 911 Telephone Board
Metropolitan Transportation Advisory
Minnesota Transportation Alliance
Area Transportation Partnership
Mississippi River Coordinating Commission
National Association of Counties (NACo)
Transportation & Agriculture
Parks and Open Space Commission
Red Rock Rail Corridor
Regional Rail Authority
Space and Facilities Planning Committee
Workforce Council

#### Dick Stafford

Association of Minnesota Counties **AMC Board of Directors** General Government Comparable Worth Committee (Alternate) East Metro Radio Communications Board Energy Task Force Finance Committee Internal Audit Advisory Committee Law Library Board Legislative Committee Metropolitan GIS Policy Board (Alternate) Metropolitan Inter-County Association (MICA) Metropolitan Radio System Planning National Association of Counties (NACo) Ramsey/Washington Resource Recovery Joint Powers Board Regional Rail Authority Regional Solid Waste Management Coordination Board

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### Schedule Interviews with Applicants

James Schug, County Administrator, advised the Board that the County issued a Request for Proposal for legislative liaison services and that 10 responses were received. The Board needs to set up a process to interview some or all of the applicants for this legislative liaison contract. He proposed that the Board schedule interviews next week following the County Board's meeting.

The Board discussed the number of applicants that should be interviewed and which applicants the Board would interview.

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to interview the first three applicants which were listed in the County Administrator's recommendation. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek; No, Commissioner Abrahamson.

Mr. Schug stated he would schedule those three applicants for next Tuesday following the County Board meeting.

#### Y2K Update

Mr. Schug presented an update on the New Year's Eve Y2K event. He indicated that, as with the rest of the world, Washington County experienced no problems caused by the Y2K bug. He thanked all the staff who worked on that evening and throughout last year on this problem.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

#### **COMMISSIONER - REPORTS - COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Peterson reported that there will be a Smart Growth Versus Urban Sprawl conference on January 12 through 13. There will be another session on January 19 from 11:00 to 2:00 p.m. at the Sensible Land Use Coalition.

#### **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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<u>REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY WORKSHOP WITH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION</u>

AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Department of Transportation and Physical

Development to discuss issues that will be addressed at a January 7, 2000 meeting with Ramsey County,

Dakota County and Washington County Commissioners regarding funding for the I-494 Wakota Bridge/TH

61 reconstruction project. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for

the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also

present were James Schug, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Sandy Cullen, Dave Brierley, and Judy Spooner,

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BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Department of Public Health and Environment

to discuss revisions to the Washington County Food Protection and Lodging Ordinances and review new

ordinance language for manufactured home parks/recreational camping areas and public pools. No business

was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were

Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug,

Mary McGlothlin, Lowell Johnson, Cindy Weckwerth, Meredeth Magers, Dave Brierley and Judy Spooner,

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R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug

County Administrator

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA JANUARY 11, 2000

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 Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Jim Frank, County Sheriff; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Larry Nybeck, Land Survey/Land Management; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist; Rick Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Doug Karsky, Community Services Supervisor, Bob Crawford, Workforce Center Manager; Sheila Cunningham, Workforce Center Program Coordinator; and Dave Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the December 21, 1999 Board meeting minutes.
- Approval of contract amendment to increase the budget cap amount for East Suburban Resources
  who provides day training and habilitation services to individuals with developmental disabilities.
- 3. Approval of revised Employee Right to Know Policy and Program.
- Approval of agreement with Mobile Radio Engineering for antenna space on their radio tower in Denmark Township.
- Approval of agreement with the City of Marine for the jurisdictional transfer of County State Aid Highway 7 within the City of Marine.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

#### TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

#### 2000 Carpet Replacement Services

The Board discussed the carpeting bid specifications and the requirement that each installer be Carpet and Rug Institute (CRI) certified. Staff reported that this is a new qualification this year to insure that all carpeting bidders be equal quality vendors. They also indicated that of the four bids received, only one bidder provided the required CRI certification.

Commissioner Abrahamson requested that more information be provided about the Carpet and Rug Institute certification before any bid awards are made.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to reject all bids for 2000 carpet replacement services. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson and Pulkrabek; No, Commissioner Stafford.

#### Reschedule Public Hearing on Amendments to the Washington County Development Code

James Schug, County Administrator, advised the Board that the legal requirements for publishing the notice of public hearing to receive comments on proposed amendments to the Washington County Development Code were not met and that this item needs to be rescheduled.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to set the public hearing to receive comments on proposed amendments to the Washington County Development Code for February 1, 2000. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

#### **Workforce Center Annual Report**

Sheila Cunningham, Program Coordinator, presented a brief overview of the Workforce Center's Annual Report for Program Year July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999. She indicated that this report summarizes budgets, program outcomes and partnerships established to enable the Workforce Center to successfully implement the programs and services.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the Washington County Workforce Center's Annual Report for Program Year July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

#### 2000 Legislative Agenda

Mr. Schug provided an overview of the following items contained in the Washington County 2000 Legislative Agenda: 1) Authorize the expansion of the County's Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board membership from five to seven persons; 2) Authorize full State funding for the Wakota Bridge project; 3) Provide for recovery of costs incurred from tax-forfeited land that the Department of Natural Resources has designated as conservation; 4) Provide Funding for an East Metro Driver's License Testing Center; 5) Authorize Partial State Funding for the East Metro Public Safety Training Facility; 6) Support the Metropolitan Council's bonding request to fund regional parks to help complete and maintain the park system in the County; 7) Oppose Unfunded Mandates - Support the Association of Minnesota Counties' request to allocate full state funding for any State mandated County services; 8) Support the Association of Minnesota Counties' request for a statewide access management program; 9) Support the Association of Minnesota Counties' request to eliminate sales tax on local units of government; and 10) Support MICA Efforts to Fund the State PERA Pension Benefits.

The Board discussed the issue of basing the Housing and Redevelopment Authorities budget on tax capacity rather than assessed market value and how that issue should be presented to the legislature.

It was Board consensus that staff draft an issue statement that Washington County would support a legislative change that would base the HRA levy on tax capacity rather than assessed market value and also authorize the County Board to set the HRA levy based upon a request by the HRA Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Schug distributed the Washington County 2000 Legislative Agenda Supplemental Issues and Information. These issues will be discussed at a future workshop

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the Washington County 2000 Legislative Agenda as amended. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson suggested that the County should begin discussions regarding the use of LCMR funds to help in developing water management programs along highways. This issue to be brought forward for discussion after further research.

#### ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to send a letter of support to the Minnesota Deputy Registrar's Association and other organizations that are pursuing legislation for their efforts to increase the user service fee on Motor Vehicle transactions to be retained by the deputy registrar to defray the cost of providing the local service. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the water governance meeting he attended Monday, January 10 and the Energy Task Force meeting on utility deregulation.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported there will be a 911 meeting on Wednesday, January 12.

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on the joint workshop he attended last week with Ramsey and Dakota Counties regarding transportation issues. He will be attending the AMC Legislative Steering Committee on Wednesday, January 12, the Community Social Services Advisory Committee on Thursday, January 13 and the MICA meeting on January 20.

Commissioner Peterson reported that metropolitan counties receive the lowest per capita reimbursement from the state for the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) formula and that these same counties pay into it at the highest amount.

Commissioner Peterson reported that she has received correspondence from the Minnesota Alliance for Youth asking the City of Stillwater to become one of the communities that support this alliance. She suggested that staff investigate whether the County could fulfill that function. This alliance is part of the Colin Powell effort.

Commissioner Peterson reported that she will be attending the Wakota Bridge and 911 meetings tomorrow as well as the MICA meeting on January 20.

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Commissioner Stafford distributed copies of proposed legislation from the Coalition of Utility Cities which

asks to keep the tax basis whole and shift the burden to the state. The County Coalition will try to find

something compatible to the cities' program, but will still be its own initiative.

Commissioner Stafford reported that the Board will interview applicants for the legislative liaison position

following the Board meeting. The Board will also meet with the County Legislative delegation at the Oak

Marsh Golf Club in Oakdale this evening at 5:00 p.m.

**BOARD CORRESPONDENCE** 

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn,

seconded by Commissioner Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at

10:45 a.m.

R.H. Stafford, Cha

County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug

County Administrator

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA JANUARY 18, 2000

#### 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 Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Commissioner Hegberg absent. Regional Rail Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Scott Hovet, Assessor; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Suzanne Pollack, Community Services Supervisor; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Jim Frank, County Sheriff; Steve Pott, Deputy Sheriff; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; and David Brierley, Public Information Specialist. Official Proceedings of the Regional Railroad Authority are available in the Office of Administration.

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENES

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:10 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Commissioner Hegberg absent. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Scott Hovet, Assessor; Dan Papin, Community Services Director, Suzanne Pollack, Community Services Supervisor; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director, Jim Frank, County Sheriff, Steve Pott, Deputy Sheriff; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; and David Brierley, Public Information Specialist.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- Approval of County comments on the Proposed Modification of Developmental District No. 1 and Proposed Adoption of the Tax Increment Financing Plan for Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-10 within Development District No. 1 in the City of Cottage Grove.
- Approval to sell tax forfeited parcel 31.031.21.21.0005 to the City of Hugo for the price of not less than the appraised value of \$100.

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-008 as follows:

Premises Permit Renewal from VFW Post 323 Oak Park Heights, to be Used at the Washington County Fairgrounds, Baytown Township

WHEREAS, on or about January 6, 2000, the VFW Post 323 has made application pursuant to the statues of the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved is the Fairgrounds located at 12300 N. 40<sup>th</sup> St. Baytown Township, MN, 55001, Washington County; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve to approve the granting of a Premises Permit for the above-described licensee at the above-described location subject to the terms and conditions of all the laws of the State of Minnesota, the County of Washington and the Township of Baytown.

4. Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-009 as follows:

Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo from the Scandia-Marine Lions

WHEREAS, on or about January 6, 2000, the Scandia-Marine Lions has made an application for Authorization to Conduct Excluded Bingo pursuant to the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved is located at the Scandia Community Center, 14727 209<sup>th</sup> Street North, New Scandia Township, Washington County; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve to approve the granting of a premises permit for the above-described licensee at the above-described location subject to the terms and conditions of all the laws of the State of Minnesota, the County of Washington, and Township of New Scandia.

- Information only Child foster care daily basic maintenance, initial clothing allowance and difficulty care rate for 2000.
- 6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-010** as follows:

Petty Cash and Change Funds Replaces Resolution No. 99-091

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has reviewed status of petty cash, change and postage funds of Washington County, as reflected in Resolutions

86-127, 87-53, 88-105, 90-07, 91-066, 91-129, 92-032, 94-152, 96-062, 97-071, 98-103, 99-003; 99-091; and

Name - Artist

WHEREAS, periodic changes in programs necessitate changes in change fund and petty cash needs;

NOW, THEREFORE BEIT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby adopt the following petty cash and change funds in the amounts indicated:

#### Petty Cash and Change Funds

Administration	
Central Services - change fund	\$100.00
Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections	
Forest Lake License Center - change fund	200.00
Stillwater License Center - change fund	200.00
Woodbury License Center - change fund	200.00
License Bureau - petty cash fund (\$100 for each Center)	300.00
Assessment - petty cash fund	25.00
Taxpayer Services & Elections - change fund	500.00
Taxpayer Services & Elections - petty cash fund	100.00
County Attorney	
Petty cash fund	300.00
Court Administrator	
Cottage Grove - change fund	100.00
Government Center - change fund	300.00
Jury Commissioners, Cottage Grove - change fund	50.00
Financial Services Change fund	1,200.00
Job Training Center Petty cash fund	1,000.00
Library	
Change fund	100.00
Petty cash fund	200.00
1 city cash fund	200.00
Public Health & Environment	20.00
Immunization - change fund	20.00
Septic - change fund	100.00
Recorder	500.00
Change fund	500.00
Sheriff	
Civic process - change fund	50.00
Emergency Assistance - change fund	100.00
Jail-released inmates reimbursement - petty cash fund	300.00

Transportation and Physical Development	
Change fund	50.00
Petty cash fund	50.00
Parks	
Lake Elmo - concessions change fund	200.00
Lake Elmo - permits change fund	300.00
Square Lake - concessions change fund	200.00
Square Lake - permits change fund	200.00
St. Croix Bluffs - permits change fund	300.00
Surveyor	
Change fund	\$50.00
Total	\$7,295.00

- 7. Approval of revised personal protective equipment program.
- 8. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-011** as follows:

Final Payment to Parkos Construction Company for Historical Courthouse Exterior Painting and Repairs

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on March 29, 1999, signed a contract with Parkos Construction Company for the exterior painting and repair work at the Historic Courthouse; and

WHEREAS, Parkos Construction Company has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Parkos Construction Company be paid in full for the said contract work in the amount due indicated on the final payment voucher which is attached herewith and is hereby a part of this resolution.

9. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-012** as follows:

Final Payment to Restoration Technologies, Inc. for Waterproof/Sealcoating LEC Parking Ramp

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on July 20, 1999 signed a contract with Restoration Technologies, Inc. for the waterproofing and sealcoating of the Law Enforcement Center Parking Ramp; and

WHEREAS, Restoration Technologies, Inc., has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Restoration Technologies, Inc. be paid in full for the said contract work in the amount due indicated on the final payment voucher which is attached herewith and is hereby a part of this resolution.

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

#### SHERIFF'S OFFICE

#### Universal Hiring Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice - Town of Forest Lake

Commissioner Peterson moved to accept a grant award for \$75,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice in conjunction with the Town of Forest Lake to hire one additional deputy as part of their law enforcement services; and approval to execute an amendment to the Law Enforcement Services Agreement increasing the number of deputies from two to three. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

#### Grant from U.S. Department of Justice - School Resource Deputy for Mahtomedi Schools

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to accept a grant award for \$125,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice in conjunction with the Mahtomedi School District to hire a full time School Resource Deputy; and approval of contract with Mahtomedi School District for this deputy. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

## TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT/LAND MANAGEMENT/LAND SURVEY

Larry Nybeck, Surveyor, reviewed bids received for the aerial photography project as follows:

GRW, Inc. \$871,500.00

Horizons, Inc. 958,805.00

Markhurd 1,248,060.00

Waggoner Engineering, Inc. 1,470,000.00

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-013 as follows:

Award of Bid for Aerial Photography to GRW, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the needed aerial photographic views and contours for surveying activities, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on December 15, 1999, with GRW, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of GRW, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with GRW, Inc. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and GRW, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

### Appeal from Robert Novak, d.b.a. Lake Elmo Oil, Inc. - Violation of Tobacco Ordinance

James Schug, County Administrator, announced that the appeal from Robert Novak, d.b.a. Lake Elmo Oil, Inc. regarding the violation of the County Tobacco Ordinance, has been postponed and will be rescheduled for next week.

#### Selection of County Legislative Lobbyist

Mr. Schug reported that the Board interviewed two applicants for the County legislative lobbyist position last Tuesday. He recommended that the Board select a legislative liaison and authorize the Board Chair and County Administrator to negotiate a contract in a not-to-exceed amount.

The Board discussed the selection of a County Legislative Lobbyist for the 2000 state legislative session.

Commissioner Peterson indicated she would like the County to set up a process that would evaluate the effectiveness of a lobbyist as well as the other two organizations that the County belongs to, the Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) and the Metropolitan Inter-County Association (MICA). She stated she was disappointed with both organizations in the area of transportation and the funding needs for the metropolitan area.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he would be voting in opposition to hiring a lobbyist. He believed that when the County joined MICA that would eliminate the need for the County to hire its own lobbyist. He advised the Board that it should take a good look at what the County is receiving from AMC and MICA.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he will support the hiring of a lobbyist, but agrees with Commissioner Peterson that a determination needs to be made of these organizations to determine if the County is getting its money's worth.

Commissioner Stafford reminded the Board that AMC and MICA provide other services to the County in addition to lobbying such as training programs for every level of county government and they provide the County with purchasing power, mainly insurance protection through MCIT.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he is not against any of the applicants for the lobbying position, he believes the applicants the Board interviewed were great. However, he does not feel that AMC and MICA are providing what they should be for the taxpayers in Washington County.

Commissioner Peterson moved to hire John Kaul, Capitol Gains, as the County's Legislative Lobbyist for the 2000 State Legislative Session. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek; No, Commissioner Abrahamson; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

#### Local Government Day at the Capitol

Mr. Schug announced that there will be a Local Government Day at the Capitol on February 3. Keith Carlson, MICA, will be discussing this at the MICA Conference this week and seeking volunteers to meet with the Legislators on that day.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on the AMC Legislative Steering Committee meeting he attended. He also indicated that he will be attending the Public Health Advisory Committee meeting this evening and the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board next Tuesday.

Commissioner Peterson reported that the Minnesota Alliance for Safe Highways will be honoring Congressman Oberstar on January 21, 2000, for his dedication and commitment to continue current regulations on truck size and weight for city highways. She suggested that a letter be sent thanking him for his work in that area.

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Commissioner Peterson reported she attended a meeting with cities and counties and will meet with that

group again on February 4 with the Minnesota Transportation Alliance Metro area to discuss funding and

joint concerns about metropolitan transportation. She reported that on February 10 there will be an event

that talks about "Adolescent Violence - The Roles of Families, Peers and Communities" at 5:00 p.m. She

will be attending this event and encouraged other Board members to attend. She suggested that members

of the Public Health Advisory Committee might also like to attend. The Metropolitan Area Agency on

Aging will be meeting on Monday.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported on the 911 Board meeting last Wednesday.

Commissioner Peterson reported that the MELSA Joint Powers Agreement will be coming back to the

County Board for approval. She also reported that former Scott County Commissioner Dick Underferth

passed away last Friday and requested that a sympathy card be sent to his family.

**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; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

The Board meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

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James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA JANUARY 25, 2000

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 Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Meredeth Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Dan Papin, Community Services Director, Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Manager; Cindy Koosmann, Recorder, and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the January 4 and 11, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
- 2. Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-014 as follows:

Resolution Authorizing Signature of Board of Water & Soil Resources Natural Resources Block Grant Documents

WHEREAS, Washington County has a state approved comprehensive local water plan, which has been locally adopted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §103B.311 or §103B.255, or has State approved comprehensive local water plans, covering 50% of land area in the county, which have been locally adopted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §103B.231, §103D.401, or §103D.405; and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota, acting by and through its Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR), has authority to award Natural Resources Block Grants for purposes of implementing comprehensive local water plans, the Wetland Conservation Act, the DNR Shoreland Program, and the MPCA Individual Sewage Treatment Systems (ISTS) Program, to local government pursuant to Laws of Minnesota 1993, Chapter 172, sec. 6, and Laws of Minnesota 1994, Chapter 632, sec. 3; and

WHEREAS, Washington County may assess a levy under its general levy authority to match such grants by BWSR pursuant to Minnesota Statute §103B.355; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Revenue has determined the minimum amount necessary to be raised by Washington County for the base grant portion of the grant under the formula in repealed Minnesota Statute §275.50, subd. 5; and

WHEREAS, BWSR has determined that Washington County is eligible for a Natural Resources Block Grant of up to \$58,738 upon BWSR acceptance of the LGU's application and the execution and delivery of a Grant Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approves of Washington County entering into a Grant Agreement with the State of Minnesota to receive state funds for the implementation of its comprehensive local water plans, and the administration of the Wetland Conservation Act, DNR Shoreland Program, and MPCA ISTS Program, under the terms of the Grant Agreement and all statutory requirements; and

THAT THE Washington County Board of Commissioners authorizes the expenditure of \$18,000 cash and \$21,000 in-kind contributions to match the Natural Resources Block Grant as specified in Laws of Minnesota 1993, chapter 172, sec. 6, the Laws of Minnesota 1994, Chapter 632, sec. 3, and the Grant Agreement; and

THAT THE Washington County Board of Commissioners currently levies over the required \$68,798 for local water plan implementation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the County Board of Commissioners and the County Administrator are authorized to execute the Grant Agreement together with all related documents; and

THAT THE grant and county dollars will be allocated in the following manner: \$18,750 to the Department of Public Health and Environment for local water planning; \$42,900 to the Washington County Soil and Water Conservation District to implement the State Wetland Conservation Act; \$11,100 to the Department of Administration for implementation of the Water Governance Study; \$3,000 to the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to implement the State Shoreland Program; and \$988 to the Department of Public Health and Environment to implement the County ISTS Program.

- 3. Approval to award bid for travel services to Tubby Lohmers/Carlson Wagonlit Travel.
- 4. Approval of one day on sale 3.2 malt liquor license for Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 320 for Forest Lake ice fishing contest to be held on February 6, 2000 and also an alternate date of February 13, 2000 to be used only if necessary.
- Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-015 as follows:

#### Gambling License Renewal from Recreation Chisago City Area Lakes Association

Makerine Street,

WHEREAS, on or about January 14, 2000, the Recreation Chisago City Area Lakes Association has made application pursuant to the statutes of the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved are Trails End, located at 16297 Scandia Trail North, New Scandia Township, Washington County; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve to approve the granting of a premises permit for the above-described licensee at the above-described location subject to the terms of Washington County and Township of New Scandia.

6. Approval of abatement applications for local option disaster credit and homestead classification as follows:

Parcel #	<u>Name</u>	A <u>mount</u>	
R 07.029.21.11.0010	Schwantes, Mathew	\$256.00	
R 16.028.20.13.0011	Fielder, Kevin	306.00	
R 22.027.21.24.0083	Finneman, Scott	160.00	
R 21.031.20.13.0006	Klohn, Tamera	492.00	
R 01.027.22.22.0064	Benepe, Elizabeth	510.00	
R 15.028.21.31.0099	McGary, Paul & Elvia	662.58	

- Approval to appoint Pat Zenner as a Public Defender Representative to the Community Corrections
   Advisory Board to a first term expiring December 31, 2001.
- 8. Approval of new position of .5 Clerk I (Canteen Clerk) in the Sheriff's Office.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

### GRANT AGREEMENT WITH 1000 FRIENDS OF MINNESOTA

Commissioner Hegberg moved to table the grant agreement with 1000 Friends of Minnesota to receive funds to implement the Chisago and Washington Counties Green Corridor Project until February 1, 2000 following the Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance public hearing. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

## <u>PUBLIC HEARING ON DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR C.A.M.A.S.</u> <u>MN, INC. MINING EXPANSION IN WEST LAKELAND TOWNSHIP</u>

The Board Chair presented and overview of today's public hearing to receive comments on the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for C.A.M.A.S. MN, Inc. mining expansion in West Lakeland Township.

The Secretary to the Board read into the record the notice to hold said public hearing.

Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist, presented an overview of C.A.M.A.S. MN, Inc.'s proposed expansion of their mining operation in Lakeland/West Lakeland Township by an additional 290 acres over the next 20 to 30 years. He indicated that the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) requires an EIS be prepared for a project of 160 acres or more before a conditional use permit can be reviewed or considered. The draft EIS is complete and has been distributed to the EQB, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Minnesota Historical Society as well as others for their comment. He indicated that an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) was completed to scope the environmental issues needed to be studied in the EIS. The County Board, as the responsible governmental unit (RGU), reviewed and approved an outline for the scope of the EIS and that outline is attached as Exhibit 1 and includes the following general issues: Air Quality Impacts, Water Quality Impacts, Water Quantity Impacts, Noise Impacts and Traffic Impacts.

Mr. O'Donnell advised the Board that C.A.M.A.S. MN, Inc. hired Barr Engineering to prepare the EIS document and all necessary studies. Also, Washington County as the RGU hired Montgomery Watson as its consulting engineer to review all technical papers, studies and review the EIS and specify any changes that must be made in the document.

Mr. O'Donnell stated that notice of the public hearing was published in the legal newspaper and written notice was sent to the City of Lakeland, West Lakeland Township and property owners within a quarter mile of the mining facility. He reminded the Board that written public comment will remain open for at least 10 days after this public meeting. If the Board wishes additional environmental issues be explored, he requested that the Board direct staff to respond to timely comments on the EIS. Staff will then come back to the County Board to address those responses, the final EIS will be prepared and sent out to the agencies for review, and then the final EIS will be brought back to the County Board for a determination of adequacy sometime in the future.

Collin Brownlow, Barr Engineering, presented a summary of the Environmental Impact Statement (Exhibit 2). He indicated that groundwater was not looked at for the following reasons: 1) The scoping EAW did a fairly thorough assessment of potential impact on water and concluded that normal sand and gravel mining does not pose an environmental impact or threat to groundwater, 2) Mining operations have been on this site for a long time and there is no evidence of impact on groundwater from current mining; 3) There will be no alteration in volume of water drawn by the mine with the expansion; 4) No hazardous materials will be used on the expansion site; 5) In 1998, C.A.M.A.S. installed a groundwater recycling pond which has reduced water usage by 25% of prior water usage; and, 6) There will be a 20 foot buffer when they get down to base level in the mine between the bottom of the mine and the nearest aquifer and it was determined that there should not be any groundwater impacts.

Mr. Brownlow stated that three alternatives to the proposed action were used: Maximum Mitigative Alternative, Reduced Scope Alternative and the No Action Alternative. For each one of these alternatives various impacts were looked at:

Social and Economic Impacts - This site provides 2 to 3 percent of metro area aggregate needs and will continue to provide aggregate for the next 20 to 30 years; Employs 23 to 25 people (CAMAS and CEMSTONE); Revenue is provided to Washington County and other taxing authorities through commercial property tax and the gravel mining tax; and, No known or expected archaeological, historic or cultural sites are located on that property. The three action alternatives preserve future land use options at the site and allow farming to continue at the site for many years. The no-action alternative would likely result in the sale of the site for development and cessation of farming on the site in the near future.

Air Quality Impacts - The existing mine currently complies with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's (MPCA) standards for dust. None of the proposed alternatives will result in exceeding MPCA dust standards to any nearby resident. Dust concentrations may increase at those residences temporarily as the mine face nears them and will then drop off as the mine face moves away. Although those dust concentrations may rise, they will not exceed MPCA standards.

Water Resources Impacts - Two items were looked at, water quality and water quantity. Water quantity is a concern because that site drains to a MN Department of Transportation (MN/Dot) drainage system. Water quality is a concern because the runoff ultimately reaches the St. Croix River. The current runoff quantities are well within the capacity of the MN/Dot system. The proposed action, the maximum mitigative alternative and the reduced scope action all result in slightly reduced runoff quantities from the site and reduced suspended solids and phosphorus from the site. The no action alternative will result in a slight but insignificant increase in runoff volume and the amounts of suspended solids and phosphorus runoff.

<u>Woodland and Habitats Impacts</u> - Currently there is a small dry oak remnant in the southern part of the property. Twenty percent of the total tree shrub content of that remnant is buckthorn. No endangered species are listed on the property. The wooded areas that are there do provide some cover and habitat for non-endangered species. If the whole site is mined that dry oak remnant will go. The reduced scope alternative does not touch the dry oak remnant, but that area is being degraded by invasive species and they expect that to continue absent a management plan for that site. The maximum mitigated alternative replaces that remnant woodland with a managed woodland corridor along the realigned stream channel.

Noise Impacts - Levels were measured at residences around the existing site and to the west and north of the proposed expansion for a full day. The current noise levels are typical of suburban or semi-rural location anywhere within the metro area. Traffic noise is the primary source of noise at those residences although mine noise is occasionally audible. While monitoring the noise they also visited the properties several times during the day and recorded what they could hear. At no point could they hear the mine. None of the proposed alternatives will result in any measurable or audible change in noise levels at any of the nearby residences.

<u>Traffic Impacts</u> - Traffic conditions on Highway 95, St. Croix Trail, 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, CR 21 and on CR 10 where it intersects with CR 21 were studied. Traffic flow on these roadways and through the intersections currently meet acceptable criteria set out by the Washington County Transportation Department. There is some waiting at the intersection of 95 and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, but it falls within the acceptable area. The truck traffic from CAMAS currently is around two to three percent of the total traffic on the neighboring roads. Based on prediction for growth in this area, they projected that regardless of what alternative was selected, there will be a fairly significant increase over the next twenty to thirty years particularly on Highway 95 and that traffic volumes and flows through the intersection on Highway 95 and 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue will be significantly degraded. The percentage of traffic attributable to CAMAS will drop from around three percent to one percent.

Mr. Brownlow concluded that both the maximum mitigation alternative, where there's a wooded corridor built, and the proposed action where the whole area is mined but no wooded corridor built, both offer long term social economic advantages. The reduced scope alternative preserves the remnant oak woodlands in the southern portion of the site, but provides reduced economic benefit. There are very significant social economic impacts associated with the no action alternative.

Sabrina Cook, Montgomery Watson, reviewed Barr Engineering's findings. She indicated that Washington County has thoroughly reviewed the EIS document. They reviewed all the data used and the assumptions used in the data. They reviewed the model used and the assumptions used in the model and particularly paid attention that the models used were generally acceptable by state and local regulatory agencies and were

appropriate. They found the assumptions were appropriate and the inputs used were appropriate. They looked at the output and input files and thoroughly checked all the numbers involved. The models used were technically sound and used correctly. They evaluated the significance criteria and the impact assessments, the methods used and rationale they used for determining whether things were significant, whether an impact occurred or not. The current conditions were used as a base line assessment, which is appropriate for the situation and was found to work well. They looked at the document structure, the format and clarity and found it to be appropriate and within guidelines of the regulations. They concur with the assessment of Mr. Brownlow that there were no significant impacts to the water quantity, quality with either of the action alternatives, the proposed action or the maximum mitigative alternative. There were no significant impacts with the no action alternative also. There were no significant impacts with the water quality, no significant impact to noise, no significant impact to air/dust and no significant impacts to this proposed process due to traffic. Impacts will occur but feel it is not related to this particular process. They concur that the proposed action or maximum mitigative alternative is the best process for this project. There will be no significant environmental impact to water quality, water quantity, air/dust, noise or woodland habitat which is currently degrading. There will be no adverse social or human impacts, archeological, historic or culture areas of concern. The dust and noise are the primary concern of the residents around the area that might be impacted and considered somewhat of a social human impact, but that has already been shown to not be a concern that is significant. There is a need for aggregate in the Twin Cities metro area, supplies are running out. There are extended jobs for 25 to 30 people for 20 to 30 years which is a significant positive impact. Significant tax revenues will be generated by this process which is a positive impact. Farming can be continued on the adjacent property in a decreasing amount as the years go on which will allow for the preservation of that area until 20 years in the future. The no action alternative has no significant environmental benefits and does have negative social economic impacts due to the loss of jobs and loss of revenues. The reduced scope alternative provides less social economic benefits and less aggregate, but there is no advantage to preserving the woodlands in this state because it is already in the process of degrading at this point, it's isolated from the neighboring communities and not in very good shape right now.

Mr. O'Donnell indicated that they have a few printed copies of the EIS document if any member of the public would like a copy of the entire document. Today's hearing is just to consider the environmental impacts associated with this project, so any comments from the public should just be directed to the environmental issues today. If they address areas they feel haven't been studied adequately the County can do that. Today is not the place or time to discuss whether or not mining is appropriate at this site. There will be hearings both at the township and county level on the conditional use permit for mining itself.

Commissioner Peterson asked to meet with Janet Dalgleish, Hydrogeologist, or whoever was involved with the groundwater, to discuss certain issues.

Dave Veilleux, 15799 22nd Street North - Mr. Veilleux indicated he moved to this address last July. Prior to that time he received a long range use map from the County. The map indicates the County's vision of land use and other sound bites that he didn't hear the consultants refer to today. He does not feel that the woodlands are degrading as was suggested by the consultant, or that scraping this land clear and turning it into a mine is somehow helping a woodland. He stated that today that land is farmland and asked if turning farmland into a gravel pit is appropriate economic use of the property. He also hears CAMAS say if they are not allowed to turn it into a gravel pit they will immediately develop it into homes. He feels that the arguments made by the consultants that this is an economic issue are invalid. He believes a flaw of this report is that consultants refer to a figure of 330 acres. The official document of this hearing states there are 290 acres. The map that was mailed to his home includes development of a piece of property that was not included on the map shown by the consultants. He estimates that piece of land to be about 40 acres. He feels 10 days between now and a decision making process is unfair to the citizens of this area to allow that type of error to be unclear. He finds it very difficult when a consultant tells him that he cannot hear this mine. He assured the Board that he does hear the mine regularly. The fact that this mine is a hole in the ground does not mitigate the sound escaping from it. He is concerned that if this mine gets closer to his property how loud will it be.

Commissioner Stafford reminded Mr. Veilleux that the debate as to whether or not CAMAS should be allowed to expand would come under the permitting process. This hearing is asking for input as to what he thinks could be done to enhance the EIS study. He heard Mr. Veilleux cite two things, degradation of the woodland area and the sound issue. He asked if there were any other issues he felt needed to be addressed in the EIS?

Mr. Veilleux asked that his neighborhood be given a much more significant opportunity to engage in a debate. He is not here to debate and say that his opinion is greater than the collective good of the County. When a property owner makes an investment they should be given an opportunity to engage the process. His well on his property is 380 deep. That's how far they have to go down to have water. There was no statement of fact that he heard today of how deep the mine is. He was surprised to hear that they are going to mine within 20 feet of the water table. There are so many issues that need to be discussed. This process needs to be opened up so the supervisors can have much more dialogue from his neighborhood. If the consultants and CAMAS are as magnanimous as they made it sound to publish as required by law in the newspaper a notice, why did they pick papers with such small circulation? Are those papers in question here today?

Commissioner Stafford indicated that each year this County Board picks an official newspaper for all of its publications and public notices and that has been the process since it has been required to give public notice for issues. He asked Mr. Veilleux again to stick to the EIS and his concerns.

Same States

Mr. Veilleux is concerned about this property that was not included on the maps they showed this morning.

Mr. O'Donnell indicated that the map which was sent to the property owners surrounding this area may have contained an error. It showed that CAMAS owned this property when in fact they do not own it. The areas which were previously shown by staff and consultants this morning contains 330 acres in the area depicted by green of which 290 acres is proposed to be mined. There are 40 acres that will be set aside in buffers and setbacks and those types of things.

Mr. Veilleux stated there needs to be a limit to the appetite for this beast to continue to grow in the future. He stated that traffic in his area falls into two, areas residential automobile occasional farm tractor and heavy trucks. Mere traffic count doesn't make a good comparison between those two types of road use. If CAMAS is going to grow, he believes the County should have some sort of certainties delivered to them that this growth in aggregate isn't going to spill over onto the roads via heavy trucking. The traffic plan around this property needs to be well defined. It would be alarming to find out that the traffic from this property flowed out onto either Stagecoach Road or unto 22<sup>nd</sup> Street North, because neither of those roads are designed for that type of traffic. There is no on ramp on to I-94 from Stagecoach Road. If the aggregate supply comes out on to heavy trucks and is not given an opportunity, the option the truck driver would have would be to come out on to Stagecoach, travel north on to 22<sup>nd</sup> Street North, come down what is 95 before they get to I-94. That should be considered, it may have been but was not communicated this morning. Mr. Veilleux felt that the discussion this morning was quite unbalanced.

Diane Jepson, 15833 22<sup>nd</sup> Street North - Ms. Jepson wondered when this noise level study was conducted. For the first three weeks when they started the new adjacent mine to her home it was extremely noisy and this lasted for many, many hours during the day. She saw no one from the committee on her property. She is also concerned about her water. She doesn't like the noise and dust and she is concerned. She feels this EIS study was very one sided. The property owners weren't contacted, no one stepped on to their property and asked them if the noise was extreme, is the dust extreme. Ms. Jepson stated she has lived at that address since 1996.

Holly Blank, 1035 Paris Avenue North - Ms. Blank indicated they moved in last September. Her issue is that the consultant stated the traffic is only about 2% which she believes in untrue. Her home is on Paris Avenue and 10<sup>th</sup> and her backyard is Stagecoach. During the summer months CEMSTONE is 90% of the traffic. The cement trucks are in and out all day long. She is also concerned about her well. Mantilla, who

does most of the well digging in the County, indicated that just the slightest movement of a bulldozer digging a basement for a home is enough to stir up the groundwater. She is concerned that if they are going to be digging that deep what affects that would have on their well water. She believes there is wildlife there, deer and wild turkey that she sees out her back window all the time. The other question she had regarded the noise level. He said it's in a deep hole, but it takes time to dig that hole, so what's the noise level going to be before they dig that hole. She is concerned about the view, she doesn't want to see bulldozers and hear beepers while she is at home trying to have some peace and quiet.

The Board Chair asked for further comments from the audience; none were heard. The Board Chair asked if the Clerk had received all of the evidence. She indicated that she had. The Board Chair closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Hegberg asked if the EIS only included the property that is outlined in orange and not the property that Mr. Veilleux brought up? Mr. O'Donnell indicated that was correct.

Commissioner Hegberg asked about the water quality issue. If they mine the whole thing, the water would improve to the St. Croix, is that correct? Mr. Brownlow indicated it's a very slight improvement, they wouldn't consider it to be significant.

Commissioner Hegberg asked about the soil condition between the 20 feet they are mining down to, is that bedrock, clay or does that continue to be sand and gravel?

Bob Bieraugel, CAMAS, MN Inc., mentioned the reference that they would be mining within 20 feet of the groundwater – the groundwater in that area drops from the west side of the property to the east side of the property such that – for instance the floor of the existing mine in Lakeland is well over 100 feet above the groundwater. As you move to the west in that mine, there are areas they have encountered groundwater that was within 20 feet of what they propose to be the shallower floor of the mine as they move west. The floor of the mine will move up in elevation as they move west because the deposit moves up. There is some bedrock as you move to the west so they will likely encounter that, but in any case, the material that is between the floor of the mine and the groundwater itself is in most cases sand with some clay lenses in it and in some cases there will be bedrock.

Commissioner Hegberg asked why the tree area is degrading, is it because of the environmental conditions or the types of trees? Mr. Bieraugel stated there is an invasion of buckthorn in that oak stand.

Commissioner Peterson asked if they were going to mine the land to the east down to 20 feet or are they currently at 20 feet, which is it? Mr. Bieraugel indicated that the property in Lakeland the groundwater in that area is over a 100 feet from the floor of that mine.

Commissioner Peterson asked where the 20 feet comes in? Mr. Bieraugel indicated that as you move to the west on this property the elevation of the groundwater comes up higher. The sand, gravel deposits that are within this 330 acre property are thicker to the east and thinner to the west. So the floor of that mine will come up as they move to the west.

Commissioner Peterson asked Mr. Bieraugel about the monitoring of wells in this area. She asked if you could tell her where those wells are? Mr. Bieraugel stated he doesn't know if they monitored water quality. They have reviewed the Minnesota Geological Survey's well records to determine what the groundwater table is, but as to water quality they haven't done any well water monitoring.

Commissioner Stafford stated he believes there is need for further clarification on traffic, pit noise, impact on local wells and explore any possibility to salvage that wooded area. He suggested that staff meet with the neighbors to review the EIS document with them.

Mr. O'Donnell confirmed the following items that staff will comment on: Further study of the noise; Economical impact on the farm land loss; Effects on wells in the area; Traffic; and Loss of the woodlands area.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-016** as follows:

Environmental Impact Statement for CAMAS, Lakeland Sand & Gravel Mine Expansion and Reclamation Plans Lakeland and West Lakeland Township, MN

WHEREAS, CAMAS has applied for a Conditional Use Permit to expand their mining operation by an additional 290 acres; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Rules 4410.4400 and the Washington County Development Code, Chapter Seven, Mining regulations requires that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) be prepared for mining operations of more than 160 acres; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is the Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU); and

WHEREAS, the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) dated December 1999 has been prepared and circulated to appropriate agencies pursuant to Minnesota Rules 4410.2600 and published notices in the Lillie Suburban Newspaper and EQB Monitor pursuant to Minnesota Rule 4410.2600; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on the draft EIS on January 25, 2000.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board direct the Department of Transportation and Physical Development, Land Management/Surveyor and Montgomery-Watson to prepare responses to the comments received on the draft EIS, after an additional ten day comment period has expired, for approval by the County Board at a subsequent meeting.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING - PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE**

The Board presented an overview of today's public hearing to receive comments on the Department of Transportation and Physical Development's proposed permit fee schedule.

Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development, presented an overview of the proposed fee schedule. He indicated that state statute allows counties to charge fees for services provided. They allow the county to permit access on county roads, authorizes the county to issue permits to allow oversize and overweight vehicles and allows the county to mange its rights of way through the use of permits.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked what the difference is between commercial access and residential? Mr. Fischer indicated that there is more work involved for staff to issue a commercial access permit than a residential permit. More discussion needs to take place with commercial access.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked why permit fees are listed if there is no fee? Mr. Fischer indicated that the County would then be aware of that activity and the permit holder would be aware of what their responsibilities are.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked if the annual fee is in addition to the trip or in lieu of the per trip? Mr. Fischer stated they would still be sending in a permit for each trip, but the fee is an annual fee. It is a one time fee.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked if the County tracks these permits to see if rules are being followed? Mr. Fischer stated that they will have field investigations to help enforce these procedures. This is an active permit process. They will be doing field check ups on these permits. Where they see that they are not conforming to the requirements of the permit they can either pull that permit and throw them out of the County right of way, or they may not issue a new permit until they resolve the problems they have with an existing permit.

John Wertish, Northern States Power, stated that NSP has had a good, long-standing relationship with Washington County as far as the right of way and other issues go. They understand what the County is faced with, especially from the increased activity in the communication area. He appealed to the Board that NSP has been a resident of the County for years and they plan to continue that position. They provide essential gas and electric services. They are a unique provider in the fact they pay property taxes on all their

facilities. Tax year 1999 they paid \$2 million directly to the County. With the cities, school districts and fiscal disparities that gets to be \$12 million. They require few if any services to safely maintain their facility. He appealed to the Board to consider keeping the current schedule, especially for NSP.

Manager and Street

The Board Chair asked for further comments; none were heard. The public hearing was closed at 11:05 a.m.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-017 as follows:

### Transportation and Physical Development Permit Fee Schedule

WHEREAS, the fee schedule for permits issued by the Washington County Department of Transportation and Physical Development has not been modified for at least ten years; and

WHEREAS, permit fees may allow the issuing agency to recoup the reasonable administrative costs associated with the permitting process; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required to implement such a change.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Director of Transportation and Physical Development to adopt the attached permit fee schedule.

