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	08/08/2000		County's insurance rates will be going down slightly and dividends will go up slightly.	14	333
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	08/22/2000		Commissioner Abrahamson asked that staff find out why MN/DOT raised the speed limit south of Stillwater from 40 to 50 mph.	14	354
	08/22/2000		Joyce Welander, Grant, spoke in support of the MN Extension Service and the Ag. Society.	14	354
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	08/29/2000		John Neeman, Denmark Township, spoke in support of the Minnesota Extension Services.	14	359

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	09/26/2000		Workshop w/Transportation & Physical Development to discuss funding sources for maintenance and construction of County highway system; and, review of MN/DOT's cost sharing proposal for the Wakota Bridge reconstruction project.	14	400
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	10/03/2000		Commissioner Stafford reported he has made presentation on the Green Corridor referendum and is scheduled for more.	14	406
	10/03/2000		City of Woodbury willing to contribute \$327,000 to the Tower/Hinton Connection project.	14	406
	10/10/2000		Proclaiming October 10/9-14/00 as Family Child Care Provider Week.	14	411
	10/10/2000		Public hearing held on proposed WACO Right of Way Ordinance. Written comments to be accepted for two weeks.	14	411
	10/10/2000		Commissioner Hegberg asked Board to study issue of increasing nuclear power as a source of energy. He will bring that matter up for discussion at the next Energy Task Force meeting.	14	415

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	10/10/2000		Copies of how federal funding works and how to get a project going distributed; Also, copies of Met. Council criteria for T-21.	14	415
	10/10/2000		MN World Competition to hold convention on 11/2-3/00 to discuss economic development.	14	415
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	10/17/2000		Public hearing held on tax rate authorization for the year 2001.	14	418
	10/17/2000		Request that the Discussion from the Audience segment of the County Board Agenda be moved before or right after the Consent Calendar to allow citizens more of an opportunity to voice their concerns sooner.	14	420
	10/17/2000		Chock Junker, Stillwater, addressed the Board on the upcoming referendum related to the Green Corridor, he feels that senior citizens should be exempt from paying this tax if it is passed.	14	420
	10/17/2000		Workshop w/Public Health & Environment to discuss the Youth Risk Behavior Endowment.	14	421
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	10/24/2000		Commissioner Pulkrabek asked that the Board hold a workshop to discuss Commissioner committee appointments for 2001.	14	428
	10/24/2000		Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on Library Board meeting and that they were concerned that the County Board did not proceed with expansion of the park lot at the current Woodbury Library.	14	428
	10/24/2000		Board correspondence received from Winona and Edward Zechmann, Bodlivick Apartments, regarding rate increase.	14	428
	10/24/2000		Commissioner Hegberg reported on meetings w/City of Forest Lake, Forest Lake Township and State of MN discussing the Highway 97 issue near the school.	14	428
	10/24/2000		League of Local Governments meeting to be held on Monday, October 30, at the Prom Center in Oakdale.	14	428
	10/24/2000		Commissioner Hegberg announced that Randall Samuelson has resigned from the HRA Board.	14	429
	10/24/2000		Workshop w/Sheriff's Office to discuss trends in jail bed rental revenue.	14	429
	10/24/2000		Workshop w/Recorder's Office to discuss Recorder's Office records on the internet and a potential fee structure.	14	429
	11/07/2000		Richard Caldecott, Carnelian Marine Watershed, discussed issues related to joining the Brown's Creek Watershed District.	14	431
	11/07/2000		Resolution 2000-161, Right of Way Ordinance No. 154.	14	435
	11/07/2000		Appoint Commissioner Hegberg as voting delegate and Commissioner Peterson as alternate to the MN Counties Insurance Trust.	14	437
	11/07/2000		Appt. of Commissioner Hegberg to the HRA Board to fill an unexpired term to 12/31/01.	14	442

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	11/14/2000		Amend Policy No. 1111, guidelines for advisory committees to extend period in which interviews of applicants to certain committees through 12/31/02 and that the Veterans Rest Camp and Watershed Districts be added to that list.	14	444
	11/14/2000		Appt. Commissioner Stafford to replace Commissioner Hegberg as chair of the Finance Committee and that Commissioner Hegberg replace Commissioner Stafford as chair of the Internal Audit Committee.	14	445
	11/14/2000		Appt. of Commissioner Peterson to the Finance Committee replacing Commissioner Hegberg.	14	445
	11/14/2000		Staff to review letters from Denmark Township regarding outbuildings. Staff reviewing ordinances which will be brought back for Board discussion.	14	446
	11/14/2000		Discussion of defeat of open space referendum. Need to discuss where the Board goes from here regarding clustering and the green corridor.	14	446
	11/14/2000		Report given on NACo Social Service Conference. Suggestion that the County join the National Association of County Aging Programs.	14	446
	11/14/2000		Request that Board have workshop on green corridor status.	14	447
	11/14/2000		Report that MN Counties Insurance Trust will look into insurance coverage for HRA's throughout the state.	14	447
	11/14/2000		Workshop w/Financial Services to discuss collection efforts in the County.	14	448
	11/14/2000		Workshop w/Administration to discuss allocation of the Community Development Block Grant and composition of the citizen advisory committee.	14	448
	11/21/2000		David C. Junker spoke to the Board on the following issues: Metro transit, rising rates of power companies, increase in taxes, Commissioners' salaries.	14	449
	11/21/2000		Ronald Schaefer, Woodbury, addressed the Board on alleged unlawful and unauthorized release of his Social Security number.	14	450
	11/21/2000		Joint meeting w/Ramsey County scheduled for 12/1/00, 8:30 a.m., Oak Marsh Golf Course.	14	452
	11/21/2000		Merry Beckman, AMC, is leaving. Staff directed to prepare a letter from the County Board.	14	452
	11/21/2000		Report given on Highway 97 corridor. MN/DOT indicated they may fund a portion of a study. Contact person mentioned for additional funds from the Metropolitan Transit.	14	452
	11/21/2000		Announcement of Burton Baker's death. He was one of the founders of Human Services, Inc. and served on that Board from 1969 through 1987.	14	453
	11/21/2000		Workshop w/Administration to discuss the 2001 Legislative Agenda.	14	453
	11/21/2000		Board requested to tour cluster housing development in Marine on St. Croix.	14	453
	11/28/2000		Reminder: December 5 Board meeting moved to Thursday, December 7 prior to the Truth-in-Taxation hearing.	14	457
	11/28/2000		Workshop w/Public Health and Environment to discuss the EMS Radio Communications Board.	14	458

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	12/07/2000		Marc Hugunin, Metropolitan Council, presented a report from the Mayor's Regional Affordable Housing Task Force.	14	461
	12/07/2000		AMC Achievement Award for the Historic Courthouse Video Documentary.	14	462
	12/12/2000		Ronald Schaefer, Woodbury, addressed the Board on alleged unauthorized release of his social security number.	14	469
	12/12/2000		Public Hearing held on amendment to Ordinance No. 129, use of snowmobiles on County trails.	14	470
	12/12/2000		Res. No. 2000-164, adopting Ord. No. 155, prohibiting the use of metal traction devices on County paved trails.	14	473
	12/12/2000	2000-168	Establishing County Commissioners' salaries and expenses for 2001.	14	477
	12/12/2000		Workshop w/Administration to discuss the purchase of development rights parcel review.	14	478
	12/19/2000		Ronald Schaefer, Woodbury, addressed the Board on alleged unauthorized release of his social security number.	14	479
	12/19/2000		Amend policy 1012, Mileage Reimbursement and increase to 34.5 cents per mile effective 1/7/01.	14	480
	12/19/2000		December 26, 2000 Board meeting cancelled.	14	484
	12/19/2000		Comm. Stafford suggested a joint effort w/Ramsey County re: revenues from tax forfeited land sales and dedicate the proceeds towards affordable housing.	14	485
	12/19/2000		Report by Comm. Pulkrabek on contrast of two recent reports on affordable housing.	14	485
	12/19/2000		Jeff Olson, former VSO for WACO, appointed Commissioner of Veterans Affairs for the State of MN.	14	485
	12/19/2000		Workshop w/Public Health and Environment to discuss the Metropolitan Counties Energy Task Force.	14	485
	12/19/2000		Workshop held to discuss Commissioners' committee appointments for 2001.	14	486
	12/19/2000		Workshop w/ATSE to review tax forfeited property that may need legislative authority to sell.	14	486
	12/19/2000		Workshop w/Administration to discuss the Commissioners' committee appointments for 2001.	14	486
Community Services	07/11/2000		Contract w/REM Health, Inc. home based mental health services for children w/severe emotional disturbance.	14	294
	07/25/2000		Contract w/HSI, designated agency for the use of Children's Mental Health Collaborative funds.	14	310
	08/22/2000		Needs Determination to close two intermediate Care Facilities, Nekton-Stillwater Lane and Nekton-Imperial Court.	14	341
	08/29/2000		Contract w/Haven Chemical Health Systems, LLC.	14	358
	09/12/2000		Workshop held to discuss the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging (MAAA).	14	317
	09/19/2000		Six month special project Social Service Supervisory position.	14	374

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Community Services	09/19/2000		Amendment to the Plan Provider Participation Agreement w/UCARE Minnesota.	14	376
	09/26/2000		Local Service Unit Plan for Local Intervention from Grants for Self-Sufficiency.	14	388
	09/26/2000		Workshop for update on the concurrent permanency planning.	14	400
	10/03/2000		Appt. Patrick Miller to RAP to a term expiring December 31, 2001.	14	402
	10/10/2000		Proclaim 10/9-14/00 as Family Child Care Provider Week; certificates of recognition to Angela Eppler-Scheller and Shannon Sargent, Outstanding Child Care Providers for 2000.	14	411
	10/17/2000		Revised bylaws for the Community Social Service Advisory Committee.	14	417
	10/24/2000		2001 Child and Teen Checkup Program Plan.	14	425
	11/07/2000		Amend Children's Mental Health Collaborative contract re: COLA increase and supplemental award.	14	432
	11/07/2000		Accept Children's Justice Act Award to provide training on interviewing methods.	14	432
	11/07/2000		Contract w/Families for Effective Autism Treatment, home based mental health services for children.	14	432
	11/21/2000		13-month Special Project Social Worker I.	14	450
	12/07/2000		Appt. Gary Kriesel, Community Services Advisory, 1st term expiring 12/31/03.	14	461
	12/12/2000		Parental fee schedule for calendar year 2001.	14	469
	12/19/2000		Appt. John Colbert to Community Services Advsiory, 1st term expiring 12/31/03.	14	479
	12/19/2000		Appt. Craig Pederson to Community Services Advisory Board, to 1st term expiring 12/31/03.	14	479
Court Administration	10/10/2000		Tribute given to the Honorable Judge Smith Eggleston, who passed away last week.	14	407
Court Services	07/25/2000		Amend. WACO Family Service Collaborative Interagency Agreement.	14	311
	09/05/2000		Appt. Janet Wourenma, Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a partial term expiring 12/31/00.	14	363
	09/26/2000		Appt. Shelley Elling to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, Probation Officer Rep., to unexpired term to 12/31/00.	14	386
	09/26/2000		Appt. Debra Barnes, Hugo, to the Sentence to Service Advisory Board, to a term expiring 12/31/01.	14	386
	10/03/2000		Community Circle grant renewal.	14	402
Financial Services	07/11/2000		Presentation of the 1999 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.	14	298
	07/11/2000		Presentation of the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ended 12/31/98.	14	298
	08/01/2000		Res. No. 2000-118, estab. public hearing on the \$16,700,000 G.O. CIP bonds for August 22, 2000.	14	319
	08/22/2000		Public Hearing held to consider adoption of a resolutuion providing for the issuance and sale of \$16,410,000 G.O. Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2000A.	14	345
	08/22/2000		Res. No. 2000-131, providing for the issuance and sale of \$16,410,000 G.O. Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2000A.	14	346