Permit Revenues 1999 vs. 2000

Current Permit Fee Schedule			Proposed Permit Fee Schedule				
Type of Permit	Approx. # of Permits	Fee	Revenue Generated	Type of Permit	Approx. # of Permits	Fee	Revenue Generated
Utility	200	\$0	\$0	Utility Service Distribution Annual	50 50 5	\$25.00 \$100.00 \$2,500.00	\$1,250.00 \$5,000.00 \$12,500.00
Commercial Access	5	\$500	\$2,500	Commercial Access	5	\$500.00	\$2,500.00
Residential	25	\$150	\$3,750	Residential	25	\$150.00	\$3,750.00
Municipal Street Access	12	\$0	\$0	Municipal Street Access	12	\$0	\$0
Transportation	45	\$25	\$1,125	Transportation Per Trip Annual	25 30	\$25.00 \$100.00	\$625.00 \$3,000.00
Event	7	\$0	\$0	Event	6-10	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue Generated by Permits \$7,375		Total Revenue General by Permits		\$28,625			

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### Carpet and Rug Institute Certification

Chair Stafford indicated that discussion on the Carpet and Rug Institute certification will be discussed at next week's Board meeting.

#### COURT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Russ Reetz, Court Services Director, reported that the 2000 contract between Dakota County and Washington County for provision of secure juvenile detention bed services has decreased from five beds to two beds which means approximately \$168,000 in savings to Washington County.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the 2000 contract with Dakota County for provision of secure juvenile detention bed service for the period from January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

#### Appeal from Robert Novak, d.b.a. Lake Elmo Oil, Inc. - Violation of Tobacco Ordinance

Commissioner Stafford reviewed the process that will be followed in an appeal by Robert Novak, d.b.a. Lake Elmo Oil, Inc. to the Public Health and Environment Department's imposition of an administrative penalty in the amount of \$100 for violation of Section 11.4 (1) of the Washington County Tobacco Ordinance.

Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment, indicated that state law provides if a licensee or an employee of a licensee sells tobacco to a person under the age of 18 years, the licensee shall be charged an administrative penalty. Under this state statute, Washington County is required to license and regulate the sale of tobacco in any township or city of the County which does not have and enforce its own tobacco sales ordinance.

Ms. McGlothlin indicated that in 1998, the County Board established the Youth Access to Tobacco Ordinance. During a routine tobacco sales compliance check, a clerk employed by the licensee did sell tobacco to a 17 year old minor. As provided for in the Ordinance, both the clerk and the licensee were assessed an administrative penalty. Mr. Novak appealed the administrative penalty under section 11.4 (1) of the County Ordinance. On November 18, 1999 he appeared before an administrative appeal hearing panel. During that process the panel heard a presentation from a compliance checker in the department as well as Mr. Novak's arguments as to why the penalty should not be imposed.

Ms. McGlothlin indicated that Findings of Fact from the administrative appeal panel support that the tobacco sale did occur in violation of the Tobacco Ordinance; however, based on Mr. Novak's testimony, the hearing panel recommended to the Department Director that the administrative penalty be reduced from \$200 to \$100 for this first violation. The basis for this recommendation was that this was a first violation and that Mr. Novak made a strong argument as to his educational program and process for his employees. The clerk was assessed a penalty of \$50 and that has been paid. Mr. Novak was notified of this decision and has appealed that decision to the Board.

Ms. McGlothlin informed the Board there are five options for it to consider. She requested that if the Board chooses either option 2 or option 4, which is basically to stay the imposition of the penalty, that the imposition be conditioned on the licensee having no further violations of this ordinance in the next two years and that if the licensee should have another violation within the next two year period she would request that the original penalty of \$200 be immediately reinstated and made due and payable and that the penalty for a second violation in the amount of \$400 would also be assessed at the same time.

Robert Novak, Lake Elmo Oil, Inc., stated that their profit on a pack of cigarettes is about 40¢. If it was a \$50 fine, they would have to sell 100 packs of cigarettes to pay for it. He sells 150 packs of cigarettes a day and makes \$60. The fine of \$100 will take three days of profit to pay for. They have the clerks sign an affidavit stating that they have reviewed the information contained in the booklet entitled "Responsible Tobacco Retailing Program" and agree to the following rules and company policy about the sale of tobacco products. They train these people. They spend 45 minutes just on the tobacco issue alone and how serious it is. They feel the fine penalizing their business is unreasonable due to the fact that they as employers have done everything in their power to prevent a tobacco sale to a minor except being next to the employee every moment the business is open. As a business they understand their responsibility in training their employees and stressing the absolute necessity of following the law. The responsibility after this should lie with the employee and the underage buyer. Penalizing a business for not training its employees is understandable. Penalizing a business for doing their job and doing it well is unfair. He finds that the \$200 fine is excessive. They have adjusted his fine to \$100, but he is concerned about the next time one of this employees fails, he's on the hook for \$400.

Mr. Novak stated that as a company they have compliance checks. They pay \$35 per quarter to have somebody come in and evaluate their store and attempt to buy cigarettes to see if their system is working. He asked what more can he do to prevent himself from being fined \$400? He is taking offensive measures. The clerks are the ones breaking the law not him.

Commissioner Peterson stated that he is one of many business who came in and asked the Board to change the Ordinance. He has a very progressive policy to train the clerks. She indicated to him that he does have another choice and that is to choose not to sell cigarettes. He does have a choice to only hire 18 year old's.

Commissioner Peterson asked if the Board could fine him \$200, forgive \$100, but if another infraction occurs that the \$100 would go on to the next infraction?

George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney, stated that the \$200 would be imposed, stay that imposition, and then if he violates it again then he'll have to pay that \$200 plus the next violation.

Commissioner Peterson stated that the \$200 is a fair fine, because there are choices.

Mr. Kuprian stated the Board can stay half of the amount-impose \$200, stay \$100 and make him pay \$100. If there was another infraction he would have to pay the \$100 plus the next fine.

Commissioner Hegberg stated he understands Mr. Novak's feelings, but a teller in a bank when they're short a \$1,000 they let them go. When they are short \$50 and they do it over and over again, then it's somewhat the discretion of the management, there is also a penalty on their organization. He asked if the cities also double the fines as they go through the process?

Ms. McGlothlin stated that ordinances vary. Not all of them double, not all have the same dollar figures. As the violations increase the fines increase, it is always going up.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked about the fine to the employee which was \$50, how is that derived? Ms. McGlothlin stated that is a figure that was established in state law.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked what happens if this same employee does this again? Ms. McGlothlin stated she believes it is still \$50.

Commissioner Peterson feels that if the County does not fine for \$200 the integrity of having an ordinance and enforcing becomes lessened. She believes he has taken a very aggressive stand to have his employees aware of their responsibility and she is willing to forego part of the fine with the understanding that there be no other violation. This ordinance has already been changed to accommodate a special group of folks, but she believes the \$200 fine is what the Board should be imposing and forgiving \$100 of it for his aggressiveness and that \$100 would go on the next fine.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated the Board has to be very careful in convicting an employer for the full charge, unless you want to do away with cigarettes entirely. He would rather stick it to the employee doing the selling. If the state feels \$50 is reasonable and they do it five or six times and they will still be fined \$50, he feels that is a problem.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated that this happens all the time. They get a list of businesses that sell tobacco to minors and it is considerable. About 80% of the cigarettes that are gotten by juveniles are bought by adults, it's not where they go in and are buying them on their own. Smoking continues to rise in the underage kids and it might be at its highest point in over 25 years. Is the reason for this because these evil small business people are selling underage kids tobacco–it's not. He wonders how much it costs the County in man power and all this paperwork–did it cost \$5,000 to levy a \$150 dollars in fines which goes back on the property taxes anyway. His main point is that it has to come down to personal responsibility. He thinks it should be in this order: Individual buyer, individual seller and then the business. Not just nail whoever is the stationary target with the deepest pockets. This individual does compliance checks, does training for his employees and has his employees sign off on it, what more does the Board want him to do? He would like to see it slant more to the employee and not the employer and have a different tier for the businesses that don't do training. He cannot justify going along with a fine for this because he does not feel there is any responsibility to be had on the part of the business owner.

Commissioner Stafford stated that all a person has to do is stick a piece of paper under an applicant's face and say "sign this". He knows Mr. Novak wouldn't do that, he's impressed with his training efforts, but the guy down the street could. Maybe the fees can be revisited, and possibly increase the fines for the employee. He does think that somewhere the employer is accountable and this is not a unique situation. That employee is working on the employer's license. If the County doesn't train its employees and even if they do, the County is on the hook if the employees screw up. He supports staff looking at the employees fine being stiffer, but somewhere down the line the buck has to stop with the boss.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-018 as follows:

Resolution Imposing Administrative Penalty
Under the Washington County Youth
Access to Tobacco Ordinance

WHEREAS, this matter came before the Board on an appeal from the imposition of a \$100 Administrative Penalty for selling tobacco to a minor in violation of the Washington County Youth Access to Tobacco Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this appeal was brought by Lake Elmo Oil, Inc., Lake Elmo, Minnesota, a holder of a Washington County License to sell tobacco products; and

WHEREAS, this matter was heard on November 18, 1999, by a three-member administrative panel which held a fact-finding hearing; and

WHEREAS, the panel made Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law that the Licensee, Lake Elmo Oil, Inc. had, through its employee, sold tobacco to a minor; and

WHEREAS, because of the extensive training afforded to its employees by the Licensee with respect to the proper sale of tobacco and tobacco products, the panel recommended that the maximum \$200 penalty that could be imposed be reduced to \$100; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Public Health and Environment reviewed the findings and recommendations and imposed the panel's recommended administrative penalty of \$100; and

WHEREAS, the Board entertained the matter on the record created during the administrative hearing; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the Department and of Lake Elmo Oil, Inc. were allowed to present argument to the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board members reviewed the record made at the administrative hearing; heard the arguments of the parties; and were otherwise informed in the premises.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Administrative Panel's Findings and Conclusions and Recommendations be and hereby are adopted.

BEIT FURTHER RESOLVED that a \$100 Administrative Penalty be and hereby is imposed upon the Licensee, Lake Elmo Oil, Inc.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-2 with a role call vote as follows: Commissioner Hegberg, Yes; Commissioner Abrahamson, Yes; Commissioner Stafford, Yes; Commissioner Peterson, No; Commissioner Pulkrabek, No.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Matt Nelson, AFSCME Council 14, asked the Board to reconsider using St. Louis County in its market study to determine comparable salaries up to 90% of the market. Overall, St. Louis County pays less for all their jobs than other counties used in the study, which significantly reduces the market study. He stated that Washington County is losing a lot more people to the State of Minnesota than they are to St. Louis County. He believes it would be more appropriate to use the State of Minnesota rather than St. Louis County.

Commissioner Abrahamson indicated that the Personnel Committee is looking at this situation.

# BOARD RECESS TO WORKSHOP WITH THE HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD

The Board recessed to a workshop with the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board to discuss issues of mutual interest and concern at 12:00 p.m. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, George Kuprian, Dan Papin, HRA Board Members: Randall Samuelson, Harry Melander, Francis Rheinberger, David Piggott and Clarie Eisinger; Dave Engstrom, HRA Executive Director, Linda Sperry, HRA Administrative Assistant, Peter Cooper, HRA Council; and Dave Brierley.

# **EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION**

The Board met in Executive (Closed) Session with the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections to discuss the status of the Preferred Commercial Industrial property tax lawsuit; the time being 1:50 p.m. Present for the Executive Session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Doug Johnson, Susan Tice, Bob Turrentine, Molly O'Rourke, Joanne Helm, Scott Hovet, and Julie Roisen.

The Board meeting reconvened at 2:35 p.m.

# **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported that he attended the Library Board meeting on Monday and will attend the Community Corrections meeting this week. He also indicated that he has been assigned to the HRA Board and to Public Health Advisory Committee, which meet the same night and one hour apart from each other. Public Health meets in the Government Center and HRA meets in St. Paul Park. He would be willing to trade the Public Health Advisory Committee for another committee. He would like to stay on the HRA Board.

Commissioner Peterson reported that she has a matrix that shows AMC, MICA LMC and AMM and identifies their transportation policies. The Transportation Alliance will also be included in this matrix. She suggested that the Board advise its lobbyist as to where it is in this matrix. There may be some differences from the Board's perspective and all these other organizations.

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Commissioner Peterson reported that she met with the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging and AMC

Region 10. She believes it is becoming more apparent that the principal concern is with the reauthorization

of the federal Older Americans Act and that it has created a huge bureaucracy that nothing can be

accomplished.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that he will be attending the MetroGIS meeting on Wednesday, Mosquito

Control on Wednesday and the Extension Committee with the State of Minnesota on Thursday and Friday.

He mentioned that he will be attending the open house for the new Ramsey County Administrator this

afternoon.

Commissioner Stafford reported he will be attending the Resource Recovery meeting, Solid Waste

Management Coordinating Board and on Friday there's a coalition of utility counties meeting at the Capitol.

**BOARD CORRESPONDENCE** 

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn,

seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 2:50

p.m.

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug

County Administrator

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA FEBRUARY 1, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioner met in regular session at 4:35 p.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Meredeth Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Pat Singel, Community Services Department; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager, Larry Nybeck, Surveyor, Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; James Luger, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Suzanne Pollack, Community Services Department; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Rick Backman, Community Services Division Manager, Cindy Weckwerth, Public Health and Environment; Cindy Koosmann, Recorder, Jane Harper, Principal Planner, Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Lowell Johnson, Public Health and Environment; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the January 18, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
- Approval to appoint Daniel Winter to the Workforce Council as a large business representative to a term expiring June 30, 2002.
- Approval to reappoint Pamela Skinner, Oakdale, to the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed
   District to a three year term expiring February 22, 2003.
- 4. Approval to appoint Sara Wenzel, Oakdale, to the Community Social Services Committee, to a first term expiring December 31, 2002.
- Approval of the County's comments on the Proposed Modification of Development District No. 1 and Proposed Adoption of the Modification of the Tax Increment Financing Plan for Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-1 within Development District No. 1 in the City of Hugo.
- Approval of one day on sale 3.2 percent malt liquor license for the Scandia Fireman's Ball on February 26, 2000 at the Scandia Community Center.

- Approval of the Mini-Plan for the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) 5% incentive funds for the program year July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000.
- 8. Approval of Child Care Resources and Referral contract amendment for informal caregiver grants.
- Approval to solicit participation of local governments, non-profit organizations and business/ industry in Project Impact for community emergency preparedness and disaster mitigation.
- 10. Approval of Plat of Hunter's Ridge 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition, May Township.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

### PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

# Final Draft Ordinances: Food Code, Lodging Establishments, Manufactured Home Parks/ Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camps and Public Pools

Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment, advised the Board that during the week of January 17 the Department hosted a number of meetings for parties who would be affected by the ordinances including school districts, local governments and licensees from manufactured home park/recreational camping, youth camp group, as well as the public pool group. At the workshop on January 4, the Board raised a question regarding fees. Staff suggested at that time that the County would establish the State's current fees as its fees. The Board asked whether those fees would cover the cost of doing this work. Staff recalculated those figures and have found that the fees should completely cover the cost of doing that.

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the final draft ordinances for public hearing: Food Code, Lodging Establishments, Manufactured Home Parks/Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camps, and Public Pools. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# Establish Public Hearing for Food Code, Lodging Establishments, Manufactured Home Parks/ Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camps and Public Pools

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to establish a public hearing for Food Code, Lodging Establishments, Manufactured Home Parks/ Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camps and Public Pools for Tuesday, February 22, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. and authorize publication of notice according to law. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# **PUBLIC HEARING - TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT**

# Housekeeping Amendments to the County Development Code

The Board Chair presented an overview of today's public hearing to receive comments on proposed housekeeping changes to the Washington County Development Code.

Statement Million

The Board Secretary read the notice of public hearing into the record.

Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist, advised the Board that the current Washington County Development Code was adopted in late 1997. Since that time, correcting typographical errors and other housekeeping changes were determined necessary. In addition, since this Ordinance was adopted, a departmental reorganization occurred in the County which shifted responsibility of the implementation of the Development Code from the Department of Health and Land Management to the Department of Transportation and Physical Development. On October 27, 1999, the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission recommended approval of these changes. Notice of this meeting as well as the changes were sent to the townships in the County and they were allowed time to review those changes.

The proposed changes are as follows:

#### **CHAPTER ONE**

Page 3 Section 1 (7)

Agricultural use: Land whose use is devoted to...and apiary products-add "and raising domestic farm animals."

Page 34 Section 5.1

Replace first paragraph with, "The Department of Transportation and Physical Development shall be designated as the Zoning Administrator, with the exception of Chapters Four (4) and Eight (8) for which the Department of Public Health shall be the Zoning Administrator."

Page 35 Section 5.1 create a (12)

"(12) Issue stop work orders for violations of this Development Code"

Page 42, Section 7.2(1)(F)

Delete reference to HELM and replace with "The Director of the Department of Transportation and Physical Development."

Section 7.2(2)

Delete reference to HELM and replace with "The Director of the Department of Transportation and Physical Development."

Page 53, Section 11.2(1)

add... "has first been issued by the Department of Public Health."

Section 11.3

Change second line to read "... from the Department of Transportation and Physical Development."

Note that the side note should make the same reference, the telephone number is correct on page 53

Page 57, Section 13.4(B)

Add"...of buildable land as defined in Chapter One, Section 2.1(24) in unserviced areas..."

Page 58, Section 14.1

Delete entire second sentence which reads "A petition by affected property owners shall be presented to the County Board of Commissioners."

### CHAPTER TWO, PART 1

Page 3, Section 2.2(2)(F)

Change "Horse Training Facility, Commercial..." to read "10 or less horses)"

Page 4, Section 3.2(2)(F)

Change "Horse Training Facility, Commercial..." to read "10 or less horses)"

Page 5, Section 4.2(2)(F)

Change "Horse Training Facility, Commercial..." to read "10 or less horses)"

Page 7, Section 6.2(2)(F)

Change "Horse Training Facility, Commercial..." to read "10 or less horses)"

# **CHAPTER TWO, PART 2**

Page 3, Section 1.3

Add "... from and after the effective date of this Development code, parcels subdivided utilizing either the lot averaging or open space design method of development shall be "

#### CHAPTER TWO, PART 3

Page 3, Section 1.1(9)(Top of page)

Delete "Sections 2.29." Replace with "Sections 2.30, 2.31 and 2.32 of this Development Code."

Page 49, Section 2.17 (3)(A)

Add "...on any site of less than five (5) acres. For purposes of this section, five (5) acres may include the road right of way."

Page 80, Section 2.36(10)5

Change to "The Department of **Transportation and Physical Development** is explicitly authorized..."

Page 81, Section 2.36(11) (Top of Page)

Change to "...under Part 10(1)(f) and (2) shall not apply."

Page 98, Section 4.7(1)

Change line 3 from "Section 4.6(4)(A)" to "...per Section 4.10(4)(A)..."

Page 104, Section 4.10(4)(C)2

Delete "...unless they are..." Replace with "...structures that are accessory to the..."

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Ordinance No. 14 shall be Chapter Five in the Washington County Development Code Ordinance No. 138 shall be Chapter Nine in the Washington County Development Code

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

Commissioner Peterson moved to close the public hearing at 4:53 p.m. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve housekeeping amendments to the Washington County Development Code as presented. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

The County Attorney's office was directed to prepare a resolution adopting the housekeeping amendments to the Washington County Development Code.

## Revocation of County Road 53 to the Township of New Scandia

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-019 as follows:

# Revoking County Road 53

WHEREAS, it appears to the County Board of the County of Washington that the road hereinafter described is a County Road under the provisions of Minnesota Laws; and

WHEREAS, this portion of County Road 53 (CR 53) is located within New Scandia Township; and

WHEREAS, Washington County and New Scandia Township have prepared a turnback agreement for the revocation of this portion of CR 53.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Washington that the road described as follows: to-wit:

All of County Road 53. Said County Road 53 lies easterly of the right of way for T.H. 95. Its southerly terminus is on the easterly right of way line of T.H. 95 within the "Revision of Vasa" Plat, and it proceeds northerly and eventually northwesterly along Quinnell Avenue North to its northerly terminus on the easterly right of way line of T.H. 95 within the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 19, Township 32 North, Range 19 West, Washington County, Minnesota.

be, and hereby is revoked as a County Road of said County and that responsibility for this road shall revert to New Scandia Township, pursuant to Minn. Stat. 163.11, on March 1, 2000.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# **County Carpeting Bidding Specifications**

Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development, stated that the Seal of Approval program was developed by the Carpet and Rug Institute to provide consumers with assurance they are receiving quality carpeting being installed by experienced people. In an effort to assure that the County received quality products and services, contracts and project specifications were written and revised to meet new or updated industry standards. Mr. Wisniewski asked if the Board wishes to include the specification that carpet installers have this Seal of Approval from the Carpet and Rug Institute.

Commissioner Hegberg stated he is not convinced that this certification adds to the quality. If it is just a matter of sending an application in stating they have so many years, or so many hours of service, and a hundred bucks and then they receive a certification, he does not believe it proves quality of service.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he agrees with Commissioner Hegberg. He does not believe it has been demonstrated clearly that it will increase the quality of the product. He sees this as another hoop for businesses to jump through.

Commissioner Peterson stated that this may be included in future specifications after the program has been established, but does not feel it should be included in this bid specification.

Commissioner Stafford feels that this assures that someone has done the homework and has taken the time to study for this certification and he believes that should give that individual a little more credibility.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to authorize staff to rebid for County Carpeting and that the specification for the Seal of Approval not be included at this time. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# Support for Full Build Decision for the I-494 Wakota Bridge/TH 61 Improvement Project

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-020 as follows:

Resolution Supporting Minnesota Department of Transportation "Full Build" I-494 Wakota Bridge/TH 61 Improvement Project

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board supports the Minnesota Department of Transportation "Full Build" design commitment for the I-494 Wakota Bridge/TH 61

Improvement Project in accordance with Commissioner Elwyn Tinklenberg's letter of reaffirmed commitment to Representative Sharon Marko dated January 27, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board is also encouraged by The Honorable Governor Jesse Ventura's bold transportation vision; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board hereby concurs with the Minnesota Department of Transportation "Full Build" commitment.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# PUBLIC HEARING - PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS ORDINANCE

The Board Chair presented an overview of today's public hearing to receive comments on the proposed ordinance to establish a Purchase of Development Rights Program.

The Board Secretary read the notice of public hearing into the record.

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, presented an overview of the proposed Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance. She indicated that in 1997 the Minnesota Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources funded a two-year effort to identify and plan for the protection of a green corridor in Chisago and Washington counties. The goal was to identify a corridor of land in the County that could be preserved in its natural state through the use of four tools: purchase of development rights, transfer of development rights, donated conservation easements and fee acquisition. Also in 1997, the Minnesota Legislature granted local units of government the authority to establish purchase of development rights programs. In July of 1999, the County Board decided to go forward with a Purchase of Development Rights Program and to seek ongoing stable funding for the Program through a countywide referendum in November 2000.

Ms. Harper reviewed what this Ordinance would do and a few are listed as follows: Authorize the County Board to use revenue to acquire conservation easements from voluntary applicants; Authorize the County Board to participate jointly in the acquisition of property interest with other qualified organizations legally empowered to hold interests in real property; Direct that the conservation easements purchased under this Program would be permanent and held by a qualified unit of government, conservation organization, or land trust; and direct the County Board to establish a Program Policy and Procedures Document.

Ms. Harper indicated that the following documents have been made a part of the record: Copy of written notice to all governing bodies of towns and municipalities within the County, dated January 11, 2000; Copies of written testimony received from the following parties: Julie Westerlund, Metro Trout Stream Watershed Protection Initiative Coordinator and Minnesota Department of Natural Resources; Grey Gerard, resident of Lake Elmo; Thomas Armstrong, Lake Elmo Planning Commission; Gary and Nancy Van Cleve,

residents of Lake Elmo; Bryan McGinnis, resident of Birchwood and chair of the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission; and Ted Mondale, Chair, Metropolitan Council.

Jane Harper reviewed staff recommend changes to the proposed ordinance and map.

Commissioner Peterson asked would the County biological survey site at any time not be in conformance with a city's natural resource inventory? Ms. Harper indicated she has not studied that, but would guess that if a community has a natural resource inventory, that these high priority sites that the DNR has identified are probably within their inventory, but she is not sure.

Commissioner Peterson indicated she would like to make certain that they are not in opposition with one another.

Commissioner Pulkrabek pointed out on the map that some golf courses were missed. Ms. Harper indicated that the golf courses included on the map are those that are within or touch the Green Corridor, so it is not all of the golf courses. Staff is preparing a working map that will have all of the golf courses for the entire County and the trails.

The Board Chair opened the public hearing at 5:40 p.m.

John Baird, 800 Towne Circle, Stillwater - Mr. Baird supports this concept and is very enthusiastic. Three public opinion polls have indicated strong resident support for the concept of a tax to preserve open space. As a member of the Land Trust Board, he has had calls from residents of this County who want to have their land preserved, but do not feel they can donate the value of the development rights because it is their retirement. He believes that the preservation of open space will increase the desirability of adjoining property and any loss in the tax base will be more than compensated for by the additional added value of the nearby lands. He commended the County Board and staff for bringing this forward and will do his part in promoting a favorable response for the funding of the PDR in November.

Hollis Stauber,13635 North 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Stillwater - Ms. Stauber stated she represents the Minnesota Land Trust as a Board member and the Chapter Chair of the East Metro Chapter of the Land Trust. She indicated she was here as a volunteer who might, if this goes forward, be responsible with the County, if they decide to go with a relationship, in co-holding these easements. She asked the Board if they have any questions about the land trust and its operations she would be glad to answer them now or in the future.

Steve DeLapp, 8468 Lake Jane Trail, Lake Elmo - Mr. DeLapp stated that because of his involvement with other organizations, he thinks the proposal that has been brought before the Board is consistent with the

County Comprehensive Plan, the St. Croix Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, the City of Lake Elmo's Comprehensive Plan, and it is consistent with the Minnesota Land Trust's policies on preserving open space and areas where it is appropriate to preserve it. He distributed copies of an article from the St. Paul paper showing a survey done in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel talking about where people want to live versus where they want development to be placed. The survey indicated that half the people who plan to move in the next couple of years in Wisconsin want to live in a rural area. This is consistent with a poll done two years ago by the 1000 Friends of Minnesota. The same people say that only 15 percent of the development should take place in rural areas, which causes a conflict. He feels what the Board is looking at is one way to address that conflict.

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Konrad Koosmann, 1825 Curve Crest Boulevard, Stillwater - Mr. Koosmann stated he represents the Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and supports the proposed Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance for the following reasons: The PDR Ordinance specifically addresses protection and preservation of rural landscape such as natural features, sensitive areas and prime farmland; It fits well with existing SWCD programs and policies pertaining to land use preservation; It fits well with proposed legislation dealing with land protection called the 1000 Friends of the Mississippi which the SWCD is actively involved with; The SWCD is experienced in working with local governmental units and watershed districts which have identified areas of natural resource significance and the PDR Ordinance can provide them the means to protect and preserve these areas; and, it can be coupled with the existing SWCD programs to further the protection dollars creating greater efficiency of government. He feels the SWCD can contribute and they are available to help make this program a success.

Ryan Schroeder, Administrator, City of Cottage Grove - Mr. Schroeder indicated he has prepared written comments and provided those to the Clerk. They would like the opportunity for further dialogue throughout the County's process and are concerned with the following potential issues: 1) They are unclear whether the proposed PDR parcels must be in conformance with land use controls of the community; they feel it should be mandatory; 2) They are unclear whether the local communities have any opportunity for input on specific PDR parcels other than comment opportunity; they believe the city should have the opportunity to exempt parcels from the program based on local plans; 3) They are unclear as to who will bear the burden of infrastructure cost increases for future roads, road maintenance and utility construction due to large parcels of property without future development rights; They believe provision for community infrastructure must be part of the process; and 4) Allow the cities to become the implementing agencies as subgrantees of the County. Mr. Schroeder indicated that the City of Cottage Grove has a Natural Resource Inventory which has been cited as a model for others to follow. He concluded his remarks by stating the City of Cottage Grove has been represented in many of the County's discussions leading to the development of the PDR program. They believe this program could bring everyone a positive result. If the issues he has brought forward are proactively addressed, he feels the City of Cottage Grove will be a supporter of the program.

Commissioner Peterson asked about a piece of property north of the Ravine Park and whether they are doing anything to protect that land and would that be a potential conflict? Mr. Schroeder stated that hasn't been addressed as part of the land use element of their Comprehensive Plan, it is part of their environmental element.

Commissioner Peterson stated that in dealing with the watersheds, it's always important that watersheds find the most economical and expedient method for stormwater removal. She feels that the PDR Ordinance allows the County an opportunity to work with watersheds to create a more environmentally sound process that would encourage more infiltration. Mr. Schroder stated the City of Cottage Grove hasn't addressed that particular question, but as a personal opinion, he feels there is opportunity for interaction and cooperative ventures between all of these parties.

Joyce Welander, 10381 83<sup>rd</sup> Street North, Grant - Ms. Welander believes the program is fine as long as it's voluntary. On January 3 she received a Green Corridor Project update and was disturbed by an item which states that the County Board plans to hold a referendum on the November ballot in an attempt to approve a dedicated property tax increase. She feels that some individuals would not be able to afford this increase on property tax. She asked the County Board to consider its vote and not allow a referendum to be put on the ballot. If this program is strictly voluntary then the property taxes should also be voluntary. Ms. Welander indicated that the Mayor of Grant is also opposed to a referendum.

Michael Pressman, Director of Planning, 1000 Friends of Minnesota - Mr. Pressman commended the Board for its careful deliberations on this issue for the past three years. He reminded the Board and audience that the Ordinance and Policies and Procedures and map were developed with input from both residents and local units of government throughout the County. Over 110 public meetings involving 3,800 people were held over the past two years. He stated this is a voluntary program and that the tax increase is not the subject of tonight's hearing. He believes that referendum is nonbinding and would be advisory to the Commissioners. He believes the suggested changes by Mr. McGinnis are worthy of consideration. He stated that an additional criteria be that it be consistent with local plans. He feels it would be worth while to have a separate line item for the County Biological Survey, but also consider consistency with local natural resource inventories as well.

The Board thanked Mr. Pressman for his efforts for the past three years and wished him luck in his new endeavors.

Barry Johnson, Administrator, City of Woodbury - Mr. Johnson indicted that the City Council is supportive of this approach and commends the County Board for initiating it. He listed concerns about the Ordinance

in a document provided to the Board and placed in the record. Mr. Johnson briefly addressed the following concerns: 1) They suggested that the Ordinance should be amended to require that any Purchase of Development Rights that would occur under the County's program be consistent with local comprehensive plans; 2) They believe there should be a dispute resolution process where the parties can sit down and discuss an issue; and, 3) They suggested that the map be revised so that it becomes consistent with local plans.

Al Singer, Metro Greenways Corridor for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources - Mr. Singer commended the County Board and staff for their efforts in looking at creative tools for protecting natural areas and open space. Through Metro Greenways there are three sites they are working on that would total almost \$1.3 million of State funds for protecting natural areas in the County. They also have a new nomination round for using state funds for protecting areas and there are several additional sites in Washington County that have come forward. He feels this is an opportunity to bring together city governments, county governments, the metro region and the State of Minnesota to effectively leverage dollars and hopefully create win/win situations for all of the parties involved. He looks forward to working with the County on behalf of this important issue.

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

Commissioner Peterson moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously. The public hearing was closed at 6:20 p.m.

Commissioner Peterson indicated that she has received many phone calls from farmers in her area. They had many questions and she believed that she has answered them. She also appreciated the comments from the City of Cottage Grove and the City of Woodbury. They brought forward good ideas and discussion regarding consistency with their Comp Plans and their Natural Resources Inventory. She also welcomed the comments from Woodbury regarding the funding issue. She asked Ms. Harper to explain the reductions in minimum parcel size.

Ms. Harper indicated that the original draft of the policies and procedures listed minimum eligibility criteria. There was a minimum parcel size of 10 acres which is what the Land Trust has worked with in the past. It seemed to be effective and that was a good minimum parcel size. There is also a variance that if the site is adjacent to an already protected land and it serves as a connector between already protected lands or if there is some high resource value of the parcel then a smaller parcel would be allowed. She indicated that a revision will be tried during the pilot project to make the minimum parcel size correspond to the minimum lot size of the zoning district that applies in the area. This would scale it down for the cities which have the higher density zoning.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated that the cities of Cottage Grove and Woodbury brought up good points that the Board will need to address. He is concerned about the sewer and feels it will be a very costly matter. If this matter goes before the voters, he believes it is important to have a set time for a taxing process whether it be for five or ten years.

Commissioner Hegberg feels this process has given the Board priorities so it can choose a better open space area. There are still conflicts but they will become more defined as the process is continued and will make it a better fit with the local units of governments. He is concerned that there will not be enough money to buy the areas that will be coming forward over time. When this program is combined with the County's cluster ordinances and other parts of the Comp Plan, he feels it gives the County more bang for its buck.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he is very supportive of the purchase of development rights program and he does not feel it can be overstated that this is one of the most, if not the most, important endeavors the County has embarked on in years.

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt the Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance with the recommended changes from County staff. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion.

Commissioner Stafford suggested this be delayed given the number of questions that have been raised. He is not comfortable supporting it until the questions have been answered. He is concerned about local impact on parcels that do or do not go into the plan. He would like to hear more about the advisory commission. He would like to know who is going to make final recommendations to the Board. He would like to talk about the concept itself. He would like to wait awhile.

Commissioner Peterson stated that changes suggested by staff are appropriate and assumes the maker of the motion also included those. She feels the issues that have been brought up by Cottage Grove and Woodbury are things that can be worked out, they don't necessarily have to be in the ordinance but can be in the scoring document.

Ms. Harper stated that in the Policies and Procedures document there are three places where those issues are raised, one is in the area of criteria. There is a negative point value assigned if the parcel is inconsistent with local comprehensive plans. It is not what the cities are asking for in terms of exemption or veto power over any of the parcels, but it was in recognition that there is a preference for the parcels being consistent with those plans. Also in the Policies and Procedures document it was recommended that as part of the advisory committee that there be members from local government that serve on that committee. At an earlier meeting the Board directed staff to work with the Parks and Open Space Commission as the advisory committee

rather than establishing a new advisory committee. That may be an issue to expand that committee and add members. In the process that is laid out there are opportunities for local governments, watershed districts and school districts to comment on the parcels that will be purchased. That doesn't give them veto power, but it gives them an opportunity to be in the process.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek stated it is important to work with organizations who had voiced some concerns and try to work out the inconsistencies as best they can. If the Board has to wait a few weeks and bring it back it might be best to withdraw his motion.

Ms. Harper cautioned that the \$150,000 match the County received from the state is only available through July of 2001. This can be delayed a week or two, but the longer it is delayed the more difficult it will be to work all the way through the process and have that real estate closing by that date. If it is delayed, she would hope to get back in front of the Board sometime in February. Ms. Harper stated if the Board waits until it has all the answers before we start step one they will run out of time. The idea is that they have an opportunity with this matching money from the state a unique opportunity to pilot test the policy and procedures and fine tune them. The ordinance needs to be in place to do the first acquisitions and then the ordinance can be revisited in a year from now after the experience is gained. Also, she pointed out that the project has worked with the communities along the way. The maps that the Board has in front of it have been completed for six or eight months and some communities have just completed their comprehensive plans. The maps can be changed over time and, in fact, the map was changed a couple of times along the way as the staff from Woodbury updated the County on their planning process. The finalization of the map was out front of the cities finalizing their comprehensive plans.

Commissioner Peterson believes that there is a scoring process of the properties, which is not a part of the ordinance that is in the Policies. She believes the Board should go forward. She is not sure a delay would change anything.

The motion to adopt the Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance with the recommended changes from County staff was adopted unanimously. The County Attorney was directed to prepare a resolution supporting the County Board's motion.

Ms. Harper advised the Board that next week there will be a workshop with the Minnesota Land Trust to start addressing the Board's concerns.

# GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

# Grant Agreement with 1000 Friends of Minnesota for the Green Corridor Project

Commissioner Hegberg moved to remove from table the grant agreement with 1000 Friends of Minnesota for the Green Corridor Project. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-021 as follows:

Resolution Authorizing Signature of 1000 Friends of Minnesota to Implement the Chisago and Washington Counties Green Corridor Project - Continuation Contract

WHEREAS, THE 1999 Minnesota Legislature enacted Chapter 231, Section 16, Subdivision 13(I) which states, "Implement the Chisago and Washington Counties Green Corridor Project - Continuation. \$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the second year are from the trust fund to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with 100 Friends of Minnesota for land protection activities including at least \$300,000 for cost-share grants to local governments for fee or less than fee acquisition"; and

WHEREAS, 1000 Friends of Minnesota has entered into a Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources grant agreement with the State of Minnesota, Department of Natural Resources, for the Implement the Chisago and Washington Counties Green Corridor Project-Continuation; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources grant agreement provides \$150,000 for cost-share grants to Washington County for acquiring property in fee or property interest in less than fee to protect lands within the Washington County Green Corridor, and provides \$29,000 for technical assistance to create a self-sustaining land protection program to reimburse the County for such things as wages, benefits, and direct program expenses; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to participate in this program as authorized by the Minnesota Legislature;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approves of Washington County entering into a grant agreement with the 1000 Friends of Minnesota to receive state funds for the Implement the Chisago and Washington Counties Green Corridor Project - Continuation project, and

BEIT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the County Board of Commissioners and the County Administrator are authorized to execute the grant agreement together with all related documents.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# **Legislative Update**

John Kaul, Legislative Liaison, presented a brief update on the 2000 Legislative session which began today. He has been setting up appointments with the County Legislative delegation. The Board will be invited to a meeting with the Legislative delegation on February 8 at 4:00 p.m. He has met with the Metro Parks and the Wakota Bridge Coalition met today which was attended by Bob McFarlin, his associate. They met with MN/DOT officials and Congressman Luther's staff to discuss issues. They met with Metropolitan Council staff, Federal Highway Administration staff and the Governor's Office.

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Mr. Kaul introduced Bob McFarlin who will be working with the transportation legislative issues. Mr. McFarlin informed the Board that MN/DOT Commissioner Tinklenberg has committed to the full build design project of the Wakota Bridge and has committed to start the project in 2002 and has committed MN/DOT to work together with all the interest groups to find full funding for this project. He noted that the County Boards of Dakota, Ramsey and Washington Counties have been invited to meet with Governor Ventura on February 8 in Hastings.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Joyce Welander, Grant, asked the Board that when it adopted the Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance did that also include adopting the Policies and Procedures Document? Commissioner Stafford and Abrahamson stated it did, but that document is subject to more adjustment than the Ordinance itself which can only be changed with another series of public hearings.

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Abrahamson asked that the Board hold interviews for the vacancies on the Veterans Rest Camp at next week's Board meeting.

Commissioner Hegberg indicated that he has had a number of phone calls related to snowmobiles going through ditches and on private property. He asked that snowmobilers give consideration to where they are riding and make sure they are on the proper rights of way.

Commissioner Peterson reported that she attended the State Affordable Housing meeting that AMC put together.

# **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 7:05 p.m.

# BOARD WORKSHOP WITH METROPOLITAN COUNCIL, METRO TRANSIT, MN/DOT AND COUNTY STAFF

The Board met in workshop session with the Metropolitan Council, Metro Transit, MN/DOT and County staff to review the transportation/transit issues in Washington County and the region. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were Jim Schug, David Brierley, Sandy Cullen, Doug Fischer, Nacho Diaz, Metropolitan Council, Marc Hugunin, Metropolitan Council, Dave Schaaf, Mayor, City of Oka Park Heights, Jerry Turnquist, City of Oak Park Heights, Tom Melena, City of Oak Park Heights, David Mitchell, SEH, City of Hugo, Barry Johnson, City of Woodbury, Dave Guevara, MN/DOT, Randy Rosvold, Metropolitan Council/Metro Transit, Terry Spawn, West Lakeland Township, Bob McFarlin, John Kaul, Capital Gains, Judy Spooner, Bulletin Newspapers, and Mary Divine, Pioneer Press.

Attest.

James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

# **FEBRUARY 8, 2000**

The Washington Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:10 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Robert Butler, Human Services, Inc. Executive Director; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Rob McDonough, Human Services, Inc.; Pat Singel, Community Services Department; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Rick Backman, Community Services Division Manager, Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Joanne Helm, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Scott Hovet, Assessor, and Dave Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

# **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

 Approval of abatement applications for value homestead, classification and disaster credits as follows:

Parcel #	<u>Name</u>	Amount_
R 14.029.20.33.0004	Union Pacific	\$350.00
R 17.027.21.13.0102	Beattie, Judd	830.00
M 88.088.88.00.1267	Thompson, Thomas J.	38.00
M 88.088.88.00.1765	Loescher, John & Barbara	466.00
M 88.088.88.00.1795	Keilen, Robert & Jeannette	296.00
R 09.028.21.44.0082	Vierling, Rebecca & Philip	768.41
R 14.028.20.24.0085	Richert, Robert L.	110.55

- 2. Approval of 2000 contract with St. Paul Rehabilitation, Inc. for mental health case management.
- 3. Approval to establish reserves and designations of fund balances for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1999.
- Approval of the hearing conservation policy as part of the County Employee Safety Program to comply with State and Federal OSHA and other statutory requirements.

# Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-022 as follows:

Final Payment to Hardrives, Inc. for 1999 Overlays on CSAH 2, 15 and 17

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on April 13, 1999, awarded the contract for bituminous overlay of CSAH 2, 15 and 17; and

WHEREAS, Hardrives, Inc. has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BEIT RESOLVED, that Hardrives, Inc. be paid in full for the said contract work in the amount due indicated on the final payment voucher which is attached herewith and is hereby a part of this resolution.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

### COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Dan Papin, Community Services Director, presented an overview of the 2000 contract with Human Services, Inc. for mental health, chemical health, aging and transportation services. He indicated there is a four percent adjustment to the 1999 base for these services.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked about the chemical health services for children and adults and could he indicate how much of an increase in use there has been in that area over the past several years?

Dr. Robert Butler, Human Services Inc. Executive Director, indicated that within each of the broad categories the numbers are fairly stable year to year. However, if you were to look inside the mental health services for adults or chemical health services, more dollars are going to more chronic populations, persons who are more impaired. As the population grows in Washington County there are more of those kinds of clients and more money is being shifted into day treatment, community support programs and other programs that work with persons who have more serious impairments.

Commissioner Peterson asked if there is a graph that would show the number of clients that were served five years ago as compared to today and then do an analysis to see if that relates to a potential increase in the County's population? Dr. Butler indicated they do have some of that data and they are trying to track that data as well. There is an increase in numbers of a couple of areas and they are trying to meet some of those needs with outside funding. Across the board they are seeing more clients that would be classified as seriously, emotionally disturbed, severely impaired clients.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked when the Board can start seeing some of these numbers as far as customers serviced and outcome measurements? He is concerned that the Board really doesn't have anything to look at that justifies a four percent increase. Dr. Butler indicated they do have a 200 page document that shows that data. They are in the process of refining that existing report. The numbers showing service volume and client satisfaction for every program have been available for the past three or four years.

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Mr. Papin indicated that information was presented to the Board at its last workshop. What they will be bringing to the Board shortly is what is the price of those numbers, how effective are they and did the client's life improve as a result of the service.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the 2000 contract with Human Services, Inc. for mental health, chemical health, aging and transportation services. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

### **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

# Resolution Adopting the Ordinance Establishing the Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, reviewed last week's public hearing to receive comments on the Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance. The Board approved adoption of the Ordinance and directed staff to prepare a resolution adopting that ordinance today. Ms. Harper distributed a revised resolution. This resolution will adopt the Ordinance language only. It does, however, address the proposed Policies and Procedures and that those be used during the pilot program so that staff can test those procedures. She also summarized comments from last week's public hearing and categorized them as follows: 1) Items already addressed in the Ordinance; 2) Concerns about the program focus; 3) Concerns to be addressed after the pilot program when there is a better understanding of how the program would work; and 4) Other issues raised.

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-023 as follows:

Resolution Adopting the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Program Ordinance

WHEREAS, Washington County is authorized to purchase development rights in the form of conservation easements under MINN. STAT. CHAPT 84C in areas where preservation is considered to be desirable; and

WHEREAS, Washington County authorized to acquire the development rights in the form of conservation easements through capital improvement funds pursuant to MINN. STAT. §373.40; and

WHEREAS, the 1997 Minnesota Legislature enacted Chapter 216, section 15, subd. 9(d) as recommended by the Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources, funding a Green Corridor project to identify a corridor of land in Washington County that could be preserved in its natural state through the use of purchase of development rights, transfer of development rights, donated conservation easements and fee acquisitions; and

WHEREAS, on September 28, 1999, the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission referred the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance to the County Board, with their recommendations, which recommendations also included a Green Corridor Opportunity Area map and policy and procedure document; and

WHEREAS, on October 21, 1999, the Washington County Park and Open Space Commission reviewed the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance, including the Green Corridor opportunity area map and policy and procedure document; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature, through the Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources, has provided Washington County with a \$150,000 cost sharing grant for acquiring property in fee or property interest in less than fee to protect lands within the Washington County Green Corridor Opportunity Area where preservation is considered to be desirable; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has adopted a match of \$150,000 of capital improvement funds for acquiring property in fee or property interest in less than fee to protect lands within the Washington County Green Corridor Opportunity Area where preservation is considered to be desirable; and

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing to consider adopting the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance, as required by MINN. STAT. § 375.51.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that for the purpose of managing the acquisition of conservation easements pursuant to MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 84C, the Board of Washington County Commissioners ordains:

- That the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance, including the Green Corridor Opportunity Area map, is hereby adopted in its entirety as Washington County Ordinance No. 144 and is declared to be in force and effect from and after its publication date, according to law; and
- 2. That Washington County will use the \$300,000 to pilot test the proposed policies and procedures involved in the purchase of development rights and will consider amending the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance at the end of the pilot test; and
- That Washington County will work closely with affected communities in implementing any purchase of development rights.

## WASHINGTON COUNTY ORDINANCE 144 PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS ORDINANCE

# SECTION 1. TITLE AND PURPOSE

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 84C and Minnesota Statute 373.40, Washington County establishes a Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program for the purpose of preserving Open Space, including natural and scenic areas and productive

Agricultural Land, while the fee title to these lands remains in private ownership. The program's policies, rules and official controls are adopted in this ordinance, hereafter known as the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance.

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1.2 Purchase of Development Rights will occur within the "Green Corridor Opportunity Areas." The map with this title is hereby identified and made a part of this Ordinance as Attachment 1. These lands, chosen through an extensive analytical and public process, encompass contiguous blocks and Corridors of high-quality natural areas, productive Agricultural Land and scenic views within the County. They surround and connect the County park system and many other public and private Open Space areas. Existing zoning restrictions, while effective at controlling densities, cannot keep these lands in their present undeveloped state. Purchase of Development Rights is one of several voluntary, incentive-based means for achieving public benefits through private land conservation. This program directly confers a public benefit through voluntary private action.

# 1.3 Purpose.

This Ordinance is adopted for the following purposes:

- (1) To protect and preserve the rural landscape and high-quality natural areas that make Washington County a special place to live.
- (2) To implement the goals of the Washington County Comprehensive Plan regarding protection of rural areas, specifically the following:
  - Preserve the rural character and landscapes of Washington County.
  - Preserve agriculture as a permanent land use and a viable economic activity in the County.
  - · Maintain a distinction between urban and rural areas.
  - Use zoning, parks, public Open Space, trails and roads to create a distinctive north-south "green" Corridor through the County.
- (3) To serve additional public purposes through Open Space protection, including storm water management, habitat protection, trail Corridor extension, and linking of public parks and other amenities.

### **SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1 For the purpose of this Ordinance, certain words and phrases are defined as follows:
  - (1) Agricultural Land: Land whose use is devoted to the production of crops, livestock, and vegetables, as well as to dairy, poultry and horticultural products, equestrian activities and alternative products of the land.
  - (2) <u>Conservation Easement</u>: A nonpossessory interest in real property whereby the holder may impose certain limitations or affirmative obligations the purposes of which include retaining or protecting natural, scenic, or open-space values of real property, assuring its availability for agricultural, forest, recreational, or open-space use, protecting natural resources, maintaining or enhancing air or water quality, or preserving the historical, architectural, archaeological, or cultural aspects of real property. (Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 84C.)
  - (3) <u>Corridor</u>: Protected areas of Open Space linked together throughout the community.

- (4) <u>County Board</u>: The Washington County Board of Commissioners.
- (5) <u>Development</u>: An activity which materially alters of affects the existing conditions or use of any land.
- (6) <u>Development Rights</u>: The right to use and subdivide land for any and all residential, commercial and industrial purposes and activities which are not incident to agriculture and Open Space.
- (7) <u>Eligible Land</u>: Properties for which the purchase of Development Rights is authorized pursuant to this Ordinance.
- (8) Open Space: Land used for agriculture, natural habitat, pedestrian and/or scenic views, that is undivided and permanently protected from future Development.
- (9) Resource Values: The values that a Conservation Easement is intended to protect, as defined and recorded in the baseline documentation. Values may include but are not limited to natural habitat, productive Agricultural Land, scenic views and connections to or extensions of existing parks or protected Open Space.
- (10) <u>Selection Round</u>: A cycle of the Purchase of Development Rights Program, from initial advertisement of the program through completion of offers to purchase Development Rights Conservation Easements.

# SECTION 3. AUTHORIZATION

- The County Board may use any legally available revenue source to acquire Conservation Easements over any Eligible Land within the County, as authorized in Section 5, including but not limited to purchase, gift, grant, bequest, devise, covenant or contract. The collected tax revenues shall be used to acquire such property interests only upon application of the Owner and in a strictly voluntary manner.
- 3.2 The value of Conservation Easements shall be determined as provided in Section 7 of this Ordinance and attendant Program Policy and Procedure Document.
- 3.3 The County Board is authorized to enter into cash purchase and/or investment purchase contracts consistent with applicable law for the purposes of this Program
- 3.4 The County Board may participate jointly in the acquisition of interests in Eligible Lands with other qualified organizations empowered to hold interests in real property in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Sections 84C.01-05.
- 3.5 The County Board may contract with a recognized and legally established nonprofit conservancy, land trust, or other individual or organization qualified under Minnesota Statutes Section 84C.01 and 170(H) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, in order to share in the process of negotiating Conservation Easements and establishing both the baseline studies and the procedures for monitoring of any Conservation Easements acquired under this Ordinance.

# SECTION 4. ESTABLISHMENT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE

4.1 The County Board shall appoint a volunteer Advisory Committee which shall advise the Board on the selection of Eligible Lands on which Development Rights are offered for acquisition by their owners and other program activities.

# SECTION 5. ELIGIBILITY AND PRIORITIES

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Prior to each Selection Round, the County Board shall establish criteria to be used in prioritizing applications and determining which offers to consider. This criteria will be contained in a Program Policy and Procedure Document.

# SECTION 6. SELECTION PROCESS

The PDR program shall have a periodic application and selection process, termed a "Selection Round." The timing and process to be used will be described in a Program Policy and Procedure Document.

# SECTION 7. CONSERVATION EASEMENT VALUATION

7.1 Development Rights Calculation

The value of Conservation Easements shall be based on the number of development rights remaining on a parcel of land, as determined by the number of dwelling units that would be permitted given the minimum lot size and lot widths for conventional subdivisions and other requirements of applicable development codes.

7.2 Valuation Methods.

The value of Conservation Easements shall be determined using a method established by the County Board prior to each Selection Round. Appraisals may be used, or an equivalent method of valuing Conservation Easements may be determined using assessed valuation, appraisal sampling, or other methods. The method to be used will be specified at the beginning of each Selection Round and will be described in the Program Policy and Procedures Document.

# SECTION 8. NATURE OF CONSERVATION EASEMENT RESTRICTIONS

8.1 Nature of Restrictions.

Conservation Easements shall be permanent. The specific terms of the Conservation Easement shall be negotiated on a case-by-case basis within the guidelines specified in the Program Policy Procedures Document. The terms will be designed to protect the property's Resource Values, as defined through the initial application and the ranking and selection process.

8.2 Holding of Conservation Easements.

Conservation Easements shall be held by a qualified unit of government, conservation organization, land trust or similar organization authorized to hold interest in real property pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 84C.01-05, at the direction of the County Board.

# SECTION 9. CONSERVATION EASEMENT MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT

9.1 Documentation.

At the time the Conservation Easement is recorded, documentation of the property shall be conducted, using aerial photographs, maps, photos and/or other media, as a baseline for future monitoring. Such documentation shall be updated periodically by the Conservation Easement holder(s). Such studies and monitoring shall be conducted according to commonly accepted best practices.

9.2 Frequency of monitoring.

Conservation Easements shall be monitored on an annual basis to ensure compliance. Monitoring may include a site visit, with prior notice to the landowner.

9.3 Enforcement.

If the terms of the Conservation Easement are violated, the Conservation Easement holder(s) may pursue all legal remedies available, including, but not limited to, specific performance.

R. H. Stafford, Chair

**Board of County Commissioners** 

Attest

James R. Schug County Administrator

Approved as to form:

County Attorney

Date Adopted: February 8, 2000 Prepared by: Office of Administration

# (GREEN CORRIDOR OPPORTUNITY AREAS MAP ON FILE)

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Stafford asked what the time frame is for getting the referendum on the November ballot? Ms. Harper stated there is a lot of discussion that will need to take place including the language of the referendum, the amount, the term of the taxes, use of the funds, what type of lands, what type of purchases, program functions and does it cover administrative costs as well as the land costs. She hoped to have that back to the Board by early March.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director, presented a brief overview on their request to make changes in the way the County surveyor function operates. Due to a shortage of eligible surveying candidates in the market, there have been problems in attraction and retention. She indicated they performed a market study and looked at what other counties were paying. They restructured the department to meet some of the County's needs in progressive positions in the department so that not only positions that are needed today can be filled, but that potential growth can be built in for the future.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he has concerns. He would like to be shown that if these actions were not approved it would have a negative impact on a vital County service.

Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development, indicated that the County Surveyor's office is responsible for all of the government land corners and from that comes all of the deeds and surveys for private ownership. The Surveyor's office helps the highway department put plats together, they help in surveys they do for the purchase of park land. They are also involved in the base work for the GIS system and all of the applications come off of that base map.

Mr. Wisniewski indicated that the Land Surveyor/Survey Project Coordinator assists the title examiner in terms of Torrens property. None of that work with the title examiner has been done since that individual left in July of 1999. To hire a consultant to do that work would cost \$75 an hour. That is one particular service that State law says the County must assist the title examiner.

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Larry Nybeck, County Surveyor, indicated that some functions not being done include a contract to do a municipal boundary project, school district boundaries, which was suppose to be done by last July, 1999. It is not done, and they hope to have that done this spring or summer. The GPS adjustments, the City of Grant has been sitting on hold for nine months, they can't get to that. Right of way plat checking they normally try to hold that to only three weeks behind, but they are sometimes up to six to seven weeks behind. Right of way plats, Hinton Trail is coming up and that has been a project he's been aware of for 10 years, they have been trying to get that done. If they don't get staff they will have to contract it out.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the classification changes and attraction/retention salary ranges for survey technician classifications in the Surveyor Section in the Department of Transportation and Physical Development. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson left the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

# ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections, presented an overview of the proposed Tax Abatement policy and changes made to the policy based on comments and direction from previous Board workshops as well as some comments from municipalities. She also distributed information on the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) districts regarding the amount of money that will be coming available through expired TIF districts.

The Board discussed the proposed Tax Abatement policy.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to approve the proposed Tax Abatement policy as presented. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Peterson absent.

# GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

James Schug, County Administrator, reminded the Board that it has been invited to participate with Ramsey and Dakota Counties in meeting with Governor Ventura and his staff to talk about transportation issues. The meeting will be held this afternoon at 2:00 p.m. at the Dakota County Administrative Center in Hastings.

Mr. Schug also advised the Board that he and John Kaul are meeting with the Legislators individually to discuss the County's legislative priorities. He noted that at 4:00 p.m. this afternoon, there is a meeting with the legislative delegation at the State Office Building, Room 5.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Pulkrabek updated the Board on the AMC Legislative Steering Committee. Items discussed were the reduction of tab fees, transportation and investment strategy, potential targeted agricultural relief on property taxes, PERA, and also the possibility of the legislature upping some of the penalties for DWI offenders. He feels that the policies and directions by the Steering Committee are dictated by how much money the counties will either gain or lose. If the counties as a whole are going to lose money from the State or Federal funding then they are against it rather than actually debating the merits of the programs and whether it is needed.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that he met with the Carnelian-Marine Watershed District and a question was raised about the Carnelian-Marine TIF district when it was originally started. It relates to the fact that the properties were assessed a certain amount and then the TIF paid in a certain amount. He needs to know what that breakdown was and the history of that.

Commissioner Abrahamson advised the audience that the Board has started to interview individuals for the Veterans Rest Camp.

Commissioner Stafford reported that on Thursday, February 11, the County Administrator, Commissioner Pulkrabek, the HRA Director, the HRA Board Chairman and himself will meet to talk about the proposed County legislation dealing with the HRA operation.

# **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 Abrahamson moved to adjourn,

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seconded by Commissioner Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Peterson absent.

The Board meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Health and Environment to discuss the

2001 waste management service charge. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend.

Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford and Pulkrabek. Also

present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Mary McGlothlin, Judy Hunter, Scott Hovet, George Kuprian

and Dave Brierley.

**BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE MINNESOTA LAND TRUST** 

The Board met in workshop session with the Minnesota Land Trust to discuss a variety of issues regarding

conservation easements and to identify outstanding issues needing further research and discussion. No

business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were

Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia

Erdahl, Jane Harper, Konrad Koosmann, Dennis O'Donnell, Ann Pung-Terwedo, Julie MacSwain, Renee

Leone, Minnesota Land Trust, Chris Larson, Minnesota Land Trust and Michael Pressman 1000 Friends of

Minnesota.

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

Attest

James R. Schug

County Administrator

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA FEBRUARY 15, 2000

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY CONVENES

The Washington County Regional Railroad Authority met in regular session at 9:10 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Sandy Cullen, Traffic Engineer; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator. Official Proceedings of the Regional Railroad Authority are available in the Office of Administration.

#### THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENES

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:50 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Judy Hunter, Public Health and Environment; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Rick Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Mary Farmer-Kubler, Community Services; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-024 as follows:

Resolution Approving Text Amendment to the Washington County Development Code Ordinance No. 143

WHEREAS, an application has been submitted by the Washington County Department of Transportation and Physical Development, Land Management/ Land Survey Division to amend the Washington County Development Code as a result of departmental reorganization; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission held a public hearing on the proposed amendment on October 27, 1999, as required by the Washington County Development Code and the proposed amendment was recommended for approval at their October 27, 1999; and

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing on the request and to consider the amendments to the Washington County Development Code as required by MINN. STAT. § 375.51; and

WHEREAS, the records of the Washington County Board's public hearing consists of the minutes of both the Washington County Board and Planning Advisory Commission meeting, staff reports, correspondence and a presentation by the Washington County Department of Transportation and Physical Development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the hearing record, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby amends Chapter One, Chapter Two, Parts 1, 2 and 3 of the Washington County Development Code, as more particularly described on the attached Exhibit A for the following reasons:

- Due to departmental reorganization, clarification must be made as to "zoning administrator."
- 2. To Clarify the duties of zoning administrator.
- 3. To revise certain portions of the Development Code.
- 4. To correct typographical and clerical errors.

## Exhibit A

# WASHINGTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CODE ZONING AMENDMENTS

(Due to Departmental Reorganization and Housekeeping)

### **CHAPTER ONE**

## Page 3 Section 1 (7)

Agricultural use: Land whose use is devoted to...and apiary products-add "and raising domestic farm animals."

# Page 34 Section 5.1

Replace first paragraph with, "The Department of Transportation and Physical Development shall be designated as the Zoning Administrator, with the exception of Chapters Four (4) and Eight (8) for which the Department of Public Health shall be the Zoning Administrator."

# Page 35 Section 5.1 create a (12)

"(12) Issue stop work orders for violations of this Development Code"

### Page 42, Section 7.2(1)(F)

Delete reference to HELM and replace with "The Director of the Department of Transportation and Physical Development."

Section 7.2(2)

Delete reference to HELM and replace with "The Director of the Department of Transportation and Physical Development."

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Page 53, Section 11.2(1)

add... "has first been issued by the Department of Public Health."

Section 11.3

Change second line to read "... from the Department of Transportation and Physical Development."

Note that the side note should make the same reference, the telephone number is correct on page 53

Page 57, Section 13.4(B)

add "...of buildable land as defined in Chapter One, Section 2.1(24) in unserviced areas..."

Page 58, Section 14.1

Delete entire second sentence which reads "A petition by affected property owners shall be presented to the County Board of Commissioners."

# **CHAPTER TWO, PART 1**

Page 3, Section 2.2(2)(F)

Change "Horse Training Facility, Commercial..." to read "10 or less horses)"

Page 4, Section 3.2(2)(F)

Change "Horse Training Facility, Commercial..." to read "10 or less horses)"

Page 5, Section 4.2(2)(F)

Change "Horse Training Facility, Commercial..." to read "10 or less horses)"

Page 7, Section 6.2(2)(F)

Change "Horse Training Facility, Commercial..." to read "10 or less horses)"

# **CHAPTER TWO, PART 2**

Page 3, Section 1.3

Add "... from and after the effective date of this Development code, parcels subdivided utilizing either the lot averaging or open space design method of development shall be ..."

# **CHAPTER TWO, PART 3**

Page 3, Section 1.1(9)(Top of page)

Delete "Sections 2.29." Replace with "Sections 2.30, 2.31 and 2.32 of this Development Code."

Page 49, Section 2.17(3)(A)

Add "...on any site of less than five (5) acres. For purposes of this section, five (5) acres may include the road right of way."

Page 80, Section 2.36(10)5

Change to "The Department of Transportation and Physical Development is explicitly authorized..."

Page 81, Section 2.36(11) (Top of Page)
Change to "...under Part 10(1)(f) and (2) shall not apply."

Page 98, Section 4.7(1)

Change line 3 from "Section 4.6(4)(A)" to "...per Section 4.10(4)(A)..."

Page 104, Section 4.10(4)(C)2

Delete "...unless they are..." Replace with "...structures that are accessory to the..."

Ordinance No. 14 shall be Chapter Five in the Washington County Development Code Ordinance No. 138 shall be Chapter Nine in the Washington County Development Code

- 2. Approval of revised Metropolitan Library Service Agency's Joint Powers Agreement.
- 3. Approval of abatement applications for prior exempt status classification as follows:

<u>Parcel # Name Amount</u>

R 22.032.21.13.0002 Town of Forest Lake \$76.59

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-025 as follows:

Exemption from Lawful Gambling from Mississippi Longtails Chapter of Pheasants Forever

WHEREAS, Mississippi Longtails Chapter of Pheasants Forever has made application to the Gambling Control Board for an exemption from certain requirements contained in MINN.STAT.CHAPT. 349 in order to conduct (Bingo, Raffling, Paddlewheels, Tip Board, Pull Tabs) at the premises located at The Point Restaurant, Hwy 61 & 10, Hastings, Denmark Township, Washington County on the following date: March 14, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Gambling Control Board is prohibited from granting Mississippi Longtails Chapter of Pheasants Forever an exemption to engage in raffles until expiration of thirty (30) days after Mississippi Longtails Chapter Forever has notified the County of its intent to engage in these activities, and

WHEREAS, Washington County would like to expedite this process in order for Mississippi Longtails Chapter of Pheasants Forever to obtain their exemption as soon as possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BASED UPON THE FOREGOING, BE IT RESOLVED, that as it applies to the application of Mississippi Longtails Chapter of Pheasants Forever to conduct raffles at The Point Restaurant, Hwy 61 & 10, Hastings, on March 14, 2000, Washington County hereby waives the requirements contained in MINN.STAT.CHAPT. 349.166 Subd. 2 that the Gambling Control Board withhold issuing an exemption until the expiration of thirty (30) days after Washington County received notification of the application.

 Approval of contract with Community Volunteer Service to provide transportation for eligible Washington County residents to and from medical related appointments.

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- Approval of host County contract with R-Home of Woodbury, Inc. for federal reimbursement for placement of IV-E eligible children.
- Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-026 as follows:

Joint County Task Force to Address Utility Deregulation

WHEREAS, The electric utility industry is making major structural changes in anticipation of inevitable retail competition, including mergers and acquisitions by major investor-owned utilities, mergers between gas and electric utilities, the creation of regional independent transmission system operators, and electric power trading exchanges; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is committed to protecting its residents and its businesses from potential adverse effects of restructuring the electric utility industry, and has a significant interest in ensuring reasonable prices for electricity, continued reliability of electric supply and high quality of service; and has significant economic interests that may be impacted in terms of its own electric power usage as a large institutional consumer of electricity; and

WHEREAS, The County has significant interests which may be impacted as this public policy debate unfolds, many of which are common to the interest of other counties within the region that will also be impacted by electric deregulation; and there is precedent for counties approaching major public policy initiatives jointly; and

WHEREAS, Washington County and the other metropolitan counties have created a Metropolitan Counties Energy Deregulation Task Force, which provides a forum to address energy restructuring/deregulation, will develop a draft policy position for consideration by the counties, will monitor energy restructuring/deregulation activities in a variety of forums; will coordinate intergovernmental activities related to this issue, and will explore the best type of organization for the metropolitan counties to use in the long term to deal with this issue; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Counties Energy Task Force has recommended that the member counties contribute a total of \$49,000 in funds for the operation of the Task Force in the short term, with the first half of the total being divided equally, and the second half of the total being divided based on population, the Metropolitan Counties Energy Task Force has further recommended that Hennepin County administer the funds and a consultant contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby approves funding in the amount of up to \$5,358 for the short term work of the Metropolitan Counties Energy Task Force; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the County Board approves the budget adjustment in the amount of \$5,358.

- Approval of agreement with the Upper Midwest Community Policing Institute for the provision of Law Enforcement Services and approval to hire a replacement FTE for the term of the contract.
- Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-027 as follows:

Final Payment to Danner, Inc. for Road Construction on CSAH 16

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on January 17, 1997, signed a contract with Danner, Inc. for the road construction on CSAH 16 in Woodbury; and

WHEREAS, Danner, Inc., has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Danner, Inc., be paid in full for the said contract work in the amount due indicated on the final payment voucher which is attached herewith and is hereby a part of this resolution.

 Approval of traffic signal maintenance agreements with the City of Forest Lake for traffic signals in Forest Lake.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Mary Farmer-Kubler, Social Worker II, presented an overview of the 2000 agreement with The American Red Cross of the St. Paul Area to provide emergency social services (ESS) and crisis response services (CRP) for Washington County. ESS provides, by telephone, professional crisis intervention counseling outside the normal working hours of the County. The CRP, at the request of law enforcement, provides inhome social services for children and their families who are in crisis and at risk of emergency placement. She indicated that four objectives were set to evaluate the CRP Program and that each objective was met.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the 2000 agreement with The American Red Cross of the St. Paul Area to provide emergency social services and crisis response services for Washington County. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

#### Legislative Update

James Schug, County Administrator, presented a legislative update on the following items:

A bill has been authored and introduced in both the House and Senate to increase the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) Board from five to seven members.

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A meeting was held last week with the HRA Board Chair, the HRA Executive Director, the County Board Chair and the County Administrator to discuss a second piece of legislation which would give authority to the County Board to set the HRA levy and that it be based on tax capacity rather than assessed market value. They discussed a proposal to work through the County's budget process rather than bringing this to the legislature. The HRA Board will discuss this proposed agreement at its Board meeting this evening. It was Board consensus to take this approach first before introducing a legislative bill.

The legislature is revisiting a state law it passed last year regarding pension plans for correctional officers and a clarification as to who should be included in that plan.

Commissioner Stafford testified at a hearing last week on a proposal that would require local units of government to reimburse property owners where any action by the county or city government resulted in a loss of value on their property and how that could adversely affect counties and cities.

Senator Price has asked that the County Administrator and County Board Chair testify at a hearing this evening to discuss the Drop List which gives citizens a chance to have their names taken off solicitation lists in Washington County. They are seeking a progress report from the County to see how it is working.

#### **Resolution on Transportation Funding**

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-028 as follows:

Appreciation to Governor Ventura's Recognition of the Wakota Bridge/TH 61/I-494 as a Key MN/DOT Project

WHEREAS, Governor Jesse Ventura has introduced a new transportation funding proposal, and

WHEREAS, Governor Ventura, Mn/DOT Commissioner Tinklenberg and Metropolitan Council Chairman Mondale presented the new proposal at the February 8, 2000 meeting with the Dakota, Ramsey, and Washington County Commissioners, and

WHEREAS, Governor Ventura identified the Wakota Bridge/TH 61/I-494 improvement project as a key element in the state and regional transportation system, and

WHEREAS, the Governor affirmed the importance of the "Full-Build" improvement proposal as previously communicated by Commissioner Tinklenberg, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners recognize the Governor's and Mn/DOT's commitment to the important Wakota Bridge/TH 61/I-494 project, and sincerely appreciate the Governor's bold vision and strong leadership in introducing a transportation funding proposal that will enable a timely and successful completion of this critical transportation improvement.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it as adopted unanimously.

#### Appointments to the Veteran's Rest Camp Board of Directors

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Raymond Smith, Lake St. Croix Beach, to the Veteran's Rest Camp Board of Directors. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to appoint James Young, Woodbury, to the Veteran's Rest Camp Board of Directors. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Dennis Stewart, Stillwater, as an alternate to the Veteran's Rest Camp Board of Directors. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion.

Commissioner Peterson suggested that the County discuss this matter with the Veteran's Rest Camp Board of Directors before action is taken.

Commissioners Abrahamson and Peterson withdrew their motion and second to appoint Dennis Stewart, Stillwater, as an alternate to the Veteran's Rest Camp Board of Directors.

#### **DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE**

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

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported that he attended a meeting this morning and that Dean Barkley, Commissioner of Planning, was the speaker. He was impressed by Mr. Barkley and what he had to say.

Commissioner Pulkrabek agreed with what Commissioner Abrahamson said at the Regional Railroad Authority meeting this morning. He has strong reservations about light rail as far as costs and the long-term impact on congestion. He fills more emphasis should be placed on the I-94 corridor which runs through Woodbury and Oakdale. He stated that what the Board was looking at this morning are studies on commuter rail and not light rail.

Commissioner Peterson thanked her fellow Commissioners for their support following her Father's death.

Commissioner Stafford indicated that the Board has three interviews following the Board meeting and a retreat with the County Administrator from noon to 4:00 this afternoon. He also placed on Board Correspondence a letter from Marc Hugunin, Metropolitan Council, thanking County staff for their efforts in helping them put together their meeting last week.

Commissioner Hegberg commented on kids crossing in between stopped traffic on Highway 97 near the Forest Lake school and that he nearly slid into the ditch trying to avoid them.

Commissioner Peterson asked that the Washington County Development Code amendments that the Board passed earlier, be amended again under Chapter 2, Part 1, Page 3, Section 2.2(2) F, and that "10 or less horses" be changed to "10 or fewer horses".

Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney, indicated he will discuss this matter with Meredeth Magers, Assistant County Attorney, and advise her of this grammatical error and bring her answer back to the Board next week.

#### **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it was adopted unanimously. The board meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE WORKFORCE COUNCIL

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Workforce Council to review the Workforce

Council priorities for 2000. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for

the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson. Also present were

James Schug, Dan Papin, Pat Singel, Robert Crawford, Sheila Cunningham, Aretta Rice, Tricia Dikeman,

Jack Stoehr, State of Minnesota, Rehabilitation Services, Sue Forsyth, State of Minnesota Rehabilitation

Services, Mary Brunkow, State of Minnesota, Job Service & Reemployment Insurance, and the following

Workforce/Youth Council Members: Jane Klein, Chair, Tom Yetter, Jerry Beedle, Paster Chris Icenogle,

Jonette Zuercher, Jerry Turnquist, Jerry Jensen, David Piggott, Carol Thompson, Jon Harback, Dan Winter,

and Mark Cove.

**BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR** 

The Board met with the County Administrator at the Outing Lodge at Pine Point Park, 11661 North Myeron

Road, Stillwater Township, to discuss his 2000 work plan. No business was transacted and the public was

welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford,

Peterson and Pulkrabek, and County Administrator James Schug.

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James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA FEBRUARY 22, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:10 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson. Commissioner Pulkrabek absent. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Rick Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Cindy Weckwerth, Public Health and Environment; Lowell Johnson, Public Health and Environment; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Meredeth Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Scott Hovet, County Assessor; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Jim Wells, Library Director; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

- 1. Approval of the January 25, February 1, 8 and 15, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
- 2. Approval of staff comments on the City of St. Mary's Point Comprehensive Plan, 2000-2010.
- Approval to appoint Keith Hegstrom, Forest Lake, to the Parks and Open Space Commission to fill an unexpired term to December 31, 2001.
- 4. Approval to appoint Randall Samuelson, Marine on St. Croix, to the Planning Advisory Commission to a first term expiring December 31, 2002.
- 5. Approval of revised Policy 1021, reimbursement for meals and authorized expenses to increase the rate from up to \$28 per day to up to \$34 per day without receipts.
- Approval to renew on sale and Sunday liquor license for Afton Alps, Inc. for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- Approval to renew off sale liquor license for AJL Enterprises, Inc., Scandia Olde Town Liquor, for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.

- Approval to renew off sale liquor license for S/S/G Corporation for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- 9. Approval of application for needs determination of services to persons with mental retardation or a related condition and recommend the closure of the LAK Home in Cottage Grove as the needs of these individuals can be better met in an alternative program.
- Approval of 2000 purchase of service agreement with Family Violence Network for the period of January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000.
- 11. Approval of 2000 Transportation and Physical Development seasonal employee pay rates.
- 12. Approval and execution of operations grant to the Washington County Historical Society in the amount of \$37,500.
- Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-029 as follows:

#### Final Payment to Dresel Contracting for Road Construction on CSAH 2

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on February 20, 1998 signed a contract with Dresel Contracting, Inc. for the road construction on CSAH 2 in Forest Lake; and

WHEREAS, Dresel Contracting, Inc. has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Dresel Contracting, Inc. be paid in full for the said contract work in the amount due indicated on the final payment voucher which is attached herewith and is hereby a part of this resolution.

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

#### **VETERAN'S REST CAMP APPOINTMENT**

Commissioner Abrahamson announced that the Board's recent appointment to the Veteran's Rest Camp Board, Raymond Smith of Lake St. Croix Beach, passed away this past weekend.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Dennis Stewart, Stillwater, to the Veteran's Rest Camp Board to a first term expiring December 31, 2002. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion an it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

#### PUBLIC HEARING - PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Amendments to the Washington County Food Code and Lodging Ordinance and Adoption of the Manufactured Home Park/Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance and the Public Pools Ordinance

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The Board Chair presented an overview of the procedure to be followed regarding the amendments to the Washington County Food Code and Lodging Ordinances and adoption of the Manufactured Home Park/Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance and the Public Pools Ordinance. The Board Secretary read the notice of public hearing into the record.

Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment, presented an overview of each ordinance.

<u>Food Code Ordinance</u> - This ordinance is an update to the existing Food Protection Ordinance. This ordinance adopts, by reference, the Minnesota Rules, Chapter 4626, which is the Minnesota Food Code. This ordinance applies to restaurants, bars, limited food establishments, catering food establishments, special event food stands, food carts, congregate dining, school kitchens, day care centers, satellite feeding locations and lodging facilities where food is served. The following are exempt from the Ordinance: Churches and houses of worship; Family day care and group family day care centers; Non-profit senior citizen centers for the sale of home baked goods; and, Foods not prepared at an establishment and brought in by members of an organization for consumption by members at potluck events. Fees for licenses, plan reviews and other services are set by the County Board annually.

<u>Lodging Establishment Ordinance</u> - This ordinance is an update to the existing Lodging Establishment Ordinance. This ordinance adopts Minnesota Rules, Chapter 4625, by reference. It applies to bed and breakfast facilities, board and lodging facilities, hotels, motels and lodging houses or resorts. Fees for licenses and other services are set by the County Board. There are not substantial changes to the existing ordinance.

Manufactured Home Parks/Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance - This is a new ordinance for Washington County. The County will be accepting delegation from the State of Minnesota for licensing and inspection of these facilities in the County. This Ordinance applies to manufactured home parks, recreational camping areas and youth camps. It does not apply to those facilities such as industrial camps, migrant labor camps, forest service camps, state wildlife management areas, penal or correctional camps or fishing and hunting camps. Fees for licenses, plan reviews and other services will be set by the County Board, except for youth camps which are exempt from fees. Staff is recommending that the Board adopt fees that are consistent with the existing State fees.

<u>Public Pools Ordinance</u> - This is a new ordinance for Washington County. The County will be accepting delegation from the State of Minnesota. It adopts existing State rules by reference. It applies to pools that are publicly used: Swimming pools, spa pools, special purpose pools and wading pools. It does not apply to private residential pools. The County Board will set the fees for plan reviews and other services. Staff is proposing to adopt the existing State fee schedule.

The Board Chair asked for comments from the audience; none were heard. The public hearing was closed at 9:25 a.m. The Board secretary indicated she has received all of the documentary evidence.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he supports these ordinances and feels the County will do a better job of enforcement than the State of Minnesota.

Commissioner Peterson asked if the County will be doing informational hearings in the community about the enforcement of these ordinance and changes that will be made? Could the church groups, who are exempt, be included in these informational hearings? Ms. McGlothlin indicated that the ordinance does allow the department to offer consultation and education services to any of the organizations that are currently exempt. The Community Health Services objective is to work more closely with houses of worship.

Commissioner Peterson suggested that perhaps a video could be made available to the churches.

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-030 as follows:

Resolution Adopting Washington County Food Code Ordinance No. 145

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Local Public Health Act MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 145A., imposes upon the counties the responsibility of protecting and promoting the health of its citizens through the prevention of disease, injury, disability and preventable death; and

WHEREAS, the counties are to advance this mandate through the promotion of effective coordination and use of community resources and by the extension of health services into the community; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.03 requires counties to undertake the responsibility of a board of health or establish a board of health; and

WHEREAS, Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment is the county agency given the responsibility by the Washington County Board of Health to administer the County's statutory mandate; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.04 authorizes counties to enforce laws, regulations and ordinances attendant to the local Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. §145A.05 authorizes county boards to adopt ordinances to regulate actual or potential threats of public health consistent with the Minnesota Local Public Health Act; and

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WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Health has delegated this mandated authority concerning licensing, enforcement and other regulatory duties of food establishments to the Washington County Board of Health through a delegation of powers agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Health has accepted this delegation and exercises authority thereunder through laws, regulations and ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners adopted the Washington County Food Protection Ordinance No. 104, on November 24, 1992; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing to amend Washington County Food Protection Ordinance No. 104, as required by MINN. STAT. § 375.51.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby amends the Washington County Food Protection Ordinance No. 104.

#### BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

- That the Washington County Food Code Ordinance attached hereto is hereby adopted in its entirety as Washington County Ordinance No. 145 and is declared to be effective from and after its publication date according to law.
- From and after the effective date of Ordinance No. 145, the previous Washington County Food Protection Ordinance No. 104, effective November 24, 1992, together with all amendments thereto, is repealed.

#### Summary Washington County Food Code Ordinance

The Minnesota Local Public Health Act and MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 157 and 375 grant authority and powers to Washington County to establish a food code ordinance in order to protect the public health, safety and general welfare of the people of Washington County.

Sections 1 and 2 of the ordinance establish minimum standards for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of food establishments to prevent health hazards. Health hazards include, but are not limited to, food borne illnesses and safety hazards. Washington County food establishments must meet consumer expectations for food establishment quality and safety.

Section 3 designates the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment as the Administrator of the ordinance and incorporates the Washington County Administrative Ordinance.

Section 4 defines the words, phrases and terms used in this Ordinance and those set forth in Minn. Rules 4626.

Section 5 discusses licensing and fees which occur on an annual basis. Fees for licenses, plan reviews and sampling services are established by the Washington County Board of Commissioners. The Department must receive plans and specifications a minimum of 30

days prior to construction or a late fee will be assessed. If an existing establishment has been out of business for more than thirty days or an existing Seasonal Establishment has been closed for one season, the establishment is subject to a pre-licensing inspection.

Section 6 exempts from the Food Ordinance, buildings constructed and primarily used for religious worship, family day care homes, group family day care homes, non-profit senior citizen centers for the sale of home baked goods and organizational potluck events.

Section 7 reviews inspections and the frequency of inspections as established in MINN. STAT. § 157.20. The Health Inspector has the right to enter and have access to the establishment at any time during the conduct of business. Each violation shall be corrected or removed within a reasonable time, as determined by the Department of Public Health and Environment and noted on the inspection report.

Section 8 is the standard for Health and Safety. Whenever a food establishment is constructed or remodeled, or an existing structure is converted to use as a food establishment, proper plans and specifications for each project must be submitted to the Department for review and approval at least 30 days before the action is to begin. Every establishment that is classified as a high risk or medium risk, shall hire at least one full time person who has completed an approved food service certification program and is registered with the Minnesota Department of Health as a certified food manager. Section 8 also lists those establishments that are exempted from hiring a certified food manager.

Section 9 reviews variances to the Food Code and references the Washington County Administrative Ordinance for guidance.

Section 10 is the enforcement section which explains that a violation of the Ordinance is a criminal misdemeanor offense. The County Attorney may take appropriate action to enforce the Ordinance, including application for injunctive relief, or an action to compel performance. Citations may be issued by the Department and the Department may suspend, summarily suspend or revoke a license. The Department may order the Licensee, owner or operator to appear for an informal hearing.

Section 11 explains that if any provision or application of the Ordinance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or application of the Ordinance.

Section 12 addresses the effective date, which is the date of passage of the Ordinance by the Washington County Board of Commissions and upon publication pursuant to law.

The foregoing is intended only as a summary of the Washington County Food Code Ordinance. A printed copy of these regulations adopted by Washington County Ordinance No. 145 is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Office of the Washington County Auditor/Treasurer, Washington County Administrator, and the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-031 as follows:

#### Resolution Adopting Washington County Lodging Establishment Ordinance No. 146

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WHEREAS, the Minnesota Local Public Health Act MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 145A., imposes upon the counties the responsibility of protecting and promoting the health of its citizens through the prevention of disease, injury, disability and preventable death, and

WHEREAS, the counties are to advance this mandate through the promotion of effective coordination and use of community resources and by the extension of health services into the community, and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.03 requires counties to undertake the responsibility of a board of health or establish a board of health; and

WHEREAS, Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment is the county agency given the responsibility by the Washington County Board of Health to administer the County's statutory mandate; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.04 authorizes counties to enforce laws, regulations and ordinances attendant to the local Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.05 authorizes county boards to adopt ordinances to regulate actual or potential threats of public health consistent with the Minnesota Local Public Health Act; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Health has delegated the mandated authority concerning licensing enforcement and other regulatory duties for lodging establishments to the Washington County Board of Health through a delegation of powers agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Health has accepted this delegation and exercises the authority thereunder through laws, regulations and ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners adopted the Washington County Lodging Establishment Ordinance No 35 on October 4, 1983; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing to amend Washington County Lodging Establishment Ordinance No. 35, as required by MINN. STAT. § 375.51.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby amends the Washington County Lodging Establishment Ordinance No. 35,

#### BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

- That the Washington County Lodging Establishment Ordinance attached hereto is hereby adopted in its entirety as Washington County Ordinance No. 146 and is declared to be effective from and after its publication date according to law.
- 2. From and after the effective date of Ordinance No. 146, the previous Washington County Lodging Establishment Ordinance No. 35, effective October 4, 1983, together with all amendments thereto, is repealed.

#### Summary Washington County Lodging Establishment Ordinance

Pursuant to the Minnesota Local Public Health Act and MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 157, and 375, Washington County has adopted the Lodging Establishment Ordinance in order to protect the public health, safety and general welfare of the people of Washington County.

Sections 1 and 2 sets forth the purpose, authority, and scope of the ordinance. MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 157 and Minn Rule 4625 provide minimum standards for lodging establishments, provide that correction of present conditions that may adversely affect persons utilizing the establishment must be made, and require that the establishment meet quality expectations of consumers.

Section 3 establishes the Department of Public Health and Environment as the administrator of the Ordinance and also states that the Washington County Administrative Ordinance applies to Lodging Establishments.

Section 4 defines words, phrases, and terms of the ordinance and those set forth in Minn. Rule 4625.0100 and the Washington County Food Ordinance.

Section 5 discusses annual licensing and fees for a lodging establishment and explains that only a person who complies with the ordinance is entitled to receive a license. Fees are established by the Washington County Board of Commissioners and are pro-rated when ownership changes or when the lodging establishment is open only during various times of the year. Pro-ration of fees does not apply to lodging establishments that operate on a seasonal basis.

Section 6 reviews the minimum frequency of mandatary inspections, the length of time for correction or removal of violations, and the location that such inspection reports shall be posted in the lodging establishment.

Section 7 discusses the Department of Public Health and Environment's review of construction, remodeling or conversion plans whenever a lodging facility is constructed or remodeled, or when a structure is converted to use as a lodging establishment.

Section 8 reviews variances and when they will be granted in accordance with the Washington County Administrative Ordinance when unnecessary hardships exist.