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Financial Services	09/26/2000		Res. No. 2000-146, awarding the sale of General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2000A.	14	388
	11/14/2000		Revision of Policy #2014, Petty Cash and Change Funds, to include a petty cash fund of \$25 at the Historic Courthouse.	14	443
	11/14/2000		Workshop held to discuss collection efforts in the County.	14	448
	11/28/2000		Two special project positions, Paralegal and Collections Officer to enhance collections of County debt.	14	456
HRA	08/22/2000	2000-134	Appointment of Robert Lafayette, at-large representative, to the Housing and Redevelopment Board to a term expiring 8/31/02; and appointment of Bharat Tandan, representing public housing agency, to a term expiring 8/31/01.	14	353
	10/24/2000		Commissioner Hegberg announced that Randall Samuelson has resigned from the HRA Board.	14	429
	11/07/2000		Appointment of Commissioner Hegberg to the HRA Board to fill an unexpired term to December 31, 2001.	14	442
	11/14/2000		Consent agreement w/HRA and the City of Cottage Grove for settlement of supplemental service charges and auth. the Board Chair and County Administrator to sign this consent agreement in conjunction w/an overall settlement between the HRA and the City of Cottage Grove to void the supplemental service charges.	14	445
Human Resources	07/11/2000		Modify attraction/retention salary ranges for position of Appraisal Manager in ATSE.	14	294
	07/11/2000		Certification of additional employees in the the local Correctional Employees Pension Plan.	14	294
	07/25/2000		Banding/grading recommendations and approval of new or newly-written affected job descriptions: Property Manager/ Property Acquisition Specialist; Real Estate/Tax Tech.; Sr. Real Estate/Tax Tech; Real Estate/Tax Specialist; and County Risk Manager.	14	310
	08/08/2000		Convert a Special Project Office Assistant to regular status, effective 8/6/00.	14	323
	09/12/2000		Renew service agree.w/Frank Madden & Associates for labor relations consultant services through 9/30/01.	14	367
	09/19/2000		Modify Section 15 of the Personnel Rules and Regulations to permit use of paid sick leave and vacation for new employees after completion of 3 months of service.	14	374
	09/26/2000		Modified merit pay program for employees in the County Association of Supervisors.	14	386
	09/26/2000		Report given on the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust.	14	388
	09/26/2000		Staff asked to look at the deductibles for the County's insurance.	14	399
	10/17/2000		Convert a special project Utility Shift Supervisor to a regular status of supervisor.	14	417
	10/17/2000		Substitute position of Transportation Engineer for an Engineer II to manage the Traffic Section of the Transportation Division.	14	417
	11/14/2000		Ratify the 2001 meet and confer agreement w/non-union employee groups: Dept. Heads, Confidential Supervisors and Confidential Employees.	14	443
	11/14/2000		Banding/grading of new classifications: Management Analyst I at C41-1 and Management Analyst II at C43-1.	14	443

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Human Resources	11/21/2000		Modifiy Personnel Rules and Regulations Sections 18 (Employee Development and Section 19 (Reimbursement of Travel and Related Expenses).	14	450
	11/21/2000		New Department Head classification and salary plan.	14	451
	12/07/2000		Pay equity salary adjustments, effective 12/10/00 for several classifications.	14	462
	12/12/2000	2000-165	2001 salary for County Sheriff and Deputy.	14	476
	12/12/2000	2000-166	2001 salary for the County Attorney and assistants.	14	476
	12/12/2000	2000-167	2001 salary for the County Administrator.	14	477
	12/19/2000		Changes to classifications from exempt to non-exempt status effective 1/7/01.	14	482
Internal Auditor	07/18/2000		Response letter to the State Auditor's Office on their management letter on internal controls and compliance for year ended 12/31/99.	14	305
Legislative	07/11/2000		Workshop held to discuss County's lobbying and policy development services and membership in lobbying associations.	14	300
	07/18/2000		Senator Gary Laidig expressed his thanks for the close liaison his office has with the County Board members and that the County's legislative liaison is doing a great job.	14	306
	08/15/2000		Renew contract w/John Kaul for legislative liaison services, 9/1/00 to 8/31/01.	14	337
	11/21/2000		Workshop held to discuss the 2001 Legislative Agends.	14	453
	12/12/2000		Reception with legislators scheduled for 1/9/01, 5:00 p.m. at the Oak Marsh Golf Course to review 2001 legislative agends.	14	478
Minnesota Extension	07/18/2000	2000-112	Appropriating for County Extension work for the year beginning 1/1/00.	14	301
	08/29/2000		Workshop held to discuss its programs and consider their budget recommendations for 2001.	14	360
Public Health & Environment	07/11/2000		Appt. Dr. Kenneth W. Crabb, Public Health Advisory, 1st term to 12/31/01.	14	293
	07/11/2000	2000-107	Recognizing Andersen Corp. and Intek Plastics for continued leadership and innovation in seeking solutions to managing solid waste.	14	295
	07/11/2000	2000-108	Project Impact grant w/the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management.	14	296
	07/18/2000		Table discussion on Ramsey/Washington Resource Recovery Facility 2001 operating budget to 7/25/00.	14	303
	07/25/2000		Agree. w/City of Oakdale for distribution of curbside recycling funds.	14	310
	07/25/2000	2000-114	Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project 2001 operating budget. (Superceded by Res. No. 2000-133)	14	312
	07/25/2000		Workshop held to disucss solid waste direct payment for services.	14	316
	08/15/2000		Agreement w/Citites of Birchwood and Stillwater for distribution of curbside recycling funds.	14	336
	08/22/2000	2000-125	Establishing 2001 Fee Schedules for Environmental Health Programs.	14	341
	08/22/2000		Table agreement w/Forest Lake Township for distribuition of curbside recycling funds until September 5, 2000.	14	345
	08/22/2000	2000-133	Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Projects 2001 Operating Budget (Supercedes Res. No. 2000-114, adopted July 25, 2000).	14	352

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Public Health & Environment	09/05/2000		Agree. w/Forest Lake Township for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$73,017.	14	364
	09/19/2000		Twelve month special project Environmental Health Tech. position.	14	374
	09/26/2000		Modified agreement w/Cottage Grove for distirbtion of curbside recycling funds.	14	386
	09/26/2000		Workshop held to discuss the draft groundwater plan update process and time lines for completion.	14	400
	10/10/2000		Grant application to the MN Dept. of Health for Part V - Youth Access Enforcement Projects of the MN Youth Tobacco Prevention Initiative.	14	409
	10/10/2000		Establish a fifteen member Groundwater Advisory Committee and approve payment of per diem at \$35 plus mileage.	14	410
	10/10/2000		Update on electronics collection project held at the Woodbury Best Buy Store on September 15 and 16, 2000.	14	414
	10/17/2000		Set Citizen tipping fees as recommended by the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project.	14	417
	10/17/2000		Increase in the Ramsey/Washington Resource Recovery 2000 budget and appropriation of \$324,000.	14	419
	10/17/2000		Workshop held to discuss the Youth Risk Behavior Endowment.	14	421
	10/24/2000		Contract w/Lakeview Memorial Hospital, 10/24/00 - 6/30/01, lead agency duties for the Tobacco Free Future Coalition in WACO.	14	424
	11/28/2000		Workshop held to discuss the EMS Radio Communications Board.	14	458
	12/19/2000		Appt. Sheila Colbert to Public Health Advisory, 1st term, 12/31/02.	14	479
	12/19/2000		Workshop held to discuss the Metropolitan Counties Energy Task Force.	14	485
Recorder	08/08/2000		Workshop held for demonstration and discussion of availability of Recorder's office records on the internet.	14	333
	10/24/2000		Workshop held to discuss Recorder's Office records on the internet and a potential fee structure.	14	429
	11/07/2000		Fees for Recorder's Office Internet Products.	14	435
	11/14/2000		Plat of Oakgreen Meadows, Denmark Township.	14	443
	11/21/2000		Contract for access to Recorder's Office Internet Site.	14	450
	12/07/2000		Plat of Eagles Watch, Denmark Towship.	14	462
	12/07/2000		Plat of Langer Addition, May Township.	14	462
	12/07/2000		Plat of Pinewood Ridge, Stillwater Township.	14	462
Regional Rail Authority	07/25/2000		RRA meeting held and the following items discussed: Midwest Regional Rail Initiative; and Request to use RRA right-of-way for parking by the Hugo Subway Sandwich Shop.	14	309
	09/26/2000		Staff directed to prepare lease agreement with Hugo Subway Shop to expand its parking lot onto RRA right-of-way.	14	385
	11/07/2000		Resolution RRA-00-03, Authorizing Participation as a Member of the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust and Accept and Execute the Joint Powers Agreement.	14	431
	11/21/2000		Update on Regional Rail Authority activities.	14	449

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Sheriff	07/11/2000		Contract w/Town of New Scandia for law enforcement services and acceptance of a COPS grant to fund that position.	14	294
	07/11/2000		Transfer ownership of K-9 "Maxx" to his handler.	14	294
	08/08/2000		Joint Powers Agreement w/State of MN, Dept. of Public Safety, Alcohol & Gambling Enforcement Div., to conduct alcohol compliance checks for underage drinking.	14	324
	08/22/2000	2000-126	Auth. Agreement w/MN Department of Public Safety for the Safe and Sober Communities Project.	14	342
	08/22/2000		Service agreement w/Motorola Communications for radio maintenance for the remainder of 2000.	14	342
	09/26/2000	2000-144	Execution of grant contract for the program Operation NightCAP.	14	387
	10/24/2000		Workshop held to discuss trends in jail bed rental revenue.	14	429
	12/12/2000		Raise the program fee charged to jail inmates.	14	470
	12/19/2000		Amend. Service agreement w/Motorola, Inc. for radio maintenance and service.	14	481
Transportation-Facilities	07/18/2000	2000-113	Award of contract for north shop floor covering project to Restoration Technologies, Inc.	14	302
	08/08/2000		Update on proposed development agree. w/City of Woodbury for the new Woodbury Library/City Park Project.	14	325
	08/22/2000	2000-130	Submit application of the Historic Courthouse video documentary "Sentry on the Hill" for a 2000 AMC Award.	14	344
	08/29/2000	2000-135	Final Payment to NS/I Mechanical Contracting Co. for a new air cooled chiller unit at the Government Center.	14	357
	09/05/2000	2000-136	Final Payment to Mattson Lawn & Garden, Inc. for chemical weed control.	14	363
	09/05/2000		Table action on proposed contract w/Wold Architects and Engineers for engineering work involved with remodeling the old Woodbury Library.	14	364
	09/19/2000		Contract w/Allphase Companies, Inc. for demolition of the Bayport Garage in Bayport.	14	374
	09/26/2000	2000-145	Rejection of bids received for North Shop air handler replacement.	14	387
	10/03/2000		Update given on the new Woodbury Library and Central Park project.	14	405
	11/07/2000	2000-159	Final payment to Restoration Technologies, Inc. for North Shop floor coating.	14	433
	11/14/2000		Auth. execution of the Development Agreement w/City of Woodbury for the Woodbury Library and Indoor Park.	14	444
	11/14/2000		Auth. advertizement of bids for the Woodbury Library and Indoor Park and that the bid date be established by the City of Woodbury.	14	444
	11/21/2000		Operations grant to the County Historic Society.	14	451
	11/28/2000	2000-163	Final payment to Schreiber Mullaney Construction Co., Inc., remodeling of the Stillwater License Center.	14	455
	11/28/2000		Historic Courthouse to receive AMC award at annual conference in December.	14	457
	12/07/2000		AMC Achievement Award for Historic Courthouse Video Documentary.	14	462
Transportation-General	07/11/2000	2000-109	Commitment of responsibility for selected culverts on Judicial Ditch No. 2.	14	297
	07/11/2000		John Waller, Hugo, disscsed issues related to the Judicial Ditch No. 2 in Hugo.	14	299