Section 9, the enforcement section explains that a violation of the ordinance is a criminal misdemeanor offense and is punishable. The section further explains that civil relief, such as injunctive relief, may be requested by the County Attorney in order to compel performance. Suspension, summary suspension and revocation of license may occur when deemed appropriate by the Department of Public Health and Environment. The Department of Public Health and Environment may also request an informal hearing where the violations will be discussed with the owner or operator of the lodging establishment.

Sections 10 states that if any provision or the application of any provision of the ordinance is held invalid, that invalidity shall not affect other provisions or application of the Lodging Ordinance.

Section 11 establishes that the effective date of the ordinance is upon passage by the Washington County Board of Commissioner and publication according to law.

The foregoing is intended only as a summary of the Washington County Lodging Establishment Ordinance. A printed copy of these regulations adopted by Washington County Ordinance No. 146 is available for inspection during regular office hours at the

Office of the Washington County Auditor/Treasurer, Washington County Administrator, and the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment.

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Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-032** as follows:

Resolution Adopting Washington County Manufactured Home Park, Recreational Camping Areas, and Youth Camp Ordinance No. 147

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Local Public Health Act MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 145A., imposes upon the counties the responsibility of protecting and promoting the health of its citizens through the prevention of disease, injury, disability and preventable death, and

WHEREAS, the counties are to advance this mandate through the promotion of effective coordination and use of community resources and by the extension of health services into the community, and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.03 requires counties to undertake the responsibility of a board of health or establish a board of health; and

WHEREAS, Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment is the county agency given the responsibility by the Washington County Board of Health to administer the County's statutory mandate; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.04 authorizes counties to enforce laws, regulations and ordinances attendant to the local Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.05 authorizes county boards to adopt ordinances to regulate actual or potential threats of public health consistent with the Minnesota Local Public Health Act; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Health currently regulates and has enforcement authority over manufactured home parks, recreational camping areas and youth camps; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Health wishes to delegate this oversight authority to Washington County through a delegation agreement; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 375.51, to adopt the Washington County Manufactured Home Park Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance, Ordinance No. 147.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the Washington County Manufacturing Home Park, Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance, Ordinance No. 147.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

 That the Washington County Manufactured Home Park, Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance attached hereto shall be effective upon and after the publication of this ordinance according to law and the execution of a delegation agreement.

## Summary Washington County Manufactured Home Park, Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance

Pursuant to the Minnesota Local Public Health Act and MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 144, sec. 327.10-327.28 and 375. Washington County has adopted the Manufactured Home Park, Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance in order to protect the public health, safety and general welfare of the people of Washington County.

Sections 1 and 2 set forth the purpose, authority and scope of the Ordinance and establish minimum standards as defined in Minnesota Rules 4630 in order to minimize health and safety hazards.

Section 3 explains that this Ordinance incorporates the Washington County Administrative Ordinance and it will be administrated by Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment.

Section 4 defines the words, phrases and terms of the Ordinance and those set forth in MINN. STAT. § 327.14 and 144.71 and Minnesota Rules 4630.1900.

Section 5 reviews the licensing, permit, and fee process for annual license and permits. Youth camps require yearly permits. Fees for license permits and other services are established by the Washington County Board of Commissioners. Each separate service will have additional fees. License fees will be pro-rated when there is a change of ownership or operations begin at various times of the year. Seasonal Basis operations do not receive prorated fees.

Section 6 discusses inspections. All new and change of ownership establishments must be inspected and violations must be corrected before a license or permit is granted. The Health Authority has the right to enter and have access to all establishments at any time during the conduct of business hours.

Section 7 establishes the standard for health, safety and nuisance prevention by referencing the applicable Minnesota Rules and explaining that whenever construction, remodeling or expansion occurs, properly prepared plans and specifications must be reviewed by the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment. This section also states that if the establishment has a public pool or food establishment, the applicable Ordinances and license shall apply.

Section 8 reviews variances and when they will be granted in accordance with the Washington County Administrative Ordinance when unnecessary hardships exist.

Section 9 is the enforcement section, which describes that a violation of the Ordinance is a criminal misdemeanor offense, that the County Attorney may pursue violations civilly or that the Department of Public Health and Environment may request an informal hearing with the licencee, permittee, owner or operator. The Department of Public Health and Environment may also suspend, summary suspend or revoke licenses or permits in accordance with the Washington County Administrative Ordinance.

Section 10 states that if any provision or application of any provision of the Ordinance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this Ordinance.

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Section 11 addresses the effective date, which is upon the passage of the Ordinance by the Washington County Board of Commissioners and publication pursuant to law.

The foregoing is intended only as a summary of the Washington County Manufactured Home Park, Recreational Camping Areas and Youth Camp Ordinance. A printed copy of these regulations adopted by Washington County Ordinance No.147 is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Office of the Washington County Auditor/Treasurer, Washington County Administrator, and the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

Commissioner Stafford asked that the Department of Public Health and Environment work with Administration and the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections, to review the licensing process to keep better informed on the whereabouts of owners of manufactured homes who may have skipped out on paying taxes.

Commissioner Hegberg asked if this applies to city owned manufactured home parks such as the City of Landfall? Ms. McGlothlin indicated that there is currently a dispute between the City of Landfall and the Minnesota Department of Health over whether or not the City, which is basically a mobile home park, needs to be licensed. She indicated that the County will not be accepting the responsibility for Landfall until the dispute between the City of Landfall and the Minnesota Department of Health has been resolved.

Commissioner Hegberg asked about the park in the City of Forest Lake? Ms. McGlothlin indicated that this ordinance would apply to any mobile home park that is privately owned and operated.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-033 as follows:

Resolution Adopting Washington County Public Pool Ordinance No. 148

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Local Public Health Act MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 145A., imposes upon the counties the responsibility of protecting and promoting the health of its citizens through the prevention of disease, injury, disability and preventable death, and

WHEREAS, the counties are to advance this mandate through the promotion of effective coordination and use of community resources and by the extension of health services into the community, and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.03 requires counties to undertake the responsibility of a board of health or establish a board of health; and

WHEREAS, Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment is the county agency given the responsibility by the Washington County Board of Health to administer the County's statutory mandate; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.04 authorizes counties to enforce laws, regulations and ordinances attendant to the local Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 145A.05 authorizes county boards to adopt ordinances to regulate actual or potential threats of public health consistent with the Minnesota Local Public Health Act; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Health currently regulates and has enforcement authority over public pools; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Health wishes to delegate this oversight authority to Washington County through a delegation agreement; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 375.51, to adopt the Washington County Public Pool Ordinance, Ordinance No 148.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the Washington County Public Pools Camp Ordinance, Ordinance No. 148.

#### BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

 That the Washington County Public Pools Ordinance attached hereto shall be effective upon and after the publication of this ordinance according to law and the execution of a delegation agreement.

#### Summary Washington County Public Pool Ordinance

Pursuant to the Minnesota Local Public Health Act and Minn. Stat. Chapt. 145A, 157 and 375, Washington County has adopted the Public Pool Ordinance in order to protect the public health, safety and general welfare of the people of Washington County.

Sections 1 and 2 set forth the purpose, authority and scope of the Public Pool Ordinance which applies to all public pools and connected facilities as defined in Minn. Rule 4717. The Ordinance establishes minimum standards for design, construction, operation and maintenance.

Section 3 explains that this Ordinance incorporates the Washington County Administrative Ordinance and it will be administered by the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment.

Section 4 is the definition section of the Ordinance and defines words, phrases and terms of the Ordinance and those set forth in Minn. Rule 4717.

Section 5 describes the licensing and fee process for the annual license. Fees are established by the Washington County Board of Commissioners and are pro-rated when there is a change

in ownership or operations begin at various times during the year. If an existing pool is out of service for more than 30 days, it is considered a new pool for licensure when reopening.

Section 6 deals with inspections. Each public pool shall be inspected prior to opening, change of ownership or new establishment. All necessary corrections must be made before the license will issue. Failure to correct or remove a violation as noted on the inspection report will constitute a separate violation.

Section 7 discusses the standard for health and safety in accordance with Minn. Rule 4717.0300 and 4717.0310. Whenever a pool is constructed or remodeled, proper plans and specifications for each construction or remodeling shall be submitted to the Department of Public Health and Environment. Section 7 also explains that if a public pool also has a food establishment, lodging establishment, manufactured home park, camping area or youth camp, the establishment must also comply with the appropriate ordinance.

Section 8 reviews variances and when they will be granted in accordance with the Washington County Administrative Code when unnecessary hardships exist.

Section 9 is the enforcement section which describes that a violation of the ordinance is a criminal misdemeanor offense and the County Attorney may choose to pursue the violation civilly and request injunctive relief, compel performance, or the Department of Public Health and Environment may request in informal hearing with the owner or operator. The Department of Public Health and Environment may suspend, summary suspend and revoke a license in accordance with the Washington County Administrative Ordinance.

Section 10 states that if any provision or the application of any provision of the Ordinance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or application of this Ordinance.

Section 11 addresses the effective date, which is upon passage of the Ordinance by the Washington County Board of Commissioner and publication according to law.

The foregoing is intended only as a summary of the Washington County Public Pool Ordinance. A printed copy of this ordinance adopted by Washington County Ordinance No. 148 is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Office of the Washington County Auditor/Treasurer, Washington County Administrator and the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

Commissioner Stafford asked staff to look at whether the County should be charging other units of government a fee to inspect its swimming pools. Ms. McGlothlin indicated that is strictly a policy decision of this Board when it establishes its fees.

#### TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Update on the Woodbury Library and Indoor Park Design and Cost Estimates

Dewy Thorbeck, Thorbeck Architects, Ltd., presented an overview and progress report on the proposed Woodbury Library/Indoor Park. He also reviewed building space and cost estimates.

Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development, indicated that some costs to this project are higher than anticipated and would like Board direction on how that impacts alternatives that the Board originally talked about.

Mr. Thorbeck reviewed a document showing a summary of the spaces: Library space, shared space and the Central Park. He stated that the Central Park is smaller due to program/space reductions; The mechanical, originally a shared space, is now separate; The Library space is smaller due to sharing space with branch library/central operations; and the shared circulation is more extensive than originally contemplated.

Commissioner Peterson asked if the Library space is self-contained, why would they share restroom space with the Park? Mr. Thorbeck stated that both park users and library users could use the same restrooms.

Commissioner Peterson asked if the County was going to do the maintenance on that shared facility? She feels that staff should only take care of the library space. Mr. Wisniewski stated those details have not been worked out at this point.

Commissioner Peterson asked who will be in charge of the shared space, the meeting rooms? Mr. Wisniewski indicated that was another issue that has not been worked out. There is a development agreement that comes after the process today. He feels that the majority of that work would be done by the City of Woodbury, but that hasn't been fully discussed.

Commissioner Peterson stated she is concerned. She feels if County dollars are going in to pay for the Library, that's fine, and some shared space. But she feels the shared space shown is almost bigger than the Library space and the County will pay 50% for that space and what will be the County's control over it? She asked about the shared space going to the YMCA, are they going to pay a portion of that? Mr. Thorbeck stated that a lot of patrons who use the YMCA also use the Library. He believes it is to the County's advantage to be able to have YMCA participants use the Library.

Commissioner Peterson asked for an analysis of the number of square feet in shared space as compared to square feet in library space? Mr. Thorbeck stated that is listed on the handout. He stated that the shared space has 12,021 square feet and the Library has 38,506. Half of the 12,021 is County and half is the City.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he has the same concerns as Commissioner Peterson. He asked to see the cost of the Oakdale Library maintenance as well as other libraries. He believes that Woodbury needs a library, but it seems like the County is building more than a library, they are sharing into a park situation that he feels is going to be very costly. He feels utility prices for the shared space will be very expensive.

Mr. Thorbeck suggested that the shared space going to the YMCA could be City space only and not shared space.

Commissioner Stafford stated he's willing to wait and see the final figures and perhaps Mr. Thorbeck's suggestion that the YMCA portion may be reallocated to the City should be looked at. The Board should keep in mind that if they were just building a County library that south side would have a different cost factor for covering those entrances, steps, curbs, gutters and other normal functions, plus they would be paying a million dollars for land.

Commissioners Hegberg and Peterson asked if the north wall was going to have glass would that be energy efficient since the wind blows from the north in the winter? Mr. Thorbeck stated that would be highly insulated glass. Also, there are strict state energy codes which regulates how much glass can be used. Northern States Power has a program where a consultant will identify ways to actually save energy in the overall design. They haven't gotten their full impact on that yet.

Commissioner Peterson stated there are \$3 to \$4 million dollar libraries in the rest of the County, with fairly modest bills for maintenance. Here there is almost a \$7 million facility with what she believes will be higher maintenance costs than any other library.

Mr. Wisniewski stated that staff will take a look at the connection to the YMCA. They will also try to address the kinds of usage the County would have for the conference and meeting space and come back to the Board with more information.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked staff to prepare a square foot area of the Woodbury Library. Then, he would like to have that compared with what was done in Oakdale and also the newer libraries in Ramsey County the one on Beam Avenue and on Lexington. He is also not sold on this location for a library.

Commissioner Stafford asked who will be responsible for the long-term maintenance of the parking area? Mr. Wisniewski indicated that is an area that would be covered in the development agreement.

Mr. Wisniewski mentioned that the Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) has been working with the City of Woodbury with the possibility of taking on a portion of the lower level. That would be an agreement between the City of Woodbury and ECFE in terms of how that's paid for.

Commissioner Stafford stated that at one time there was talk of excavating the full basement, putting footings in to allow for a second story expansion if that was ever needed. He sees on the handout that there is an actual reduction in the total cost.

Mr. Thorbeck stated the first column shows what was budgeted the last time they meet. The second column is the current estimate based on the scheme right now. The second column has a zero for the additional basement. The original budget, column one, indicates \$280,000 for the additional basement which was based on 10,000 square feet of space at \$28 a square foot. That figure is now at \$38 a square foot and would cost roughly \$380,000. The second column does not include anything for the basement.

Commissioner Stafford indicated there is some sentiment on the Board for a full basement rather than an opportunity to build a second story. He would like to see a different set of figures showing what the tradeoffs are.

Mr. Thorbeck stated they are limited in the horizontal expansion of the library to the west and east. The only spot where they could move is to the north. Going to the north has a distinct disadvantage in terms of the long skinny quality the library would have. They have been proceeding as the Board decided, and he thinks wisely so, to design the library so it could expand vertically.

Commissioner Stafford stated that is the way the Board wanted to go until these new figures came in. At a workshop held last week he didn't sense a lot of debate on the full basement rather than the second floor expansion.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated that this figure is way above what has been placed in the County's CIP document.

Mr. Thorbeck stated that of the 18,000 square feet that is available in the basement, close to 10,000 square feet is being talked about for the early childhood, which would leave 8,000 square feet for the library.

Mr. Wisniewski indicated the reason they continue to talk about the second level is they have the capability of putting the elevators in now. As library space, the basement is not as advantageous as a second floor expansion. When they were looking at the options that included everything, the branch library, central operations, accommodate the future second floor, the additional space in the lower level was 10,000 square feet at \$28 a square foot. That has now changed. The total budget for that was \$6,750,154. The current estimate without the additional basement space is \$6,604,969. If ECFE goes into the lower space, there's about 8,000 square feet that would be available for Washington County to expand in to. Using the \$38 per

square foot cost, the new total is \$6,858,969. That number represents more money than what was set for the ceiling. The question to the County Board is which options does it want to choose? Staff feels that preparing for that second floor is a good option.

Commissioner Peterson asked how many square feet is in central operations? Mr. Thorbeck stated it was about \$10,000 square feet.

Commissioner Peterson feels that there is a very logical option. She asked how many square feet is the County looking at for additional growth? Mr. Wisniewski indicated about 8,000 to 10,000 square feet.

Mr. Wisniewski stated the options for the Board to consider are to finish the basement or take out something else, such as the second floor.

Commissioner Abrahamson would like to see the figures he's asked for and get answers to some of the questions they've asked. He feels that the second floor addition does make sense in the planning because of the things that are needed in the future. He can look at moving central operations out and keeping them where they are.

Commissioner Stafford suggested that staff put this in modules as much as possible. He stated central operations is an issue, the basement is an issue and the footing for expansion is an issue. He would like to see cost figures on all of these options.

Mr. Schug stated that based on earlier discussion from the Board, staff has been planning on central operations to be in this facility and other planning has been done with the current library building. Just to clarify, part of this is central administration, but there are other functions that have to do with the operation of the library and other libraries. That is something that could be reviewed at a future workshop.

It was Board consensus to meet in workshop session on March 7 prior to the County Board meeting at 4:30 p.m.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Commissioner Stafford indicated that the Housing and Redevelopment Authority membership bill has been discussed in the Local Government Committee. It went through unanimously and was suggested that it go in on the Consent Calendar, so it may not even be debated in the House. The way it is written is it will be effective on enactment and approval by the County Board.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Hegberg would like a resolution prepared for the next Board meeting in support of no changes to the Mosquito Control Commission.

Commissioner Peterson reported on the Parks and Open Space Commission meeting she attended. She believes the Board will have to revisit the Purchase of Development Rights Advisory Committee. The Park Commission would like to be totally responsible for that. The Board had suggested that farmers, landowners, local units of government and conservation organizations be included. It's the Park Commission's feeling that they have a ten member board and they are better equipped to react to a smaller committee. She wondered if a technical advisory committee could be established to include those other individuals she listed and work with the Park Commission that way.

The Board discussed reimbursement costs for Park members attending additional meetings regarding the Purchase of Development Rights. Mr. Schug stated that Park members would be reimbursed for any meetings they attend.

Commissioner Stafford indicated he had a discussion with members of the Dakota County Board regarding legislation dealing with aggregate. He asked staff to review this bill to determine if it would adversely affect the County.

#### **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

#### **BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT**

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Health and Environment to review updated changes to the Washington County Administrative Ordinance. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson. Also present were James Schug, George Kuprian, Meredeth Magers, Lowell Johnson and Don Wisniewski.

Attest:

James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA MARCH 7, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioner met in regular session at 3:40 p.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Cindy Weckwerth, Public Health and Environment; Konrad Koosmann, Soil and Water Conservation District; Edison Vizuete, Financial Services Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Jim Wells, Library Director, Jane Harper, Principal Planner, Dan Papin, Community Services Director, Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Manager; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director, Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Scott Hovet, County Assessor; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

The County Board presented Patricia Raddatz, Board Secretary, with a Certificate of Recognition for her 15 years of County service.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the February 22, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
- Approval and execution of a Memorandum of Understanding between Washington County and the Washington County Soil and Waster Conservation District to provide management, planning, technical and administrative services to complete the Landlocked Basin Study Pilot Project.
- Approval to appoint Alan Bakke to the Workforce Council as a large business representative to a term expiring June 30, 2002.
- Approval of appointments to the Local Advisory Council on Mental Health to first terms expiring December 31, 2002: Jerome Malak, Chaplaincy Representative; and Lynn LaVerdiere, Other Mental Health Professional Outside.
- Approval to renew on sale and Sunday liquor license for The Point, for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.

- Approval to renew on sale and Sunday liquor license for the Trail's End Bar and Grill for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- Approval to renew on sale and Sunday liquor license for the Old Log Cabin, Inc. for the period April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- Approval to renew on sale and Sunday liquor license for the Forest Hills Golf Club, Inc. for the period April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- 9. Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-034 as follows:

### Lawful Gambling Exemption for Forest Lake Ducks Unlimited

WHEREAS, the Forest Lake Ducks Unlimited, has made application to the Gambling Control Board for an exemption for certain requirements contained in MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 349 in order to conduct (bingo, raffling, paddlewheels, tip board, pull tabs) at Forest Hills Golf Club, 7530 N. 210<sup>th</sup> St., Forest Lake, Forest Lake Township, Washington County on the following date: April 17, 2000;

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

- 10. Approval of 1999 assessment, valuation and classification change list.
- Approval to modify the federal Welfare-to-Work grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Economic Security's Workforce Preparation Branch to extend the original end date of September 30, 2001 to June 30, 2002; the State funds provided under the agreement will continue through the original date of June 30, 2001.
- 12. Approval of 2000-2001 contracts with the following agencies to provide home and community based services for persons with developmental disabilities: ACR Mississippi, Adapted Living Programs, A.M.E. Community Services, Community Living Options, Eastern MN State Operated Community Services, MDM Rubicon, NEKTON, New Directions, Northeast Residence, Outcomes, Partnerships for MN Futures, REM, sur la rue, and Thomas Allen.
- 13. Approval to amend the Smoking in County Facilities Policy by including the Assessment, Taxpayer Services, and Elections southwest entrance as a public non-smoking entrance.

- 14. Approval to set public hearing for March 21, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. for purposes of hearing public comment on proposed amendments to Washington County Ordnance No. 36, the Washington County Administrative Ordinance and authorize publication of notice of the hearing.
- Approval of the Plat of Swenson's Goose Lake Farm Estates, New Scandia Township.
- Information only town road allotments: Baytown Township, \$7,902.72; Denmark Township, \$9,022.34; Forest Lake Township, \$27,096.75; Grey Cloud Township, \$3,994.54; May Township, \$12,982.65; New Scandia Township, \$20,791.27; Stillwater Township, \$11,349.47; and West Lakeland Township, \$13,759.26.
- 17. Bids were received for traffic sign replacement and computer software as follows:

Northern Traffic Supply	\$166,795.93
H & R Construction	177,960.88
Global Specialty Contracting, Inc.	188,390.28
Safety Signs	206,946.36
Timme, Inc.	260,463.48

Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-035** as follows:

Award of Contract for Traffic Sign Replacement & Computer Software to Northern Traffic Supply

WHEREAS, in order to complete traffic sign replacement on County roads and purchase of computer software for traffic aspects, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on February 16, 2000 with Northern Traffic Supply being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Northern Traffic Supply be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Northern Traffic Supply under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Northern Supply be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

#### 18. Bids were received for road and signal construction on CSAH 19 as follows:

Shafer Construction	\$6,408,573.75
Arnt Construction Co., Inc.	6,416,562.05
Palda & Sons	6,449,769.10
Hoffman Construction	6,461,091.55
Tower Asphalt	6,737,407.90
Forest Lake Contractors	6,758,417.58
Danner, Inc.	6,905,530.55
FM Frattalone	6,867,700.02
CS Mcrossan Construction	6,892,620.00

#### Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-036 as follows:

### Award of Contract for CSAH 19 Road & Signal Construction to Shafer Construction

WHEREAS, in order to complete road and signal construction work on CSAH 19 in Woodbury, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on February 9, 2000, with Shafer Construction being the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the City of Woodbury has concurred in the bid award; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Shafer Construction be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Shafer Construction under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Shafer Construction be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

#### 19. Bids were received for road and bridge construction on CSAH 21 in Afton as follows:

F.M. Frattalone Excavating & Grading	\$688,743.97
Arnt Construction Co.	697,741.22
Tower Asphalt, Co.	723,310.65
Glenwood Bridge Co.	726,378.33
Park Construction Co.	757,564.98

#### Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-37 as follows:

Award of Contract for CSAH 21 Road and Bridge Construction to F.M. Frattalone Excavation & Grading

WHEREAS, in order to complete construction work on CSAH 21 in Afton, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on February 9, 2000 with F.M. Frattalone Excavation & Grading, Inc., being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of F.M. Frattalone Excavation & Grading, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with F.M. Frattalone Excavation & Grading, Inc. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and F.M. Frattalone Excavation & Grading, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-038 as follows:

Minnesota Department of Transportation Grant for Bridge Funding of Bridge No. 82508, Trout Brook

WHEREAS, the County of Washington has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund for the construction/reconstruction of County Bridge No. 82508 over Trout Brook; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the grant has been determined to be \$43,606.20 by reason of the lowest responsible bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Washington does hereby affirm that any cost of the bridge in excess of the grant will be appropriated from the funds available to the County of Washington, and that any grant monies appropriated for the bridge but not required, based on the final estimate, shall be returned to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that whereas Federal monies are being used to participate in the cost of the bridge, grant monies as matching funds shall be transferred directly to the Agency account and that the records of the County of Washington shall so state.

20. Bids were received for bridge painting/deck rehabilitation and guardrail end treatments as follows:

Project	Progressive Contractors, Inc.	Glenwood Bridge, Inc.
SP-82-605-12	\$111,250.00	\$119,980.00
SP-82-621-24	61,664.90	58,548.00
SP-82-030-01	51,300.00	57,600.00
Totals	\$224,414.90	\$236,128.00

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-039 as follows:

Award of Contract for Bridge Painting/Rehab and Guard Rail to Progressive Contractors, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete bridge painting and deck rehabilitation and guard rail end replacement, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on February 16, 2000 with Progressive Contractors, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Progressive Contractors, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Progressive Contractors, Inc. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Progressive Contractors, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

#### Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-040

Minnesota Department of Transportation Grant for Bridge Funding of Bridge No. 82501 on CSAH 5

WHEREAS, the County of Washington has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund for bridge deck rehabilitation of Bridge #82501 on CSAH 5; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the grant has been determined to be \$55,625.00 by reason of the lowest responsible bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Washington does hereby affirm that any cost of the bridge in excess of the grant will be appropriated from the funds available to the County of Washington, and that any grant monies appropriated for the bridge but not required, based on the final estimate, shall be returned to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that whereas Federal monies are being used to participate in the cost of the bridge, grant monies as matching funds shall be transferred directly to the Agency account and that the records of the County of Washington shall so state.

March 7, 2000

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

#### BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Commissioner Stafford moved to set meeting dates for the Washington County 2000 Board of Equalization for June 20 and 21, 2000. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to table the following items to the March 14, 2000 Board meeting: Approval of a one-year Special Project Clerk II position in the Community Services Department; Approval of a new position of a .5 F.T.E. Social Worker I and conversion of a .5 F.T.E. Family Services Worker to a .5 F.T.E. Social Worker I position in the Community Services Department; Approval of a new position of a .7 F.T.E. Eligibility Worker position in the Community Services Department; and, Approval of a new position of .12 F.T.E. Secretary position in the Transportation and Physical Development Department. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to authorize the Board Chair and County Administrator to sign the following delegation agreements with the Minnesota Department of Health: 1) Amendment to existing delegation agreement for Food Code and Lodging Establishment Ordinance; and 2) New delegation agreement for Manufactured Home Parks/Recreational Camping Areas/Youth Camps and Public Pools. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### FINANCIAL SERVICES AND CENTRAL SERVICES DEPARTMENTS

Commissioner Peterson moved to authorize the Board Chair and County Administrator to sign a purchasing card agreement with Wells Fargo. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Recap of the 1999 Transportation Division Construction Season and Review of 2000 Construction

<u>Program</u>

Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development, presented an overview of the 1999 construction season. He also previewed 2000 highway construction projects, safety projects, traffic signals, preservation and pavement rehabilitation projects, bridge rehabilitation, seal coating projects, crack sealing projects, right of way acquisitions and new County signing.

#### Woodbury Library

Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development, presented comparisons of construction and maintenance costs between recent Washington County Library projects and surrounding County Library projects. He also presented costs for shared space and estimated County and City construction costs per square foot. Four options for future expansion were presented and discussed.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve Option C for the Woodbury Library and future expansion including the following items: Base price for Library – \$6,433,469; \$116,500 – 8,000 square feet for future 2<sup>nd</sup> floor expansion; \$76,000 – 2,000 square feet for lower level space and that the bid include alternates for additional lower level space; and, that a project manager be hired to oversee the County's portion of this project. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

#### Metropolitan Mosquito Control Commission Authority

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-041 as follows:

Position on HF 3134 Regarding Metropolitan Mosquito Control Commission Authority

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 473.704, subd. 17, provides the Metropolitan Mosquito Control Commission the authority to enter upon state property to determine the need for mosquito control programs and to clean up any stagnant pool of water, the shores of lakes and streams and other breeding places for mosquitoes; and

WHEREAS, House File (HF) 3134 proposed to amend Minn. Stat. § 473.704, subd. 17 to limit authority of the Metropolitan Mosquito Control Commission to enter certain state lands for the control of mosquitoes, provided for in Minn. Stat. § 473.704. Subd, 17.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby supports the existing authority of the Metropolitan Mosquito Control Commission to enter certain state lands for the control of mosquitoes, provided for in Minn. Stat. § 473.704. subd. 17; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby opposes House File (HF) 3134 which proposes to limit this authority; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that staff are hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Washington County Legislative Delegation.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-2 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson and Peterson; No, Commissioners Stafford and Pulkrabek.

Commissioner Abrahamson suggested that representatives from the Metropolitan Mosquito Control District be invited to a future Board meeting.

#### Discussion from the Audience

Don Day, Woodbury, asked why the planned Woodbury Library does not include a coffee shop in the Library itself as most of the modern book stores are doing? The Board Chair advised Mr. Day that staff will respond to his concerns.

Judy Biller, St. Mary's Point, thanked the Board Chair for his vote on the Mosquito Control issue. She believes the Board should have the Department of Natural Resources in to explain that issue. It is her understanding that the legislation does not deal with disease and that the Mosquito Control is still authorized to do disease control anywhere and whenever they want. She believes it would benefit the Board to hear from the DNR as well.

The Board Chair suggested that the Mosquito Control be brought in and perhaps other organizations could be brought in as well.

#### Water Governance Implementation Plan

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, presented an overview of the implementation strategy related to the Water Governance Study. She highlighted key accomplishments to date of the following work groups:

Boundaries Work Group - Recommended a boundary between the new North and Middle Water Units. This recommendation included two conditions: 1. Projects be financed by benefitting properties rather than ad valorem; and 2. Board representation for urban and rural areas be equitable.

South Washington Watershed District - Working with the East Mississippi River WMO and local governments on consolidation. Major issues and a work plan have been identified. The SWWD will use Minn. Stat. 103B.215 authority to submit a petition for a boundary change to BWSR during 2000.

Middle Unit Phasing Work Group - Work plan completed for a consolidation based on the identified target date of January 1, 2001. The Work Group recommended a new board of seven members, and identified the process and timeline for submitting petitions for formation of the new unit to BWSR. They recommended that the County submit a petition for enlargement using Minn. Stat. 103D.261 authority.

North Unit Phasing Work Group - Work plan completed for a consolidation based on the identified target date of June 1, 2001. The Work Group held a public informational meeting for all existing water management units and local governments in the affected area to discuss its work plan and identify issues and concerns.

Roles and Responsibilities Work Group - Completed its recommendations regarding the roles for each group involved in the new water management structure in the County: Water management units will have the lead role for surface water planning and management, including both water quantity and water quality; Cities and towns will have the lead role for land use planning and zoning and the lead regulatory role for water management - townships share this lead role with the County; the County will provide leadership and coordination for countywide water management activities; the County will continue to play the lead role in ground water planning and management; and the Washington County Soil and Water Conservation District will provide technical assistance services to the water management units and to the County. The Work Group also further defined the concept of the proposed Water Consortium.

Dick Caldecott, agrees with the recommendation that the watershed districts in the north should be consolidated, eventually. Within the past few weeks it has become clear that the Committee's recommendation lacked support and is opposed in many quarters such as the citizen's advisory committees, the townships, the cities, the water management organizations and the watershed districts. He feels that implementation of any of these recommendations in the northern region would be a mistake. He believes what is needed next is an educational effort that reaches out to all the involved parties to persuade them as to the merits of consolidation. He urges that the Board table that part of the recommendation for the immediate future. He will recommend at a meeting that will be held on Wednesday evening that a coordinating council be established that would include a representative from each of the water management organizations as well as the watershed districts in the northern region. He will suggest that the following items be discussed: 1) Define and implement ways to encourage pooling of efforts in areas where there are similar needs and interest; and, 2) Develop a working relationship with all government entities in the northern region to establish where there are overlapping and independent interests and responsibilities as they relate to their water resources.

David Beaudet, City of Oak Park Heights City Council Member, member of the Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization and member of the North consolidation group. He concurs with the previous speaker and believes there is a resolution from the City of Oak Park Heights requesting that this item be delayed so they would be able to discuss the issues. He stated that one issue is critical to the cities and that is a deficiency in the rules on the volume of water runoff. He feels the volume rules currently in the Carnelian Marine Watershed District are designed so that if one acre of land is developed, nine more acres of land will be needed to hold back the volume of water. That is in conflict with any urbanization for any city.

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Craig Leiser, Browns Creek Watershed District - Mr. Leiser stated he understands the concerns on timing. He does believe that the efforts the committee put forward over the last year and a half should not be thrown out. If time was taken to do further homework he feels there are reasonable ways to reach a compromise to get a coordinated, organized water management governance for the entire County, north, middle and south.

Jerry Turnquist, City of Oak Park Heights Council Member, stated they sit on top of the hill and are currently in three watersheds. They had hoped that through this reorganization they would get down to one, but they are down to two. They are concerned about the makeup of the Board, how those people will be appointed, how the projects will be funded and the rules are also important as mentioned by Mr. Beaudet. They would support postponing a decision on the northern unit until they have additional time to look at those issues.

The Board Chair suggested that this discussion be rescheduled for April 4, 2000, the Board's next afternoon meeting. He also asked that staff make copies of the Water Governance Implementation Strategy Report available to all watershed districts and municipalities.

#### BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Department of Public Health and Environment

to discuss the Minnesota Youth Tobacco Prevention Initiative and the County's tobacco prevention strategic

plan. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session

were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James

Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Mary McGlothlin, Lowell Johnson, Sue Hedlund, Judy Clare, Pat Galligher, Julie

Kilpatrick and Joan Sprain.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board of

Commissioners to discuss issues of mutual interest and concern (continued from January 25, 2000). No

business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were

Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug,

Virginia Erdahl, Dave Engstrom, HRA Executive Director, Linda Sperry, HRA Administrative Assistant,

Peter Cooper, HRA Counsel, and the following HRA Board of Commissioners: Harry Melander, David

Piggot, Randy Samuelson, Frank Rheinberger and Claire Eisinger.

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

Attest

James R. Schug

County Administrator

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA MARCH 14, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioner met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Rick Backman, Community Services; Pat Singel, Community Services; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Jim Luger, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Joanne Helm, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of staff comments on the draft City of Pine Springs Comprehensive Plan update.
- 2. Approval to appoint Tasha Boyd, Woodbury, to the Local Advisory Council on Mental Health as a consumer representative to a term expiring December 31, 2002.
- 3. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-042** as follows:

Supporting a Washington and Ramsey County Joint Public Safety Training Facility and State of Minnesota Legislation to Provide Financial Assistance for the Construction of the Joint Public Safety Training Facility

WHEREAS, Washington and Ramsey County local governments' public safety personnel are required to participate in numerous training exercises to insure that they are adequately prepared to address public safety situations associated with their jobs; and

WHEREAS, Washington and Ramsey County local government police and fire personnel lack adequate facilities to conduct training associated with carrying out their public safety duties; and

WHEREAS, Washington and Ramsey County local government officials proposed the construction of a Joint Public Safety Training Facility for police and fire personnel for the local governments of Washington and Ramsey County; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners supports the construction of a Washington and Ramsey County Joint Public Safety Training Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners believes the State of Minnesota should actively support the joint effort by Washington and Ramsey County local governments to construct a Joint Public Safety Training Facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners supports the construction of a Washington and Ramsey County Joint Public Safety Training Facility; and

THAT THE, Washington County Board of Commissioners requests the State of Minnesota participate in the cost of constructing a Washington and Ramsey County Joint Public Safety Training Facility by allocating monies during the 2000 Legislative Session to assist with the construction of the said facility.

- Approval to renew a consumption and display permit for the Scandia Community Senior Center for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- Approval of contract with the Housing and Redevelopment Authority for services as the Housing Coordinator.
- Approval of 2000 agreement with the Washington County Attorney, County Court Administrator
  and the County Sheriff for administration of the Child Support Enforcement (IV-D) Program.
- Approval of Workforce Investment Act Title I Grant Agreement with the Department of Economic Security's Workforce Service Bureau to operate WIA Title I Adult services and Youth services, and both federal and state Dislocated Worker services beginning April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2003.
- 8. Approval of agreement with Minnesota Department of Economic Security, Office of Youth Development Services for the P.L.A.C.E. II program grant in the amount of \$60,729.
- Approval of banding/grading recommendations: Appraisal Technician, B25-1; Transportation Manager, D61-1; Assistant Maintenance Superintendent II, C42-2; and new classifications and job descriptions.
- 10. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-043** as follows:

WHEREAS, Washington County, in 1987, acquired access rights along CSAH 16 (Valley Creek Road) while allowing property owners to retain the right of access at legally described access control openings; and

WHEREAS, the access control openings on the property shown on the attached drawing are no longer appropriately located; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has proposed moving the easterly access control opening to a location that is acceptable to both the City of Woodbury and Washington County engineering staffs; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has provided a legal description for expansion of the westerly access control opening which would allow planned expansion of Donegal Drive to be constructed within that opening; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has agreed to deed to Washington County the access rights on the existing access control opening.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby grants an access opening to that portion of CSAH 16 right of way legally described as follows: "Commencing at the southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of Section 9, Township 28 North, Range 21 West, Washington County, Minnesota, said point also being Right of Way Boundary Corner B14 of Washington County Highway Right of Way Plat No. 8, as amended; thence North 0 degrees 01 minutes 11 West seconds along the easterly line of said right of way plat 75.00 feet to Right of Way Boundary Corner B13 of said right of way plat (bearings are based on the same system as used on said right of way plat); thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds West along the northerly line of said right of way plat 1401.12 feet to the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds West continuing along said northerly right of way line 50.00 feet and said described line there terminating."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby grants an access opening to that portion of CSAH 16 right of way legally described as follows: "Commencing at the southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of Section 9, Township 29 North, Range 21 West, Washington County, Minnesota, said point also being Right of Way Boundary Corner B14 of Washington County Highway Right of Way Plat No. 8, as amended; thence North 0 degrees 01 minutes 11 seconds West along the easterly line of said right of way plat 75.00 feet to Right of Way Boundary Corner B13 of said right of way plat (bearings are based on the same system used on said right of way plat); thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds West along the northerly line of said right of way plat 1894.20 feet to the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds West continuing along said northerly right of way line 67.99 feet to the west line of the East Half of the West Half of said Southeast Quarter and said described line there terminating."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Director of Transportation and Physical Development to issue an access permit for a "right in/right out" commercial access in the new easterly access control opening created by this resolution and to design the appropriate roadway enhancements in the area of the westerly vacated access control.

NOW, THEREFORE, BEIT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no access permit shall be valid until the quit claim deed is recorded transferring access rights from the property owner to Washington County on that portion of CSAH 16 right of legally described as follows: "Commencing at the southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of Section 9, Township 28 North, Range 21 West, Washington County, Minnesota, said point also being Right of Way Boundary Corner B14 of Washington County Highway Right of Way Plat No. 8, as amended; thence North 0 degrees 01 minutes 11 seconds West along the easterly line of said right of way plat 75.00 feet to Right of Way boundary Corner B13 of said right of way plat (bearings are based on the same system as used on said right of way plat); thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds West along the northerly line of said right of way plat 1308.12 feet to the east line of the East Half of the West half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 9, also being the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds West continuing along said northerly right of way line 33.00 feet and said described line there terminating."

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

#### BID AWARD FOR 2000 CARPET SUPPLY/REPLACEMENT

Bids were received for 2000 carpet supply/replacement within County facilities as follows:

Hiller Commercial Floors \$39,840.00 Giesela's Interiors, Inc. 40,656.00 Shaw Contract Flooring 98,976.00

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-044 as follows:

Award of Contract for 2000 Carpet Replacement Services to Hiller Commercial Floors

WHEREAS, in order to complete carpet replacement within various County facilities, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on February 28, 2000 with Hiller Commercial Floors, being the lowest responsible bidder, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Hiller Commercial Floors be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Hiller Commercial Floors under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Hiller Commercial Floors be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to raise from the table the matter of new positions for the Community Services Department and the Department of Transportation and Physical Development which were tabled at the March 7, 2000 Board meeting. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to approve the following new positions: .12 FTE Secretary position in the Transportation and Physical Development Department; a one year Special Project Clerk II position in the Community Services Department; a .5 FTE Social Worker I and conversion of a .5 FTE Family Services Worker to a .5 FTE Social Worker I position in the Community Services Department; and, a .7 FTE Eligibility Worker position in the Community Services Department. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve Host County Contracts with the following Chemical Dependency Service providers for the period of January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000: Hudson Medical Center, Kinnic Falls Alcohol-Drug Abuse Services, Burkwood Residence, Inc., On-Belay of Minnesota, Fairview Forest Lake, Avalon Programs, Cedar Ridge, Inc., Human Services, Inc. (Jail Treatment Program), Twin Town and We Care Counseling Center. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections, presented a brief overview of a proposed Woodbury/Tamarack I-494 Interchange Economic Development Tax Abatement. She stated that the City of Woodbury is requesting this abatement to fund the construction of the new interchange. Staff is asking for conceptual approval so they can enter into negotiations with the City of Woodbury to process this abatement. A public hearing is proposed for April 4, 2000 at 4:30 p.m. for final Board approval. The proposal is that the County will fund an abatement of \$460,000 per year for a maximum of ten years for a total abatement of \$4.6 million for construction of the interchange. She stated that half of this amount will come from new property to be developed and half will come from property already developed.

Commissioner Stafford moved conceptual approval for Washington County to enter negotiations with the City of Woodbury for the Tamarack I-494 Interchange Economic Development Tax Abatement; and to set a public hearing to receive comments on this proposal for April 4, 2000 at 4:30 p.m. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-045 as follows:

Advance Funding for State Aid Regular Construction Fund in 2000 for State Aid Projects Up to a Maximum of \$1,700,000

WHEREAS, the County of Washington is planning on implementing County State Aid Highway projects in 2000 which will require State Aid funds in excess of those available in its State Aid Regular Construction Account; and

WHEREAS, said County is prepared to proceed with the construction of said projects through the use of advance encumbrances from the general state aid Construction Account to supplement the available funds in their State Aid Regular Construction Account; and

WHEREAS, payment of the funds so advanced will be made in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 162.08, Subdivision 7 and Minnesota Rules, Chapter 8820.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Transportation be and is hereby requested to approve this advance for financing approved County State Aid Highway projects of Washington County in an amount up to \$1,700,000 in accordance with Minnesota Rules 8820.1500, Subparagraph 9, and to authorize repayments from the following year's accruals to the Regular Construction Account of the County State Aid Highway fund for said account.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

#### Purchase of Development Rights Financing Referendum

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, asked for direction on language for the November 2000 open space financing referendum. Areas discussed included the following: Appropriate dollar amount (amount per \$100,000 assessed value); Type of lands to be included; Type of activities the funds could be used for; Beginning date of the tax; and, Duration of the tax.

The Board directed staff as follows: Prepare a list of how much money would be raised for the program using 6, 8 or 10 year sunset increments; that figures be brought back to the Board using caps at different dollar amounts; keep language broad in the referendum as to what types of land will be used; referendum language should include that funds would be used for acquisition and management of open space; and, the beginning date of tax could be payable 2001.

It was Board consensus to include in an article on PDR in the Commissioners' newsletter information regarding the local matching grant program where a portion of the dollars raised would provide grants to communities outside of the green corridor to use for local priorities.

#### Legislative Update

James Schug, County Administrator, presented a brief update on events occurring at the state legislature. He indicated that legislation increasing membership on the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board from five to seven members has moved successfully through the House and it received a hearing at the Senate Tax Committee and is part of the Omnibus Tax Bill.

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-046** as follows:

Resolution Supporting State Legislative Action in 2000 to Increase State Highway and Transportation Funding

WHEREAS, increasing state funding for growing highway and transportation needs is one of the most critical issues facing Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, highways throughout Minnesota are increasingly congested, are unsafe due to deterioration or outdated design, and often hinder economic growth due to poor condition and lack of capacity; and

WHEREAS, studies show that more than \$8 billion in additional funding over the next ten years is needed to address state and county highway and bridge needs; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota's continued economic vitality and high quality of life depend on the state immediately increasing investments in highway safety, maintenance, reconstruction and expansion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners commends Governor Jesse Ventura and Republican and Democrat legislative leaders for offering a variety of significant highway and transportation funding proposals for consideration during the 2000 legislative session, thus making transportation a legislative priority for the first time in more than a decade; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners strongly urges Governor Ventura and the state Legislature to complete the good work they have begun and dedicate themselves to approving significant highway funding legislation in the 2000 legislative session.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### Legislative Meeting

Mr. Schug reminded the County Board that there is a meeting scheduled for this afternoon at 3:30 p.m. at the State Office Building with the County Legislative delegation.

#### **Dedicating Portion of Sales Tax for Parks Related Items**

Commissioner Peterson moved that the draft resolution supporting a constitutional amendment dedicating 3/16ths of 1 percent of sales tax for the purpose of funding operations and maintenance for DNR game/fish, metropolitan parks and trails and state parks and trails be forwarded to the Washington County Parks and Open Space Commission for their review and comment. The motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt a resolution supporting a constitutional amendment dedicating 3/16ths of 1 percent of sales tax for the purpose of funding operations and maintenance for DNR game/fish, metropolitan parks and trails and state parks and trails. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion.

Commissioner Peterson moved to amend the resolution by striking "support" and inserting "support additional funds from the lottery proceeds". Board Chair Stafford ruled that motion out of order.

#### Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-047 as follows:

Support for a Constitutional Amendment Dedicating 3/16ths of 1 Percent of Sales Tax for the Purpose of Funding Operations and Maintenance for DNR Game/Fish, Metropolitan Parks and Trails and State Parks and Trails

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan regional park system not only benefits local, but also statewide citizenry; and

WHEREAS, the use of regional parks is projected to grow dramatically with increased population growth; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, 28.7 million regional park users generated an estimated \$35.8 in State taxes; and

WHEREAS, Washington County would benefit from a dedicated annual funding source for operations and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the estimated annual funding would amount to \$950,000 in 2001.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners support legislation to allow for a constitutional amendment to be placed on the November 2000 election ballot. The constitutional amendment would dedicated 3/16ths of 1% of sales tax for the purpose of funding operations and maintenance for DNR Game/Fish, Metropolitan Parks and Trails, and State Parks and Trails.

The resolution was adopted 3-2 on a roll call vote as follows: Commissioner Hegberg, No; Commissioner Abrahamson, Yes; Commissioner Stafford, Yes; Commissioner Peterson, No; and, Commissioner Pulkrabek, Yes.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

#### **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

### BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT-LAND MANAGEMENT/LAND SURVEY

The Board meet in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development-Land Management/Land Survey Division, to discuss the current mining ordinance relative to "borrow pits". No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were Jim Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Larry Nybeck, Dennis O'Donnell, Meredeth Magers and Ann Pung Terwedo.

#### REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY WORKSHOP

The Regional Rail Authority met in workshop session to discuss the Personal Rapid System Taxi 2000 which was led by Dr. J. Edward Anderson. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were Jim Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Sandy Cullen, Marv Erickson, Ann Pung Terwedo, Dennis O'Donnell, Tim Nelson, Citizens for Personal Rapid Transit, Joe Lampe, Citizens for Personal Rapid Transit, and Scheffer Lang, Taxi 2000 Corporation.

Attest

James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA MARCH 21, 2000

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 Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Cindy Weckwerth, Public Health and Environment, Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Meredeth Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

- 1. Approval of the March 7, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
- Approval of County's comments on the proposed enlargement of Development District No. 1 and Tax Increment Financing District No. 7 for the City of Stillwater.
- Approval to renew the on/off sale 3.2 malt liquor license for Veterans Rest Camp for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- Approval to renew consumption and display, wine, dance and on sale beer liquor license for Kimberly's Catering LLC, Withrow Ballroom, for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- Approval to renew off/on sale and Sunday liquor license and off sale 3.2 malt liquor license for Meister's Bar and Grill for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- Approval to renew on sale and Sunday liquor license for Willow Point Resort, for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- Approval for the County Board Chair and Administrator to execute an agreement with Lakeview Memorial Hospital for purposes of their continuing to provide ancillary medical services to the County jail.
- 8. Approval for Plat of The Arbors 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition, West Lakeland Township.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

#### PUBLIC HEARING - PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

#### **Proposed Washington County Administrative Ordinance**

The Board Chair presented an overview of procedures for today's public hearing to consider adoption of a revised Washington County Administrative Ordinance.

The Secretary to the Board read into the record the notice of intent to amend the Washington County Administrative Ordinance. The Board Chair declared the public hearing open at 9:05 a.m.

Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment, reviewed the proposed Administrative Ordinance. She indicated that although this ordinance is used county-wide, it is most frequently used by the Department of Public Health and Environment as it relates to its licensing functions. Ms. McGlothlin stated that the proposed ordinance is similar to Administrative Ordinance No. 36, the prior ordinance. The main changes deal with a new section on Administrative Hearing Procedure. There was an Administrative Hearing procedure for variances in the past, but it has now been applied more broadly and will be available for appeals to administrative penalties. A formal Board hearing is still provided for as in the past ordinance and based on discussion from a previous workshop, the formal Board hearing process does allow the County Board to appoint by resolution an individual or hearing panel to hear an appeal in its stead. The last change states that if it is appealed before the County Board from an Administrative hearing, the hearing before the County Board or the hearing panel shall be on the record established at the Administrative hearing.

The Board Chair asked for comments from the audience; none were heard. The Board hearing was closed at 9:11 a.m.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-048, as follows:

Resolution Adopting Washington County Administrative Ordinance No. 149 and Repealing Ordinance No. 36

WHEREAS, Washington County is a political subdivision of the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has been mandated by the State to regulate certain activities within the County; and

WHEREAS, Washington County discharges its regulatory mandate through its ordinances; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in furtherance of this regulatory authority, Washington County issues, suspends and revokes licenses and permits; and

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WHEREAS, in certain instances Washington County may impose administrative penalties in furtherance of its regulatory mandate; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners wishes to provide to the citizens of Washington County a procedure which ensures them adequate due process, equal protection and access to an appeal process under the County's regulatory framework; and

WHEREAS, the current Washington County Administrative Ordinance is outdated because it fails to address all regulatory enforcement tools now available to the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners ordains that the Washington County Administrative Ordinance attached hereto is hereby adopted in its entirety as Washington County Ordinance No. 149 and is declared to be effective from and after its publication date according to law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that from and after the effective date of the aforementioned Administrative Ordinance No. 149, the previous Washington County Administrative Ordinance No. 36, together with all amendments thereto, is repealed.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

### <u>License Fees for Manufactured Home Parks, Recreational Camping Areas, Youth Camps and Public</u> <u>Pools</u>

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-049 as follows:

Resolution Adopting Fees for Licensing of Manufactured Home Parks/Recreational Camping Areas/Youth Camps and Public Pools and Establishing a "Fee Exempt" Status for Private and Public School Districts for Year 2000

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has adopted ordinances for the licensing and regulation of Manufactured Home Parks/Recreational Camping Areas/Youth Camps and Public Pools; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has signed a delegation of authority agreement with the Minnesota Department of Health which allows the County to implement its local ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Ordinances allow the County Board to set fees for its licensing and regulatory activities; and WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health and Environment is recommending that the County Board establish its Year 2000 license fees for Manufactured Home Parks/Recreational Camping Areas/Youth Camps and Public Pools at the same level as currently established in State Statute.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board hereby adopts fees as follows:

A. Manufactured Home Parks/Recreational Camping Areas

Category A.

\$25.00 Base Fee plus \$2.75 per site

Category B.

\$25.00 Base Fee plus \$1.50 per site

- B. Youth Camps are Fee Exempt
- C. Public Pools
  \$100.00 for the first public pool; \$50.00 for each additional pool
  \$50.00 for the first whirlpool/spa; \$25.00 for each additional whirlpool/spa

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners adopts a "fee exempt" status for private and public school districts for the purpose of school kitchen food licenses and school pool licenses for the Year 2000.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he voted against this resolution because he feels that the schools should not be exempt from the pool fee.

#### **Individual Sewage Treatment System Maintenance Program**

Ms. McGlothlin reviewed the individual sewage treatment system (ISTS) maintenance program. She indicated that this program has been in development since 1998 and is a joint venture of cities, townships and the County. State rules, and the County Ordinance, require that homeowners maintain their ISTS at a minimum of every three years. In January of 1999, Met Council hosted a meeting in which all cities and townships were invited to discuss a joint city/county/township maintenance program. An initial memorandum of agreement was signed for program development purposes and was in place through 1999. In late 1999, staff was getting ready for implementation and at that time all the cities and townships were invited to attend a meeting to discuss program implementation which would occur in the year 2000.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated that three townships he has talked to claim they have not received this information. He believes there is some misinformation out there and he wants to make sure that all the townships receive this information before any action is taken.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to table the individual sewage treatment system maintenance program and establishment of a \$10.00 pumping report fee for two weeks. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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#### TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Responses to Comments on the C.A.M.A.S. Inc. Environmental Impact Statement

Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist, introduced Sabrina Cook, Montgomery Watson Environmental Scientist, who presented a brief overview of responses to comments made at the Public Hearing held on January 25, 2000 for the C.A.M.A.S. Inc. Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Mr. O'Donnell indicated that this information was also supplied to commenting agencies as well as the area residents who submitted comments on the EIS.

Ms. Cook reviewed the following areas:

Boundary Expansion Concerns - Comments were concerned that the proposed expansion was an expansion of aggregate volume removal rates, that operations were going to increase. The operation rates will remain the same. The area is going to be expanded when the mining is finished where they are now. They will slowly move into the new area. Another concern was expansion to sites beyond the area considered in the EIS. This issue is beyond the scope of the EIS and is more appropriately dealt with during the permitting process. Any additional site expansion would be covered in a separate environmental review and permitting process. The notice map sent to residents regarding the public hearing was in error with the boundaries. The correct boundaries are the ones on the figures in the EIS.

<u>Traffic and Noise</u> - Residents were concerned that the traffic and noise analysis were not completed appropriately or without sufficient information. They used standard traffic and noise models used by the State. These models were supported by gathering current measurement information on traffic and noise levels at strategic locations using standard measurement techniques and equipment. The traffic counts were performed at all major intersections, exists and entrances into the site; therefore, they could count which traffic belonged to C.A.M.A.S. and which traffic was residential or other traffic. With no increase in aggregate removal rates, there will not be any increase in traffic volume associated with a mine expansion. Noise levels were monitored at several residences. They were monitored at the residence and not at the street. These sites were chosen with discussion with the particular person so they could get the best site possible and measure most appropriately. Measurements were made both during the day and night. Moving the active mine operation didn't increase any significant impacts to nearby residents as assessed by the models.

<u>Dust</u> - Air quality monitoring procedures were used as well as standard air dispersion models. In general, the mining operation takes place in a pit in the ground between zero and a hundred feet underground. This prevents dispersion of dust and keeps it in the pit itself. The modeling predicted no significant increases even as the operations moved closer to residences.

<u>Visual Esthetics</u> - This particular operation will not be a surface mining operation except for removal of approximately 10 acres or so every year. Most of the operation stays within the pit itself. There will be berms around the area and trees planted to shield the view of the operation from nearby residents.

<u>Woodland Habitat</u> - In the southern portion of the property there is a dry oak forest remnant. This habitat is degrading ecologically. That doesn't mean there isn't ecological function and value, it's just that at this time it's going downhill. The proposed action and maximum mitigative alternative both eventually mine this portion of the property, but not for approximately 20 years, and establishes a wooded corridor early in the expansion process to partially mitigate this loss.

Groundwater Issue - There was a concern that mine operations might stir up the drinking water well minerals and the mine floor would only be within 20 feet of the water table. During the EIS scoping process, this depth of 20 feet to groundwater was considered sufficient and that it was not necessary to discuss environmental impacts in the EIS. In light of recent concerns, a separate water quality technical memorandum was prepared and included in the EIS to assess subsequent groundwater issues that have now arisen. The depth to groundwater will be greater than 20 feet, and more like 60 to 100 feet deep at the minimum. Most of the area drinking water wells are below this water table and in the confined or isolated Prairie du Chien/Jordan Aquifer.

Armal M. Djerrari, Barr Engineering Company, presented his findings on the groundwater conditions in the vicinity of the CAMAS Lakeland sand and gravel mine in a report dated February 24, 2000. It was his conclusion that the proposed mine expansion will have a mine floor that is at least 60 feet above the water table. He believes the distance from the bottom of the mine and the top of the water table will provide more than sufficient filtration of fine particulates that might be washed into the mine during rain storms and there should be no adverse effects on the clarity of groundwater.

Randal Graff, 1120 O'Ryan Trail, West Lakeland Township - Mr. Graff believes the report prepared by Barr Engineering Company did not consider all the wells surrounding this mine expansion. He feels this is an incomplete report. He feels that not mining the west half of section 27 should be an alternative. He also commented on the setbacks and feels they should be setback greater than 500 feet.

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Mr. Djerrari responded that the wells listed in his report were the only wells in the area that contained the geologic information that was needed and how the wells were constructed. The important information is where are the aquifers and where is the water table located.

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Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve responses to the C.A.M.A.S. Inc. Environmental Impact Statement. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Mr. O'Donnell stated that the next step in the process will be the preparation of the final Environmental Impact Statement. That document will be sent to the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) and will be published in the EQB Monitor. The same document will be sent to everyone that was sent the original draft EIS and those agencies and individuals will have ten days to make comment on that final EIS. At that point the document will be brought back to the County Board for determination on the adequacy of that EIS. Assuming the Board finds that the document is adequate, that will be the end of the environmental review process. The Planning Commission will then review the conditional use permit for mining and hold a public hearing during that process. That will be the time to look more closely at the setbacks.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

#### Valley Branch Watershed District Appointment

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Duane Johnson, West Lakeland Township, to the Valley Branch Watershed District Board of Managers to fill an unexpired term to November 13, 2001. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### Legislative Update

James Schug, County Administrator, informed the Board that the Senate transportation bill was passed and does include specific language and funding for the Wakota Bridge. Legislation to increase the size of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board of Commissioners has completely passed the House and is still looking for a vehicle to get it out of the Omnibus Tax Bill in the Senate so it can be moved forward to the Governor for signature.

Mr. Schug informed the Board that Marie Sunlitis, Court Administrator, has announced her intention to retire as of May 31 after 30 years of services in Minnesota Courts. The District Court Administrator will now start the process of naming a replacement for Marie. He extended congratulations to Marie and her husband and wished them both the best of luck.

#### **DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE**

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

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Stafford updated the Board on East Metro Radio concerns. He met with Ramsey County last week and they share the same concerns as Washington County. Staff is working on a draft agreement which will be brought to this Board in the near future.

Commissioner Peterson informed the Board that she attended the Parks and Open Space Commission. That body will be recommending to the County Board that it would be unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile with metal traction devices on or within the Hardwood Creek corridor and on any paved Washington County or Washington County Regional Rail Authority trail. This would not apply to law enforcement officials.

Commissioner Peterson stated she has been attending a number of meetings on aging programs through AMC. She suggested that the Board hold a workshop on aging.

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported that he has a Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board meeting this afternoon at 4:30 p.m. Commissioner Peterson requested that she be added to the HRA Board meeting agenda mailing list.

Commissioner Stafford indicated that Minnesota has qualified for another seat on the National Association of Counties Board of Directors. He stated that Commissioner Paul McCarron of Anoka County has asked to be nominated to that Board. It was Board consensus to support Commissioner McCarron's appointment.

#### **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 Abrahamson and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

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**BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT** 

The Board met in workshop session with the Sheriff's Department for their 1999 department report. No

business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were

Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug,

Jim Frank, Steve Pott, Don McGlothlin, Russ Reetz, Chuck Yetter and Dennis Moriarty.

**BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COMMUNITY SERVICES** 

The Board met in workshop session with the Community Services Department for an update on the housing

coordinator and related housing issues. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend.

Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and

Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Dan Papin, Pat Singel, Rick Backman, Anne Stark, Tina

O'Malley and Marcia Wielinski.

R.H. Stafford, Chair

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James R. Schug

County Administrator

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA MARCH 28, 2000

#### 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, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. RRA Chair Peterson presided. Also present were Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator, George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney, Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Sandy Cullen, Traffic Engineer, and Dave Brierley, Public Information Coordinator. Official Proceedings of the Regional Railroad Authority are available in the Office of Administration.

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENES

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:45 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Meredeth Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Sandy Cullen, Traffic Engineer, Larry Nybeck, Surveyor, Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist, Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Lowell Johnson, Public Health and Environment; Stuart Glaser, Emergency Services Manager, Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Rick Backman, Community Services Division Manager, and Dave Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the March 14, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
- 2. Approval to order a reappraisal of tax forfeited parcel 20.030.21.12.0018 remaining unsold after the last public auction and withdrawing such parcel from remaining sale list; and authorizing the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections to offer this parcel to adjoining owners at a private sale.

- Approval to appoint Jean Javor, Forest Lake Township, to the Washington County Child Protection Citizen Review Panel.
- Approval of 2000 contract with Stivland, Inc. d/b/a Harbor Shelter and Counseling Center to provide child shelter and short term treatment services.
- Approval of contract with East Suburban Resources to provide day training and habilitation for persons with developmental disabilities for calendar year 2000 and 2001.
- Approval of contract with the City of Forest Lake formalizing the tax and operational issues involved with Washington County assuming direct responsibility for the provision of library services in the City of Forest Lake.
- 7. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-050** as follows:

Space Lease Amendment for the Forest Lake District Courts

WHEREAS, the County of Washington and City of Forest Lake entered into a space lease agreement numbered 242 (PWF-1995-140) on May 3, 1995 for the use of office space and district court purposes; and

WHEREAS, the County of Washington and the City of Forest Lake wish to continue the space use arrangement facilitated by Amendment No. 3 that will continue the original lease for a period of one (1) additional year.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the continued use of space by the County be continued through the acceptance of the terms and conditions set forth in Amendment No. 3; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the lease Amendment between the County of Washington and the City of Forest Lake 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.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Commissioner Hegberg moved to expand the Washington County Citizen Review Panel, which is reviewing the child protection services area, from 13 to 16 members for one year. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek. Commissioner Stafford abstained.

Commissioner Pulkrabek feels increasing this Citizen Review Panel from 13 to 16 members is not necessary and will cost the County a little over a \$1,000 a year in per diem. That is the reason he did not vote in favor of the motion.

Commissioners Peterson and Hegberg indicated that this is a very important committee dealing with how the County deals with child protection issues. In addition, this committee will be starting subcommittee work in many areas and they feel they need the additional members to fully review these areas.

#### ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-051 as follows:

Resolution Recommending Approval of Conveyance of Tax-Forfeited Lands for an Authorized Public Use

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Application of Conveyance of Tax-Forfeited Land listed below be approved free of charge for an authorized public use, and that the Board Chairman be authorized to execute the Application for Conveyance pursuant to M.S. 282.01 Subd. 1.

<u>City</u> <u>P.I.D.</u> City of Hugo 20.031.21.24.0038 Authorized Public Use
Intends to construct municipal
sanitary sewer and water mains
across the property to serve
residents along the north edge of
Bald Eagle Lake.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-052 as follows:

Resolution in Support of Entering into an Inter-County Agreement with Ramsey County for Purposes of Creating a Ramsey/Washington County EMS Committee

WHEREAS, on September 2, 1999, the East Metro EMS Alliance met with representatives from Dakota, Ramsey and Washington Counties to discuss emergency medical services issues which will impact providers and to solicit the Counties' increased involvement in working with EMS providers to jointly address these community health issues; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, in workshop on October 19, 1999, discussed the request from the EMS Alliance and gave support to the development of a proposal to Dakota and Ramsey Counties for a joint forum to discuss expanded EMS issues; and

WHEREAS, on February 4, 2000, Washington County presented a document entitled "Policy Discussion regarding Potential Expansion of the Scope of the EMS Radio Communications Board" in furthering the discussion of options to create this joint venture; and

WHEREAS, the commissioner representatives from each of the counties on the EMS Radio Board were requested to solicit the opinion and direction of their respective county boards regarding the options presented by Washington County; and

WHEREAS, the Boards of Commissioners of Dakota County and Ramsey County discussed the options presented at the EMS Radio Board meeting at meetings on Tuesday, March 14, 2000; and

WHEREAS, preliminary indication from Dakota County is a position of no interest in expanding the scope of the EMS Radio Board and no interest in formation of an Inter-County Agreement to create an East Metro EMS Committee to serve as a forum for discussion of these issues; and

WHEREAS, preliminary indication from Ramsey County is a position of support for creation of an Inter-County Agreement with Washington County to create a joint EMS Committee for discussion of broader EMS issues; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has a continued interest in pursuing a forum for discussion of the broader community emergency medical services issues as discussed at their October 19, 1999, workshop; and

WHEREAS, Washington County would prefer approaching discussion of these issues on a three county basis (Dakota, Ramsey and Washington County) and Washington County desires Dakota County's involvement in development of a joint venture with Ramsey County; and

WHEREAS, while Washington County Commissioners recognize and accept Dakota County's position on this matter, we continue to believe that it is important to proceed with discussion of these issues at the County level.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners supports proceeding with development of an Inter-County Agreement with Ramsey County for the purposes of creating and implementing a Ramsey/Washington EMS Committee.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist, introduced Carole Zellie, Landscape Research, who presented a review of the Historic Contexts Study she conducted. Ms. Zellie indicated that five historic

contexts were prepared for Washington County: 1) Townsite Development, 1849 - 1965; 2) Immigration and Ethnicity, ca. 1838-1920; 3) County and Township Government and Public Education, 1840 - 1960; 4) Tourism and Recreation, 1849 - 1969; and 5) Agriculture, 1840 - 1960. The following recommendations were made:

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- Examine short and long-term planning needs through further development of existing historic contexts Although it is not necessary to re-inventory the entire county, it should continue to focus on what seems to be the most critical needs right now, what are the most threatened resources, what are the least understood areas. Community interest and involvement of historical societies and organizations is essential.
- Develop additional historic contexts Further study on archaeology and historic landscapes could be developed to guide further inventory and planning.
- 3. Prioritize the inventory and further study of territorial-era buildings, sites and structures Washington County is unique in that it retains many buildings from the territorial era, from 1840's to the 1860's. Many properties have been preserved, but there are other properties that should receive planning priority.
- Conduct an inventory and analysis of two selected townships and/or cities One or two selected
  townships should be selected to test the methods used in this study to produce information about the
  most threatened resources in a well-selected area.
- 5. <u>Consider historic landscapes</u> The visual and aesthetic qualities of this landscape have long been appreciated in the County. Consider analysis of historic properties and sites when evaluating areas for inclusion in the Washington County Green Corridor.

Commissioner Peterson asked that this study be presented to the historical societies and preservation committees throughout the County.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked if this study will be available for purchase? Ms. Pung-Terwedo stated that has not been discussed, but if the Board wishes, they could establish a price and distribute them to the Historic Courthouse or other public places where they could be sold.

Commissioner Stafford believes the price of the study should be based on recovering production costs and not looked upon as a money maker.

Commissioner Stafford suggested that the request for authorization to conduct a pilot project to survey and evaluate historic sites in one or two townships be discussed during the 2001 Transportation and Physical Development budget process. Commissioner Abrahamson stated this could be a subject for discussion at the retreat with Department Heads on Friday, April 7.

Ms. Pung-Terwedo informed the Board that they had received a \$3,000 grant from the St. Croix Foundation which helped in conducting this study.

Commissioner Peterson suggested that a letter be prepared for the St. Croix Foundation and the Washington County Historical Society thanking them for assistance in this project.

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

#### First Time Home Buyer Mortgages for the Year 2000

Commissioner Hegberg asked if the County Attorney had reviewed this item?

George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney, informed the Board that the action requested is a certification under the IRS Code that the money will be used for a public purpose to make the bonds tax exempt. That is what the Board will consider today.

Commissioner Pulkrabek indicated that he has a lot of questions and would like the opportunity to discuss this matter with the County Administrator, Jim Schug, before any action is taken. He asked if there would be any harm in delaying this matter for one week.

Dave Engstrom, Executive Director of the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA), indicated that this program is one they have been working on and discussed with the County Board in its workshop sometime ago. The timetable has been created by the Dakota County Community Development Agency. He stated the bonds have been sold and the issuance of the bonds is scheduled for April 13. He believes tabling this motion will present a problem in the timetable and it may result in Dakota County getting all the money.

Mr. Engstrom highlighted areas of the first time homebuyer mortgage program: It is a 30 year fixed rate; 6.95% interest; no points; 1% origination fee; maximum annual household income would be \$68,600; limits on purchase price would be \$121,842 for existing homes and \$134,247 for new homes; there will be lender training on April 11; the money will be in the market by May 1; and there will be a mortgage hotline.

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to table the resolution supporting first time home buyer mortgages for the year 2000 for one week. The motion died for lack of a second.

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Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-053 as follows:

First Time Home Buyer Mortgages for the Year 2000

WHEREAS, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 462C, as amended (the "Act"), the Dakota County Community Development Agency (the "CDA") proposed to issue its single family mortgage revenue bonds in an aggregate principal amount of approximately \$65,754,000, (the "Bonds") and to use up to \$6,000,000 of the proceeds thereof to finance the acquisition by low and moderate income first-time home buyers of single family homes within Washington County, pursuant to an agreement between the CDA, the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (the "HRA") and the Minneapolis/Saint Paul Housing Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), the issuance of the Bonds must be approved by the "applicable elected representative" of the HRA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 147(f)(ii)(E) of the Code, the Washington County Board of Commissioners is the "applicable elected representative" for the issuance of tax-exempt bonds by or on behalf of the HRA;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Washington County Board of Commissioners, that the issuance of Bonds by the CDA pursuant to the Act is hereby approved.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek abstained.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

#### Tartan High School Boy's Basketball Team State Class AAAA Champions

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-054** as follows:

Resolution Commending the Tartan High School Boy's Basketball Team on Competing in the 1999-2000 Minnesota State Boy's Basketball Tournament

WHEREAS, the Tartan High School boy's basketball team competed in the Finals of the Class AAAA 1999-2000 Minnesota State Boy's Basketball Tournament; and

WHEREAS, the Tartan High School "Titans" won the State Class AAAA Championship on Saturday, March 25, at Williams Arena with the score of 62 to 51 in a game that tested the resolve and skills of the players from both Tartan and Maple Grove High Schools; and

WHEREAS, the "Titans" team achieved an overall season record of 26-1 and three players being named to the Class AAAA All-Tournament Team under the direction of Coach Mark Klingsporn and his coaching staff; and

WHEREAS, the Tartan "Titans" have now participated in the Minnesota State Boy's Basketball Tournament for three years of consistent success; and,

WHEREAS, all season long, the players of the blue and silver "Titans" have demonstrated their depth of team performance on both offense and defense, and their support for each other as players; and they share in the accomplishment of Senior Jake Sullivan becoming the second highest scoring player in Minnesota high school history with 3,009 points; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners heartily commends the players, coaches, parents and fans of the Tartan High School in Oakdale for winning the 1999-2000 Minnesota State Boy's Basketball Class AAAA Championship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Washington County shares in the pride of participation and accomplishment in the State Championship game by the exceptional student athletes and wishes them continued success after graduation from Tartan High School which is located in District 2 of Washington County.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### Process for Hiring a New Court Administrator

Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator, summarized the process for hiring a new County Court Administrator. This process will be handled by the District Court Administrator. She indicated that Commissioner Stafford has been requested to participate as a non-voting member of the panel representing the Washington County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Commissioner Stafford, representing the Washington County Board of Commissioners as a non-voting member, to a selection and interview panel to hire a new Washington County Court Administrator. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### Legislative Update

Ms. Erdahl presented a brief legislative update. She indicated that Governor Ventura will address county officials at the AMC Legislative Conference at 1:45 p.m. on Wednesday, April 29. The luncheon speaker will be Jack Mills, Executive Director of the Nebraska Association of County Officials, who will speak on the pros and cons of a unicameral form of government from a County's perspective. On Wednesday evening there will be a reception and all the candidates who are running for the Minnesota U.S. Senate seat will be invited.

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Commissioner Stafford advised the Board of an AMC action alert related to reverse referendums. He indicated that he has contacted several of the county legislative delegation to voice his opposition to this action.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Richard Witte, 304 East Hazel Street, Stillwater - Mr. Witte spoke on the HRA resolution regarding the first time home buyer mortgages. He understands that the money is set aside, but there's nothing that would guarantee how much of that money is used for that purpose and not soaked up into administrative costs. He feels that it could be a good deal, but there could also be a loophole where somebody could walk away with some money.

Commissioner Stafford advised Mr. Witte that staff will respond to his concerns in writing.

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Pulkrabek distributed an article to the Board entitled "Report Criticizes Taxes on Rental Property" from the Minneapolis Tribune. He feels this is an excellent article and supports his beliefs on reducing government spending, compressing the tax rate and making them fair, and the promotion of home ownership. The article states that "'overtaxing of apartment owners is contributing to a critical shortage of affordable rental housing in our state.', a task force of government non-profit and private officials told a committee of the Metropolitan Council on Monday. 'Landlords in Minnesota pay nearly 2 ½ times what home owners pay in property taxes which amounts to about \$138 million a year and then they pass that cost on to renters,' the affordable rental house task force reported."

Commissioner Peterson suggested that the County sit down with the Minnesota Extension to see if there is some mechanism that is proactive and would work with parents in dealing with what she believes is an ever increasing problem of attention deficit children.

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Commissioner Stafford reminded the Board that there will be a walk through of the following departments

this afternoon: Community Services, Surveyor's Office and Information Services beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Commissioner Hegberg has asked Jane Harper, Principal Planner, to bring back to the Board whether the

County wants to be involved in the 201 management process.

**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 Hegberg and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

County Board

Attest: Virginia R. Erdahl
Virginia R. Erdahl

Deputy Administrator

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

#### **APRIL 4, 2000**

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 4:00 p.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Joanne Helm, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Lowell Johnson, Public Health and Environment; Cindy Weckwerth, Public Health and Environment; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manger; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Jane Harper, Principal Planner; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the March 21, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
- Approval to accept \$117,000 welfare reform grant from the McKnight Foundation to support community capacity building in support of individuals transitioning from welfare to work.
- Approval of amendment to the Human Services, Inc. contract for expanded services for individuals with a serious and persistent mental illness.
- 4. Approval of an early hire of a .5 FTE Probation Officer position.
- 5. Approval of an intensive community supervision grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Corrections for Fiscal Year 2001 (July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001) in the amount of \$73,888.
- Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-055 as follows:

National Public Health Week April 3-9, 2000 in Washington County

WHEREAS, over the past 50 years, the United States has achieved significant increases in life expectancy and reduction in the incidence of injury, disability and disease; and

WHEREAS, of the 30 additional years of life expectancy we have gained since the turn of the century, the public health approach is credited with the majority (approximately 25 years) of our improvements in our health status and expanded life expectancy; and

WHEREAS, public health activities protect Americans from infectious diseases, environmental and workplace hazards, chronic diseases, unintentional injuries and violence; and

WHEREAS, educating people about the benefits of adopting healthful behaviors can empower them to attain good health and prevent needless suffering; and

WHEREAS, National Public Health Week provides an opportunity to highlight and commend the efforts of the dedicated staff in the Department of Public Health and Environment, and public health professionals everywhere, to protect, promote and enhance the health of all citizens in Washington County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims April 3-9, 2000 as National Public Health Week in Washington County, Minnesota and commends this observance to all our citizens.

#### 7. Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-056 as follows:

#### No Parking Zone on the East Side of CSAH 17 Lake Elmo Elementary School

WHEREAS, one of the recommendations of the Report on School Zone Traffic Control, that was prepared for the Lake Elmo Elementary School, was to prohibit parking on the east side of CSAH 17 from 150 feet south of the north school access to 650 feet north of the north school access; and

WHEREAS, this parking prohibition should help to ensure adequate visibility for vehicles entering and exiting the school parking lot; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Elmo and Independent School District 834 officials agree with this recommendation; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat.§ 169.04 (1) allows the County to regulate the standing or parking of vehicles on highways under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 17 is under the jurisdiction of Washington County; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 169.34 (14) prohibits persons from stopping, standing or parking a vehicle at any place where official signs prohibit stopping.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that parking of motor vehicles shall be prohibited at all times at the following location: at the Lake Elmo Elementary School on the east side of CSAH 17 from 150 feet south of the north school access to 650 feet north of the north school access.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Director of Transportation and Physical Development to install and maintain the appropriate signs.

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8. Bids were received for remodeling of the River Heights License Center as follows:

Bidder	Base Bid	<u>Alt #1</u>	<u>Alt #2</u>
Schrieber & Mullaney Const.	\$143,961.00	(\$6,459.00)	(\$11,816.00)
Rak Construction	153,992.00	(\$4,588.00)	(\$15,658.00)
George Siegfried Const.	154,000.00	(\$5,100.00)	(\$12,400.00)
United Contracting	156,800.00	(\$5,600.00)	(\$12,000.00)
Cobra Construction	161,990.00	(\$3,600.00)	(\$10,600.00)
Merrimac Construction Co.	162,120.00	(\$4,300.00)	(\$ 9,700.00)
Parkos Construction Co., Inc.	162,800.00	(\$6,200.00)	(\$17,500.00)
Thor Construction	169,900.00	(\$2,100.00)	(\$12,400.00)
BNM Construction, Inc.	172,500.00	(\$2,800.00)	(\$10,800.00)
Gladstone Construction Co.	173,780.00	(\$6,684.00)	(\$12,700.00)
Hunerberg Construction	173,800.00	(\$2,600.00)	(\$ 7,300.00)
George Olson Construction Co.	177,200.00	(\$6,100.00)	(\$15,500.00)
Karkela Construction	186,600.00	(\$2,000.00)	(\$7,500.00)

Approval to authorize the use of Fund Balance in the amount of \$53,956 for the remodeling of the Stillwater License Center in the River Heights Shopping Center, and Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-057** as follows:

Award of Contract for Remodeling River Heights License Center to Schrieber & Mullaney Construction

WHEREAS, in order to complete remodeling work for the River Heights License Center, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on March 27, 2000, with Schrieber & Mullaney Construction being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Schrieber & Mullaney Construction be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Schrieber & Mullaney Construction under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Schrieber & Mullaney Construction be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

 Approval to renew on sale and Sunday liquor license for WRM, Inc. Vannelli's on the Green, for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

#### COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER SERVICES

#### National Volunteer Recognition Week in Washington County

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt the following proclamation:

### Washington County Proclamation National Volunteer Week

WHEREAS, the entire community can effect positive change with any volunteer action no matter how big or small; and

WHEREAS, volunteers can connect with local community service opportunities through hundreds of community service organizations like Volunteer Centers; and

WHEREAS, more than 109 million volunteers working in their communities utilize their time and talent daily to make a real difference in the lives of children, adults and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, during this week, all over the nation, service projects will be performed and volunteers will be recognized for their commitments to community service; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota had the highest percentage of volunteers in the United States for 1999, with 66% of its citizens volunteering to help others to build healthy, safe and clean communities; and

WHEREAS, Washington County Government received vital volunteer contributions by over 750 citizens in providing its many programs and services, saving the taxpayers thousands of dollars; and

WHEREAS, volunteers are vital to our future as a caring and productive nation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Washington County Board of Commissioners proclaims

#### April 9-15, 2000 as National Volunteer Week in Washington County

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and urges all citizens to "Celebrate Volunteers" in their communities and to become volunteers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners recognizes and thanks the many volunteers who contribute their time and talents to enhance the quality of life in Washington County.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### **Presentation of Community Involvement Awards**

Louise Jones, Board President, Community Volunteer Service, introduced the nominators and award recipients for the following awards:

2000 Individual Awards - Maggie Lindberg and Barb Prokop, founders and coordinators of the Guardian Angels Foodshelf Garden in Oakdale - Nominated by Carol Banister

**2000 Youth Community Involvement Award** - Megan Marie Lockwood, Senior at Stillwater Area High School, has volunteered many hours to tutoring and assisting developmentally delayed students - Nominated by her Grandparents, Carol and Al Ehnert

**2000 Lifetime Award** - Bharat L. Tandan, volunteers over 30 hours a week at the Lakeview Hospital and volunteers with the Little Sisters of the Poor - Nominated by Robert Crawford

#### ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections, advised the Board that a Public Hearing had been scheduled for this evening to receive comments on the Woodbury Tamarack Interchange economic development tax abatement. Since the public hearing notice was published, they have been notified by the City of Woodbury that they would like to add one property and to subtract a couple of the properties that were owned by the State of Minnesota. As a result, the public hearing set for today has lost its relevance. Ms. O'Rourke asked that a new public hearing be scheduled in the future.

Commissioner Peterson moved that the public hearing scheduled for this evening to receive comments on the Woodbury Tamarack Interchange economic development tax abatement, be rescheduled at a future date. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the AMC Legislative Conference he attended last week. He mentioned that Governor Ventura spoke about transportation at one dinner, and winners of the 4-H Youth Activity Awards attended another dinner and displayed voluntarism similar to what they heard this evening.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported on the Planning Advisory Commission meeting he attended last week. He also will be attending a Plat Commission meeting on Wednesday, April 5 and the Metropolitan 911 Board meeting next week.

Commissioner Peterson stated that last week she served on the variance committee for the county state aid roads and municipal state aid roads for the Minnesota Department of Transportation. She found that there are a number of people who do not understand the gasoline tax and believe that it pays for all of the streets and roads. She stated that it does not and feels that people need to understand that.

Commissioner Peterson reminded the Board and audience that the Red Rock Corridor will be holding an open house on Wednesday, April 5 at the Cottage Grove City Hall from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Stafford reported that he will be attending the Metropolitan Counties Energy Task Force on April 6. There will also be an Internal Audit Advisory Committee and a function for the Guardian Ad Litem Program on April 6. A Commissioner/Department Head retreat will be held on Friday, April 7 and Friday afternoon the Metropolitan Radio Board will meet.

# PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Cindy Weckwerth, Public Health and Environment, reported that on March 21, 2000, the Board heard the purpose, history and background of the request for the establishment of a pumping report fee for the individual sewage treatment system maintenance program. This item was tabled at that time to allow distribution of program information to township representatives. Ms. Weckwerth indicated that on March 21, staff mailed a packet of information to all township board members, clerks and city administrators. On March 29, staff from the Department of Public Health and Environment attended a meeting with 11 representatives from the Towns of Denmark, Baytown, Grey Cloud, Stillwater and West Lakeland and the City of Grant. They clarified that this is a program for monitoring septic systems, it is not an inspection program. She stated that one concern raised was from people who pump more frequently than what is required. They saw the pumping report fee as a penalty for maintaining more frequently. She indicated that the Department will continue to evaluate this issue and find a solution that balances the needs of the County, Cities and Townships, the homeowners and pumping contractors. She reported that the implementation date for this program will be delayed until June.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek stated this requirement has been on the books since 1992. He asked why is the County pushing this now, has this been demonstrated to be a problem in the past? If this program had been in place, could they have avoided accidents happening in the septic systems? He is concerned that this is just another \$10.00 fee.

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Ms. Weckwerth stated this program was identified in the ordinance revision as an important component and also in strategic planning.

Mr. Schug stated the decision to implement the fee at this time was that if the County does not implement the fee, the cost of administering the program would get spread countywide. The people living in cities would also pay for the cost of inspecting septic systems when they are already paying a number of sewer charges. Staff felt this was a way to get the fee on to the customers and citizens who are actually using the service.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to establish a \$10.00 pumping report fee for the individual sewage treatment system maintenance program. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

## Legislative Update

John Kaul, County Legislative Liaison, presented a legislative update. Items discussed included the following: Budget surplus; Wakota Bridge funding; Light rail transit and commuter rail; Membership on the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board; Dedication of 3/16 of 1% of the sales tax for the DNR; Access management; and the tax forfeiture Big Marine Lake situation was sent to the Governor today.

#### Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance Grant

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-058 as follows:

Support of the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance Grant Committing Washington County to Hosting a Workshop Based on Minnesota Planning's Model Sustainable Development Ordinances

WHEREAS, Washington County has adopted, in its 2015 Comprehensive Plan, a sustainability goal to "utilize land and related natural resources so they are undiminished for future generations"; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan states that the sustainability goal will be implemented by promoting the proper management of natural resources and implementing best management practices; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has completed a Water Governance Study Report that addresses the sustainablity of the County's water resources and recommends more coordination between land use and water management in order to provide long-term protection for surface and ground water management; and

WHEREAS, the Water Governance Study recommends that Washington County provide more leadership in the area of managing the County's water resources; and

WHEREAS, most communities within Washington County recently updated their comprehensive plans; and

WHEREAS, local units of Government are searching for knowledge about tools to implement the sustainable development principles in their plans; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Minnesota Planning has developed a guidebook of model ordinances for a number of sustainable development topics, including Growth Management; Community Resources; Neighborhood Design; Infrastructure Planing; Resource Efficient Buildings; and Economic Development;

NOW THEREFORE BEIT RESOLVED THAT Washington County agrees to participate in implementing the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance Grant by hosting one workshop in Washington County based on the Office of Minnesota Planning's model sustainable development ordinances; and

BEIT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Washington County agrees to commit an in-kind and cash match of \$1,250 to cover the costs of the workshop.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# Water Governance Implementation Plan

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, provided the Board with areas where Board direction is needed. They are:

- 1. Does the Board concur with the target date, consolidation process and work plan elements for each water unit consolidation? If so, staff will work with the work groups to implement the schedules laid out in the report appendices.
- 2. Does the Board concur with the organization roles and responsibilities as defined in the report especially the role for the County? If so, staff would then determine how to implement the roles with the organization.