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Transportation-General	07/18/2000		County comments on Valley Branch Watershed District Management Plan Amendment.	14	303
	07/18/2000		Recommend to MN BWSR the appointment of Richard Damchik to the Comfort-Lake-Forest Lake Watershed.	14	305
	08/01/2000		Appt. Richard Damchik, Forest Lake Twp., Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed, to fill unexpired term to 9/22/00.	14	317
	08/08/2000	2000-122	Direct County Attorney's office to file Valley Branch Watershed District Enlargement Petition w/BWSR.	14	327
	09/12/2000		Lease w/Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed for subletting space in the Forest Lake City Hall on a month-to-month basis.	14	367
	09/19/2000		Reappointments to the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District: Richard Damchik, 1-year term to 9/22/01; John T. Lynch, 2-year term to 9/22/02; and Dennis G. Larson, 3-year term to 9/22/03.	14	374
	10/03/2000		Reappt. Ned Gordon, Brown's Creek Watershed District, to a three-year term expiring 10/21/03.	14	402
	10/10/2000		Appt. Donald L. Pereira, Cottage Grove, to the South Washington Watershed to fill an unexpired term from 11/1/00 to 5/1/03.	14	408
	10/24/2000		Reappoint Dale Borash to Valley Branch Watershed, to second term expiring 11/13/03.	14	423
	11/07/2000	2000-162	Directing County Attorney to file Carnelian-Marine Watershed District enlargement petition with the Board of Water and Soil Resources.	14	438
	11/28/2000		Report that testimony was given on the County's petition to enlarge the Brown's Creek Watershed District. Testimony to be given on petition for enlargment of the Valley Creek Watershed District on November 29.	14	457
	12/12/2000		Staff comments on Brown's Creek second generation watershed management plan.	14	469
	12/19/2000		Appt. James Leroux, Rice Creek Watershed, 1st term expiring 1/17/04.	14	482
Transportation-Parks	07/25/2000		2001 park fees and charges.	14	310
	08/01/2000		Auth. to hold drawing for a County Park Sticker for each day of the fair 8/2-6/00.	14	317
	08/08/2000		Metropolitan Council Grant SG-00-31 for park land acquisition for Big Marine Park.	14	324
	08/08/2000		Letter of commendations presented to Jon Aerts and Erin Plathe and Lake Elmo Park Reserve lifeguards, for saving the life of Tyler Fosse on 7/6/00.	14	325
	08/15/2000		Update on the Lake Links Trail Network planning effort by Brauer & Associates, LTD.	14	337
	09/19/2000	2000-141	Purchase of Wallace Carlson Property for inclusion in the Big Marine Regional Park Reserve.	14	374
	10/24/2000	2000-156	Award of lease and rejection of bid for agricultural land at County parks.	14	425
	10/24/2000		Advertise for bids to re-roof buildings in Lake Elmo Park Reserve.	14	427
	11/07/2000	2000-160	Purchase of Herber property, Big Marine Regional Park Reserve.	14	434
	11/21/2000		Public Hearing set for 12/12/00 at 9:00 a.m. to consider an amendment to Ordinance No. 129 prohibiting operation of a snowmobile w/metal traction devices in certain portions of the County.	14	451

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Transportation-Parks	11/28/2000		Update given on meeting with Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission concerning St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park.	14	456
	11/28/2000		Request that workshop be scheduled to discuss all the parks master plans and the Green Corridor status.	14	457
	12/12/2000		Appt. Jaclyn Ulrich, Parks and Open Space Commission, 1st term expiring 12/31/03.	14	469
	12/12/2000		Public Hearing held on amendment to Ordinance No. 129, use of snowmobiles on County trails.	14	470
	12/12/2000	2000-164	Adopting Ordinance No. 155, prohibiting the use of metal traction devices on County paved trails.	14	473
Transportation-Roads	07/11/2000	2000-106	Change access openings along CSAH 3 within the Bluffs of East Bay Plat.	14	294
	07/11/2000		Cooperative agree. w/the City of Forest Lake for construction of a traffic signal and maintenance aspects.	14	295
	07/18/2000		Update on CSAH 13 (Hinton Avenue/Tower Drive) project.	14	304
	07/25/2000		Renewal of road maintenance agreements.	14	310
	07/25/2000		Cost participation agree. w/City of Oakdale for improvements to an access median on CSAH 10.	14	310
	07/25/2000		Update on the progress of the I-494/TH 61 Wakota Bridge reconstruction project.	14	311
	08/01/2000	2000-117	All way stop installation at the Stillwater Boulevard (CSAH 6) and Ideal Avenue (CSAH 13)/Helmo Avenue Intersection.	14	318
	08/08/2000	2000-120	Award of contract for CSAH 10 median modifications to Tower Asphalt, Inc.	14	323
	08/15/2000	2000-124	Request for speed study on CSAH 20 from CSAH 18 to CSAH 21.	14	336
	08/22/2000	2000-127	Final payment to Allied Blacktop Company for 2000 sealcoating of County Roads.	14	342
	08/22/2000	2000-128	Speed study on CSAH 6 from Grenada Ave. to TH 5 in the Cities of Oakdale and Lake Elmo.	14	342
	08/22/2000	2000-129	Release advertising sign covenants on CSAH 19.	14	343
	09/05/2000		Amend. No. 2 to contract #284 w/Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. for engineering design services for CSAH 21/28 improvement project.	14	364
	09/12/2000		Set public hearing for Right of Way Ordinance for 9/26/00.	14	368
	09/12/2000		Workshop held to discuss the proposed right of way ordinance.	14	371
	09/26/2000		Supplemental agreement No. 1 to plant mixed bituminous material in place contract w/Tower Asphalt, Inc.	14	387
	09/26/2000		Update given on CR 19 construction progress: On schedule and close to budget.	14	399
	09/26/2000		Workshop held to discuss funding sources for maintenance and construction of the County highway system and review of the MN/DOT's cost sharing proposal for the Wakota Reconstruction project.	14	400
	10/03/2000		Denial of request by J.A.R. Bridge to fund bridge inspection services; and, auth. a feasibility study for a new river crossing to be considered in 2001.	14	405
	10/10/2000		Cooperative construction agreement w/City of Forest Lake and Forest Lake Township.	14	410

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Transportation-Roads	10/10/2000	2000-151	Request funding from the MN Dept. of Transportation through the Municipal Agreement Program for the CSAH 21/28 improvement project.	14	410
	10/10/2000		Public Hearing held on Proposed WACO Right of Way Ordinance. Written comment period open for two weeks.	14	411
	11/07/2000	2000-158	Request funding from the MN Dept. of Transportation through the Municipal Agreement Program for the CSAH 13 traffic signal system project at Hudson Blvd/4th Street North.	14	433
	11/07/2000	2000-161	Adoption of Washington County Right of Way Ordinance No. 154.	14	435
	11/28/2000		Workshop held w/Lake Elmo City Council to discuss proposed highway improvements.	14	459
	12/12/2000		Review of Trunk Highway 36 subarea study.	14	475
	12/12/2000		Review of 2000 construction CIP and change orders and supplemental agreements for cold inplace recycling program.	14	475
	12/12/2000		Supplemental Agreements No. 1 and No. 2 w/Tower Asphalt, Inc. for cold inplace recycling program.	14	475
Transportation-Surveyor	07/25/2000		Postpone the decision on need for an EIS for Rumpca Excavating in Denmark Twp. for 30 days.	14	310
	08/22/2000	2000-132	Terminating the uniform street naming and numbering system agreement w/the City of Cottage Grove.	14	351
	09/12/2000		Cooperating Technical Communities Memorandum of Agree.w/FEMA; and approval to apply for a Cooperating Technical Communities Grant of \$129,000 to provide funding to assist in defining unmapped areas and landlocked basins in the County.	14	368
	09/19/2000		Negative declaration on need for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Rumpca Excavating mining operation in Denmark Township.	14	376
	09/26/2000		Grant agreement with FEMA for floodplain mapping.	14	387
	09/26/2000		Public hearing for the proposed Right of Way Ordinance scheduled for 9/26/00 cancelled, rescheduled for 10/10/00.	14	387
	10/03/2000	2000-147	Negative Declaration of need for an EIS for the Rumpca Excavation gravel mining operation in Denmark Township.	14	401
	12/19/2000		Reappoint County Surveyor, Larry Nybeck to a new four-year term expiring 12/31/04.	14	480
	12/19/2000		Mary Senkus presented w/Certificate of Recognition for her 18 years as a citizen member to the Board of Adjustment & Appeals.	14	482
Veterans Service	07/11/2000	2000-110	Support of Jeffrey L. Olson's appointment as Commissioner of MN's Dept. of Veterans Affairs.	14	298
Workforce Center	08/08/2000		Agree. w/Dept. of Economic Security to operate the Senior Community Service Employment Program, 7/1/00 - 6/30/01.	14	324
	09/05/2000		Reappts. to the Workforce Council to terms expiring 6/30/02: Molly Wellik, Tom Yetter, Earl Hall, Jane Klein, Sara Shore, Jerry Turnquist, Jack Stoehr, Gerald Beedle, James Donovan, Jonette Zuercher, and Pat Singel.	14	363
	09/12/2000		Change name of the Workforce Council to the Workforce Investment Board effective 9/12/00.	14	367

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Workforce Center	09/12/2000		Agree. w/MN Dept. of Trade & Economic Development to operate the special Dislocated Worker Project for DiaSorin, Inc. 8/00 - 9/30/01.	14	368
	09/19/2000		Appt. Kay Ellingwood to the Workforce Investment Board, Post Secondary Education, fill an unexpired term to 6/30/01.	14	373
	10/24/2000		October proclaimed registered apprenticeship awareness month.	14	427
	12/19/2000		Appt. of Rebecca Tholen, Small Business, and Cyndi Camarillo, Large Business, to the Workforce Investment Board to terms expiring 1/30/02.	14	480

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
JUNE 6, 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; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; James Luger, Parks Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Bill Funari, Court Administration; 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 May 9, 16 and 23, 2000 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Approval of County comments on the proposed Tax Increment Financing Plan Modification of City of Forest Lake TIF District No. 1-2 and 1-3 (County TIF District No. 21 and 24).
3. Authorization to withdraw tax forfeited parcels with building from sale list pending building demolition.
4. Approval of on sale and Sunday liquor license for a new establishment, Wynstone Golf Club, Inc. for the period April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
5. Approval of contract amendment to continue contract with Behavioral Dimensions for children under the age of 21 with severe emotional disturbance, through December 31, 2000.
6. Approval of contract with the Youth Service Bureau to serve as fiscal agent for the Family Links Local Action Team and account for the Local Collaborative Time Study Funds.
7. Approval of contract renewal for guardian ad litem services with Jean Kubitschek through June 15, 2001.
8. Approval for the Parks Division, in conjunction with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, to conduct a deer harvest in the Lake Elmo Park Reserve.

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9. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-094** as follows:

Installation of a Parking Prohibition on Third Street (CSAH 23)
in the City of Stillwater in Front of the St. Croix Catholic School

WHEREAS, one of the recommendations of the report on school zone traffic control, that was prepared for the St. Croix Catholic School, was to prohibit parking on the east side of CSAH 23 from Willard Street to 450' North; and

WHEREAS, this parking prohibition will be in effect on School Days from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, this parking prohibition will ensure adequate space for parents and school buses to drop off and pickup students attending the St. Croix Catholic School; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stillwater and St. Croix Catholic School officials agree with this recommendation; and

WHEREAS, vehicles involved in a funeral process or procession shall be exempted from the prohibition; 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) 23 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 sign prohibits stopping.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that parking of motor vehicles shall be prohibited at the following location: on the east side of Third Street from Willard Street to 450 feet north, on school days between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

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.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

County's Goals and/or Priorities for Grey Cloud Island Regional Park

Jim Luger, Parks Director, advised the Board that the City of Cottage Grove has requested that Washington County provide them with its goals and priorities for Grey Cloud Island Regional Park. He indicated that

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this request was also made to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and Metropolitan Council. The City is requesting this information so they would have some direction on what could be done on the island as far as park and/or development. Mr. Luger reviewed the history of the Grey Cloud Island Regional Park Master Plan. On May 18, 2000, the Washington County Parks and Open Space Commission reached a consensus and recommended its goals and priorities for the Grey Cloud Island Regional Park. He also indicated that the Park and Open Space recommended and reaffirmed that the entire island be preserved for park.

The County Board discussed this issue.

Marc Hugunin, Metropolitan Council, stated that the Council's formal and official policy is the same as the County's as indicated in the Park Master Plan, and that is the lower island should be all park. His personal opinion is that all or nothing should not be the only possible choice. He would find it hard to walk away from a 1,000 acre park, although his preference would be for all park, there are development rights in existence on that island.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to send a letter to the City of Cottage Grove indicating the County's priorities for Grey Cloud Island Regional Park as follows: 1) Preserve the aesthetic and physical integrity of the island's shoreline; 2) Preserve forested areas of the island; 3) Preserve and protect cultural and archeological sites throughout the island; 4) Preserve internal lakes; and 5) Preserve public access to any marina. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

James Schug, County Administrator, indicated this will allow staff to enter into public discussions with other entities to consider a partial development option with the five criteria listed by the Board. However, this is not a guarantee, because the Board has not yet opened up the Master Plan to amend it.

Feasibility of Trail Along the St. Croix River

Mr. Luger reviewed a request from the Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission to reevaluate the feasibility of a trail along the St. Croix River, and if feasible, develop and submit a master plan for trail designation and funding by the Metropolitan Council. He indicated that the Washington County Parks and Open Space Commission discussed this request at its meeting on May 18 and recommends that the County Board direct Park's staff to request a proposal for consultant services to develop a trail plan along the St. Croix River from Point Douglas to the City of Afton. Mr. Luger stated that at the present there is no funding, but staff is proposing to work with the Department of Natural Resources Trails to look for a grant to do the study with an estimated cost of \$35,000.