3. Does the Board agree with the recommended structure for the County Water Consortium? If so, is the County willing to support staff support and leadership to convene and foster the development of that organization.

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Ms. Harper reviewed the key strategies and recommendations in the report involving the South, Middle and North Units. She indicated that they have been working with the Board of Water and Soil Resources throughout the development of these recommendations. Some of the strategies rely on the affected water management organizations voluntarily taking action and some require the County to file a petition. She indicated that recently, challenges have arisen over whether or not the Board of Water and Soil Resources has the authority to accept a petition to enlarge a watershed district over an area covered by a joint powers management organization. After several discussions with the County Attorney's Office, the Board of Water and Soil Resources and the Attorney General's Office, all parties have concluded that there appears to be a grey area in the statute that will probably not be clarified until a petition is actually filed.

Ms. Harper presented the Board with an updated Appendix E that contains more up-to-date data on the budgets that current water management organizations have. She is asking that the Board pass a motion accepting the implementation strategy report for the Water Governance Study and direct staff to work with the appropriate parties to implement the recommendations as laid out in the report.

Dave Beaudet, Councilperson, Oak Park Heights - Mr. Beaudet believes this issue should be discussed further. He feels there will be a tremendous increase in administrative costs to the residents in the Middle St. Croix area. He would like actual figures as to what this will cost. He does not feel an ad valorem tax is a fair way to pay for projects. He is also opposed to the volume control rule. He stated that Valley Branch did try volume control and the City of Oakdale went to court and litigated the issue and prevailed, that watershed districts cannot maintain a volume control because that affects the land usage in an urbanized area. He hopes that the Board will delay action on this matter.

Craig Leiser, President, Brown's Creek Watershed District - Mr. Leiser feels they are making progress and feels they should move forward in the most positive way they can.

Richard Caldecott, Carnelian-Marine Watershed District - Mr. Caldecott stated that their Board sent a letter to the County Board suggesting that more time be given to study this matter. They feel that to try and push the three groups together right now would be a mistake. If the County Board gives them time, he feels Carnelian Marine can do what they suggested and work with Marine on St. Croix and try to bring them together. They could then take over and incorporate into the watershed district in the northern reaches of Washington County. They believe that time should be given for Brown's Creek to sort out its relationship with Oak Park Heights, Stillwater and the Middle St. Croix. Then in a year or two or three bring them

together into a unit. This wouldn't cause a political fiasco. No body on their watershed board is interested in taking any kind of actions that would delay the process through any sort of legislative means. They are interested in when the groups are brought together that it will work. He does not feel it will work if those groups are brought together at this time.

Louis Bergeron, Marine on the St. Croix Water Management Organization - Ms. Bergeron stated they do not have a problem in joining with Carnelian Marine. She commented that at the last meeting she indicated that the figures used for their budget were wrong. Those were figures submitted by them, but they were not submitted the same way as others. The last meeting they had with the north group the Board of Soil and Water Resources was there and explained how the budgets should be laid out. It would have been nice to have that earlier. Now that they understand it will be easier.

Jerry Turnquist, Councilperson, City of Oak Park Heights - Mr. Turnquist referred to a letter that was sent to the County Board. If they could have had their preference in dividing up of the County, they would have preferred to have had Stillwater, Oak Park Heights and Bayport as one of the watersheds. They feel that would have ben fairer to people in the city. They are concerned about going ahead with the formation of these groups without some of the issues being resolved such as the makeup of the Board, criteria as to how Board members will be chosen and representation. They are also concerned about the funding. They are in a unique position of being at the top of a hill and are currently in three watershed districts. They would like to have the entire City of Oak Park Heights in one watershed. They would encourage the County Board to have these issues resolved before they go too much farther.

Michael White, Carnelian Marine Watershed District - Mr. White stated that the sheet that was passed out shows their budget at \$258,000 for 1999. He indicated that is what they spent last year. What they received from the County was about \$73,000. This represents money that they have saved and monies they have gotten from grants and TIF accounts. Their real budget is about \$50,000 a year.

The Board Chair asked for further comments; none were heard.

Commissioner Peterson feels the Board needs to go forward. They have considered this matter for a very long time and it's time to start taking action.

Commissioner Abrahamson feels that a little more time is needed. He feels there are boundary problems, he is concerned with fairness of taxation and cost is also an issue that needs more study.

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Commissioner Peterson stated that June, 2001 is the date for the north area. They gives them some time to work out problems, it's not rushing into something. Ms. Harper stated that is correct. There is also a work plan for each of the work groups. What they are asking for today is the preferred approach, the work elements and the schedule. The issues of Board structure and financing of projects will be addressed between now and when a petition is actually filed. The north unit will probably not file a petition until early next calendar year. There will be seven or eight more months of debate before a petition is actually filed.

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Commissioner Stafford feels this should be looked at as a win-win situation that will require compromise and dealing with cultural differences. Change is always hard to deal with. This Board feels the plan has some practicality in how water is managed and some economy in how management is provided. His one concession to the time element is that they deal with specific items that would need to be delayed instead of delaying the entire project for two years. He does believe the tax question has to be addressed. He feels an ad valorem process that pays for the administrative costs makes sense, but they need to look at benefitted property when it comes to paying for actual projects.

Commissioner Peterson moved to accept the implementation strategy report for the Water Governance Study and direct staff to work with the appropriate parties to implement the recommendation as laid out in the report. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek; No, Commissioner Abrahamson.

# DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Eugene Clausen, 2697 Eagle Valley Drive, Woodbury - Mr. Clausen asked why there is not a right turn on Valley Creek Road in the 12,000 and Manning Avenue area? That lane is turning into a pothole by cars passing other cars waiting to turn left. The Board Chair advised Mr. Clausen that staff will look into this matter and get back to him.

# **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 Hegberg and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

# BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Department of Community Services to discuss human services financing. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Dan Papin, Pat Singel, Michelle Kemper, Amy Zimmer and Russ Reetz.

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James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA APRIL 11, 2000

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 Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator, Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Linda Krafthefer, Chief Assistant County Attorney; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Jeff Travis, Public Health and Environment; Ann Kleinschmidt, Public Health and Environment; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Joanne Helm, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Jim Luger, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Mark Morrison, Historic Courthouse Coordinator; Godrun Nordby, Historic Courthouse Administrative Assistant; Robert Lockyear, Administrative Services Director, Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Manager; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Cindy Koosmann, Recorder; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

# **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

- Approval to appoint Barbara Jane Leonard to the Public Health Advisory Committee as a Health Professional Representative to fill an unexpired term to December 31, 2000.
- 2. Approval to provide an annual park entrance sticker as a door prize at the Woodbury Open House.
- Approval to apply for extension of grant funds from the Minnesota Center for Crime Victim Services
  for salary/fringe benefits of an Assistant Victim/Witness Coordinator.
- Approval of contract with Opportunity Services to provide day training and habilitation for persons with developmental disabilities for calendar year 2000 and 2001.
- Approval of agreement with Northern States Power for the collection of fluorescent lamps and authorize execution by the Board Chair and County Administrator.
- 6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-059** as follows:

# Authorization to Accept Clean Water Partnership Grant

WHEREAS, Washington County submitted to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) an application for a Clean Water Partnership Grant to assist Washington County in identifying the sources and causes of ground water pollution in the southern portion of Washington County, and the County was awarded the grant; and

WHEREAS, nitrate contamination is impacting domestic and municipal water supplies in this area; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Cottage Grove Area Nitrate Study will identify the sources and causes of nitrate contamination in the Cottage Grove area and will provide the basis for programs that will restore and protect drinking water supplies; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires a 1:1 in-kind and/or cash match; and

WHEREAS, no additional levy or program changes will be necessary to achieve this match; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health and Environment Department will be working in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Health, the Minnesota Department of Agriculture, the South Washington Watershed District, the Washington Soil & Water Conservation District, and the City of Cottage Grove to complete the proposed investigation.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Washington County Board of Commissioners that the County enter into the attached Grant Agreement Amendment with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) to amend the existing Grant Agreement between Washington County and the MPCA for the following project: Cottage Grove Area Nitrate Study.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Washington County Board of Commissioners that the County Board Chair, Richard Stafford be authorized to execute the attached grant agreement amendment for the above-mentioned project on behalf of the County.

WHEREUPON, the above resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the County Board this second Tuesday in April, 2000.

- 7. Approval of the plat of Sherwood Acres Second Addition, New Scandia Township.
- 8. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-060** as follows:

Resolution Recognizing the Public Safety Dispatchers in Washington County in Honor of National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

WHEREAS, the dedicated public safety telecommunications personnel daily serve the citizens of Washington County by answering their telephone calls for police, fire, and emergency medical services and dispatching the appropriate assistance as quickly as possible; and WHEREAS, the critical functions performed by professional public safety telecommunications personnel impact all aspects of public safety and many other operations performed by state, county, and local government agencies; and

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WHEREAS, professional public safety telecommunications personnel work to improve the emergency response capabilities in the County through their participation in training programs and other activities to make them more efficient and responsive to the needs of the public safety organizations in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Sheriff's Office and the Cottage Grove Department of Public Safety provide 24-hour dispatching, and the Forest Lake, Oak Park Heights, Oakdale, Stillwater, and Woodbury Police Departments provide time dispatching for their communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims the week beginning April 9, 2000 as Public Safety Telecommunications Week in Washington County and extends its appreciation and thanks to the dedicated Public Safety Telecommunications Personnel for the vital contribution they make to the safety and well being of our citizens and public safety providers.

9. Bids were received for electrical services within County facilities as follows:

Polyphase Electric \$57,600.00

Donnelly Electric, Inc. 64,776.00

Simon Electric Construction Co. 70,200.00

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-061 as follows:

Award of Contract for Electrical Services within the County to Polyphase Electric, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to continue needed normal electrical maintenance within County facilities, the County solicited bids for this service; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on March 31, 2000 with Polyphase Electric, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Polyphase Electric, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Polyphase Electric, Inc. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Polyphase Electric, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

# PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the agreement between Washington County and Onyx Environmental Services for Household Hazardous Waste Management Services and authorize execution by the Board Chair and County Administrator. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg moved to set a public hearing on the Woodbury Tamarack Interchange Economic Development Tax Abatement for May 2, 2000 at 4:30 p.m. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

# Woodbury Library Project Manger

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to authorize the preparation of a contract for professional project management services for the Woodbury Library Project with Gauger Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$96,000. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# Historic Courthouse Video "Sentry on the Hill"

James Luger, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development, and Gudrun Nordby, Historic Courthouse Administrative Aide, presented a video documentary titled "Sentry on the Hill".

Commissioner Peterson moved approval to submit an application to the Association of Minnesota Counties as part of the 2000 AMC Award Program based on the video titled "Sentry on the Hill", which depicts the County's effort to preserve and maintain the oldest courthouse in the State of Minnesota. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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# GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

# **Legislative Update**

James Schug, County Administrator, presented a legislative update.

# **DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE**

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

# **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Abrahamson reported that there will be a Personnel Committee meeting today at 10:30 a.m.

Water Company

Commissioner Hegberg reported that there will be a Finance Committee meeting beginning at 11:00 a.m. to interview for a financial advisor.

# **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Attest:

James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

**APRIL 18, 2000** 

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 Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator, Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator, George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director, Pat Singel, Community Services Deputy Director, Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Manager, Karen Ritter, Workforce Center, Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Scott Hovet, Assessor, Nancy Brase, Central Services Supervisor, Debbie Johnson, Buyer/Coordinator, Russ Reetz, Court Services Director, Jim Frank, County Sheriff, Cindy Koosmann, Recorder, Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of Policy No. 1805, administration of the Purchasing Card Program.
- 2. Approval of a Special Project Service Representative position in the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections through December 31, 2000.
- 3. Approval of contract to receive federal funds from the Department of Natural Resources to assist in the enforcement of Boating While Intoxicated (BWI) and other boating safety laws.
- 4. Bids were received for microsurfacing road project as follows:

Monarch Oil, Inc. \$ 893,810.75 Fahrner Asphalt Sealers 917,943.78 Strawser, Inc. 1,235,318.00 Asphalt Surface Tech. 2,218,427.00

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-062 as follows:

# Bid Award for Microsurfacing Road Project to Monarch Oil, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete road preservation work on County roads and participating governmental agencies roads and trails, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on February 16, 2000, with Monarch Oil, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the participating governmental agencies of Dakota County, Ramsey County, City of Hastings and City of Roseville have concurred in the award of bid to Monarch Oil, Inc.; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Monarch Oil, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Monarch Oil, Inc. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Monarch Oil, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

# 5. Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-063 as follows:

Right of Way Permit and Facility Use Agreement with Metricom, Inc.

WHEREAS, Metricom, Inc. has approached Washington County about the placement of wireless Internet antennas in the County right of way; and

WHEREAS, the placement of such antennas will be only on existing structures; and

WHEREAS, the attached "Right of Way permit and Facility Use Agreement" clarifies the County's and Metricom's rights and does not create any responsibilities to the County other than those ordinarily created by the issuance of a utility permit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman of the County Board and the County Administrator to sign the attached "Right of Way Permit and Facility Use Agreement".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Director of Transportation and Physical Development to issue the appropriate permits to allow installation of Metricom's equipment in County rights of way.

# Minnesota Trail Assistance Program

WHEREAS, Washington County has developed trail systems in Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park, Pine Point Park and Lake Elmo Park Reserve; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that any State grants and aids for the described trail be directed to Washington County and application made therefore by said County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that participation in the Minnesota Trail Assistance Programs be authorized by the Chairman of the Washington County Board of Commissioners and the Washington County Administrator per the guidelines of Minnesota Statutes, Section 84-43.

# Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-065 as follows:

Award of Contract for Seasonal Materials Sand Material and Plant Mixed Bituminous Supply

WHEREAS, in order to complete road maintenance activities on County roads, the County solicited bids for seasonal materials for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on April 3, 2000, with Aggregate Industries being the only responsible bidder for Sand supply and T.A. Schifsky & Sons, Commercial Asphalt Co. and Tower Asphalt for Plant Mixed Bituminous material supply; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a contract for the Sand Material supply be awarded to Aggregate Industries and for supply of Plant Mixed Bituminous material to T.A. Schifsky & Sons, Commercial Asphalt Co. and Tower Asphalt under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Aggregate Industries, T.A. Schifsky & Sons, Inc., Commercial Asphalt Co. and Tower Asphalt be executed through the signature of the Chairman of the Washington County Board of Commissioners and the Washington County Administrator without further action of the County Board conditioned upon contract execution by the vendors and approval as to form by the Washington County Attorney's Office.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

# **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve an agreement with Twin Cities Tree Trust to provide services for the summer 2000 youth employment program to run between June 12 and August 31, 2000. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections, presented her department's 1999 annual report. Ms. O'Rourke noted that this report was being made available to the County Libraries, County Legislative Delegation and County Departments. Commissioner Peterson suggested that this report also be given to the local municipalities.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

James Schug, County Administrator, presented a legislative update.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the Association of Minnesota Counties' meeting at the capitol last week to discuss reverse referendum.

# **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 Abrahamson and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

# BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COMMUNITY SERVICES/WORKFORCE CENTER DIVISION

The Board met in workshop session with the Community Services Department Workforce Center Division to discuss the Southeast Metro School-to-Work Partnership's three year accomplishments. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Dan Papin, Robert Crawford, Aretta Rice, Pat Singel, Carol Thompson, Jerry Jensen, Karen Ritter, and Kristen Owens.

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# **BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss 2001 budget guidelines. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Chris Eitemiller, Dan Papin, Scott Hovet, Joanne Helm, Cindy Koosmann, Marie Sunlitis, and Mary McGlothlin.

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Attest.

James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA APRIL 25, 2000

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 Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Meredeth Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Community Services Deputy Director; Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Suzanne Pollack, Community Services Supervisor; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Manager; Aretta Rice, Workforce Center; Sheila Cunningham, Workforce Center; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Mike Polehna, Parks Manager; Mark Morrison, Historic Courthouse Coordinator; Gudrun Nordby, Historic Courthouse Administrative Aide; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Anne Gelbmann, Senior Environmental Health Specialist; Jeff Travis, Public Health and Environment Manager; Sue Hedlund, Public Health and Environment Manager; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Edison Vizuete, Financial Services Director; and Dave Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

# CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the March 28, April 4 and 11, 2000 Board Meeting minutes.
- Approval to appoint Marge Hooley, Stillwater, to the Local Advisory Council on Mental Health, as an Education representative to a term expiring December 31, 2002.
- Approval of purchase of service agreements with the following: East Communities Family Services;
   Forest Lake Youth Service Bureau; White Bear Lake Community Counseling Center; and Youth
   Service Bureaus, Inc. for the period January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000.
- Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-066 as follows:

Petty Cash and Change Funds Replaces Resolution No. 2000-010

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has reviewed status of petty cash, change and postage funds of Washington County, as reflected in Resolutions

86-127, 87-53, 88-105, 90-07, 91-066, 91-129, 92-032, 94-152, 96-062, 97-071, 98-103, 99-003; 99-091; 2000-010; and

WHEREAS, periodic changes in programs necessitate changes in change fund and petty cash needs;

NOW, THEREFORE BEIT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby adopt the following petty cash and change funds in the amounts indicated:

# Petty Cash and Change Funds

Administration	
Central Services - change fund	\$100.00
Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections	
Forest Lake License Center - change fund	200.00
Stillwater License Center - change fund	200.00
Woodbury License Center - change fund	200.00
License Bureau - petty cash fund (\$100 for each Center)	300.00
Assessment - petty cash fund	25.00
Taxpayer Services & Elections - change fund	700.00
Taxpayer Services & Elections - petty cash fund	100.00
County Attorney	
Petty cash fund	300.00
Court Administrator	
Cottage Grove - change fund	100.00
Government Center - change fund	300.00
Jury Commissioners, Cottage Grove - change fund	50.00
Financial Services	
Change fund	1,200.00
Job Training Center	
Petty cash fund	1,000.00
Library	
Change fund	100.00
Petty cash fund	200.00
Public Health & Environment	
Immunization - change fund	20.00
Septic - change fund	100.00
Recorder	
Change fund	500.00
Sheriff	
Civic process - change fund	50.00
Emergency Assistance - change fund	100.00
Jail-released inmates reimbursement - petty cash fund	300.00

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Transportation and Physical Development	
Change fund	50.00
Petty cash fund	50.00
Parks	
Lake Elmo - concessions change fund	200.00
Lake Elmo - permits change fund	300.00
Square Lake - concessions change fund	200.00
Square Lake - permits change fund	200.00
St. Croix Bluffs - permits change fund	300.00
Surveyor	
Change fund	\$50.00
Total	\$7,495.00

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- 5. Approval of licenses with the following municipalities for collection of household hazardous waste: Lake St. Croix Beach; Cottage Grove Public Works Garage; Forest Lake Township Public Works Garage; Scandia Township Public Works Garage; and Stillwater-Lily Lake Ice Arena; and, authorize execution by the Board Chair and County Administrator.
- Approval to set public hearing date for an appeal of a Mining Conditional Use Permit granted by the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission to Tiller Corporation for May 9, 2000.
- 7. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-067** as follows:

# Resolution to Acquire Right of Way on County State Aid Highway 13

BE IT RESOLVED that Washington County proceed to improve and construct County State Aid Highway 13 from 70<sup>th</sup> Street South to Dale Road in the cities of Cottage Grove and Woodbury; including reconstruction of connections at 65<sup>th</sup> Street South (CSAH 74), Glen Road, and Military Road (CSAH 20).

And that the officers of said County, including the County Highway Engineer, the County Administrator and the County Attorney, shall proceed and are hereby authorized to proceed to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, right of way to establish said highway plus sight corners and the necessary ponding, drainage or slope easements. And such officers are specifically authorized to take such action and execute such instruments if any be necessary, to acquire said right of way and associated easements.

8. Bids were received for the Historic Courthouse retaining wall construction project as follows:

Bidder	Base Bid	<u>Alt #1</u>	<u>Alt #2</u>
Siegfried Construction Co.	\$185,00	\$ -0-	\$13,000
Bailey Construction	192,000	6,000	13,000
Environmental Assoc.	212,797	-0-	18,469

Bidder	Base Bid	<u>Alt #1</u>	<u>Alt #2</u>
TSP Construction	\$254,700	\$19,657	\$32,900
Jay Brothers	315,100	24,500	7,500
Park Construction	384,000	21,900	5,000

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-068 as follows:

Award of Contract for the Retaining Wall Construction Project to George Siegfried Construction Company

WHEREAS, in order to complete the demolition and reconstruction of the Historic Courthouse Retaining Wall, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on April 10, 2000, with George Siegfried Construction Company, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of George Siegfried Construction Company, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with George Siegfried Construction Company, Inc. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and George Siegfried Construction Company, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

### Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-069 as follows:

Declaring the Official Intent of the County of Washington to Reimburse Certain Expenditures from the Proceeds of Tax Exempt Bonds to be Issued by the County

WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Service has issued Treasury Reg. 1.150-2 providing that proceeds of tax-exempt bonds used to reimburse prior expenditures will not be deemed spent unless certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the County expects to incur certain expenditures which may be financed temporarily from sources other than bonds, and reimbursed from the proceeds of a bond; and

# NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, AS FOLLOWS:

(1) The County intends to undertake the Retaining Wall/Restore Wrought Iron Fence project at the Historic Courthouse.

(2) The County reasonably intends to make expenditures for the projects, and reasonably intends to reimburse itself for such expenditures from the proceeds of debt to be issued by the County in the maximum amount of \$233,700.

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- (3) This resolution is intended to constitute a declaration of official intent for purposes of RES.REG.1.150-2 and any successor law, regulation, or ruling.
- Approval of on sale and Sunday liquor license for Duffy's on the Green LLC for April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

#### TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

#### **Historic Courthouse Volunteer Association Award Presentation**

Mike Polehna, Parks Manager, and Gudrun Nordby, Historic Courthouse Administrative Aide, presented the County Board with the National Association of Counties "Acts of Caring" award. This award was given to the Historic Courthouse Volunteer Association for its role in taking the initiative to save the building, ongoing efforts in raising funds for continuing restoration, innovative programming, educational outreach, and contribution to the quality of life in the community.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

# Family Foster Care Month

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the following Proclamation:

# Family Foster Care Month

WHEREAS, the family, serving as the primary source of love, identity, selfesteem, and support, is the very foundation of our communities and our state; and

WHEREAS, the need for more skilled and dedicated foster care providers is great, as the number of children needing care due to family situations and child specific issues such as a medically fragile condition or emotional/behavioral issues have increased, and adult foster care is being recognized as a safe viable, quality resource; and

WHEREAS, in Washington County in 1999 there were 433 children and youth in foster care being provided in a safe, secure, and stable home, along with the compassion and nurturing of a foster family; and

WHEREAS, in Washington County in 1999 there were 70 adults with disabilities such as mental health, developmental disabilities, and frail elderly living in local foster home settings, provided with daily care and supervision by committed foster families; and

WHEREAS, eighty (80) foster/relative Washington County families, who open their homes and hearts to children whose families are in crisis, play a vital role helping children and families heal and reconnect, launching children into successful adulthood; and

WHEREAS, forty-five (45) foster/certified Washington County families serve adults unable to live by themselves, allowing these individuals to live successfully within a community setting; and

WHEREAS, there are many youth who reach their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday in foster care, who are often unprepared for adulthood and need the ongoing support and guidance of caring adults; and

WHEREAS, the recently enacted John H. Chafe Foster Care Independence Program will provide increased Federal funds to our county for improved independent living activities; and

WHEREAS, there are numerous individuals, public and private organizations, and businesses who work to increase public awareness of the needs of children and adults in foster care, as well as the enduring and valuable contribution of foster parents; and

WHEREAS, all citizens are encouraged to volunteer time and talent on behalf of children and adults in foster care, foster parents, and the professional staff working with them.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Washington County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim May 2000 as Family Foster Care Month in Washington County.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# **Local Service Unit Interim Plan**

Sheila Cunningham, Program Coordinator, presented an update on the Local Service Unit (LSU) Plan which describes how employment and training services under the Workforce Center will be provided to eligible county residents in the Minnesota Family Investment Program and how these services will be integrated with the federal and state Welfare to Work programs. She also reviewed the LSU Interim Plan which covers performance review, program deliverers, employment and training objectives, budget and the number of participants to receive Minnesota Family Investment Program services.

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the Local Service Unit Interim Plan for Program Year 2000 (July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# School-to-Work Partnership Grant

Aretta Rice, Coordinator, reviewed the School-to-Work Partnership Grant for Year IV. The goal of the partnership is to provide an educational approach that combines advanced classroom courses and high academic standards with real-life learning.

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to approve the School-to-Work Partnership Grant for Year IV between the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning and the Community Service's Workforce Center Division to administer the grant for the Southeast Metro School-to-Work Partnership beginning April 1, 2000 through March 31, 2001. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

# Report on the Minnesota Tobacco Use Prevention Initiative Community-Based Project Grant

Sue Hedlund, Manager, presented a report on community planning activities related to the Minnesota Tobacco Use Prevention Initiative Community-Based Project Grant. The participants in the planning process include community law enforcement agencies, school districts, community health care providers, community organizations, youth and the public health department. She indicated that they are preparing to submit a grant application to the State of Minnesota and that Lakeview Hospital will be the applicant organization and fiscal agent on behalf of the community coalition. The goal is to reduce tobacco use for youth ages twelve to seventeen by 30% by 2005. Ms. Hedlund reviewed five strategies to reach this goal:

1) Youth will lead the movement; 2) Keep youth away from tobacco; 3) Keep away from second-hand smoke; 4) Have a variety of tobacco use prevention activities in schools; and 5) Link youth with quit smoking services and support.

# **Product Stewardship Grant**

Jeff Travis, Senior Environmental Health Specialist, presented an overview of the "Take-it-Back" program which will try to increase consumer education on product stewardship in Washington County. In addition to educating residential consumers about the need to practice good stewardship as they dispose of products themselves, the program will encourage them to use businesses that practice stewardship by taking responsibility for the products they sell. The total cost of this program is estimated to be \$74,000. The proposed Product Stewardship Grant will fund \$37,000 and the County will provide a \$37,000 match.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-070 as follows:

Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance Grant Application

WHEREAS, Washington County has applied for a grant from the Minnesota State Office of Environmental Assistance, under its Environmental Assistance Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is committed to implementing the proposed project as described in the grant application, if Office of Environmental Assistance funding is received; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Environmental Assistance requires that Washington County enter into a grant agreement with the Office of Environmental Assistance that identifies the terms and conditions of the funding award.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Director of Public Health and Environment to submit the grant proposal to the Office of Environmental Assistance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby agrees to enter into a grant agreement with the Office of Environmental Assistance to carry out the project specified therein and to comply with all of the terms, conditions and matching provisions of the grant agreement if the grant is approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator to execute the grant agreement on its behalf.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Pulkrabek left the Board meeting.

# TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Determination of Adequacy on the EIS for C.A.M.A.S. MN, Inc.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-071 as follows:

Environmental Impact Statement for CAMAS, Inc. Lakeland Sand & Gravel Mine Expansion and Reclamation Plans Lakeland and West Lakeland Township, MN

WHEREAS, CAMAS has applied for a Conditional Use Permit to expand their mining operation by an additional 290 acres; and WHEREAS, Minnesota Rules 4410.4400 and the Washington County Development Code, Chapter Seven, Mining Regulations, mandates that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) be prepared for mining operations of more than 160 acres; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is the Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU); and

WHEREAS, the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) dated December, 1999 has been prepared, published and circulated to appropriate agencies and made available to the parties for review at least 15 days prior to the public hearing pursuant to Minnesota Rules 4410.2600; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on the draft Environmental Impact Statement on January 25, 2000, during which the record was open for oral comments and remained open for written comments an additional ten days beyond the public hearing date pursuant to Minn. Rule 4410.2600.

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2000, a public hearing was held during which the Washington County Board of Commissioners responded to the timely substantive comments received on the draft Environmental Impact Statement after the written comment period expired, and approved the preparation of the final Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to Minn. Rule 4410.2600, subp. 10 and Minn. Rule 4410.2700, subp. 1 and 2.

WHEREAS, a transcript of oral comments of the March 21, 2000 Washington County Board of Commissioners public hearing and written comments were responded to and were included in the Environmental Impact Statement as Section 5: Response to Comments; and

WHEREAS, the final Environmental Impact Statement dated March, 2000 was published and circulated to the appropriate agencies and made available to parties who submitted comments (oral and written) for review, on or before March 27, 2000, pursuant to Minn. Rule 4410.2700, subp. 3; and

WHEREAS, the written comment period on the adequacy of the final Environmental Impact Statement expired on April 24, 2000, which is greater than the 10 working days required by Minn. Rule 4410.2800, subp. 2; and

WHEREAS, the entire Environmental Impact Statement dated March, 2000 is incorporated by reference herein.

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2000 a public hearing was held and the Washington County Board of Commissioners determined:

- 1. The final Environmental Impact Statement includes all potentially significant issues mandated to be reviewed in the Environment Impact Statement, based on the scoping decision. Reviewed were:
  - a. Air quality impacts, water quality impacts, water quantity impacts, noise impacts, traffic impacts.
  - b. The time limits for preparation.
  - c. The identification of permits for which information will be gathered concurrently with Environmental Impact Statement preparation.

- d. Identification of the permits for which a record of decision will be required.
- e. The Environmental Impact Statement addressed four alternatives: the proposed alternative, the no action alternative, the reduced scope alternative and the maximum mitigative alternative.
- f. The final Environmental Impact Statement analyzed each alternative to identify mitigation measures that could reasonably eliminate or minimize any adverse environment, economic, employment or sociological effect.
- g. Alternative sites, alternative technologies, modified design or layout and modified scale or magnitude were addressed in the scoping process, but were not analyzed in the final Environmental Impact Statement for mitigation because these possible alternatives did not present realistic options for the project. Pages 30-31, Appendix 1:2.
- 2. The Environmental Impact Statement provided responses to the substantive comments received during the draft Environmental Impact Statement's process concerning the issues raised in scoping, such as, but not limited to, the following:
  - a. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency requested confirmation that the extent of mining operations would be similar to present operations, (which was verified, Section 5, page 1), and requested clarification concerning the acceptance of debris for reprocessing. CAMAS currently accepts comeback concrete and concrete rubble at the existing site processing area. MPCA commented on the air quality modeling review and nuisance dust. MPCA stated there is not significant traffic impact from the project, that there is no adverse effect on water quality from runoff. The MPCA recommended the Maximum Mitigative Alternative, and suggested that, the project presents a good opportunity for regional water management. Section 5, page 1-2, Appendix 3.
  - b. The Environmental Impact Statement responded to concerns raised by several local residents, City of Lakeland and Washington County Commissioners questioning the destruction of the woodlands, increased traffic and safety concerns, traffic noise, current and future mining operation noise, heavy equipment and truck noise, day and night time noise monitoring, lack of neighboring property owners' involvement with the project, domestic well water concerns, disruption and damage to well water, dust and allergies, the timing of the mine's expansion, the impact on aesthetic views, possible decline of property value, homeowner's preference of residential development versus a mining operation and potential taxes generated by residential development in the project area.
  - c. The final Environmental Impact Statement responded to the oral and written comments by providing substantive and procedural information, including an explanation of data and the notice of hearing process for the Environmental Impact Statement and a Conditional Use Permit.

3. The final Environmental Impact Statement does a reasonable job analyzing each of the topics in conformance with Minn. Rule 4410.2300 and is incorporated herein in its entirety by reference. The final Environmental Impact Statement provides the data necessary to make an informed environmental decision during the permit process.

 The procedures providing an opportunity for public comment on the Environmental Impact Statement have been met as required by Minn. Rule 4410.2600, 4410,2700, 4410,2800 and as presented in the Whereas clauses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners deems the final Environmental Impact Statement to be adequate.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

Commissioner Pulkrabek returned.

# GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

# Appointment of Financial Advisor and Bond Counsel for the 2000 Bond Sale

Commissioner Hegberg moved to appoint Springsted, Inc. as Independent Financial Advisor for Washington County. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to appoint Kennedy & Graven Chartered as Bond Counsel for the 2000 Bond Sale. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

### **DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE**

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

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Peterson reported on the Long-Term Care Subcommittee of AMC's Health and Social Services Committee. She will be sharing with the Board information on funding sources from the federal, state and local levels and how that is broken down. She also volunteered to serve on a restructured Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging.

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Commissioner Peterson informed the Board that the Red Rock Corridor will conduct a Land Use Forum on

Wednesday, May 3, 2000, at 4:00 p.m. in the St. Paul Park City Hall.

Commissioner Abrahamson advised the Board that two key staff people on the Metropolitan 911 Board have

resigned.

**BOARD CORRESPONDENCE** 

Board correspondence was received and placed on file including a letter from the Tenth Judicial District

announcing the election of R. Joseph Quinn as Chief Judge and Gary R. Schurrer as Assistant Chief Judge.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn,

seconded by Commissioner Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at

10:50 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Community Services Department to discuss the status of out-

of-home placements in Washington County. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to

attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson

and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Dan Papin, Rick Backman, Mark Kuppe,

Cathy Ellis, Jodi Hilber, Tammy Kincaid, Teresa Gilbertson and Sally Borich.

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

Attest.

James R. Schug

County Administrator

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA MAY 2, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Joanne Helm, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Manager; Sheila Cunningham, Workforce Center; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the April 18, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
- 2. Approval of staff comments on the Carnelian-Marine Watershed District Plan.
- 3. Approval of three day on sale 3.2 percent malt liquor license for May 19, 20 and 21, 2000 for the Scandia Softball Association, May Township.
- 4. Approval to reappoint Jon D. Larson as the Washington County Veterans Service Officer to a four-year term effective May 16, 2000 through May 15, 2004.
- Approval to appoint Mary Waldkirch to the Washington County Community Corrections Advisory
   Board as a Victim representative to a two-year term expiring December 31, 2001.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

#### ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

# Public Hearing on the Woodbury Tamarack Interchange Economic Development Tax Abatement

The Board Chair presented a brief overview of today's public hearing to consider the request by the City of Woodbury for an economic development tax abatement for funding development of the Tamarack/I-494 interchange. The Board secretary read into the record the public hearing notice.

Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections, presented a summary of a proposed agreement reached with the City of Woodbury: The total amount of the abatement is \$3,995,500; The abatement is set up in three groups with staggered start dates, so that the abatement is spread over 14 years; The City agrees not to create or expand any Tax Increment Financing districts for the duration of the abatement without prior approval from the County Board; and The City agrees to pay administrative fees in the amount of \$25,000. Ms. O'Rourke indicated that once the abatement is authorized, the agreement can only be changed every second year with the written consent of both parties.

Joanne Helm, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections Supervisor, presented information showing the remaining abatement capacity if this abatement is approved.

Bill Hargis, Mayor, City of Woodbury - Mayor Hargis stated the primary reason for the Tamarack Interchange is to help with their transportation infrastructure. They anticipate that when the Tamarack Interchange is complete, the traffic counts at Valley Creek Road and Interstate 494 will be reduced by 20% as will traffic counts at Radio Drive and I-94. The second reason is that they will engage over \$90 million of quality commercial industrial development that would not otherwise occur. They believe this will be the impetus to build a tax base within the City, local School District 833 and also within the County.

The Board Chair asked for further comments; none were heard. The public hearing was closed at 4:50 p.m. The Board secretary indicated she has received all of the documentary evidence.

Commissioner Stafford moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-072 as follows:

Authorizing Tamarack Interchange Abatement to the City of Woodbury (Pursuant to M.S. § 469.1812-469.1815)

WHEREAS, Washington County desires to use M.S. § 469.1812-469.1815 as an alternative to Tax Increment Financing as a vehicle for development; and

WHEREAS, the County expects that the benefits to the County of the proposed abatement agreement will at least equal the costs to the County of the proposed abatement agreement and finds that doing so is in the public interest because it will increase the tax base, and finance and provide public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the abatement agreement will provide funding for the construction of the Tamarack/I-494 interchange; and

WHEREAS, the interchange will open to development an area that has been bypassed because of poor access; and

WHEREAS, the City of Woodbury estimates new development will have a value in excess of \$90,000,000 and provide property tax revenue to the County of over \$900,000 annually upon completion of the development; and

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WHEREAS, the interchange will also reduce congestion on County Roads by reducing year 2020 traffic volumes on County Road 13 by 11,600 vehicle trips per day (20%) and on County Road 16 by 7,600 vehicle trips per day (17%) according to Woodbury's traffic consultants SRF, Inc.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby approves a tax abatement pursuant to M.S. § 469.1812 - 469.1815 according to the terms contained in the "Tamarack Interchange Abatement Agreement" attached to and fully incorporated in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this abatement agreement is subject to a condition subsequent where the City of Woodbury agrees not to create or expand any Tax Increment Financing Districts for the duration of this abatement, except with the prior written approval of the County Board.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the Workforce Investment Act Five Year Plan beginning July 1, 2000. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

# Legislative Update

James Schug, County Administrator, reported that the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board expansion bill has passed through both the House and Senate and is awaiting the Governor's signature.

Mr. Schug announced that the County has received an award called "Partners For Hassle Free Government" which is a cooperative public service award from the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute for the County's Water Governance Study. The Board of Water and Soil Resources submitted the application.

Mr. Schug reported that the Public Health and Environment Department has researched the possibility of implementing a volume based waste management service charge for commercial property. They met last week with Commissioners Stafford and Hegberg to report on the progress of that research. They found that because of how businesses record their addresses, they can only match the geo code with the trash volume

information on a third of the parcels. In order to create a complete database, it would take 12 to 18 months at a cost of over \$150,000. Based on that discussion, the two Commissioners indicated that it would probably not warrant any further exploration at this time. He stated there may be opportunities in the future to link the County's solid waste management fee to the State SCORE tax and perhaps have it collected by the haulers.

Commissioner Stafford stated he had hoped that they could use the geo code system as a method of identifying and tracking the generators of waste. He reported that the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board was told last week that in the last year those organizations dealing with waste spent \$28 million to manage the dispersal of 3.2 million tons of waste, that's \$9 a ton. However, that \$28 million expenditure did not allow them to keep up with the stream of waste, it's overwhelming them and the public seems to know little and care less about what happens to something after they throw it in their trash can. It's going to become a major problem and will require a lot of education.

Mr. Schug reported that the National Association of Counties featured the Acts of Caring Award, which was presented to the Historic Courthouse Volunteer Association, in the latest edition of NACo Newspaper.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Hegberg reported on a Metropolitan Mosquito Control meeting he attended last week. He indicated that they are monitoring the West Nile Virus outbreak in New York. This virus is transmitted from mosquitoes to birds and affects individuals over 50. This virus will take a number of years before it reaches Minnesota.

Commissioner Hegberg announced that he met with the Veterans Rest Camp organization on Monday to discuss the Big Marine Park issue. He stated that a committee will be formed for more open communication regarding the development of that park and how that will impact that area. He stated that the County is not buying the Veterans Rest Camp at this time, they are only discussing many different options.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported on the Foster Care Banquet the Board attended last week. He noted that more foster parents are needed in Washington County and asked that the press write an article requesting more volunteers.

Commissioner Peterson reported on the following meetings: Red Rock Corridor Land Use Forum to be held on Wednesday, May 3, at the St. Paul Park City Hall from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.; Public Health Advisory Committee will be meeting at the Cottage Grove City Hall to discuss the Cottage Grove nitrate study on May 16, at 5:30 p.m.; Long-Term Care Symposium will be held on Monday, May 22, 10:00 to noon; and the Livable Communities Transportation Committee will hold it first meeting on Wednesday, May 3.

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Commissioner Peterson announced that the City of Cottage Grove has a new club house at the River Oaks Golf Club and it is open for rental.

# **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

# BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COMMUNITY SERVICES/WORKFORCE CENTER

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Community Services Department, Workforce Center Division, to discuss options for the dislocated worker program. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Dan Papin, Pat Singel, Robert Crawford, Aretta Rice, Sheila Cunningham and Michael Ellison.

# BOARD WORKSHOP WITH ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections Department to discuss the classification of tax forfeited property as conservation or non-conservation. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Molly O'Rourke, Joanne Helm and Bogdan Filipescu.

# BOARD WORKSHOP WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board met in workshop session following the Board meeting with the Parks and Open Space Commission to discuss Purchase of Development Rights. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Don Wisniewski, Jim Luger, Jane Harper and the following members of the Parks and Open Space Commission: Keith Hegstrom, Margaret Vogel-Martin, Charles Burfeind; Karen Rheinberger, Janet Norton, Gigi Scanlan, and John Munro.

Attest:

James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA MAY 9, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:05 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Scott Hovet, Assessor, Cindy Koosmann, Recorder; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Robert Crawford, Division Manger, Community Services, Rick Backman, Division Manager, Community Services, Pat Singel, Deputy Community Services Director; Suzanne Pollack, Community Services Supervisor, Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor, Jane Harper, Principal Planner, Joanne Helm, Assessment and Taxpayer Services Program Manager; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the April 25, 2000 Board Meeting minutes.
- 2. Approval of abatement application for classification as follows:

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MSA Building Company

\$14,540.00

- 3. Approval of plat of Whitetail Crossing Estates, Denmark Township.
- Information only Ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the completion of the Hardwood Creek
   Trail to be held on June 3, 2000, 9:30 a.m. in the City of Forest Lake.
- Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-073 as follows:

Final Payment to T.A. Schifsky & Sons, Inc. for Hardwood Creek Trail & Bridge Construction

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on March 30, 1999, signed a contract with T.A. Schifsky & Sons, Inc., for the trail and bridge construction on Hardwood Creek Trail in Hugo and Forest Lake; and

WHEREAS, T.A. Schifsky & Sons, Inc. has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that T.A. Schifsky & Sons, Inc. be paid in full for the said contract work in the amount due indicated on the final payment voucher which is attached herewith and is hereby a part of this resolution.

# 6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-074** as follows:

Final Payment to Arcon Construction Company, Inc. for CSAH 39 Road Construction

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on April 13, 1999 signed a contract with Arcon Construction Company, Inc. for the road construction on CSAH 39 in Cottage Grove and St. Paul Park.; and

WHEREAS, Arcon Construction Company, Inc. has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Arcon Construction Company, Inc. be paid in full for the said contract work in the amount due indicated on the final payment voucher which is attached herewith and is hereby a part of this resolution.

7. Bids were received for 2000 bituminous overlays as follows:

Tower Asphalt, Inc. \$801,976.45

Hardrives, Inc. 803,199.60

North Valley, Inc. 828,538.04

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-075 as follows:

Award of Contract for 2000 Overlay Projects to Tower Asphalt, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete construction work on road preservation projects, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on April 26, 2000 with Tower Asphalt, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Tower Asphalt, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Tower Asphalt, Inc. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Tower Asphalt, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-076 as follows:

#### DNR Grant For Road Preservation Funding

WHEREAS, the County of Washington has applied to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for a grant from the DNR Road Account for bituminous overlay of County Road 33a and parking lot within O'Brien State Park in Scandia Township; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the grant has been determined to be \$96,886.70 by reason of the lowest responsible bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Washington does hereby affirm that any cost of the bituminous overlay in excess of the grant will be appropriated from the funds available to the County of Washington, and that any grant monies appropriated for the road and parking lot but not required, based on the final estimate, shall be returned to the DNR Road Account Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any overlay costs involved for this project that are in excess of the DNR grant will be the responsibility of Washington County.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

#### TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Seasonal Bid Awards

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-077** as follows:

Award of Contract for 2000 Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Inplace to Tower Asphalt, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete road repairs and preservation of County roads, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on April 24, 2000, with Tower Asphalt, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Tower Asphalt, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Tower Asphalt, Inc. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Tower Asphalt, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-078 as follows:

Award of Contract for 2000 Chemical Weed Control to Mattson's Lawn & Garden, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete weed control along the right-of-way of County roads, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on April 24, 2000 with Mattson's Lawn & Garden, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Mattson's Lawn & Garden, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Mattson's Lawn & Garden, Inc. under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Mattson's Lawn & Garden, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### Lease Amendment for License Center in the River Heights Plaza Mall

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve a lease amendment for the Washington County License Center in the River Heights Plaza Mall. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

# Agreement with the City of Landfall Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve an agreement with the City of Landfall Housing and Redevelopment Authority regarding the inspection and payment of fees for Washington County's Manufactured Home Parks/Recreational Camping Areas/Youth Camp and Public Swimming Pools Ordinance. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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# Amended Delegation Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Health

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve an amended delegation agreement with the Minnesota Department of Health for the purposes of local regulation of manufactured home parks/recreational camping areas/youth camps and public swimming pools. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

#### 2000-2001 Contract with Community Volunteer Services

Commissioner Hegberg moved to approve the year 2000-2001 contract with Community Volunteer Service to provide transportation for persons transitioning from welfare to work. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# Jobs Access and Reverse Commute Subgrant Agreement with Metropolitan Council

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to approve the jobs access and reverse commute subgrant agreement between the Metropolitan Council and the Washington County Community Services Workforce Center Division to expend and disburse funds upon the execution of this agreement through June 30, 2001. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

#### Child Resource and Referral/School Age Grant

Commissioner Stafford moved to approve a Washington County Child Care Resource and Referral/School Age Grant with Saint Ambrose of Woodbury Catholic School for \$37,972 to develop a school age program. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

# Appeal by John Lindell - Modify Mining Limits for the Tiller Mining Operation in New Scandia

Chair Stafford provided an overview of today's hearing to review an appeal by John Lindell to modify mining limits for the Tiller mining operation in New Scandia Township and indicated that the following items are placed on the record:

- Appeal, John Lindell, April 11, 2000;
- Letter to Ann Pung-Terwedo, April 28, 2000 from Kirsten Rojina, Sunde Engineering, response to appeal;
- Memorandum to County Board, Ann Pung-Terwedo, April 27, 2000;
- Memorandum to Ann Pung-Terwedo, April 11, 2000 from Jyneen Thatcher, Wetland Technician, Soil and Water Conservation District;
- Technical Memorandum to Ann Pung-Terwedo, April 28, 2000 from Jon Michels, Senior Environmental Specialist, Public Health and Environment;
- Memorandum to Planning Advisory Commission from Ann Pung-Terwedo, March 20, 2000;
- Tiller Corporation, Mining application to Washington County, February 2000;
- E-Mail from Jim Hermes to Ann Pung-Terwedo, March 28, 2000;
- Letter to Ann Pung-Terwedo from Francis Vanden Meerendonk, March 18, 2000;
- Draft, Planning Advisory Commission meeting minutes, March 28, 2000;
- Draft Mining Permit, Tiller Corporation, New Scandia Township;
- E-Mail to Washington County Board Members from Lori Gilbertson, May 9, 2000;
- E-Mail to Washington County Board Members from Charles & Deanna Anderson.

The Board Secretary read the notice of public hearing into the record.

Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist, presented a brief overview of an appeal by Mr. John Lindell regarding Tiller Corporation's mining operation. She indicated that the Washington County Planning Advisory Commissioner approved the plan as outlined in the application form on March 28, 2000. She displayed a map showing what the next five year mining operation will be. She stated that the appeal concerns two wetlands and outlined those areas that the Planning Advisory Commission approved as the mining limits. She also indicated where the area being appealed is located.

Jyneen Thatcher, Wetland Technician, Soil and Water Conservation District, reviewed the wetlands in the proposed mining area. She indicated that the wetland in question is considered a perched wetland which means there is a confining layer at the bottom, the water runs off, feeds it and pools there long enough to form wetland characteristics. The groundwater level is far below and it is a separate area, this wetland is not touching the groundwater. Based on the soils out there, much of the water that would fall within any of the drainage area might be expected to infiltrate and feed the groundwater, rather than running down into the pooled wetland. Ms Thatcher mentioned that there could be some loss of water, although further studies by Sunde Engineers have refuted that, a small amount of surface might be lost. Another item is that there is a potential that when they are done excavating they would be down to groundwater level creating

additional wetland areas by reaching the groundwater table that could offset or mitigate the loss of the wetlands. State wetland law does specify that wetlands are to be avoided if reasonable or prudent alternatives exist and unavoidable impacts must be mitigated. The wetland law does not prohibit wetland alterations or impacts it merely sets in place a method for replacing impacts that do occur.

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John Lindell, 1120 218th Street, Scandia, MN - Mr. Lindell identified statutes and rules he feels support a decision to modify the permit and grant the appeal including: Statute 103A 202, Wetland Policy; Rule 8420 implementing the Wetland Conservation Act of 1991 and Item C of this Rule; and Rule 6115 Excavation of Protected Waters and subpart 2. He feels there will be an indirect impact to the wetlands and not a drainage of the wetland-it will dry up if the watershed around it is removed.

Mr. Lindell highlighted the information that was provided to the County Board in response to his appeal. He referred to Page 2 of Ms. Terwedo's summary, fourth paragraph: "During the Environmental Assessment Worksheet process, not one state or local agency commented that any federal or state statute being violated. The Wetland Conservation Act is not being violated since they do not plan on directly removing these wetlands." Mr. Lindell pointed to his earlier comment that it would include even indirect impacts. He again referred to Page 2 of Ms. Terwedo's summary, second to the last paragraph: "Ms. Thatcher did indicate that the excavation appears to stop far enough away from the wetlands that drainage is unlikely but alterations to the drainage area could decrease the water supply serving these wetlands.....The wetlands should not be significantly affected by the mining operations."

Mr. Lindell feels the soil has a bearing on this issue. If it's a permeable soil, any watershed that is eliminated makes it more vulnerable to drying up. He referred to the Sunde Engineering report dated April 28, 2000, Page 2 in the middle: "Watershed area is only one of several factors which influence the evolution and definition of a wetland. The mining will be occurring in an area where very permeable soils and low runoff potential exists." He believes that means it is even more important to preserve that watershed because the soil's more permeable and there is limited benefit from a runoff, the bigger the watershed the better a wetland can be maintained.

Mr. Lindell referred to Jyneen Thatcher's April 11 memo: "These wetlands appear to be perched wetlands, sustained by surface water runoff rather than groundwater......Phase III excavation will decrease the size of the drainage area supplying the wetland that lies on the neighboring property to the north. I suggest that further studies be done prior to implementing Phase III, to determine the percentage change in water supply to this off-site wetland." He believes she is capturing the point he is trying to make which is by preserving some of the watershed a lot of damage will be done to the wetland and it will dry up.

Mr. Lindell proposed that anything below a ridge that runs near the wetland be preserved, which would affect Phase I, Phase II and also Phase IV. He also asked that the Board defer a decision until further studies are done as suggested by Ms. Thatcher in her memo of April 11. There are also a lot of woods in that area. By preserving that wetland he feels that the woods would be retained and it would also protect property values. He pointed out that there is another mining operation directly south of Tiller's owned by Dressel. They have the exact same thing there and they've mined an island out in the middle of this pit. Apparently there was a wetland there at one time, but now it is bone dry. His last comment is that whatever the Board decides today, he hopes it holds Tiller responsible for that wetland.

Commissioner Stafford asked how Mr. Lindell arrived at the distance of 150 to 200 yards that he referred to in his letter of April 11, 2000? How much distance is left after the cut? Mr. Lindell stated that is based on his observation from where the wetland is and basically where the ridge is and he guessed that would be about 200 yards. He stated that Ms. Thatcher's map was not to scale, so it's hard to answer that question. He stated it was approximately, but his intent would be that the limit be made at the ridges around the wetland area to preserve it all.

Commissioner Stafford asked if anybody knows what the distance is from the excavating to the edge of the wetland? Kirsten Rojina, Sunde Engineering, indicated that it varies from 100 feet to about 300 feet. Commissioner Stafford stated that would be anywhere from 30 to 100 yards and Mr. Lindell is proposing considerably more than that, 150 to 200 yards.

Kirsten Rojina, Registered Civil Engineer and Registered Geologist, Sunde Engineering, indicated she worked with Tiller Corporation in preparing the permit application for permit reissuance. She stated that the initial mining permits were much further to the west and closer to German Lake. The revised mining limits moved to the east and eliminated the excavation of several wetland basins along that western portion of the mining operation. Overall, the impacts to wetlands have been significantly decreased by this proposed revision to mining limits. Ms. Rojina stated that there are items that need to be clarified related to the area of concern. One was the discussion on permeable soils, because the area that is being proposed to be excavated is permeable then that area should be even more critical. However, if there is a highly permeable soil, when the rain falls instead of running off it goes down and contributes to the groundwater, it doesn't go into sustaining that perched wetland. The watershed area that is critical for sustaining the perched wetland is the area where there is the confining layer and there is clay. The feature they are actually mining is an esker and the proposed excavation is the portion of the ridge that is the flank of the esker and they will be removing soils that are high in permeability and therefore have very little contribution to the perched wetland.

Ms. Rojina reviewed her memo of April 28, 2000 related to the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act. This act requires that when a wetland is created as part of a replacement procedure for the types of wetlands that are located on this site, the requirement is that there be three times the watershed area as the wetland ratio. She indicated that at the conclusion of the mining operation for this particular wetland basin instead of a three to one ratio they are closer to a five to one ratio. For the other wetland it's even greater, almost seven to one.

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Ms. Rojina stated there was reference to a memo that before mining into Phase III, the wetlands to the north should also be reviewed. She clarified that the area to the north that involves Phase III is actually not referring to this particular wetland basin, it is referring to a wetland basin located north of the proposed mining limits. They have also made a response to that in their letter.

Ms. Rojina stated that the wetland laws have been created to protect the wetland basins. Overall, she believes the revised mining limits are moving in the right direction to protect wetland basins. They do have the potential to create additional wetland basins on this site. They are staying well within the accepted design standards for protecting the wetlands. Based on the soil types and the hydrology they concluded that they are doing everything that's reasonable and no anticipated, significant impacts will occur to this wetland basin and the other memos from County agencies that have reviewed this have come to the same conclusions. They feel what they have proposed is a good plan.

Commissioner Stafford asked that when the excavation is done and there will be a lake at groundwater level in that cavity, how will the size of that new body of water compare to the perched wetland? Ms. Rojina stated that the proposed lake is much larger than the existing 2.05 acre wetland. She believes it is somewhere between 45 and 60 acres of actual water body at the end of the Phase V of mining.

Commissioner Stafford asked if that water environment could be used to offset a loss of wetlands in other parts of the area? Ms. Rojina stated that basically it has to be replaced in like type. If there is a deep lake with open water, that's not the same as a very shallow area with emergent vegetation. The lake would have to be designed to have shallow or lagoon areas where that criteria could be met, but overall you just can't have a water body there and say it is good enough for replacement. The same type of wetland has to be created.

Commissioner Stafford asked in the reclamation process, how will that body of water be treated? Ms. Rojina indicated that the final detail planning of that phase has not been done because it's several years off in the future and is actually not part of what is permitted at this time. The idea would be to contour to make it an amenity to be able to utilize the surrounding property in some fashion that is consistent with the zoning at that time.

Commissioner Stafford asked for further comments from the audience; none were heard. The public hearing was closed and opened for discussion by the County Board.

Commissioner Abrahamson noted that both he and Commissioner Hegberg attended the Planning Advisory Commission. He stated that the staff has done a good job and it was a unanimous vote by the Planning Advisory Commission to approve this permit.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to deny the appeal by John Lindell to modify mining limits for the Tiller mining operation in New Scandia Township based on the fact that no new evidence has been presented. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

# GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

# Purchase of Development Rights Financing Referendum

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, reviewed County Board direction from the last workshop held in March. She noted that it was Board consensus to have the taxes payable 2001; That the referendum language stay broad and inclusive, but there is a priority on natural resource lands and land adjacent to already protected open spaces; and the types of activities to be funded with the referendum money would be acquisition and the management of interests in land.

Ms. Harper outlined two questions that staff would like direction on. 1) Duration of the funding; and 2) Appropriate dollar amount. She indicated that the County Attorney's Office has advised her that the only way to fund a program to purchase interests for open space is an advalorem levy on all taxable property in the County, contributions from other governmental subdivisions in the form of grants or loans, gifts or bonding. The County does not have the authority to impose a countywide fee or use special assessments. Ms. Harper reviewed four scenarios related to dollar amounts:

<u>Scenario A</u> - How much revenue would be raised through a referendum property tax of \$18 per \$100,000 valuation? This amount would result in a tax rate of 1.556% on all properties. The levy would raise approximately \$2,380,000. Examples of impact on a \$100,000 property: \$17.99 - residential homestead; \$26.70 - Commercial/industrial; \$5.45 - Farm homestead land; \$20.35 - Cabins and residential nonhomestead; and \$37.34 - Apartments.

Ms. Harper distributed a revised table showing open space funding estimates.

Scenario B - What would the levy be to raise \$2 million per year? Raising \$2 million per year would require a tax rate of 1.307% on all property. The tax rate would decrease over time as the tax capacity increases. Examples of a tax levied on a \$100,000 property: \$15.11 - residential homestead; \$22.43 - Commercial/industrial; \$4.45 - Farm homestead land; \$17.10 - Cabins and residential nonhomestead; and \$31.37 - Apartments.

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<u>Scenario C</u> - How much revenue would be raised through a referendum property tax levy of \$18 per \$100,000 of valuation if there were a maximum of \$108 per parcel? Because an ad valorem levy cannot be capped, this approach would be considered a fee. The County does not have the authority to charge a fee for the open space protection program. It would raise \$1.8 million if it were doable.

Scenario D - How much would be raised through a tiered classification system levying \$7 for low end, \$14 for mid range and \$21 for upper end? This approach would be considered a fee and the County does not have the authority to charge a fee for this purpose. If this were doable it would raise considerably less than the \$1.8 million.

Ms. Harper stated that the referendum language needs to state a dollar amount that the Board will levy per year.

The Board discussed the funding amount they would like to see in the referendum.

Commissioner Hegberg asked if the fee they charge for garbage collection was done through special legislation? George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney, stated that was statutorily created.

Commissioner Hegberg asked if they wanted to do something of that nature for this program they would have to go back to the legislature? Mr. Kuprian stated that is correct.

Commissioner Peterson stated there are a number of farmers who are concerned and feel that they are already engaged in an activity that ultimately preserves farmland today, they feel it would be unfair to pay tax to preserve their land for the future.

Commissioner Peterson stated that farmlands are not always part of the homestead, they are frequently parcels of land that are purchased and separated. She asked if those lands would be at the \$5.45 or \$4.45 rate? What happens to the land that is not part of the homestead? Joanne Helm, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections Department, indicated that the homesteaded portion doesn't have to be contiguous to the farm in order to get homestead. If they are farming and they have property within what use to be two townships away, they could still get homestead treatment on it.

Commissioner Peterson asked what if it is in Green Acres? Ms. Helm stated that the tax would be based on the agricultural value of the property as opposed to the estimated market value. The estimated market value of the property might be \$500,000, but the agricultural value might be \$50,000. In that case the tax would be based on \$50,000.

Commissioner Peterson stated that farmers are concerned about paying a tax on a tax to preserve their land. She believes it is unclear how Green Acres will affect some of the property. She would like to see more details on that.

Commissioner Stafford stated if there were 600 acres of farmland, for homestead purposes the house and one acre would pay the full residential rate for Green Corridor \$17.99, and the rest of the farmland would be taxed at the farm homestead rate of \$5.45 per \$100,000 value. Ms. Helm indicated that was correct. The house and garage is taxed at the same rate as residential property. The farmland portion would be taxed as shown on the chart, but there are tiers in the farmland class rates.

Ms. Harper stated the question for the Board to consider is how much does it want to levy for the program. In terms of the duration of the funding, the Board discussed durations of 6, 8, 10 or 12 years. The Attorney's office indicated that if the referendum passes, it gives the County Board the authority to impose the additional levy. However, the County Board would then have to enable the authority passing a motion to actually impose it on a year to year bases. If the Board chose not to impose a levy in any given year during the time period, the Board would have that choice.

Ms. Harper reviewed samples of possible language for the referendum. With the information the Board gives them today, they would fill in the blanks and then over the next six weeks test that language with a survey, draft final language and come back to the Board in July for final direction on the language. This information needs to get to the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections by early September in order for them to prepare the ballots.

Mr. Kuprian stated that since this issue will not be on the ballot until November, it would not be in effect until payable 2002. The money couldn't be collected in 2001.

Steve Biscoe, Denmark Township, stated he is a farmer and he does not believe the tax is necessary, but if they have to live with it, he feels it would be fair if they paid the residential fee of \$17.99 per \$100,000 value and not have to pay on their farmland. He feels they are already creating and holding open space, their farmland, and why should they be double taxed to hold more open space. He stated when this program was first talked about it was proposed that it would be voluntary. Now it seems that everybody will be taxed. He feels there are grants and private funding for this open space and he feels it should stay there.

Joyce Welander, Grant, stated she was also a farmer and agrees with Mr. Biscoe that she believed this would be voluntary. She would now like the tax to be voluntary also. She would prefer going with residential tax, take off the farmland because it is already being taxed. She asked the Board to defer a decision on this matter.

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Commissioner Abrahamson stated he is also concerned about the commercial taxes. One business would have to pay \$6,000 or \$7,000 in taxes and they are concerned about that. They believe it's unfair and are looking for a cap. He asked if the Board was going to talk more about setting caps? Commissioner Peterson stated the Board cannot set caps because it is an ad valorem tax.

Ms. Harper indicated that staff could provide information in the area of commercial/industrial property and also homestead farmland, they can give the Board a list of the values of properties that are over the \$5 million amount. She believes there are about 10 or 15 commercial/industrial properties that are over that.

The Board discussed the duration of time for funding.

Commissioner Pulkrabek feels eight years would be the best. That it is important to have these questions asked when there would be greater voter turnout.

Commissioner Peterson feels that four years would be enough and believes the public has a right to reaffirm if they want to.

Commissioner Hegberg stated he would go along with eight years.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he wouldn't like to go out that far. He would agree with Commissioner Peterson and go for four years.

Commissioner Stafford stated he supports eight years and feels this amount of time is needed to get this program going.

It was Board consensus to go with eight years at this time.

The Board discussed the referendum language.

Commissioner Pulkrabek feels the language "fund acquisition and management of interests in property" is too technical. He would also like to get verbiage in about parks.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated the language before the Board at this point is exactly what the people want to know and what they are voting on. He believes the most important thing is that they are voting for an increase of property tax to save green space or open space.

Commissioner Hegberg stated that staff gave the Board two possible languages and the second language states "property to establish a corridor of open space lands that would protect such things as natural environmentally sensitive, agricultural, and scenic lands". He likes the second one better, but would also like to clarify "environmentally sensitive" being the waterway areas the Board was talking about.

Commissioner Peterson stated she is not sure she likes the phrase "environmentally sensitive" because it could be a marshy area or it could be any number of other things. She would not have a problem with adding waterways.

Commissioner Stafford suggested that staff use example two and try to reword it enough, even name waterways or parks, to provide flexibility to gain acquisition to those parcels that fit the plan that the Board is developing, the authority to acquire access to those properties that would fit the master plan. He does not want it nailed down too tight, flexibility is the key word.

Commissioner Peterson would like to see examples such as if a person owns a 40 acre property, will the entire 40 acres be taken and say that is all homestead, or would it be the house and one acre and what happens to the other 39 acres. What would the impact on taxes be?

Ms. Harper stated they could do that and suggested taking a cross section of types of land. There are rural residential lands out there that contribute to open space, even though they are not farmed. She believes they can run some scenarios for the Board. They would need to know the dollar amount the Board wishes to work with and then spread that levy.

Joyce Welander, Grant, asked what if the question on the ballot is not voted on, if they go to the election box and do not vote on this issue, what happens to that vote? Mr. Kuprian stated it's the majority of the people voting.

Ms. Welander asked if she does not vote on it, it's a no vote? Ms. Harper stated that a non-vote is not a no vote. It would be a majority of those voting on the question.

The Board discussed the dollar amount to be used. It was Board consensus to use \$2 million a year for now.

Commissioner Stafford reviewed Board direction: \$2 million dollar amount; 8 year duration of program; and Referendum language that is more inclusive.

Ms. Harper stated that staff will start working with that information, build different scenarios and bring that information back to the Board.

# Legislative Update

James Schug, County Administrator, updated the Board on the following legislative items:

- The Housing and Redevelopment Authority bill has passed and has been signed by the Governor. The next step is to adopt a resolution implementing the bill and then two additional members will be appointed, one who is a resident or receiver of Section 8 assistance and an at large member.
- Possible funding sources for the deficit in the Wakota Bridge project, \$177 million from Metro Bottlenecks and \$100 million in State front highway bonding for use by MN/DOT on road projects of their choice.
- There is concern that the Governor may veto the transportation funding bill. Commissioners will be encouraged to contact legislators to get their support for the bill so if there is a veto there is hope that it could be overridden by the legislature.
- They are watching the bonding bill closely because of the reimbursement amount for the St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park that the County is hoping to receive \$1.5 million and appropriations to help the County with acquisitions of available properties in the Big Marine Regional Park mapped area and possibly Grey Could also.

Commissioner Stafford asked that if the Green Corridor referendum passes, that the County ask for legislation that would put the ag land in a Green Acre category so that their assessments, except for their homes, would be deferred until that land was sold at which time they would only reimburse three years of the Green Corridor contribution. Mr. Schug suggested that they may seek special legislation authorizing a fee which could then be determined in whatever ways the County Board wanted to.

#### Review of New County Video

The County Board reviewed the new County video.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

#### **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Peterson reported that the Association of Minnesota Counties has a new delegate to the National Association of Counties, Kevin Kelleher.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported that the 911 Board meeting on Wednesday will discuss the replacement of two individuals who recently resigned. He recommended to the Executive Committee that the two positions be combined into one to save the taxpayers some money.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that the Finance Committee heard a request by Brown's Creek Watershed District for a loan and they will discuss that issue at a future committee meeting. He also reported on the Energy Task Force meeting he attended last week to discuss deregulation of utilities.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hegberg and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Attest:

James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA MAY 16, 2000

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 Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Commissioner Stafford absent. Vice Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Meredeth Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Cindy Weckwerth, Public Health and Environment; Judy Hunter, Public Health and Environment; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Manager; Pat Singel, Deputy Community Services Director, Nancy Brase, Central Services Supervisor; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director, and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1. Approval of the May 2, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
- Approval of amended Geographic Information System Interim Data and Cost Sharing Agreement between Washington County and Metropolitan Council.
- Approval to reject all bids for vending services received on April 27, 2000 and authorization to readvertise for bids.
- Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Washington County and the Carnelian Marine
  Watershed District to provide technical services to assist the County in fulfilling its obligation to
  complete the Washington County Landlocked Basin Study Pilot Project.
- Approval of consumption and display permit for Veterans Rest Camp for the period April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
- Approval to renew an on sale and Sunday liquor license for the Outing Lodge at Pine Point, Inc. for the period of April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-079 as follows:

Application for Premises Permit Renewal from the American Legion Post #225 to be Used at Willow Point

WHEREAS, on or about May 6, 2000, the American Legion Post #225 has made application pursuant to the statutes of the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved is Willow Point, located at 8241 North Shore Trail, Forest Lake Township, Washington County.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve to approve the granting of a Premises Permit for the above-described licensee at the above-described location subject to the terms and conditions of all the laws of the State of Minnesota, the County of Washington, and the Township of Forest Lake.

- Approval of a one-year Special Project Case Manager position and a one-year Special Project Clerk
  II position in the Workforce Center in the Community Services Department for the Dislocated
  Worker program.
- Approval of banding/grading of Property Manager/Property Acquisition Specialist at C45-1 and Survey Technician II at B24-3 and approval of new classification and job description of Survey Technician II.
- Approval of contract with Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories, Inc. for water analysis.
- 11. Bids were received for sealcoat as follows:

Allied Blacktop \$489,683.90

Pearson Brothers, Inc. 513,939.61

Astech Corp. 560,134.40

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-080 as follows:

Award of Contract for 2000 Sealcoat Project to Allied Blacktop

WHEREAS, in order to complete road preservation work on County roads, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on May 1, 2000, with Allied Blacktop being the lowest responsible bidder, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Allied Blacktop be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Allied Blacktop under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Allied Blacktop be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

Bids were received for crackseal as follows:

Astech Corporation  Daffinson Asphalt Maintenance	\$56,287.00 58,652.00

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-081 as follows:

# Award of Contract for 2000 Crackseal Project to Astech Asphalt Surface Technologies

WHEREAS, in order to complete road preservation work on County roads, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on May 1, 2000, with Astech Asphalt Surface Technologies being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the bid of Astech Asphalt Surface Technologies be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Astech Asphalt Surface Technologies under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Astech Asphalt Surface Technologies be executed through the signatures of the Chairman 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.

12. Approval of contract with Gauger Engineering, Inc. for project management services during the Woodbury Library construction project and adoption of the following resolution:

#### Resolution No. 2000-082

Declaring the Official Intent of the County of Washington to Reimburse Certain Expenditures from the Proceeds to be issued by the County WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Services has issued Treasury. Reg. 1.150-2 providing that proceeds of tax-exempt bonds used to reimburse prior expenditures will not be deemed spent unless certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the County expects to incur certain expenditures which may be financed temporarily from sources other than bonds, and reimbursed from the proceeds of a bond;

# NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

- The County intends to undertake the project of construction design of the Woodbury Library Project.
- 2) The County reasonably intends to make expenditures for this project and reasonably intends to reimburse itself for such expenditure from the proceeds of debt to be issued by the County in the maximum principal amount of \$536,890.00
- 3) This resolution is intended to constitute a declaration of official intent for purposes of Res. Reg. 1.150-2 and any successor law, regulation or ruling.

# 13. Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-083 as follows:

Agreements Between the City of Woodbury and Washington County for the Construction and Maintenance of Traffic Control Signals at Radio Drive (CSAH 13) and Central Park Place and at Valley Creek Road (CSAH 16) and Donegal Drive/Central Park Place

WHEREAS, the agreements, prepared by Washington County staff and reviewed by the County Attorney's office have been accepted and approved by the City of Woodbury; and

WHEREAS, it is considered in the best interests of both Washington County and the City of Woodbury to construct traffic signal systems at both locations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Washington enter into an agreement with the City of Woodbury for the following purposes, to wit:

To install new traffic control signals with street lights, emergency vehicle pre-emption and signing on Radio Drive (CSAH 13) at Central Park Place and at Valley Creek Road (CSAH 16) at Donegal Drive/Central Park Place in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth and contained in the Construction and Maintenance Agreements, a copy of which is before the board.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board and County Administrator are authorized to execute the Agreements.

# TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

# May 14 - 20, 2000 Transportation Week in Washington County

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-084 as follows:

Proclaiming May 14-20, 2000 as Transportation Week in Washington County

TRANSPORT BERNARD

WHEREAS, the economic well-being of this county, state and nation is dependent upon a sound transportation system for the movement of manufactured goods; and

WHEREAS, the growth of transportation has been in response to the public's increasing demands for flexible, low-cost and efficient transportation services to meet the changing farm, home and business patterns of the new millennium; and

WHEREAS, the men and women who constitute the work force of the transportation industry are committed to providing a safe and efficient transportation system to protect person, property and the environment; and

WHEREAS, a county transportation network providing access to school, health care and recreation supports the superior life enjoyed by all citizens of Washington County; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, and the Department of Transportation and Physical Development advocate a sound transportation policy in Washington County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BEIT RESOLVED, by the Washington County Board of Commissioners that the week of May 14-20, 2000 be proclaimed "Transportation Week" in Washington County to recognize the important role transportation plays in our daily lives.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent.

#### **Public Hearing - Mining Ordinance Amendment**

The Vice Chair presented a brief overview of today's public hearing to receive comments on amendments to Chapter 7 Mining Regulations of the Washington County Development Code relative to borrow pits. The Board Secretary read the notice of public hearing into the record.

Dennis O' Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist, presented an overview of the proposed mining ordinance amendments relative to borrow pits which would allow temporary mining operations in conjunction with an approved road project. The Planning Advisory Commission recommended amending the mining ordinance to allow for temporary mining operations and a draft ordinance is included in the record along with the meeting minutes. Mr. O'Donnell advised the Board that the Planning Advisory Commission reviewed two issues that were discussed by the County Board. The first issue was the amount of material to be removed. The County Board had discussed allowing 20,000 cubic yards. The Planning Advisory Committee recommended 10,000 cubic yards feeling temporary mining was something new and it should be limited to see how it would work out. The second issue the County Board discussed was whether or not to allow this mining to occur in platted areas in agricultural zoned districts. The Planning Advisory Commission did not feel it appropriate to allow this mining in platted areas since the purpose of platting was for residential purposes.

Mr. O'Donnell advised the Board that the Planning Advisory Commission recommended two additions that were not discussed by the County Board. They suggested a 75 foot setback from any wetlands and also recommended hours of operation to be 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Other conditions include: all mining and restoration must be completed within one year; mining shall not be allowed where there are significant tree stands, or where in the opinion of the Zoning Administrator, significant view sheds would be impacted; must be 10 feet above the groundwater elevation; and a financial guarantee must be posted to assure restoration of the site. Mr. O'Donnell stated that notices were sent to all township officials. He indicated that as of this date they hadn't received any written comments for or against the amendment.

Dennis Seefeldt, New Scandia Township Board Chair, spoke in favor of this proposed amendment. He asked whether permits, as addressed in Item J, mean that the local unit of government would be involved in the process? He feels that may be implicit in Item J, but would like that clarified so that the local unit of government would be involved in the process.

Mr. O'Donnell indicated that Item J does say that permits must be obtained from other applicable agencies and the local unit government if necessary. The township would probably need to amend its ordinance to reflect the County's to allow for this in the first place. He believes that is covered. The other issue that he would like to bring up is the hours of operation. The ordinance before the Board says 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. In his presentation he said Monday through Friday, he believes that was the intent of the Planning Commission, Monday through Friday, but the minutes do not specifically say that. Monday through Friday would be consistent with the Mining Ordinance.

Commissioner Abrahamson recalled from the Planning Advisory Commission meeting that if there are emergency situations, these hours could be extended in case there is a flooding problem, that they are open to working Saturdays and Sundays in an emergency situation. Mr. O'Donnell indicated that in the regular ordinance they do allow for the extended hours in cases of emergency from a local gravel operation. In this type of situation they shouldn't be hauling from this site for emergencies, this is strictly for the road project. But something could be added saying unless approved by the local unit of government for different hours.

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Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development, stated that many times the County's highway improvement plans include removal of unsuitable materials that are below the pavement and replacement with granular or clay materials that could be obtained from either an open functioning mining operation or potentially from gravel sources adjacent to the highway project. He believes this particular ordinance is beneficial from the standpoint that if a contractor discovers that there is a borrow area that he can tap into and it is relatively close to the roadway, he has the ability to use that material and that may result in a lower bid on the project. Mr. Wisniewski stated that in regards to mining operations, they do have contractors that work Monday through Saturday. It is a situation that would help a contractor in that regard.

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

Commissioner Hegberg moved to amend the proposed ordinance as follows: Change Item B) from 10,000 cubic yards to 15,000 cubic yards; and under Item M) add Monday through Friday. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-085** as follows:

Resolution Adopting an Amendment to the Washington County Development Code, Ordinance No. 140, to Allow Borrow Pits Within Chapter Seven, Section 6.1(19), Mining Regulations

WHEREAS, Washington County is authorized to carry on County planning and zoning activities in the unincorporated areas of the County pursuant to MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 394; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 473.851, et seq. requires the County's planning and zoning activities to be consistent with the Metropolitan Systems Statement Plan; and

WHEREAS, in order to implement this requirement, counties are required to adopt a comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan was adopted by the Washington County Board of Commissioners on April 22, 1997 and became effective October 1, 1997 as Washington County Ordinance No. 124; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 473.865 requires counties to adopt the official controls described in their Comprehensive Plan so as to implement the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 1999 and July 13, 1999, the Washington County Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 140, Chapter Seven

of the Washington County Development Code and repealed Ordinance No. 85 as required by MINN. STAT. § 394.26 and MINN. STAT. § 375.51; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2000, the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission referred an amendment to allow for borrow pits within Chapter Seven of the Washington County Development Code as required by MINN. STAT. § 394.25 to the County Board; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing to consider amending Washington County Ordinance No. 140 to allow pits within Chapter Seven of the Washington County Development Code; and

WHEREAS, the proposed supplement to Chapter Seven, Section 6.1 (19) allows for temporary mining operations, also known as borrow pits; and

WHEREAS, the necessity exists in Washington County to allow for temporary mining operations under certain conditions as listed in Chapter Seven, Section 6.1(19) of the Washington County Development code; and

WHEREAS, temporary mining operations where sand and gravel are excavated will be allowed within one-half mile of a road project under certain conditions, as listed in Chapter Seven, Section 6.1(19) of Washington County Development Code; and

WHEREAS, the temporary mining operations, also known as "borrow pits," will be allowed with a certificate of compliance only when certain conditions exist, as listed in Section 6.1(19) of Washington County Ordinance 140, Chapter Seven, Washington County Development Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners of Washington County hereby ordains that Section 6.1(19) attached hereto and incorporated herein is hereby adopted as Washington County Ordinance No. 150, and added as a supplement to Washington County Ordinance 140, Chapter Seven and is declared to be effective from and after its publication date, according to law.

# Ordinance No. 150

Section 6.1(19) of
Washington County Ordinance 140
Chapter Seven, Washington County Development Code

6.1(19) A temporary permit for mining in conjunction with a specific road project may be allowed with a certificate of compliance provided all of the following conditions are met:

- A) All mining and restoration shall be completed within one year from the date of permit issuance.
- B) A maximum of 15,000 cubic yards may be removed from any individual property. For projects involving the removal of more than 15,000 cubic yards, a conditional use permit must be obtained and regulations in the mining ordinance must be met.
- C) The proposed mining area must be within one-half mile of the road project.
- D) The property on which the mining is to occur must be at least 10 acres in size, zoned Agricultural, and be in an unplatted area.

E) Access to the mining area must be adjacent to the highway construction project or be from a 9 ton road or a financial guarantee posted to repair any damage to a road built to a lesser standard. Approval from the local road authority must be obtained.

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- F) Mining shall not be allowed where there are significant tree stands or where in the opinion of the Zoning Administrator "significant view sheds" would be impacted.
- G) A restoration plan and erosion control plan must be submitted and approved by the Zoning Administrator. The Zoning Administrator shall submit the erosion control plan and restoration plan to the Watershed District and the Washington County Soil & Water Conservation District for their comments and recommendations. As appropriate, their recommendation will be conditions of the permit. This plan shall show existing and proposed contours of the mined area.
- H) The depth of excavation shall not exceed 20 feet from the lowest point of the area approved for mining. The lowest point of the proposed excavated area must be at least 10 feet above the groundwater elevation.
- I) Notice shall be given to adjacent property owners and property owners on the haul road. Special conditions may be attached to the permit to address concerns of adjacent property owners and those on the haul road.
- J) Permits must be obtained from any others applicable agencies and the local unit of government if necessary.
- K) The following setbacks must be met from any disturbed area on the site including topsoil storage, mined area, access road, etc:
  - 50 feet from all property lines except the road right of way.
  - 200 feet from any dwelling on adjacent property.
  - 75 feet from wetland.
- L) A financial guarantee must be posted with the Zoning Administrator to assure restoration of the site.
- M) Hours of hauling and mining -7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.- Monday through Friday,

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent.

# <u>Public Hearing - Amending the Forest Lake Township Zoning Map and County Comprehensive Plan</u> <u>Map</u>

The Vice Chair presented an overview of today's public hearing to consider adopting the amended Washington County Comprehensive Generalized Land Use Plan Map pertaining to Forest Lake Township (Figure LU-6) and the Washington County Development Code's Zoning District Map of Forest Lake Township in Chapter Two (1.1). The Board Secretary read the notice of public hearing into the record.

The Vice Chair opened the public hearing on the proposed amendment to the Washington County Comprehensive Plan Generalized Land Use Map, pertaining to Forest Lake Township.

Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist, informed the Board that Forest Lake Township recently updated their comprehensive plan and it was approved by the Metropolitan Council. In order for the township and County plans and zoning to be consistent, the County Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Maps need to be amended for Forest Lake Township. He indicated that the primary difference between the township plan and the County plan would be the expansion and location of the urban service boundary. That is the area that will be amended as indicated on the maps that were included in the Board packet. He stated that the area that no longer would be in the transition area would be changed to semi rural or general rural as appropriate and consistent with the new zoning map.

Mr. O'Donnell reviewed the Washington County Zoning Map for Forest Lake Township which is more specific. Staff is proposing to add two new zoning districts which would allow for some flexibility in housing types and allow for more affordable housing. The new districts are mixed residential and high density residential districts. These districts represent the major changes on the zoning map. He presented the current and proposed Forest Lake Township Zoning Maps and reviewed the differences.

Commissioner Hegberg pointed out a spot on the generalized land use maps, Enfield Court North, that is not included in that map. He asked if that should be included? Mr. O'Donnell stated he was correct and it should be included in the transition zone.

Joel Holstad, Forest Lake Township, stated his family owns a number of tracts that are in the area currently identified as the transitional zone. He is concerned that some of their parcels are split and are now in different zones. Also, some parcels are currently zoned agricultural use and wants confirmation that he can continue this agricultural use. He wanted it stated for the record that it has been represented to them that when at such time as the infrastructure becomes available, it would be contemplated that there would be a minor rezoning change to allow for a logical development with a consistent use in that entire area.

Commissioner Peterson asked if this individual came in with a planned unit development to address the total acreage, would that be appropriate? Mr. O'Donnell stated that may be an option, but they cannot guarantee at this time that utilities would be available to serve that parcel that is outside of that transition zone. It may be, and then the zoning would be changed, but they cannot not guarantee that today. He did guarantee that agricultural is a permitted use in the mixed residential transition zone.

Don Holl, 20390 Ingersoll Avenue, Forest Lake Township, stated he is in what is called the sewer staging area of the new plan. He is concerned that, assuming the Board approves this modification of the plan, the

County zoning does not change and that nothing would happen from the County that would inhibit, prevent or make it more difficult to bring that MUSA line into that area. They definitely need to stay in that MUSA area. They have been in the queue since 1973. He has documentation to support that. He is very concerned that the County does not change zoning or do something that would make it more difficult for them to develop their land. They want to stay in the 20 year plan.

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Bill Jeans, Forest Lake, stated he has been working with the County and the township since 1978 on a preliminary plat located below Sheilds Lake, 207th runs through it. At that time he was in an R3 and he had approval from the County and Forest Lake Township, but not the Met Council. He wrote a letter to Don Bloom in 1978 asking to be included in the sewer district. Four or five years later without his knowledge they rezoned his property to agricultural. Today, they are within 200 yards of this lift station, he has no guarantees that he'll ever get hooked on. He does not want to be in transition, he would like this property to be included in the new comprehensive plan. It was in there but has now been taken out.

Dean Johnson, Resource Strategies and planning consultant for the Town of Forest Lake, reviewed the Forest Lake Comprehensive Plan process, the availability of utilities and why the Forest Lake Township transition area has shifted. He stated that the County's transition area occupied an area east of Highway 61. However, the Metropolitan Interceptor lies entirely on the west side of Highway 61. When they looked at providing service to the community, if they make connections on that interceptor at this location it allows them to go in a compact fashion and cost effective area on either side of that existing Metropolitan facility. Their focus became straddling either side of Highway 61 rather than all on the east side of 61.

Mr. Johnson stated that in considering the area that was adjacent to portions of the existing urban service area, they left that in their comprehensive plan as an urban reserve or a future urban area. He indicated that part of the problem in serving this area sooner than later is the fact that these developments are all served by a series of lift stations that pump over to a single trunk sewer line at this point which has reached capacity. There is a capacity problem that will require them to bring a gravity sewer line from a half a mile west of Highway 61 to the east a mile and a half. They will evaluate all the requests of the residents on an ongoing basis.

The Vice Chair asked for further comments; none were heard.

Commissioner Hegberg stated he finds it interesting that in the situation of the developments that are taking place closer to the City that the lift stations are a concern, but he recognizes that it's not an easy process for the city, or the township in this case, to make those lines drawn. He finds it interesting that the capacity is not there for that portion of 207<sup>th</sup> Street.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to approve the Washington County Generalized Land Use 2015 Comprehensive Plan map with the addition of the development on Endfield Court North. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent.

The County Attorney's office was directed to prepare a resolution consistent with this motion for next week's Board meeting.

The Vice Chair opened the public hearing on the proposed amendment to the Washington County Development Code's Forest Lake Township Zoning District Map.

Mr. O'Donnell stated that his comments were made in his opening remarks. He did point out that the area in question related to the development on Endfield Court North, is shown properly on this zoning map.

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

Commissioner Hegberg moved to approve the amendment to the Washington County Development Code's Forest Lake Township Zoning District Map. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent.

The County Attorney's office was directed to prepare a resolution consistent with this motion for next week's Board meeting.

# Public Hearing - Zoning Amendment to Create Two New Zoning Districts

The Vice Chair presented an overview of today's public hearing to consider an amendment to the Washington County Development Code to allow for a variety of housing options in the Forest Lake Township in their newly expanded Metropolitan Urban Service Area. The Board Secretary read the notice of public hearing into the record.

Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist, advised the Board that staff has been working with the Forest Lake Township staff and their consultants regarding an ordinance amendment to allow for a variety of housing options in the newly expanded Metropolitan Urban Service Area. The proposed amendments would create two new zoning districts along with performance standards for those zoning districts. The two new districts are the high density residential district and a mixed residential district.

Mr. O'Donnell indicated that the high density residential district would allow multi-family type developments either owner occupied such as condos or rental units. They are suggesting a permitted density of 12 units per acre. Performance standards would have higher quality developments in that district. The mixed residential district would allow single family detached or single family attached such as townhouses or detached townhouses, a variety of housing options would be included. The base density would be 3 units per acre, however, there would be up to a 20% bonus if certain criteria were met such as providing additional open space or preserving historic structures.

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Mr. O'Donnell stated that the ordinance is drafted to require a certificate of compliance which is an administrative permit by the County's ordinance in the mixed residential district for any type of mixed residential type development as well as approval by the Plat Commission. There is a review required by the Planning Advisory Commission for any development where the minimum standards are going to be somewhat waived or if there's some density bonuses proposed. That does require an extra step and he is not sure that's necessary. He felt it would probably be more efficient to have staff and the Plat Commission review these types of developments instead of the extra step of going through the Planning Commission. That would be an issue for the Board to address, they could change the ordinance to reflect whatever way the Board wanted to go on that.

Kevin Shoeberg, Forest Lake Township Attorney, agreed with Mr. O'Donnell's recommendation with respect to review by the Washington County Planning Commission. They would recommend that change.

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

Commissioner Hegberg moved to amend the proposed zoning ordinance to create two new zoning districts by removing the review of the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt the Washington County Development Code Text Amendment to create a high density residential district and a mixed residential district. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent.

The County Attorney's office was directed to prepare a resolution consistent with this motion for next week's Board meeting.

# PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

# Special Project Public Health Nurse Position

Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment, reviewed her request for a Special Project Public Health Nurse position to assist in the implementation of the Family Enhancement Initiative. The intent of this initiative is to develop a county-wide child abuse prevention family enhancement initiative in collaboration with community partners. This position will be specifically hired for the Intensive, Targeted Home Visiting part of the Initiative which will be provided by Washington County Public Health.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked who determines which individuals get into this program? Ms. McGlothlin stated there is an established criteria for defining whether families are at high risk or not. In most of the programs, much of it has to do with their income level. It may also be a prior report of child abuse or potential for child neglect. It may be a family that is in the criminal justice system where they may be experiencing family related issues.

Commissioner Pulkrabek indicated that the information provided shows no income guidelines, no sliding fee scale, it's regardless of income? Ms. McGlothlin stated that is correct for this part of the program. As the new program comes in at the state level, that will be targeted to lower income MFIP families. This program is open to any family who may be experiencing high risk factors within their family function.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked if she believes it is right that there shouldn't be any fee or ability to pay? Ms. McGlothlin stated that was a policy for the Board. Maternal Child Health programs designed to help families who are experiencing child abuse neglect, in her opinion, need to be provided without regard to income. If income or payment for services is going to be a criteria, families will refuse to pay. This is already a voluntary program. Families can choose or not choose to participate. By requiring people to pay just presents another barrier to families accepting a program that may be in fact a benefit to their family function.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked if she believed it was right for a senior citizen living in Oakdale on a fixed income is subsidizing a program that could be utilized for a family that lives in a \$700,000 home in Woodbury and they are not required to pay? Ms. McGlothlin stated personally when she looks at the outcomes of these programs and the fact they are reducing longer term costs, she can see a benefit of all people in society contributing to them, because she believes it reduces the amount that they will have to pay in the future.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked if this program was more for the child's physical health or is it more of an indoctrination of parents of how the County would like their parenting skills to be? Ms. McGlothlin stated she was not sure they can be separated. They go together. Good parenting skills run a gambit from knowing what is normal development and behavior for a child to making sure the child is being feed a well-balanced nutritional diet so that they grow. Good parenting results in good physical health and well-being for the children. This is not an indoctrination course on telling parents how to raise children, it is in fact a support service for parents to affirm good parenting practices or to help them change their parenting practices so that their children's long term health and well-being is the best that it can be.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek asked if this is such a great successful well documented program, why don't private health carriers cover this cost? Ms. McGlothlin stated that for the most part private health insurers are focused on disease. There is not an emphasis for health promotion.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated in the justification for the program on Page 2 it talks about a whole host of health related items, alcohol and drug use, arrest, behavioral problems, life-time sex partners, cigarettes and a lot of things that would directly impact them physically. How come they are not at least looking at this rather than the government and the taxpayer picking up the tab? Ms. McGlothlin feels that is a very good question and not one that she can answer very well. She believes there is becoming more realization among health insurance providers that this is an important area to be putting dollars in, but they have not made that shift yet.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated what he would like to see to determine whether this is working or not is to address what was on Page 2. If this program is worth while and is in place for how many years, then they should start seeing the numbers on Page 2 decrease rather than just the awareness of the program goes way up.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked how often do the nurses go out and actually talk to the constituents? Ms. McGlothlin stated it was once every two weeks. Intensive home visiting is a minimum of once every two weeks, working with the family. It could be a nurse, it might be another type of home visitor who is doing education with the family. It is an intensive time that is spent with the family.

Mr. Schug reminded the Board that Washington County is not able to do its own research on these types of outcomes. What they are doing is using a model that has been researched on a national level that has actually proven that the outcomes described in the plan have been achieved. While they can't necessarily go back and document numbers in Washington County they are using a researched based model that has been demonstrated to work in other locations.

Commissioner Hegberg asked why Registered Nurses are being used for this type of position when maybe it's more of an educational or a licensed practical nurse? Ms. McGlothlin stated that the family assessment that is done at the beginning of the process is an extremely important part of determining and working with the family to develop a care plan. Under Minnesota State Nursing practices that needs to be done by a Registered Nurse. Once a care plan is in place, other qualified personnel can be used. Some programs have used trained home visitors to work with the families. Where the families are at high risk, there is an intensive part of that, that the initial assessment and ongoing evaluation of the family needs to be done by a nurse. As the program gets developed and if it is expanded at some point in the future, there may be some different approaches using different qualified people.

Commissioner Hegberg stated he opposes it because he is not sure a Registered Nurse is needed.

Mr. Schug indicated that the Registered Nurse is not the important part, but it's the Public Health Nurse component that is. Public Health nurses are in fact trained differently and do focus more on community based work and teaching. It's less of a direct care, specialized care than may be seen in a hospital.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated this is a new special project, it's 12 months to 24 months, it's fully funded. There are no addition levy dollars required. The Personnel Committee felt it was a good program.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve a Special Project Public Health Nurse position in the Department of Public Health and Environment for 12 to 24 months. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek; Commissioner Stafford absent.

#### Special Project Environmental Specialist Position

Judy Hunter, Program Manager, reviewed the request for a 12-month Special Project Environmental Specialist position to serve as an outreach coordinator for the Ramsey/Washington Resource Recovery Project Board. This position will provide various educational services including tours at the resource recovery facility, outreach to businesses, liability and where waste goes. On April 27, 2000, the Resource Recovery Project Board approved an agreement with Washington County for a 12-month special project position.

Commissioner Hegberg feels the primary purpose of this special project person is for education of the citizens on recycling and to provide tours and information as to the plant and the reason they are using RDF for production of electricity instead of hauling it to a landfill. They felt it was important to see if they could increase the amount of recycling and education level of the public on that issue.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated that the education component in play right now, for whatever reason, isn't working very well, hence the justification that a person needs to be hired to give tours of the facility. What is going to be the benchmark on whether or not this is successful or not? What tangible, real goals should be expected? Ms. Hunter stated that there is a list of goals that this person is expected to achieve and it can be evaluated to see if that person has met those goals.

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Commissioner Hegberg moved to approve a 12-month Special Project Environmental Specialist position in the Department of Public Health and Environment. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek; Commissioner Stafford absent.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

#### Legislative Update

John Kaul, Legislative Liaison, presented an update on the 2000 Legislative Session. He reviewed items in the County legislative packet as follows: 1) Expansion of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board of Commissioners from five to seven members-signed by Governor, 2) Negotiated outside of the legislative process was the issue with the HRA Board regarding levy authority; 3) Wakota Bridge-Infusion of one time money and success in making the project the most visible bottleneck in the State; 4) East metro driver's license training center became a casualty, he believes, to the BCA building; 5) East metro public safety training facility-More work needs to be done on that to secure a portion of the bond funds; 6) Regional parks bonding-The request was for \$11.2 million, they received \$5 million; a proposal was made to capture 6.5% as a sales tax on lottery taxes for parks and trails; 7) Unfunded mandate-Worked with MICA and AMC and the message was heard on unfunded mandates; 8) Access management-Senate file 702 is still on the general registry; 9) Repeal of sales tax on local government-That was not an issue that the House Chair wanted to take up during an off session year, 10) PERA issues were put off until a major session; 11) Big Marine Lake tax forfeited parcel sale was passed and sent to the Governor.

Bob McFarlin updated the Board on transportation issues during the 2000 legislative session. He stated that this was the first large infusion of funds for transportation in over 12 years. There was the first significant trunk highway bonding program in memory, \$100 million. The largest dollar amount for local bridge rehabilitation and replacement in many years, \$39 million was approved. There was a large infusion of general fund dollars into the county state aide and municipal state aid accounts was included in this bill. He believes that Washington County will receive \$400,000 from the money that was provided to CSAH. Transit projects received, about \$70 million. It was a good session for the Wakota Bridge Project. The

funding is now available, though not earmarked, but available to the Department of Transportation to fully fund the project should all the negotiations with the different communities reach final conclusion on the type of project that is going to be built there. The structure of the license tab reduction will need to be corrected, but that correction will only come in a larger package of changes to the overall state transportation funding structure.

#### **Establishment of Government Center and South Service Center Hours**

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to permanently establish the Washington County Government Center and South Service Center hours at 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and to discontinue the 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. schedule on Tuesdays effective, June 6, 2000. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent.

#### League of Local Governments Meeting

It was Board consensus to hold the League of Local Governments meeting on October 30, 2000 at the Prom Center in Oakdale.

# Valley Branch Watershed District Amendment Plan

James Schug, County Administrator, reported that he met with representatives of the Valley Branch Watershed District. He indicated that they are in the planning process for a plan amendment that would allow them to deal with high water issues in landlocked lakes including McDonald Lake, Goetschel Lake, Cloverdale Lake and a couple of others. This would be a sizeable capital project. They are planning on coming to the Board in June in a workshop session to inform the Board of their proposal. Drafts of the plan amendment are currently being sent to local units of government and they wanted to make sure the Board was aware of this.

#### Purchase of Development Rights Review Committee

Mr. Schug advised the Board that a workshop has been scheduled for next week to discuss the Board's appointments to the Purchase of Development Rights Review Committee.

# **DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE**

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

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTION**

Commissioner Pulkrabek advised the Board that he will be meeting with City of Lake Elmo staff, as well as Don Wisniewski and Jim Schug, to discuss transportation issues. He will not be able to attend the HRA Board meeting at 4:30 this afternoon. He asked if another Commissioner could attend. Commissioner Hegberg stated he will try to make it.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that a constituent has commented on customer service regarding filing for homestead service and recording of documents. The constituents comments were that the County was doing a very good job.

Commissioner Hegberg stated that there are sizeable delinquencies on personal property taxes in the area of mobile homes. Apparently sales tax rebates are eligible to be attached for those types of items. He wants to make sure that the County is doing that.

Commissioner Hegberg believes that the County is now authorized to use credit cards to a certain extent through new legislation. Staff should look into that.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that he met with a group of veterans at the Big Marine Vet Camp yesterday and was given a tour. He stated that communication is starting to open up and getting a little bit better. They are recognizing that the County is not out there taking the camp, the County is presenting options that they should look at and review in a manner that will serve both the general public as well as the veterans.

Commissioner Peterson thanked Jim Schug, Mary McGlothlin and Cindy Weckwerth for calming a fairly vocal councilperson with a misunderstanding about a water report.

Commissioner Peterson advised the Board she will be attending the Public Health Advisory meeting this evening in Cottage Grove to discuss the Clear Water Partnership grant which will be used to study nitrate levels in the groundwater in south Washington County.

# **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hegberg, and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

James R. Schug

County Administrator

Myra Peterson, Vice Chair

County Board

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA MAY 23, 2000

#### 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, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. RRA Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer; Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Sandy Cullen, Transportation Engineer; Douglas K. Johnson, Land Acquisition Specialist; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator. Official Proceedings of the Regional Railroad Authority are available in the Office of Administration.

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENES

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:40 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Absent none. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer; Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Douglas K. Johnson, Land Acquisition Specialist; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Cindy Koosmann, Recorder; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-086 as follows:

Resolution Adopting an Amendment to the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan Generalized Land Use Plan Map (Figure LU-6) (Pertaining to Forest Lake Township)

WHEREAS, Washington County is authorized to carry on County planning and zoning activities in the unincorporated areas of the County pursuant to MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 394; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 473.851, se. seq. requires the County's planning and zoning activities to be consistent with the Metropolitan Systems Statement Plan; and

WHEREAS in order to implement this requirement counties are required to adopt a comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan was adopted by the Washington County Board of Commissioners on April 22, 1997 and became effective October 1, 1997 as Washington County Ordinance No. 124; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 473.865 requires counties to adopt the official controls described in their Comprehensive Plan so as to implement the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Land Use Plan consists of a generalized plan map, goals, objectives, policies, explanatory sketches and an implementation program; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Land Use Plan is to provide for parameters in the townships for the location of housing, businesses and industries and the number of housing units to be built per quarter - quarter section of land and to guide the amending of the Washington County Development Code and Zoning Maps; and

WHEREAS, locations within the Metropolitan Urban Services should continue to accommodate staged residential and commercial and industrial growth; and

WHEREAS, Forest Lake Township received approval from the Metropolitan Council on June 23, 1999 for the Forest Lake Township 2020 Comprehensive Plan Map, in which metropolitan urban services (public sanitary sewer) are to be expanded into Forest Lake Township; and

WHEREAS, the Forest Lake Township 2020 Comprehensive Plan Map was a duly adopted by Forest Lake Township Board in August, 1999; and

WHEREAS, to be consistent with the Forest Lake Township 2020 Comprehensive Plan Map as approved by the Metropolitan Council, the matter was referred to the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission for their recommendation; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2000, the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission referred the Amendment to Washington County's 2015 Comprehensive Plan Generalized Land Use Plan Map pertaining to Forest Lake Township (Figure LU-6) to the County Board with their recommendations to approve as required by MINN. STAT. § 473.865; and

WHEREAS on May 16, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners pursuant to a Notice of Intent to Amend the Washington County Comprehensive Plan conducted a public hearing to consider the amendment to Washington County's 2015 Comprehensive Plan Generalized Land Use Plan Map pertaining to Forest Lake Township (Figure LU-6) as required by MINN. STAT. § 473.865, MINN. STAT § 394.26 and MINN. STAT. § 375.51; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners is considering this amendment to Washington County's 2015 Comprehensive Plan Generalized Land Use Plan Map pertaining to Forest Lake Township (Figure LU-6) and based upon the minutes of the March 28, 2000 Planning Advisory Commission and the evidence presented at the May 16, 2000 County Board meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that for the purposes of implementing the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive plan pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 473.865, the Board of Commissioners of Washington County ordains that portion of Washington County Comprehensive Plan Ordinance No. 124, the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan Generalized Land Use Map (figure LU-6) be amended to conform to the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan Generalized Plan Map dated May 16, 2000, pertaining to Forest Lake Township, which is attached to and incorporated in this resolution as Exhibit A. Those amendments shall take effect from and after their passage and publication according to law as Washington County Ordinance No. 151.

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## Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-087 as follows:

Resolution Enacting Ordinance No. 152 Which Amends the Washington County Development Code Chapter Two Section 1.1, Forest Lake Township Zoning District Map

WHEREAS, Washington County is authorized to carry on County planning and zoning activities in the unincorporated areas of the County pursuant to MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 394; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 473.851, et seq. requires the County's planning and zoning activities to be consistent with the Metropolitan Systems Statement Plan; and

WHEREAS, in order to implement this requirement, counties are required to adopt a comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan was adopted by the Washington County Board of Commissioners on April 22, 1997 and became effective October 1, 1997 as Washington County Ordinance No. 124; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 473.865 requires counties to adopt the official controls described in their Comprehensive Plan so as to implement the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, Forest Lake Township received approval from the Metropolitan Council on June 23, 1999 for the Forest Lake Township 2020 Comprehensive Plan Map, in which metropolitan urban services (public sanitary sewer) are to be expanded into Forest Lake Township; and

WHEREAS, the Forest Lake Township 2020 Comprehensive Plan Map was duly adopted by Forest Lake Township Board in August, 1999; and

WHEREAS, to be consistent with the Forest Lake 2020 Comprehensive Plan Map as approved by the Metropolitan Council, the matter was referred to the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission for their recommendation; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2000 the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission referred the Amendment to the Forest Lake Township Zoning District Map in the form of Chapter Two, Section 1.1 of the Washington County Development Code to the County Board with their recommendations as required by MINN. STAT. § 394.25 to be consistent with the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan Generalized Land Use Plan Map; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners pursuant to a Notice of Intent to Amend the Washington County Comprehensive Plan Map, conducted a public hearing and by resolution amended the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan Generalized Land Use Map pertaining to Forest Lake Township; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners pursuant to a Notice of Intent to Amend the Washington County Development Code Ordinance is conducting a public hearing in order to consider the amendment to the Forest Lake Township Zoning District Map pursuant to Chapter Two, Section 1.1 of the Washington County Development Code as required by MINN. STAT. § 394.26 and MINN. STAT. § 375.51

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that for the purposes of implementing the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 394.25, the Board of Commissioners of Washington County ordains that Chapter Two, Section 1.1, Washington County Ordinance, No. 127, Forest Lake Township Zoning District Map of the Washington County Development Code is hereby amended to conform to the Forest Lake Township Zoning District Map dated May 16, 2000, which is attached to and incorporated in this resolution as Exhibit A, and is declared to be effective as Washington County Ordinance No. 152 from and after its publication date, according to law.

# Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-088 as follows:

# Resolution Adopting Text Amendment to the Washington County Development Code

WHEREAS, the Washington County Department of Transportation and Physical Development, Land Management/Land Survey Division is requesting to amend the Washington County Development Code text as a result of newly expanded metropolitan services in Forest Lake Township; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission held a public hearing on the proposed amendment on March 28, 2000 as required by the Washington County Development Code and the proposed amendments were recommended for approval at their March 28, 2000 meeting; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing on the request and to consider the amendments to the Washington County Development Code as required by Minn. Stat. § 375.51; and

WHEREAS, the records of the Washington County Board's public hearing consists of the minutes of both the Washington County Board and the Planning Advisory Commission meeting, staff reports, correspondence and a presentation by the Washington County Department of Transportation and Physical Development.

WHEREAS, Forest Lake Township has expanded Metropolitan Urban Services Area (MUSA) where public sanitary sewer will be provided; and

WHEREAS, the MUSA allows for a variety of housing options; and

WHEREAS on May 16, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners by resolution adopted an amendment to the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan Generalized Land Use Plan Map pertaining to Forest Lake Township; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2000, the Washington County Board of Commissioners by resolution adopted an amendment to the Washington County Development Code Forest Lake Township Zoning District map, Chapter Two, Section 1.1; and

WHEREAS, two new zoning districts: (a) High Density Residential District; and (b) Mixed Residential District, along with performance standards for development within those districts, are appropriate to address the expansion of public sanitary sewer to Forest lake Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the hearing record, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby enacts Washington County Ordinance No. 153 which amends Chapter One, Section 2 and Chapter Two, Part 1, Part 2, Part 3 of the Washington County Development Code as set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 153**

AMEND CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2 OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CODE BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS:

<u>Dwelling unit</u> - a residential building or portion thereof intended for occupancy by a single family but not including hotels, motels, boarding or rooming houses or tourist homes. There are three (3) principal types:

- Single-family detached: A free-standing residence structure designed for or occupied by one (1) family only.
- 2) Single-family attached: A residential building containing two (2) or more dwelling units with one (1) common wall.
  - a. Duplex: a residence designed for or occupied by two (2) families only, with separate housekeeping and cooking facilities for each.
  - b. Townhouse: A residential building containing two (2) or more dwelling units with at least one (1) common wall, each unit so oriented as to have all exits open to the outside.
  - c. Quadplex: A residential building containing four (4) dwelling units with one at least (1) common wall, each unit so oriented as to have all exits open to the outside.
- Multiple-family: A residence designed for or occupied by three (3) or more families, either wholly (attached) or partially a part of a large structure (detached), with separate housekeeping and cooking facilities for each.
  - a. Apartment: A room or suite of rooms, available for rent which is occupied as a residence by a single family, or a group of individuals living together as a single family unit.
  - b. Condominium: A form of individual ownership within a multi-family building with joint responsibility for maintenance and repairs of the land or other common property.
  - c. Operative: A multi-unit development operated for and owned by its occupants. Individual occupants do not own their specific housing unit outright as in a condominium, but they own shares in the enterprise.

<u>Mixed Residential Development</u> - A development consisting of single family detached and single family attached dwelling units.

## AMEND CHAPTER 2, PART 1 BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING SECTION:

Section 10 High Density Residential (HDR)

## 10.1 Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this district is to provide an area for multiple family residential development either rental or owner occupied in areas capable of supporting multiple family dwellings in terms of public utilities and services.

## 10.2 Uses in the HDR District

- (1) Primary Uses. The following are primary uses in the HDR District:
  - (A) Parks
  - (B) Single Family Detached
  - (C) State mandated day care/group homes
- (2) Uses with a Certificate of Compliance
  - (A) Multiple Family Residential Development
  - (B) Government Uses Building/Storage
- (3) Uses With a Conditional Use Permit
  - (A) Place of Worship
  - (B) Schools
  - (C) Mixed Residential Developments

# AMEND CHAPTER 2, PART 3, SECTION 2 BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING:

- 2.38 High Density Residential District.
- (1) Required Permits. A certificate of compliance is required for all multiple family residential developments.
- (2) Performance Standards. Multi-family residential developments must comply with the following standards:
  - (A) The property must be served by public sanitary sewer and water.
  - (B) Maximum height: three stories or 40 feet.
  - (C) Land area requirements 3,630 square feet per unit.
  - (D) Density. (MFR) Multiple Family Residential District, the density of residential dwelling units shall not exceed twelve (12) units per acres. Density is calculated on the basis of net buildable land area (net equals gross area less surface water, wetlands, floodplain and existing road easements).

## (3) Setbacks:

(A) Local Road - 30 feet

(B) Arterial - 150 feet from centerline or 50 feet from right of

way whichever is greater.

(C) Local Collector - 40 feet

(D) Sideyard (E) Rear Yard 30 feet or height of building whichever is greater
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(F) Structure separation (multiple buildings on same parcel) -

30 feet or height of building whichever is greater

# (4) Parking Requirements.

- (A) There shall be two (2) spaces per unit one of which must be in an underground parking structure.
- (B) Parking spaces shall not be within twenty (20) feet of the front lot line, ten (10) feet of the rear lot line, or ten (10) feet of the side lot line.
- (C) Driveways shall be a minimum of ten (10) feet from all lot lines.

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- (D) Driveways and parking areas must be bituminous or concrete with concrete curb and gutter.
- (E) The minimum width of any two-way driveway shall be twenty-four (24) feet and the minimum width of any one-way shall be sixteen (16) feet.
- (F) The minimum distance between curbs of driveways at the right-of-way shall be fifty (50) feet.
- (G) Every aisle in a parking lot shall be a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet in width.
- (H) No driveway shall be less than one hundred (100) feet from any right-of-way of a local street intersection and shall be consistent with county access spacing guidelines for all other roadways.
- (I) The maximum driveway angle from two-way access street shall be ninety (90) degrees; from a one-way street it shall be thirty (30) degrees.

# (5) Landscape/Screening Provisions

- (A) The design shall make use of all land contained in the site. All of the site shall be related to the circulation, recreation, screening, building, storage, landscaping, etc.
- (B) The landscaping shall be in accordance with a plan approval by the Zoning Administrator.
- (C) Screening to a height of at least five (5) feet shall be required when:
  - a. Any off-street parking area contains more than six (6) parking spaces and is within thirty (30) feet of an adjoining residential zone: and
  - b. Where the driveway to a parking area of more then six (6) parking spaces is within thirty (30) feet of an adjoining residential zone.
- (D) All exterior storage shall be screened. The exterior storage screening required shall consist of a solid fence or wall not less than five (5) feet high, but shall not extend within fifteen (15) feet of any street, driveway, or lot line.
- (E) Sidewalks shall be provided from parking areas, loading zones and recreation areas to the entrances of the building.
- (F) Outdoor swimming pools or other intensive recreation shall observe setbacks required for the principal structure.

- (6) General building or structural requirements.
  - (A) Requirements for exterior wall surfacing and covering. All multiple family dwelling buildings shall be designed and constructed to have the equivalent of a front appearance on each exterior surface. All structures shall be considered primary with brick, stone, stucco, or other comparable finished masonry surfaces.
  - (B) No air conditioning unit shall protrude from any exterior wall except to the extent required for proper functioning. A grill designed to appear as an integral part of the wall shall be placed to screen the protruding portion of the air conditioner.
  - (C) To insure proper footings, soil borings shall be taken. The boring locations shall be submitted and approved by the township engineer and shall be noted in a boring log to be presented to the township building inspector at the time application is made for a building permit. The boring locations and map shall become a part of the building permit file.
  - (7) Other Standards:
    - (A) Minimum useable open space 800 square feet per unit.
    - (B) Maximum lot coverage 75 percent.

# AMEND CHAPTER 2, PART 1 BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS:

Section 11 Mixed Residential (MXR)

#### 11.1 Purpose and Scope

"The MXR District is intended to allow a maximum density of three dwelling units Per acre (3 DUA) and a mix of single family detached and single family attached residential dwellings. Total density is calculated by multiplying site acres, excluding of existing roadways, wetlands, surface waters and floodplain areas, by times three. The mix of detached and attached housing units shall reflect a minimum 70% detached and maximum 30% attached dwelling ratio in any given residential subdivision.

#### 11.2 Uses in the Mixed Residential District

- (1) Primary Uses. The following are primary uses in the MXD District:
  - (A) Single-family detached.
  - (B) Agricultural
  - (C) Parks
  - (D) State mandated day care/group homes
- (2) Uses with the certificate of compliance.
  - (A) Mixed residential projects
- (3) Uses with a conditional use permit.
  - (A) Churches
  - (B) Schools
  - (C) Open space design subdivisions.

## AMEND CHAPTER 2, PART 2 BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING SECTION:

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- 2.7 The following lot requirements must be met in the Mixed Residential Zoning District.
- (1) Conventional Subdivision
  - (A) Minimum lot size 15,000 square feet with sewer. 10 acres without sewer.
- (2) Mixed Residential 3 units per acres.
- (3) Other Standards See Chapter 2, Part 3, Section 2.39.

## AMEND CHAPTER 2, PART 3 BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING SECTION:

- 2.39 Mixed Residential Developments.
- Required Permits. Mixed residential developments are allowed with a certificate of compliance in the mixed residential district.
- (2) Performance Standards. A mixed residential development must comply with the following standards:
  - (A) Maximum density: Three (3) units per acre overall average within the MXR development, unless modified according to PUD provisions outlined in (M) below. The maximum density for attached residences within a portion of the development area shall be six (6) units per acres.
  - (B) Minimum lot area/lot width:

Detached - 15,000 sq. ft. 100 ft. width Duplex - 7,500 sq. ft. 75 ft. width/unit

Attached - 6,000 sq. ft/unit private No established minimum

or common site area lot width

(C) Minimum structure separation:

Detached - 20 feet

Duplex - 20 feet

Attached - 30 feet or height of building, whichever is greater

(D) Maximum site coverage:

Detached - 25%

Duplex - 25%

Attached - 50% (includes private and common ownership areas)

- (E) Maximum height: 35 feet
- (F) Roadway setbacks:

Arterial - 150 ft. from centerline or 50 ft. from R-O-W, whichever is greater

Collector - 40 feet from R-O-W

Local - 30 feet from R-O-W

Private - 25 feet from curb

# (G) Sideyard setbacks:

Detached - 10 feet Duplex - 10 feet Attached - 20 feet

(H) Rear yard setback:

30 feet

(I) Garage parking:

2 stalls/unit

(J) Surface parking:

2 stalls/unit

(K) Additional parking: attached residential structures which do not directly abut public streets with on-street parking shall be required to designate common or guest parking areas equal to one-half stall per unit in addition to the garage and surface parking requirements. A modification of the total parking requirements may be made in instances where the surface parking areas are not in tandem with required garage parking.

## (3) Mixed Residential District-PUD

The purpose of the PUD provisions is to encourage high development design standards and alternative design opportunities. In exchange for higher design standards, site preservation techniques and other unique development considerations, conventional dimensional criteria may be modified or varied. A certificate of compliance is required for projects proposed under the provisions of this section. Examples of variations to dimensional standards include reductions in minimum lot areas and lot widths; modifications in the ratio of single family attached and detached homes; and modifications to the density of residential dwelling types. The PUD provisions are not intended to modify minimum open space requirements, landscaping requirements, minimum structure separation or average site density limitations.

The PUD provisions may allow for bonuses to the maximum average site density of three dwelling units per acre (3 DUA), based upon the inclusion of any of the following considerations. The Township and County shall have complete discretion in approving or denying bonuses on the basis of the following considerations. In no case shall the total cumulative bonuses awarded exceed twenty (20) per cent in any development.

## Bonus Criteria

Balance of life cycle housing opportunities and range of housing values	0-8%
Additional open space/natural amenity preservation.	0-5%
Additional public parkland dedication.	0-5%
Addition of public recreation amenities, such as picnic shelters, pavilions and playground equipment.	0-5%
Unique trail and pedestrian circulation within the developments and connection adjacent properties and facilities.	0-5%
The preservation and restoration of historic structures and landmarks.	0-5%
Absorbing the costs of public core utilities and limited access collector streets that exceed typical cost sharing.	0-8%

Construction landscaped boulevards within public streets or landscaped islands within cul de sacs, according to Township standards.

Constructing additional garage parking in attached residential units.

O-5%

Additional design criteria, determined by the Township, to warrant density bonus consideration.

AND .

ALC:

## (4) Private Streets.

Whenever it does not contradict the provisions of this Ordinance as it relates to an adopted transportation plan or the protection of opportunities for reasonable development of surrounding land adjacent to a development proposed in the application, streets which are intended to be kept continuously closed to public travel or are at all times posted as private streets may be retained as private streets and so reflected upon the final plat made a part of the permit; provided an agreement is entered into between the owner of said private streets and the community assuring that the construction, operation and maintenance of said street will be accomplished in accordance with the approved standards.

# (5) Application Materials.

All requests for townhouse developments and multi-family developments shall be accompanied by a series of site plans and data showing:

- (A) Complete details of the proposed site development, including location of buildings, driveways, parking spaces, dimensions of the parking spaces, dimensions of the lots, lot area and yard dimensions, sidewalks and trails.
- (B) Complete recreation plans illustrating all recreational facilities and structures including trails.
- (C) Complete circulation plans for proposed pedestrian and vehicle traffic.
- (D) Population and services required (kind and amount).
- (E) Complete plans for screening, fencing devices, and landscaping.
- (F) Preliminary architectural plans showing the floor plan and elevations of the proposed buildings.
- (G) Complete plans and specifications for exterior wall finishes proposed for all principal and accessory structures.
- (H) Complete data as to dwelling unit sizes and ratios of dwelling units to total lot space.
- (I) A two (2) foot contour topographic map of the existing site. All wetlands must be delineated.
- (J) A grading plan illustrating the proposed grade changes from the original topographic map. All site areas, when fully developed, shall be completely graded so as to adequately drain and dispose of all surface water, storm water and groundwater in such a manner as to preclude large scale erosion, and unwanted ponding and surface chemical run-off. An erosion control plan consistent with best management practices must also be submitted.

- (K) Estimates of solid waste disposal and provisions and facility plans for such disposal.
- (L) Complete plans and documents of the homeowners association, which explain:
  - 1 Ownership and membership requirements.
  - 2. Organization of the association.
  - 3. Time at which the developer turns the association over to the homeowners.
  - 4. Approximate monthly or yearly association fee for homeowners.
  - 5. Specific listing of items owned in common, including such items as roads, recreational facilities, parking, common open space grounds and utilities.
- (M) Services and facilities plan. A services and facilities plan shall contain a map or maps setting forth the general location and extent of any and all existing and proposed systems for sewage, domestic water supply and distribution, refuse disposal, drainage, local utilities and rights-of-way, easements, facilities and appurtenances necessary therefor.
- (N) Fire fighting and other public safety facilities and provisions, such as hydrant locations and fire lanes.
- 4. Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-089 as follows:

# Authorization to Offer Tax Forfeited Parcel at a Private Sale to Adjoining Owners

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that parcel 31.032.20.11.0050 is a tax-forfeited property, classified as non-conservation; that the basic sale price of \$1,000 set by the Washington County Assessor's office be approved and authorization to conduct a private sale to adjoining landowners by Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections' office be granted; that the method of sale other than sealed bids be approved; that the condition recommended by the Town of New Scandia of combining parcel to the taxpayer's existing parcel subsequent to the sale subject to county guideline of combining parcel be imposed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the terms of sale shall be for cash only.

5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-090** as follows:

# Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo from Scandia-Marine Lions

WHEREAS, on or about May 5, 2000, the Scandia-Marine Lions has made an application for Authorization to Conduct Excluded Bingo on August 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, pursuant to the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved is located at the Washington County Fair Grounds, State Highway No. 5, Lake Elmo, Baytown Township, Washington County; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve to approve the granting of a premises permit for the above-described licensee at the above-described location subject to the terms and conditions of all the laws of the State of Minnesota, the County of Washington, and Township of Baytown.

6. Approval of abatement applications for value and classification as follows:

Parcel #	<u>Name</u>	A <u>mount</u>
R 07.028.21.43.0001	HealthEast	\$78,994.00
R 08.032.21.23.0013	T.F. James Co.	10,180.00

- Approval of Needs Determination for expansion of licensed capacity for East Suburban Resources,
   a day training and habilitation service for adults with a developmental disability.
- Adoption of Resolution No. 2000-091 as follows:

Emergency Management Performance Grant with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program, is provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and administered by the State of Minnesota, through the Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has properly applied in good faith for the Emergency Management Performance Grant Program and has entered into contractual agreement for such financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, Richard Stafford, Board Chair, and James Schug, County Administrator are authorized to execute the terms of the agreement and thereby act on behalf of Washington County for all contractual obligations contained therein.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Washington County fully agrees to the terms of the Emergency Management Performance Grant contract and with the passage of this resolution officially requests the Division of Emergency Management to enforce the contract in accordance with the applicable rules and regulations.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

## TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-092 as follows:

Resolution to Convey Parcel on County Road 64 to the City of Stillwater WHEREAS, Washington County purchased parcel 19.030.20.41.0006 in 1993 as part of the County Road 64 reconstruction project for the purposes of wetland mitigation and the storage of excavated materials; and

WHEREAS, since the County Road 64 construction is complete, Washington County has no future intended use of this parcel except that the mitigation wetland constructed within this parcel be maintained; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stillwater has requested to either use or obtain title to this parcel for inclusion into the City's proposed Brown's Creek Park; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is willing to convey this parcel to the City of Stillwater at no cost on the following conditions:

- The City of Stillwater will be responsible for the entire wetland mitigation and maintenance responsibilities on the parcel and on the parcel legally described on attached Exhibit A (parcel 19.030.20.41.0005), as per DNR Protected Waters Permit Application #93-6072 and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Permit No. 93-008666-NW-RJA.
- The parcel will remain in City ownership and be exclusively used for park purposes and wetland mitigation and is not to be used for any other purpose without prior approval of the Washington County Board of Commissioners.
- 3. The City of Stillwater will follow all current and future applicable state and federal regulations in the management and maintenance of the site.

WHEREAS, the City of Stillwater has accepted this conveyance and the conditions/restrictions by City Council Resolution No. 2000-137, dated May 2, 2000.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners convey to the City of Stillwater the following described property:

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION ON ATTACHED EXHIBIT A

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washington County Board Chairman and Administrator are authorized to execute, on behalf of the County, all legal documents necessary to implement this resolution.

## **EXHIBIT A**

# LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PARCEL 19.030.20.41.0005

All that part of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (W½ of NE¼ of SE¼) of Section 19, Township 30 North, Range 20 West, Washington County, Minnesota, lying north of the northerly right of way line of the Burlington Northern Railroad Company (now the Minnesota Transportation Museum Railroad) and lying easterly of the following described line: Commencing at the northeast corner of said West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (W½ of NE¼ of SE¼); thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 48 seconds West, assumed bearing, along the northerly line thereof, 300.00 feet to the Point of Beginning of the line being described; thence South 13 degrees 02 minutes 09 seconds West, 500.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 41 minutes 34 seconds East 238.6 feet to said northerly right of way of the Burlington Northern Railroad Company (now the Minnesota Transportation Museum Railroad), which is the end of the line being described, all containing 6.7 acres more or less.

Subject to the right of way of McKusick Road North (County Road 64) and subject to and together with a perpetual easement for driveway purposes over, under, and across a strip of

land 40.00 feet in width, the centerline of which is described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of the above described parcel; thence South 13 degrees 02 minutes 09 seconds West along the westerly line thereof 50.00 feet to the end of the centerline being described.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

# Resolution of Appreciation to Marie Sunlitis, Court Administrator

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2000-093 as follows:

Resolution of Appreciation to
Marie Sunlitis, Court Administrator
in Recognition of her
Service to Washington County Government

WHEREAS, Court Administrator Marie Sunlitis is retiring from Washington County Government effective May 31, 2000; and

WHEREAS, Marie Sunlitis joined Washington County in October 1988 continuing a successful and noteworthy career which began in 1959 as a legal secretary for a law firm and progressed to serving as the Court Administrator for Wright County prior to joining Washington County; and

WHEREAS, Marie Sunlitis has contributed to the District Court's ability to accommodate the steady increase in the court's workload during her years as Court Administrator; and, the Tenth Judicial District Judges have greatly appreciated her effective organizational skills and talent for hiring the right staff for the needs of the department; and

WHEREAS, Marie Sunlitis has received widespread recognition by her peers for her active involvement in the Minnesota Association for Court Administrators as President of MACA in 1988-89 and she was honored as the "Court Administrator of the Year" in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Marie Sunlitis has provided leadership and innovation to the court system of Minnesota through her service as a member of the Minnesota Supreme Court Advisory Task Force on the Guardian ad Litem System and as the Chair of the Tenth Judicial District Education Committee;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Washington County Board of Commissioners joins together with the Judges of the Tenth Judicial District to heartily commend Court Administrator Marie Sunlitis for her dedication and service to the citizens of the County; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners and County Employees hereby recognize the administrative leadership and expertise that she has provided to Washington County during her nearly 12 years of service and extend their best wishes to Marie Sunlitis and her family for an enjoyable future.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

## Appointment to the Carnelian Marine Watershed District Board of Managers

Commissioner Hegberg moved to reappoint Michael White, New Scandia Township, to the Carnelian Marine Watershed District Board of Managers to a second term expiring June 21, 2003. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

## Appointment to the South Washington Watershed District Board of Managers

Commissioner Peterson moved to reappoint Carol Hockert, Cottage Grove, to the South Washington Watershed District Board of Managers to a first full term expiring May 1, 2003. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

## Association of Minnesota Counties Leadership Retreat

James Schug, County Administrator, announced that the Association of Minnesota Counties will conduct a Leadership Retreat on August 9 through 11, 2000 in Detroit Lakes. Previously, this retreat has been reserved for Board Chairs only, but now it is open to all Commissioners.

## **County Bid Information on the Internet**

Mr. Schug announced that the County has entered into an agreement with worklist.com that will list the County's bid specifications on the internet providing a broader exposure to more companies who may be interested in bidding on various construction projects. He noted that bids will still be printed in the legal newspaper according to law. He also stated that job postings are being placed on the internet and that we are possibly moving to increase the amount of information put on the internet related to the County Board Agendas.

#### DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

## **COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS**

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board meeting he attended last week. He indicated that it was a good meeting, even though they had difficult subjects to discuss. One of the items discussed was outsourcing Section 8 and other management functions. He referred to a letter that was sent out, anonymously, to a number of government officials complaining about one of the

Commissioners on the HRA Board and he didn't think that was appropriate. He thought it was appropriate that this Commissioner had the freedom to talk about this issue so that Board can have an honest discussion of those proposals. He believes that the County Board should show its support for that discussion and that process.

Commissioner Stafford asked if Commissioner Hegberg could attend the Metropolitan Energy Task Force meeting on June 1 because he has an EMS Radio Communications Board meeting at the same time. Commissioner Hegberg stated he would attend that meeting.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported that the Plat Commission heard requests for 442 new houses on the west side of Highway 61 in Forest Lake Township and 229 houses on the east side of Highway 61 in Forest Lake Township. He found that interesting since that request came one day after the Board heard that the sewer system in that area was at capacity.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he also received an anonymous letter regarding the HRA Board and agrees with Commissioner Hegberg's comments. He indicated that there was a sub-committee of the HRA Board that was created and came back with recommendations on how to make positive changes to the operation of the HRA. He admires them trying to move in a positive direction. He strongly disagrees with the letter that went out criticizing these efforts. He believes that whoever was responsible for this letter owes Commissioner Peterson and David Piggott, HRA Board Member, a public apology.

Commissioner Peterson stated she would like the County Board to send out a letter to the governmental agencies that received this letter, thanking Mr. Piggott for doing his job of being a public appointee in a contentious situation. She feels he has brought to the HRA Board a business perspective and that he wrote a very professional report that needs to be discussed by the HRA Commissioners.

Commissioner Stafford stated he would rather not send out anything. He feels the County Board needs to be careful in how it gets involved in these issues. He does not place any credence in this letter because it is unsigned and some statements made in the letter were blatant lies. He believes the HRA has a Board of Directors, they seem to be handling this well and he supports the Board of Directors and would encourage them to do their job.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated that he supports his appointee to the HRA Board 100 percent. When he receives an unsigned letter it goes in File 13.

## **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 Abrahamson and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

# **BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COURT SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

The Board met in workshop session with the Court Services Department to discuss its Juvenile Placement Annual Report. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Russ Reetz and Kristin Tuenge.

## BOARD WORKSHOP WITH OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss Purchase of Development Rights Advisory Committee appointments. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl and Jane Harper.

Attest:

James R. Schug

County Administrator

R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board