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Commissioner Peterson moved to support the request from the Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission for a master plan study for a trail along the St. Croix River from Point Douglas to the City of Afton and authorize staff to pursue a grant to fund this study. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Swim Facility Filtration System at Lake Elmo Park Reserve

Mr. Luger presented the following bids for the swim facility filtration system at the Lake Elmo Park Reserve:

Shank Constructors, Inc.	\$522,200.00
Encomm Midwest	544,445.00
Municipal Builders, Inc.	573,700.00
Magney Construction, Inc.	592,600.00
Sheehy Construction Co.	679,300.00
Rice Lake Contracting	684,500.00

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-095** as follows:

Award of Contract for Swim Filtration System at
Lake Elmo Park Reserve to Shank Constructors, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to reconstruct the Swim Facility Filtration System at Lake Elmo Park Reserve, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on May 15, 2000, with Shank Constructors, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Shank Constructors, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Shank Constructors, 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 Shank Constructors, 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 Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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Mr. Luger outlined the funding sources for this project: Existing bond funds - \$189,973; Acquisition redevelopment fund balance - \$332,227; and Stewardship fund balance - \$50,000 for a total of \$574,200 (this amount includes a staff recommend 10% contingency). He also advised the Board that Metropolitan Council will be providing the County with \$114,000 in 2001, if funding comes through, which would offset the use of bond funds. He also reported that the LCMR Board will hold a hearing next week to discuss \$11.2 million. If that were passed, it would provide the County with all the reimbursement for St. Croix Bluffs by 2001, nearly a million dollars. He asked the County Board to contact the Washington County members on the LCMR Board to support this funding.

Acquisition of Three Parcels in the Big Marine Park Reserve

Commissioner Peterson moved to authorize acquisition of three parcels in the Big Marine Park Reserve to be funded as follows: \$326,00 from Metropolitan Council and \$439,000 from the general fund balance. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Luger indicated that the County will be receiving from Metropolitan Council \$148,952 in interest on bonds that were sold to acquire land in Big Marine. Staff will recommend that \$140,000 be used to offset the amount coming out of the general fund balance reducing it to \$299,000.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Designation of Voting Delegate for the 2000 National Association of Counties Election

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to designate Commissioner Hegberg as a voting delegate and Commissioner Pulkrabek as alternate for the 2000 National Association of Counties elections being held July 14-18, 2000 at the annual conference in Charlotte, North Carolina. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

2000/2001 Commissioner Nominees for NACo Steering Committees

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to nominate the following Commissioners to the 2000/2001 National Association of Counties Steering Committees: Commissioner Hegberg: First Choice - Environment, Energy and Land Use, Second Choice - Taxation & Finance; Commissioner Peterson: First Choice - Transportation and Telecommunications, Second Choice - Community & Economic Development; and Commissioner Pulkrabek: First Choice - Public Lands, Second Choice - Taxation & Finance. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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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 Energy Task Force meeting he attended last week. Three State Departments also attended and advised the task force that the State of Minnesota is now importing approximately 20% of its electricity.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported on an EMS meeting he and Commissioner Stafford attended last week. He indicated that data is now coming in showing what each of the three counties is doing. He found it interesting that 19% of the calls were outside of the metro area and from Wisconsin.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported that two candidates will be interviewed for the second position at the 911 Board.

Commissioner Pulkrabek thanked Commissioner Stafford for speaking at the Oakdale Business Professional Association Public Policy Forum last week.

Mr. Schug reported on the dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony for the Hardwood Creek Trail which was held on Saturday, June 3. The mayors from Forest Lake and Hugo, a Town Supervisor from Forest Lake Township and a Commissioner from Chisago County attended. The County was represented by District 1 Commissioner Hegberg.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT

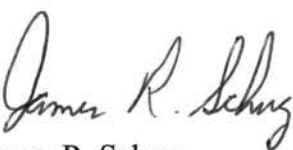
There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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BOARD WORKSHOP WITH OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the federal community development block grant program. 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, Robert Lockyear, Martina Johntz, Don Wisniewski, Mary McGlothlin, Dan Papin, Trisha Graham Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, Kris Madsen, Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority and John Swanson, Housing and Urban Development.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
JUNE 13, 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; Linda Krafthefer, Chief Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Judy Hunter, Public Health and Environment Manager; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

The Board held a moment of silence for Mary Jo Weingarten, Deputy Superintendent of School District 834, who passed away this past weekend.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval to continue funding from the Minnesota Department of Corrections for salary/fringe benefits of an Assistant Victim/Witness Coordinator.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-096** as follows:

Brown's Creek Watershed District Loan (Advance)

WHEREAS, the Brown's Creek Watershed District has requested a loan (advance) from Washington County in the amount of \$55,000 for continued operational funding; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. 103D.335 Subd. 17 allows the County to lend money to a Watershed District; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Finance Committee recommends that the County loan (advance) the Brown's Creek Watershed District up to \$55,000 per MS 103D.335 (2) and Subd. 17, to repay by December 31, 2001, at the Interest Rates on the State Court Judgments and Arbitration Awards (MS549109); and

WHEREAS, the Brown's Creek Watershed District, on April 28, 2000, has requested a loan (advance) of \$55,000 to be available June 14, 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes a loan (advance) to the Brown's Creek Watershed District up to \$55,000 and repayment at the Interest Rates on State Court Judgments and Arbitration Awards (MS 549.09); and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chair and the Administrator be authorized to execute on behalf of the county a loan agreement with the Brown's Creek Watershed District in the amount of \$55,000 at the Interest Rates on the State Court Judgments and Arbitration Awards; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Financial Services Director be authorized to distribute up to \$55,000 based upon written request from the Brown's Creek Watershed District per the loan (advance) agreement.

3. Approval to revise and rename some clerical/technical classifications in the County.
4. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-097** as follows:

Resolution Setting the Amount of Financial Assurance for a
Short Term (<10-Day) Hazardous Waste Transfer
Facility in Hugo, Minnesota

WHEREAS, the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment requires licenses for hazardous waste facilities under its Hazardous Waste Management Ordinance #119 and Minnesota Statute 473.811; and

WHEREAS, Washington County Hazardous Waste Management Ordinance #119 requires the County to determine the amount of financial assurance necessary to cover the cost of facility closure; and

WHEREAS, Como Lube and Supplies, Inc., Environmental Division, has applied for a license to operate a Short Term (<10-Day) Hazardous Waste Transfer Facility in Hugo, Washington County; and

WHEREAS, Como Lube and Supplies, Inc. Environmental Division has submitted a closure cost estimate in the amount of \$85,000; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health & Environment recommends the County Board set the amount of financial assurance at \$85,000.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board hereby adopts this resolution establishing the amount for a letter of credit or bond to be submitted by Como Lube and Supplies, Inc. Environmental Division at \$85,000.

5. Approval of a new position of a .5 FTE EIN Coordinator in the Department of Public Health and Environment effective July 1, 2000.
6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-098** as follows:

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Annual Boat and Water Safety Enforcement Agreement

WHEREAS, under the provision of M.S. Section 361.24 (1980) the Sheriff of each county is required to carry out the provisions of M.S. Section 361.01 to 361.29, and the Board and Water Safety Rules, hereinafter referred to as the "NR Rules," promulgated by the Commissioner of Natural Resources, including Patrol, Enforcement, Search and Rescue, Watercraft Inspections, Waterway Marking, and Accident Investigation, all hereinafter referred to as the "Sheriff's Duties"; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the Sheriff's Duties, M.S. Section 361.24, sub 2 and 3, provides the County submit to the Commissioner of Natural Resources a budget to carry out the Sheriff's Duties; and

WHEREAS, the County will be submitting a proposed budget to the State; and

WHEREAS, the County is eligible to receive \$45,369.00 to assist in the funding of the Sheriff's Duties during the period January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Washington enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota, Department of Natural Resources for the following purposes: to receive assistance in the funding of carrying out the Sheriff's Duties under the provisions of M.S. Section 361.01 to MS. 361.29 during the period January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Washington County Board of Commissioners, the Washington County Administrator, and the Washington County Sheriff be and are hereby authorized to execute said agreement;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be attached to the Annual County Boat and Water Safety Agreement covering the period from January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000.

7. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-099** as follows:

Minnesota Trail Assistance Program Star Trail Association

WHEREAS, Washington County Star Trail Association has developed a snowmobile trail system in Washington County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that any State Grants in Aid for the described trails be directed to Washington County for disbursal to the Washington County Star Trail Association, and application made therefore by said County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Minnesota Trail Assistance Program application and the Minnesota Trail Assistance Agreements be executed through the signatures of the Chairman of the County Board and the

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Washington County Administrator without further action of the County Board conditioned upon compliance with all 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

Bid Award for Building Addition to the South Maintenance Shop

Marv Erickson, Facilities Managers, presented bids for the building addition to the South Maintenance Shop as follows:

	<u>Base Bid</u>	<u>Alternate #1**</u>
Cannon Construction, Inc.*	\$234,949.00	\$20,995.00
George Siegfried Construction	251,500.00	20,000.00
Parkos Construction Co.	254,600.00	19,000.00
CM Construction Co.	258,000.00	18,500.00
Merrimac Construction Co.	262,884.00	19,740.00
JS Cates Construction Co.	267,000.00	18,000.00
Gladstone Construction Co.	281,850.00	20,850.00
Meisinger Construction Co.	296,500.00	21,500.00
Maertens-Brenney Construction	299,550.00	18,427.00
Hunerberg Construction Co.	309,500.00	24,000.00

* Lowest Responsible Bidder

**Alternate No. 1 provides zone control for the HVAC in the new addition.

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-100** as follows:

Award of Contract for the South Shop Modification Project to Cannon Construction, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete construction modifications at the Department of Transportation & Physical Development's South Highway Maintenance Shop, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on June 1, 2000 with Cannon Construction, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid on Cannon Construction, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Cannon Construction, 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 Cannon Construction, 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 Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-101** as follows:

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 service has issued Tres. 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:

- 1) The County intends to undertake a building modification project at the Department of Transportation & Physical Development South Shop.
- 2) The County reasonably intends to make expenditures for this project, and reasonably intends to reimburse itself for such expenditures from the proceeds of debt to be issued by the County in the maximum principal amount of \$292,000.00
- 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.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Resolution Enacting Special Legislation Increasing Membership on the HRA Board

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-102** as follows:

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Resolution Enacting 2000 Minnesota Laws,
Chapter 455, Article 2, Section 6

WHEREAS, the 2000 Minnesota Legislature enacted 2000 Minnesota Laws Chapter 455, Article 2, section 6 which is special legislation increasing the board membership of the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) to seven members; and

WHEREAS, the legislation requires the HRA Board members be appointed, one from each of the five County Commissioner District; and

WHEREAS, the legislation requires that one HRA board member be appointed by the County Board to represent the County at large; and

WHEREAS, the legislation requires that one HRA board member be appointed by the County Board from among county residents who are directly assisted by a public housing agency as that term is defined in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 24, part 964; and

WHEREAS, the legislation sets the term of the first appointment to an at-large position at two years, and thereafter, at three years; and

WHEREAS, the legislation sets the term for the first appointee to the position requiring one directly assisted by a public housing agency to be one year and thereafter three years; and

WHEREAS, section 7 of the special legislation requires approval of the legislation pursuant to the dictates of MINN. STAT. § 645.021, subs. 2 and 3.

NOW, THEREAFTER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approves 2000 Minnesota Laws Chapter 455, Article 2, section 6.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Administrator file with the Secretary of State a certificate validating this approval, including with the Certificate, a copy of this resolution.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Purchase of Development Rights Funding Referendum

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, recapped the direction given by the Board to date. She indicated that the Board directed a \$2 million property tax per year for eight years beginning with taxes payable 2002 which would fund the acquisition and management of interest in land for the purpose of establishing a corridor of open space lands that would protect such things as natural, environmentally sensitive shoreland, agricultural and scenic lands. This would be placed in the referendum language. Ms. Harper indicated that the legislature did not extend the levy limits. This now allows the County three options to fund this program: Without a referendum: 1) Increase the County's annual operating levy; or 2) Include it in the County's Capital Improvement Plan and issue capital improvement bonds. With a referendum: 3) Issue general obligation bonds.

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Ms. Harper provided a sample of Woodbury's language which used general obligation bonds and passed a referendum in June of 1998. She reported that in the early 1990's there were several other cities that passed bond referendums, Maplewood, Maple Grove and Chanhassen and they had language that was almost identical to Woodbury's. The three things that are needed in the language are the total dollar amount, the purpose for which the bonds would be used and the language that this would result in an increase in property taxes. Ms. Harper presented proposed language under the referendum authority if the Board wished to issue general obligation bonds. She indicated this language is similar to what the Board reviewed at the last meeting, but this language would reference the general obligation bonds and instead of being the \$2 million dollar a year for eight years it would be in a principal amount not to exceed \$16 million.

Ms. Harper indicated that one community also included an additional paragraph which gives the voter additional information of the actual impact of the \$16 million. It would give information on the amount of taxes that would be required to be levied the first year to pay the principal and interest and then the following years to retire the bond issue and what the property tax rate would be. This language would be based on how the County structures the bond issue.

The County Board discussed this issue.

Commissioner Stafford asked if the attorney advised that it has to state the \$16 million? Ms. Harper stated that is correct. She did run two options by them, the option the Board just saw and the other was an option of stating the County would sell four issues of general obligation bonds in the amount of \$4 million each. The County Attorney's office stated the Board could do that, but the total of \$16 million would still need to be included. So it would read "not to exceed \$16 million to be sold in four issues of \$4 million each". She indicated that the difficulty with that language is that the Board would tie it's hands in terms of flexibility of selling those bonds and making it a little more complicated and the referendum language a little more difficult for the reader to understand.

Commissioner Stafford stated the message he hoped to convey to the voters was not to hide the \$16 million, but that by raising \$2 million a year over four issues spread over eight years future residents coming into Washington County would have a chance to contribute to that effort. The alternative would be to add the second article, but he feels that very few people would read the second article.

Commissioner Hegberg stated he would prefer that this matter goes to the voters. He feels this is a controversial issue and the Board would find out if citizens wanted to accept it or not. He would prefer that the additional language also be included to further disclose the amount of taxes that would be levied on a home.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek would like to look at option 1, increasing the annual operating levy. He feels that since levy limits have been lifted, he would be willing to look at putting it into the levy rather than going to a referendum. He believes that with market values increasing there is a real possibility that it could be placed into the budget without raising the tax rate. Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he does not believe it is fiscally responsible to take out a loan for \$16 million and pay heavy interest on what could be put into the budget in a year when market values are going up. The County Board would still have the control for the following year's budget if it did not want to put in \$2 million it would not have to.

Commissioner Peterson feels very strongly that it should be in a referendum and that the public should be allowed to vote on it. She also believes that although there are no levy limits today, there may be levy limits in the future. She would also like to make sure that this program is flexible enough that the County could initiate the purchase of land for Big Marine Park or other park land that may come up for sale and then, as the County is reimbursed from LCMR or other funding sources for park land, this money could be interchanged.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he would not like this included in the operating levy. He believes that the County is facing in the next five to six years millions of dollars in expenditures. The Judges are looking for a big addition, Forest Lake is looking for a big addition and the South Service Center—all of this adds up to nearly \$80 million. People in his district are upset about taxes. He feels that the County has been buying park land as it becomes available. He will not support this program. He thinks the County is putting too much pressure on the homeowners, especially the farmers. He would not like increasing the operating levy amounts for this program.

Commissioner Stafford stated he use to share Commissioner Pulkrabek's idea that if you have the cash why go out and pay interest on it, just pay for it. He now believes that when major investments are placed on the levy it is only today's citizens who are footing the bill. When it is put on a bond issue, even though interest is being paid on it, it is being spread out over a future population. He stated he would support the bond issue with a referendum.

Commissioner Peterson moved that the County, by referendum, issue general obligation bonds for the Purchase of Development Rights Program and that the County include in the referendum language data disclosing the amount of taxes that would be levied on a home. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek; No, Commissioner Abrahamson.

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Ms. Harper stated she will come back to the Board in the middle of July with final referendum language, so it can be included in the next County Newsletter. She stated they will work with the \$16 million as the principal and look at structuring it for the eight years or more so they can approximate the \$2 million per year that has been discussed.

Commissioner Peterson asked that staff present the capital expenditures that the County is looking at in the future to get a good picture of its long-term debt. Commissioner Hegberg stated he would also like that information included in the citizen's newsletter so the public can get an idea of the anticipated needs of the County.

James Schug, County Administrator, informed the Board that Springsted is working on a report on what the County Board can bond over the next 25 years, taking into account the County's full CIP, the revenue that is coming out of TIF Districts during that time, and a very conservative figure that's built in for the growth of the County's tax base. Based on those assumptions, staff will have a report ready in a few weeks for the Board to consider if it wanted to continue a very slow steady increase in debt service over the next 25 years, what the Board could fund in terms of the capital needs that have been identified in the Capital Improvement Program.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ronald Harlan Schaefer, 7757, Rimbly Road, Woodbury - Mr. Schaefer read from a letter he wrote to Mr. Schug dated May 16 related to a sentence-to-service program he will begin serving tonight. He requested 100% assurance that he will not have any concerns for his safety and security while in detention for those three days. He read from a letter he wrote in response to Mr. Schug's letter of June 2, dated June 12, related to the unauthorized release of his social security number by Court Services and Community Services, and that he was unaware of Mr. Schug's prior employment in the Washington County Community Services Department. He felt it was improper for Mr. Schug not to disclose this fact to him earlier. He requested in his letter a response from the County Board to the issues raised and a thorough investigation into the criminal activities described. He asked the Board if he will receive an answer tonight?

Commissioner Stafford indicated that he would receive an answer.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg reported that he attended the Regional Rail meeting to discuss the budget and that it will be approximately half of what has previously been budgeted.

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Commissioner Peterson reported on a meeting of the Mosquito Control and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources related to the spraying of the Fort Snelling area. Negotiations are taking place and critical areas are being identified. They were assured by the DNR Commissioner that they are anxious to work with them.

Commissioner Peterson reported that the Wakota Bridge Coalition will meet on Wednesday, June 14 at 7:30 a.m. to celebrate the decision by Minnesota Department of Transportation to fully fund the Wakota Bridge. They have indicated that the first letting of a contract will begin in the fall of 2001. They are also looking at a shorter length of time for the project.

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported that the Budget Committee of the Resource Recovery Project Board met on Monday, June 12 to discuss the 2001 budget. A preliminary recommendation will be reviewed at their regular Board meeting.

Commissioner Stafford complimented Commissioner Peterson on the time and effort she has applied to the Wakota Bridge project for many years.

Commissioner Stafford noted an item that was in this morning's paper reporting that affordable housing issue seems to be getting worse, rentals are at about 98% occupancy, rents are going up and it is making it very difficult to accommodate some of our citizens. This issue will need to be addressed further.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file including a letter from Mayor Jay Kimble, City of Stillwater, thanking the County for its efforts in transferring a parcel of land that is now incorporated into the Stillwater park system.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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WORKSHOP WITH ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections to discuss the status of the rewrite of the collections portion of the tax system. 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, Molly O'Rourke and Joanne Helm.

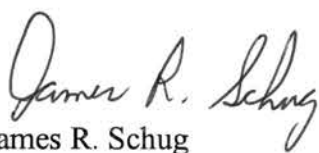
WORKSHOP WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss issues pertaining to Judicial Ditch No. 2 (Hardwood Creek). 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, Don Scheel, citizen of Afton, Bob Turrentine, Paul Haik, Attorney, Deb Barnes, Forest Lake City Council, John Waller, citizen of Hugo and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

WORKSHOP WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services' South Washington County Sanitary Sewer Interceptor plans and the South Washington Watershed District's Stormwater Central Draw 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 Jim Schug, Jim Luger, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Joe Lux, Don Scheel, citizen of Afton, Jeff Berg, Soil and Water Conservation District, Wayne Rikala, Metropolitan Council, Bryce Picard, Metropolitan Council and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
JUNE 20, 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, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Mary McGlothlin Director of Public Health and Environment; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; and Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the June 6 and 13, 2000 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Approval of abatement applications for classification as follows:

<u>Parcel #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
R 16.028.21.34.0003	Woodbury City	\$10,316.00

3. Approval of contract with CommonHealth to serve as fiscal agent for the St. Croix Valley Local Action Team and account for the Local Collaborative Time Study funds.
4. Approval of modification number 1 to the Minnesota Youth Program grant agreement to extend the term of the contract through June 30, 2001.
5. Approval to appoint Dr. Jane Sigford to the Washington County Community Corrections Advisory Board as an Educational Representative, to an unexpired term to December 31, 2001.
6. Bids were received for 2000 CIR bituminous overlay projects as follows:

Tower Asphalt, Inc.	\$1,002,187.95
North Valley, Inc.	1,014,941.20
Hardrives, Inc.	1,017,942.91

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Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-103** as follows:

Award of Contract for 2000 CIR Overlays Project 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 June 7, 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.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Agreement to Accept Pledged Securities

Commissioner Hegberg moved approval and execution of an agreement to accept securities in place of retainage on road construction project SP82-619-11 for road and signal construction on CSAH 19 (Woodbury Drive) in Woodbury. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Update on Woodbury Library Construction Project

Richard Gauger, Project Manager, presented an update on the Woodbury Library Construction project. He indicated that progress is being made on the development agreement between the County and the City of Woodbury. The library itself will be a part of a condominium concept in that the County will own cubic feet. The space analysis and square footage have been finalized. Discussions have taken place on the management and operation of the project and it is agreed that the City will operate and manage the physical part of the project; however, the County will have the ability to concur or pull back and operate the library themselves if the management is not satisfactory to the County. Modifications have been made in the dispute resolution process. The steps will be negotiation, mediation and then a civil process. The size of

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the project is on target with what was presented to the Board previously. Basically the library is a little over 38,000 square feet and it will include 2,200 square feet of unfinished space that will be a part of the main project. An alternative bid for increased unfinished space of about 6,500 square feet will be included in the bid.

Mr. Gauger indicated that the architects are telling him that both the County and City's portion of the project are on budget. The County's cost for the library will be \$115 a square foot and the shared space will be \$61 a square foot. There will also be a 5% contingency both to the library portion and shared space. The bid date has been set for Thursday, November 16, 2000. Mr. Gauger was advised by the City last Friday that Early Childhood has agreed to participate in the project.

Mr. Gauger stated he will be making monthly progress reports to the County Board. In conclusion, he feels the focus of the project is developing and the architects and the City have been advised of the County's concern to move forward, its concern to take bids this fall, its concern to stay on budget and also on construction target. The City has received an informal opinion from the Department of Revenue that the space improvements outside of the building will be exempt from sales tax as well as the library space.

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James Schug, County Administrator, advised the Board that a letter has been sent to local communities asking them to participate in the Community Development Block grant. To date, three agreements have been received back.

Mr. Schug indicated that the Board of Equalization will meet this morning. There are currently three people who are scheduled to appear.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ronald Harlan Schaefer, 7757, Ribley Road, Woodbury - Mr. Schaefer read from a letter he wrote to the County Board and Mr. Schug. The letter referred to the unauthorized release of his social security number; Assault and Battery to him which allegedly occurred on June 13 at midnight; and a request that the Board review the incidents which he stated were video taped.

The Board Chair indicated that Mr. Schaefer's letter will be turned over to the County Attorney for review and response.

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford reported that he met with Regions Hospital staff to discuss a subcommittee of the East Metro Radio Board to address several legislative issues.

Commissioner Peterson indicated that she had a packet of information for staff regarding Grey Cloud as a public resource and the LCMR will be meeting on June 28 at the State Office Building to discuss a number of issues.

Commissioner Peterson will be attending a court session in Cottage Grove with Judge Muehlberg.

Commissioner Pulkrabek indicated he will be touring the Oak Park Prison tomorrow afternoon and it is an open invitation if other Commissioners would like to attend.

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 9:35 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH INFORMATION SERVICES

The Board met in workshop session with Information Services to discuss what property and taxation information should be made available on the Internet. 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, Raoul Schander, Jean Lugge, Barb Fritsche, Dave Brandt, Cindy Koosmann and Rick Vanzwol, citizen of Grant.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH DISTRICT COURT JUDGES

The Board met in workshop session with the District Court Judges to discuss the proposed interim space 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

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Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Robert Lockyear, Judge Miles, Judge Martin, Judge Muehlberg, Judge Schurrer, Judge Cass, Judge Doyscher, Jim Frank, Doug Johnson, Edison Vizuite, and Marv Erickson.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
OF
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

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Commissioner Stafford called the 2000 Washington County Board of Equalization to order at 10:35 A.M. with the following members present: Dennis Hegberg, Wallace L. Abrahamson, Chairperson Richard Stafford, Myra Peterson, Bill Pulkrabek, and Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator.

Also present were Molly O'Rourke, Director ATSE, Scott Hovet, Washington County Assessor, Julie Roisen, Commercial/Industrial Appraiser, Sylvia Schreifels, Assessment Administration Coordinator, acting as recording secretary, Allan Labine, staff appraiser, and Bruce Munneke, Woodbury Assessor.

Scott Hovet administered the oath to the Board members and gave the opening remarks regarding the agenda, State Board of Equalization increases, and the low attendance at the local boards and open book meetings.

CASE # 1 – Appearance by Mr. Dan Brown, City of Woodbury

The subject property has a target value of \$75,000, and Mr. Brown feels that the value is too high relative to what he paid for the site in June of 1999. Mr. Brown provided the Board with data pertaining to values and sale prices of other properties in the neighborhood. Commissioner Abrahamson made the motion to set the value at \$70,000. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hegberg, and carried.

Daniel Brown – Woodbury – 11.028.21.31.0006

Reduced land value from \$75,000 to \$70,000

CASE # 2 – Mr. Richard Tschida, City of Forest Lake

Mr. Tschida was contacted and left messages by the county. He did not return messages to schedule an appointment, and did not appear at the County Board. The motion was made for no change, seconded by Commissioner Abrahamson, and carried.

Richard Tschida – City of Forest Lake – 15.032.21.22. 0002

No change.

LETTER # 1 – Mr. Darren Castro, City of Woodbury

Mr. Castro sent the letter to reserve his right to further appeal the value of his home. According to the assessor, his value of \$197,300 is comparable to similar homes in Woodbury. Scott Hovet, the County Assessor, recommended no change. Commissioner Abrahamson moved to deny, Commissioner Peterson seconded, and motion carried.

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Darren Castro – City of Woodbury – 05.028.21.42.0038

No change.

LETTER # 2 – Robert Muir Company, City of Woodbury

Lease and rental information has been requested by the county, but has not been provided by the Robert Muir Company. They have sent a letter to reserve their right to further appeal. The county recommends no change. The motion was made, seconded by Commissioner Pulkrabek, and carried.

Robert Muir Company – City of Woodbury – 8.028.21.24.0005
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No change.

Commissioner Abrahamson made the motion to approve the Valuation Change Authorization Report of Settled Cases submitted by the County Assessor, seconded and motion carried.

Paul Schlif – Cottage Grove – 08.027.21.41.0123

Increased value from \$71,800 to \$137,900

Increased building value \$66,100

Minnesota Mining & Mfg. Co. – Cottage Grove – 26.027.21.34.0001

Multi –class parcel (#1/same)

(#2/changed from taxable to exempt/\$270,000)

(#3/deleted /-\$30,000)

HOG LLC – Forest Lake City – 07.032.21.13.0028

Reduced from \$151,400 to \$108,100

Reduced land value \$43,300

HOG LLC – Forest Lake City – 07.032.21.13.0024

Reduced from \$235,800 to \$211,900

Reduced land value \$23,900

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Neil & Mable Mattson – Forest Lake City – 08.032.21.11.0053

Reduced from \$1,658,800 to \$1,067,400

Reduced building value \$591,400

Clifford & Connie Weiss – Marine – 06.031.19.32.0007

Multi-class parcel (#1/increased from \$298,800 to \$313,100)

Increased land value \$20,000

Reduced building value \$5,700

(#2/reduced from \$84,500 to \$50,000)

Reduced land value \$20,000

Reduced building value \$14,500

Duane Beto & J. Hendrickson – Newport – 26.028.22.41.0020

Reduced from \$54,200 to \$50,800

Reduced building value \$3,400

Charles & Judith Dougherty – Oak Park Heights - 03.029.20.21.0062

Multi-class parcel (#1/increased from \$154,500 to \$178,500)

Increased building value \$24,000

(#2/reduced from \$69,000 to \$45,000)

Reduced building value \$24,000

Elmer & Ruth Haase – Oak Park Heights – 05.029.20.12.0040

Changed classification code from 233-0/comm to 101-0/ag

Reduced from \$1,092,500 to \$310,800

Reduced land value \$781,700

Elmer & Ruth Haase – Oak Park Heights – 05.029.20.12.0041

Multi-class parcel (#1/same)

(# 2/changed classification code from 243-0/comm to 101-0/ag)

Reduced from \$1,201,600 to \$440,200

Reduced land value \$761,400

Secure Mini Storage Lmt'd – Oak Park Heights – 06.029.20.21.0004

Reduced from \$1,884,200 to \$1,393,600

Reduced building value \$490,600

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J C S Properties – Oakdale – 29.029.21.31.0004

Reduced from \$265,500 to \$243,500

Removed building value of \$22,000

Oakdale Equities LLC – Oakdale – 32.029.21.32.0007

Reduced from \$2,368,600 to \$2,182,900

Reduced building value \$185,700

City of Oakdale – Oakdale – 33.029.21.24.0007

Multi-class parcel (#1/reduced from \$550,000 to \$400,700)

Reduced land value \$149,300

(#2/same)

R. Douglas & Deborah Thorsen – Stillwater – 28.030.20.12.0087

Multi-class parcel (#1/same)

(#2/reduced from \$139,000 to \$45,000)

Reduced building value \$94,000

Thomas & Sandra Lynum – Stillwater – 28.030.20.13.0067

Multi-class parcel (#1/reduced from \$623,000 to \$347,100)

Reduced building value \$275,900

(#2/reduced from \$128,800 to \$50,000)

Reduced building value \$78,800

Carol & William Hendrickson – Stillwater – 28.030.20.13.0125

Multi-class parcel (#1/reduced from \$310,500 to \$279,700)

Reduced building value \$30,800

(#2/reduced from \$93,300 to \$50,000)

Reduced building value \$43,300

Rita Graybill – Stillwater – 28.030.20.34.0061

Multi-class parcel (#1/reduced from \$330,800 to \$192,500)

Reduced building value \$138,300

(#2/reduced from \$81,500 to \$45,000)

Reduced building value \$36,500

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Mark Hanson – Stillwater – 28.030.20.42.0100

Reduced from \$257,500 to \$178,300

Reduced building value \$79,200

DDC Holdings LP – Stillwater – 28.030.20.42.0131

Multi-class parcel (#1/added a line for res. non-hmst/L. \$20,400 + B. \$111,500)

(#2/reduced from \$486,300 to \$270,900)

Reduced land value \$20,400

Reduced building value \$195,000

Kenneth & Kim Jadwin – Stillwater – 28.030.20.43.0013

Multi-class parcel (#1/reduced from \$463,800 to \$278,900)

Reduced building value \$184,900

(#2/reduced \$124,700 to \$50,000)

Reduced building value \$74,700

Richard Kilty & Joan O'Brien – Stillwater – 28.030.20.43.0055

Reduced from \$222,900 to \$180,000

Reduced building value \$42,900

Richard Kilty – Stillwater – 32.030.20.21.0102

Reduced from \$457,700 to \$400,000

Reduced building value \$57,700

John & Eloise Anton – Stillwater – 33.030.20.11.0021

Multi-class parcel (#1/reduced from \$206,700 to \$178,200)

Reduced building value \$28,500

(#2/reduced from \$57,100 to \$40,000)

Reduced building value \$17,100

Mark & Sandra Brown – Stillwater – 33.030.20.14.0052

Multi-class parcel (#1/reduced from \$201,400 to \$193,300)

Reduced building value \$8,100

(#2/reduced from \$55,300 to \$40,000)

Reduced building value \$15,300

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Truett & Jill Lawson – Stillwater – 33.030.20.21.0054

Multi-class parcel (#1/reduced from \$266,500 to \$162,900)

Reduced building value \$103,600

(#2/reduced from \$66,000 to \$60,000)

Reduced building value \$6,000

Western Life Insurance Company – Woodbury – 05.028.21.24.0001

Reduced from \$20,781,200 to \$19,800,000

Reduced building value \$981,200

T. David Price – Woodbury – 29.028.21.32.0001

Reduced from \$807,300 to \$214,500

Reduced land value \$592,800

Mr. Stafford moved to adjourn the 2000 Washington County Board of Equalization. The motion was seconded and carried. Meeting adjourned

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
JUNE 27, 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, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Manager; Jane Harper, Principal Planner; Jim Luger, Parks Director; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; John Baer, Survey Project Coordinator; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval for the County Board Chair and County Administrator to approve Community Development Block Grant Cooperation agreements with cities and towns.
2. Bids were received for state primary ballots and state general ballots as follows:

	State Primary	State General	Total
<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Ballots</u>	<u>Ballots</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>
Ramaley Printing, Inc.	\$15,303.15	\$24,948.00	\$40,251.15
Graphic Design, Inc.	\$26,876.50	\$45,408.00	\$72,284.50

Approval to award bid for the purchase of furnishing, printing and delivery of optical scan precinct and absentee ballots for use with the Global Elections Systems Accu-Vote election equipment to Ramaley Printing, Inc. the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$15,303.15 for State Primary ballots and \$24,948.00 for State General ballots, conditioned upon the execution of a contract as approved by law.

3. Approval of contract with CIP Partners for the development of Law Enforcement Network Software for case management services in the County Attorney's office.
4. Approval of a one-year Special Project position of Sr. Accounting Technician in the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections.

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5. Approval of an agreement with the City of Woodbury and authorize payment for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$60,209.
6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-104** as follows:

Resolution to Purchase Patrin Property for Inclusion
Into the Big Marine Regional Park Reserve

WHEREAS, Washington County is interested in acquiring the property described herein in May Township for inclusion into the Big Marine Regional Park Reserve and whereas the owner agrees to sell the property to the County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes its Chairman and Administrator to execute on behalf of the County a purchase agreement and any other document necessary for the County to purchase the property legally described as follows:

See Exhibit A for legal description

for the sum of \$225,000; in total, upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Conveyance should be by warranty deed pursuant to the terms and conditions of a standard Miller-Davis Purchase Agreement free and clear of all liens, charges and encumbrances;
2. Seller to pay all levied or pending special assessments (if any);
3. Seller to pay abstract expenses;
4. Real estate taxes shall be pro rated as of the date of closing;
5. Buyer to pay recording fee(s), state deed tax, and conservation fee;
6. Closing is to be on or before August 16, 2000, or as soon as possible after that date. The closing shall be handled through the Washington County Attorney's Office.
7. Sellers shall be obligated to perform all maintenance in order to keep the property in a reasonable repair until possession by the County, normal wear and tear excepted.
8. Ownership of the property (including house) shall transfer to Washington County as of the date of closing. However, the sellers shall have the option to stay in the house rent free for an additional 3 months from the date of closing.
9. The sellers shall be obligated to pay all utilities, including fuel oil, propane gas, natural gas, electricity, city water, telephone, city sewer, and garbage hauling, in a timely manner, while they are in possession of the property.

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10. The sellers shall remove all personal possessions and debris from both the house and yard prior to vacating the property. The house and yard shall be of reasonable cleanliness at the time the County possesses the property.
11. Relocation rights are available to the seller in conformance with the Uniform Relocation Act. At the seller's choice, they may waive their relocation benefits in return for a one time payment of \$7,500.
12. As a condition precedent to conveyance, the property must undergo and obtain a satisfactory environmental inspection by Washington County. A Phase 1 property screening transaction (according to ASTM standards) is to be done by the County at no cost to the seller. A Phase 2 environmental assessment and any resultant corrective action is to be done, if necessary, at the expense of the seller, and must be performed to the satisfaction of the County prior to closing.
13. The sellers will remove the washer and dryer from the property, but all other appliances (stove, refrigerator) will remain.
14. The sellers will remove the arbor and dock from the property.
15. The sellers will remove cabinets from the east wall of the laundry room.

Exhibit A

Patrin Legal Description

All that part of Lot A, Oak Lane, described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Lot A, Oak Lane, thence Northerly along the Westerly line of said Lot A, Oak Lane on an assumed bearing North 13 degrees 30 minutes West for 27 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing North 13 degrees 30 minutes West along said Westerly line of Lot A for 72 feet; thence North 60 degrees 30 minutes East for 149 feet to the approximate original shoreline of Big Marine Lake; thence North 73 degrees 45 minutes East for 212.3 feet to the present shoreline of Big Marine Lake; thence South 38 degrees 19 minutes 30 seconds East along said present shoreline of Big Marine Lake for 71.6 feet; thence South 72 degrees 34 minutes West for 235 feet to the approximate original shoreline of Big Marine Lake; thence South 68 degrees 30 minutes West for 156.75 feet to the point of beginning. Together with any further riparian rights accruing along an Easterly extension of the Northerly and Southerly lines of the above described tract.

And

All that part of Lot A, Oak Lane, described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot "A" of Oak Lane, thence Northerly along the West line of said Lot A on an assumed bearing of North 13 degrees 30 minutes West for 27.0 feet; thence North 68 degrees 30 minutes East for 156.75 feet to the approximate original shoreline of Big Marine Lake; thence North 72 degrees 34 minutes East for 235.0 feet, more or less, to the present shoreline of Big Marine Lake; thence Southeasterly along said present shoreline of Big Marine Lake for 80.0 feet, more or less, to its intersection with AC as described in Document No. 203639 in the Office of the Register of Deeds,

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Washington County, Minnesota in Book 224 of Deeds, page 117; thence Southwesterly along said line AC to point "A" of said Document No. 203639; thence westerly to the point of beginning.

Washington County, Minnesota

7. Approval and execution of license to lease land from Washington County by Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Wariakois, at 16694 May Avenue North, Big Marine Park.
8. Approval and execution of license to operate snowmobiles on County property within Big Marine Park Reserve by Star Trail Association.
9. Approval and execution of Change Order #18 for road construction project SP82-603-05, Olinda Trail (CSAH 3) in May and New Scandia Township.
10. Approval and execution of Change Order #1 for crackseal provision and installation on County roads.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was unanimously adopted.

PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to designate the Washington County Parks and Open Space Commission as the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Advisory Committee, appoint additional members to the PDRAC as follows: Rebecca Petryk, Hugo; Louise Bergeron, Stillwater Township; Robert Mann, St. Paul Park; and Michael Pouliot, Woodbury; and approval to pay a per diem at \$35 per meeting and mileage reimbursement at the rate designated by the County Board of Commissioners' expense reimbursement policy. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Pulkrabek indicated he will make his appointment to the PDRAC in a few weeks.

VALLEY BRANCH WATERSHED DISTRICT PLAN AMENDMENT

Dave Bucheck, President, Valley Branch Watershed District (VBWD) Board of Managers, presented the District's proposed Plan Amendment which includes an integrated flood mitigation project for the following lakes: Sunnybrook Lake and associated lowlands in Grant; Goetschel Pond in Lake Elmo; Downs Lake and associated lowlands in Lake Elmo; Cloverdale Lake and McDonald Lake in Baytown Township and Fahlstrom Pond in Afton. He indicated that studies or improvements required would be construction of an

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outlet system from Sunnybrook Lake to Goetschel Pond, from Cloverdale Lake and Goetschel Pond to Downs Lake, from Downs Lake to 12th Street, and from Fahlstrom Pond to Interstate 94. The total cost is estimated to be \$4- \$6 million and will be funded from VBWD ad valorem, VBWD special tax levy, special assessments and or grants. The proposed study and construction year would start as soon as the study is approved in 2000 through 2002.

Mr. Bucheck informed the Board that they will be meeting with five of the largest municipalities in the Watershed District to inform them of this plan amendment. The municipalities are required to review this plan within 60 days and submit comments by July 21. He stated that the County Board will be requested to approve the plan amendment by July 21. The Watershed District will then respond to any comments within 30 days, hold a hearing in August between the 14th and 28th, and submit documents and comments to the Board of Water and Soil Resources. The Board of Water and Soil Resources will have the final approval which will occur in the fall and then a more specific flood control plan will need to be prepared.

James Schug, County Administrator, informed the Board that staff will draft proposed comments for the County Board to consider and then submit them to the Valley Branch Watershed District.

WASHINGTON COUNTY HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-105** as follows:

Resolution Approving the Qualified Allocation Plan for Housing Tax Credits

WHEREAS, Congress has permanently extended the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program by enactment of the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1993;

WHEREAS, Treasury Regulations (the "Regulations") require allocators of low income housing credits, including the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") which allocate such credits on behalf of Washington County (the "County"), to provide procedures to allocate low income housing tax credits and to monitor compliance of projects to which it has allocated low income housing tax credits pursuant to Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined it is necessary and appropriate to modify the Authority's previously adopted Housing Tax Credit Qualified Allocation Plan (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, following a public hearing regarding the revision of the Plan for which not less than 14 days notices was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, the Authority has adopted the amended Plan which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Washington County that the amended Housing Tax Credit Qualified Allocation Plan previously adopted by the Authority and attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby approved and adopted.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Update on the Water Governance Study Middle Unit Phasing Work Group

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, presented an update on the Water Governance Study Middle Unit Phasing work group's recommended guidelines for a new unit. The recommendations are as follows:

Management Plan Recommendation

- Adopt the three existing unit plans by reference as the interim water plan.
- Use the minor amendment process, as needed, to make changes or add projects.
- Incorporate all elements into consolidated management plan under current BWSR Priority Review Schedule (1-2005).

Financing Principles for the New Watershed Unit

- Administrative services and related general services that are provided throughout the district shall be funded using a district-wide ad valorem tax, collected by Washington County as a part of property tax collections.
- The full range of funding options available to the District under MS 103D and 103B shall be considered to fund water quality and quantity projects, or other services that are not provided on a district-wide basis. Funding shall be determined on a project-by-project basis, based on project benefits, costs (including administrative costs of the financing options), and equity.

Board Structure Recommendation

- The Board will have seven members. The initial board for the new unit will have five members from Valley Branch Watershed District (existing board), plus one member from the Lower St. Croix WMO area and one member from the Middle St. Croix WMO area.
- The new members will be appointed by the County Board. Preference should be given to appointing a current member of the Lower St. Croix and Middle St. Croix WMOs.
- This initial board will make recommendations about board membership and representation for the long term. Changes may be made (if needed) as members terms are up for reappointment.

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Ms. Harper indicated that the work group discussed and recommended a first year administrative budget of \$318,000. The approximate ad valorem tax impact would be \$12 for a \$125,000 home and \$28 for a \$250,000 home. The work group also suggested that the corporate name for the District be changed to the Lower St. Croix Valley Watershed District.

Ms. Harper requested that the Board direct staff to work with the Attorney's Office to prepare the final petition to enlarge the Valley Branch Watershed District and bring that back to the County Board for approval and submittal to the Board of Water and Soil Resources.

It was Board consensus to direct staff to work with the Attorney's office to clarify the issues and draft a petition to enlarge the Valley Branch Watershed District which would come back to the County Board at a future date.

Commissioner Stafford left the Board meeting at 10:00 a.m.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the following fee schedule for the sale of digital Aerial Photography and Two Foot Contours:

Data Pricing for Two foot Contours - Digital Form

Minimum Order:	\$200
20 Acres:	\$200 plus \$5.00 for each additional acre
40 Acres:	\$300 plus \$5.00 for each additional acre
80 Acres:	\$500 plus \$4.00 for each additional acre
320 Acres:	\$1,400 plus \$2.00 for each additional acre
Section of Land:	\$2,000 for the first section through 36 sections
37 through 72 sections	\$500 per section
Cost for 73 or more sections are based on a negotiated price	
Special request: Data cost plus \$50 hour	

Data Pricing for Digital Orthometric Photographs

Minimum purchase	\$40
(Less than 40 acres)	
40 Acres:	\$50
80 Acres:	\$70

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320 Acres: \$150
Section of land \$200 for the first section through 36 sections
37 through 72 sections: \$100
Cost for 73 or more sections are based on a negotiated price.
Special request: Data cost plus \$50 hour.

Hard Copy Products

Special request for two foot contour map: Data cost plus \$50/hour.

Government Pricing

Government entities, (municipalities, watershed districts, state agencies, etc.) would receive a discount of 50% on all pricing listed above. Cities that have expressed an interest in purchasing data include: Forest Lake, Hugo, Stillwater, Mahtomedi, Oakdale, Woodbury, Afton, Cottage Grove.

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

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Woodbury Branch Library Parking Lot Expansion

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to authorize the design and participate in the bid process, with the City of Woodbury, for the proposed parking lot expansion for the present Woodbury Branch Library. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent.

Community Development Block Grants

Mr. Schug informed the Board that there will a workshop on July 11 or 18 to discuss guidelines on how funds will be allocated for projects throughout the County if funds are received from the federal Community Development Block Grants.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS- QUESTIONS

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on the HRA Board meeting he attended last week. He also thanked the warden of the Oak Park Heights Maximum Security Prison for the tour last week.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that the Resource Recovery Project Board adopted its 2001 budget and that will be coming before the County Board in a few weeks. They are looking at a two dollar per ton tipping fee increase.

Commissioner Peterson reported on the AMC District X meeting she attended yesterday. She indicated that policy committees will be starting up in August and she requested that Board members indicate to her or Mr. Schug whether they wish to continue serving on their current committee assignments.

Commissioner Abrahamson requested that the Board discuss MICA, AMC and the County's lobbyist for next year. Mr. Schug indicated that on July 11, MICA will be making their annual presentation. Also, he is close to completing a review of the County's membership in all of those organizations in addition to other organizations the County is involved in. That review will be coming before the Board in the near future.

Jim Luger, Parks Director, informed the Board that he will be attending the LCMR meeting on June 28 in support of the Department of Natural Resources request for \$10 million for the acquisition of Grey Cloud Island. He indicated that the DNR is now in support of a thousand acre park.

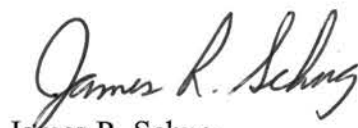
BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

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; Commissioner Stafford absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
JULY 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; Meredith Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; Lowell Johnson, Senior Program Manager; Stuart Glaser, EMS Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Edison Vizuite, Financial Services Director; John Devine, Financial Services Manager; Melinda Kirk, Financial Services; Jim Frank, County Sheriff; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Rick Backman, Community Services Manager; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Nancy Brase, Central Services Supervisor; Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval to nominate Commissioner Myra Peterson as the Association of Minnesota Counties District X vice-chair.
2. Approval to award bid for purchase of vended food service with Vendstar, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of 15.5% of all vended food receipts to be paid to the County as a commission.
3. Approval of four projects recommended by the Department Head Group for funding through the 1999 Budget Savings Pool in the amount of \$197,000: Implementation of an Imaging System to work with the Financial System (\$70,000); Intranet Server & Licenses (\$25,000); GIS Internet: Application Development (\$12,000); and Completion of Card Access Reader Project for the Government Center (\$90,000).
4. Approval to appoint Dr. Kenneth W. Crabb to the Public Health Advisory Committee as a Health Professional Representative, to fill a term expiring December 31, 2001.
5. Approval to appoint Mary Hauser, Birchwood, to the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Committee.

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6. Approval of contract with REM Health, Inc. to provide home based mental health services for children with severe emotional disturbance.
7. Approval to modify the attraction/retention salary ranges for the position of Appraisal Manager in the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections.
8. Approval of County Board certification of additional employees into the local Correctional Employees Pension Plan as follows: Jail Administrator; Assistant Jail Administrator, and any Jail Program Coordinator position whose incumbents were promoted from the Correctional Officer classification.
9. Approval of contract for law enforcement services with the Town of New Scandia and acceptance of a COPS grant to provide funding for that position.
10. Approval to transfer ownership of Washington County Sheriff's Office K-9 "Maxx" to his handler, Deputy Kirby Livingston.
11. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-106** as follows:

Change Access Openings Along CSAH 3 within
the Bluffs of East Bay Plat

WHEREAS, the Bluffs of East Bay is a subdivision in New Scandia Township that was platted with four lots abutting CSAH 3; and

WHEREAS, at the time of platting access from those four lots (Lots 1,2,3, and 4, Block 1) was restricted to two joint driveways located on the common property lines between Lots 1 and 2 and between Lots 3 and 4; and

WHEREAS, access control was dedicated along the CSAH 3 right of way, except at the locations of the joint driveways; and

WHEREAS, the sale of Lots 2, 3 and 4 to a single owner makes the consolidation of access points unnecessary; and

WHEREAS, the relocation of access to CSAH 3 from Lot 1, Block 1 from its present location approximately 160 feet south of the north line of Lot 1 to the joint property line of lots 1 and 2 would diminish the utility of Lot 1 for its owner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby creates an access control opening on that portion of CSAH 3 right of way that is located 925.84 to 965.84 feet north of the southeast corner of the southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 32 North, Range 20 West.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County's relinquishing of access control rights as described above shall be contingent on the receipt of quit claim deeds granting access control to Washington County on Lot 1, Block 1, Bluffs of East Bay, from a point 765.84 to 785.84 north of the southeast corner of the southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 32 North, Range 20 West.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County's relinquishing of access control rights as described above shall be contingent on the receipt of a quit claim deed granting access control to Washington County on Lot 2, Block 1, Bluffs of East Bay, from a point 745.84 to 765.84 feet north of the southeast corner of the southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 32 North, Range 20 West.

12. Approval and execution of cooperative agreement with the City of Forest Lake for construction of a traffic signal and maintenance aspects.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

COUNTY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Stafford moved to approve the June 20, 2000 Board Meeting minutes amended as follows: Page 273 under the heading Discussion from the Audience third line "Assault and Battery to him which allegedly occurred on June 13 at midnight"; and approval of the June 27, 2000 Board Meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Recognition for Andersen Corporation and Intek Plastics

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-107** as follows:

Recognizing Andersen Corporation and Intek Plastics
for Continued Leadership and Innovation
in Seeking Solutions to Managing Solid Waste

WHEREAS, Washington County is part of the joint powers agreement of the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board has a project seeking business participation in demonstrating how transport packaging can be reduced; and

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WHEREAS, the Andersen Corporation of Bayport, Minnesota and Intek Plastics Inc., of Hastings, Minnesota have agreed to take an active part in the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board pilot project to reduce transport packaging; and

WHEREAS, the Andersen Corporation and Intek Plastic's work on this project is the first Solid Waste Management Coordinating Project in Washington County during 2000 and will demonstrate the potential of this program to other businesses for utilizing a plastic box as an alternative to corrugated cardboard boxes with an anticipated substantial savings; and

WHEREAS, the results of the Andersen Corporation and Intek Plastics project will provide benefits to Washington County businesses and customers by encouraging other companies to reduce transport packaging waste.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners congratulate Andersen Corporation and Intek Plastics for continuing to be a leader in seeking innovative solutions for managing solid waste; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Washington County shares in the pride of the business community throughout the County and encourages each business to search for new ways of reducing solid waste for the mutual benefit of businesses and citizens.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Project Impact Grant with Minnesota Department of Public Safety

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-108** as follows:

Project Impact Grant with the Minnesota Department
of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management

WHEREAS, the Project Impact Grant 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 Project Impact Grant 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.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Washington County fully agrees to the terms of the Project Impact Grant Agreement 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.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-109** as follows:

Commitment of Responsibility for Selected Culverts on Judicial Ditch No. 2

WHEREAS, J.D. No. 2 (Hardwood Creed) is a tributary to the Rice Creek providing drainage to portions of Hugo and Forest Lake Township in Washington County; and

WHEREAS, the County installed a culvert for the new alignment of CSAH 4 (170th Street) across J.D. No. 2 in 1973; and

WHEREAS, Forest Lake Township applied for and utilized Town Bridge Account funds from the County for a bridge replacement project on Harrow Avenue crossing J.D. No. 2 in 1991; and

WHEREAS, the city of Hugo has filed suit against the Rice Creek Watershed District regarding the disrepair and obstructions in Joint Ditch No. 2; and

WHEREAS, the Rice Creek Watershed District, the Board of Water and Soil Resources, and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources are continuing their discharge and environmental impacts pertaining to a repair of J.D. No. 2.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby commits to its responsibility to lower and/or oversize its culvert on CSAH 4 (170th Street) concurrent with a comprehensive ditch improvement resulting from mediation, court order or other accepted agreements between affected interests; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Engineer be authorized to distribute Town Bridge Account funds to Forest Lake Township for their use to lower and/or oversize their culvert at Harrow Avenue subject to terms and conditions placed by the Minnesota Department of Transportation State Aid for Local Transportation Division.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Metropolitan Inter-County Association

Keith Carlson, Executive Director, and Bob Vanasek, Legislative Liaison for the Metropolitan Inter-County Association (MICA), presented an overview of MICA's history; Changes to staff, technology, communication and MICA's committee structure; Coordination with other County lobbyists; Results of the 2000 state legislative session; Outlook for the 2001 session; and discussion of the upcoming November elections.

1999 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Edison Vizuite, Financial Services Director, presented the 1999 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. He also advised the Board that Washington County has, for the 14th year in a row, been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ended December 31, 1998.

James Schug, County Administrator, advised the Board that the County Audit Committee will meet on Thursday, July 13, with the State Auditors for the exit conference to discuss Washington County's internal control structure and compliance for the year ended December 31, 1999. He indicated that it was a very clean audit with two minor management issues regarding grant fund reporting and making a change to the County's check stock.

Recommended Appointment of Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-110** as follows:

Support of Jeffrey L. Olson's Appointment as Commissioner of Minnesota's Department of Veterans Affairs

WHEREAS, Jeffrey L. Olson is a resident of Washington County and has served his nation in the United States Army and given more than 20 years of public service to the citizens and veterans of Washington County and the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey Olson served as the County Veterans Service Officer for Washington County from 1979 to 1983; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey Olson's dedication and personal commitment has provided significant leadership as the Deputy Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs; and

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WHEREAS, Jeffrey Olson has consistently demonstrated an on-going commitment to veterans service through his education, experience, professional affiliations, membership in veteran service organizations, and countless volunteer and community activities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim its support for the appointment of Jeffrey L. Olson as the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

County Auction Update

Mr. Schug announced that the recent auction held by the County brought in a total of \$114,000. This amount included items from other jurisdictions such as cities and school districts. The County netted \$59,000 after the various jurisdictions received their share and after auctioneer fees.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

John Waller, 14010 Homestead Avenue, Hugo, discussed issues related to the Judicial Ditch No. 2 in Hugo. He informed the Board that the first eleven mathematical errors his brother discovered in the profile of Judicial Ditch No. 2 as made by the Rice Creek Watershed District have now been corrected. The twelfth error that was discovered in the profile is about to be corrected. By reviewing the old plan and profile of the ditch and examining the records, the profile that was completed by the Watershed District two years ago is two feet too high in its entirety. He asked that the County Board appoint people to the watersheds that will do their job in an appropriate manner, and hold them accountable for their actions.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Peterson thanked Erica Swanson for volunteering her time to play piano at the garden tour that was held this past weekend. She also thanked her grandson who helped out.

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the insurance trust meeting he attended and indicated that the premiums will be decreased for workers compensation and the dividend will be increasing a little bit. He also reported on the Energy Task Force meeting he attended. The issue discussed was that the United States has not built any power plants in over forty years and they are rapidly approaching issues on the amount of energy, how it's transported and where to get it from.

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Commissioner Abrahamson would like the Board to discuss what the County is paying in lobbying fees, what the cost will be for MICA, AMC and what the Board's desires will be as to the County's own lobbyist. Commissioner Stafford indicated that those issues will be discussed at the workshop that follows.

Commissioner Stafford reported on the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board and the Ramsey/Washington Resource Recovery Project. He stated these two groups are looking at ways to deal with the increasing amounts of solid waste.

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 Stafford and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

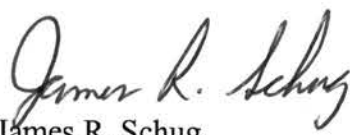
BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION


The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to evaluate the County's lobbying and policy development services and membership in lobbying associations. 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, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the community development block grant allocation process. 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, Robert Lockyear and Martina Johntz.

Attest:


James R. Schug
County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair
County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
JULY 18, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioner met in regular session at 9:05 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson. Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Linda Krafthefer, Chief Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Jane Harper, Program Planner; Chuck Leifeld, MN Extension Director; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of on sale and Sunday liquor license for new establishment Tanners Brook LP, d/b/a/ Tanners Brook Golf Club, for the period April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-111** as follows:

Renewal of Premises Permit for the Lions
Forest Lake Club

WHEREAS, on or about July 11, 2000 the Lions Forest Lake Club has made application pursuant to the statutes of the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved is Old Log Cabin, located at 9726 Scandia Trail North, Forest Lake Township, Washington County.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLED 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.

3. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-112** as follows:

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Appropriating for County Extension Work for
Year Beginning January 1, 2000

BE IT RESOLVED, that the sum of \$373,600 be set apart from the General Revenue Fund and appropriated subject to the order of the Dean and Director of the Minnesota Extension Service of the University of Minnesota for the support of county extension work in Washington County for the year beginning January 1, 2000, in accordance with Minnesota Statute, Section 38.33-38.38, 1990.

4. Bids were received for the Transportation and Physical Development north maintenance shop floor covering as follows:

Restoration Technologies, Inc.	\$ 70,438.00
Facilities 2000	\$111,000.00

Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-113** as follows:

Award of Contract for the North Shop Floor Covering Project to
Restoration Technologies, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete preservation of floor surfaces at the Transportation & Physical Development Department mechanical maintenance area, the County solicited bids for the project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on July 10, 2000 with Restoration Technologies, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Restoration Technologies, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Restoration Technologies, 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 Restoration Technologies, 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; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent.

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Valley Branch Watershed District Management Plan Amendment

Commissioner Stafford asked for further discussion of the Valley Branch Watershed District amendment.

Principal Planner Jane Harper stated that the County's concerns are that the plan amendment lacks details on water quality impacts, downstream impacts, technical project design, project cost allocation and financing methods. The Watershed District says that it has a lot of this information in background studies and engineering reports. Before approving the capital improvement project the County needs more information on the project scope and purpose, detailed project design, detailed project costs and budgets, and financing methods.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve sending the County's comments letter to the District's Board of Managers. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT**Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Facility 2001 Operating Budget**

Senior Program Manager Judy Hunter stated that the Project Board approved the Resource Recovery Facility's 2001 budget in June. It also approved a tipping fee increase for haulers from \$38 to \$40. Since that time, staff from Washington and Ramsey Counties and a consultant have been meeting with the top 10 haulers who deliver 83% of the waste to the facility. They have gotten a considerable amount of reaction from the haulers concerning a tipping fee increase.

Ms. Hunter asked that this discussion be tabled to the July 25 Board meeting since two of the Board members, Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek, are on the Resource Recover Board and are absent today. She also indicated that this would give them more time to compile the information they are getting back from the haulers.

Commissioner Peterson moved to table the Resource Recovery Project's 2001 budget until the County Board's July 25 meeting. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent.

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Commissioner Stafford asked if the haulers were aware that this item was on the Board agenda today. Ms. Hunter stated that haulers were sent notice of the meeting. She added that the haulers have been giving the their comments to the Project Board in writing.

Commissioner Peterson asked that the Project Board also recognize the smaller haulers.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

CSAH 13 (Hinton Avenue/Tower Drive) Project

Transportation and Physical Development Deputy Director Doug Fischer gave an update on the CSAH 13 (Hinton Avenue and Tower Drive) construction project. He stated that the engineering design is being completed and that it is now time to enter into joint powers agreements with the cities of Cottage Grove and Woodbury for construction and right-of-way acquisition, jurisdictional transfers, and maintenance and access issues. Both cities have concerns over the project.

Mr. Fischer stated that one of the main concerns of Cottage Grove is its reluctance to the jurisdictional transfer of CR 74 back to the city. Before the turn back the County will resurface the road and agree to three years of maintenance.

Commissioner Abrahamson expressed surprise that Cottage Grove is having problems with what the County is proposing.

Commissioner Peterson stated that this project will have a regional significance by having the road improved. She thinks the County has gone as far as it can go and believes the communities have the ball in their park and now have to make some decisions. She asked if we have the capability of just doing the project without the cities signing the agreements.

Mr. Fischer stated that since this is a state aid project, the County does need plan approval unless we want to go to dispute resolution. Regarding the jurisdictional transfer, the County does have the authority to turn that back.

Commissioner Stafford indicated that the city of Woodbury views this project differently and doesn't have the project high on its list of priorities. It is more concerned about water issues from the road. He stated that time is important with this project.

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Commissioner Abrahamson noted that both cities are objecting the aspects of the County's cost participation policy and that he feels this policy is very fair.

Commissioner Stafford stated that the cooperative agreements should be sent to the cities. The project is a vital link necessary to the upcoming Wakota bridge project.

The Commissioners present stated their unanimous support for the project.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District Appointment

James Schug, County Administrator, asked for recommendation to the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR), of the appointment of Mr. Richard Damchik to the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District Board of Managers. Normally, the appointment to the Board of Managers is made directly by the County Board, but in this case, this is a new watershed district and the first terms of office are appointed by BWSR. Since this is filling a vacancy in the first year, BWSR is still the appointing authority.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to recommend to the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources the appointment of Mr. Richard Damchik to the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent.

State Auditor's Office Findings and Recommendations for the Year /Ended December 31, 1999

Mr. Schug reported on the State Auditor's Office management letter on internal controls and compliance for the year ended December 31, 1999. Two management practices were reported and the Internal Audit Advisory Committee has prepared a response to the State Auditor's Office.

Commissioner Stafford indicated that he is on the Audit Committee and the County's financial accountability is exceptional.

Mr. Schug stated that the auditors were asked to comment on the County's financial management system and they indicated that they found the system properly administered.

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Commissioner Abrahamson moved for County Board signature on the response letter to be sent to the State Auditor's Office. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent.

Community Development Block Grant Program

Mr. Schug stated the County is close to qualifying for the Community Development Block Grant Program. Seventeen signed agreements have been returned from cities and six more have indicated their intent to sign. A plan for allocation will be brought to the Board at a later date after assurance that enough units of government have signed on.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

The County Board Chair asked for comments from the audience.

District 56 State Senator Gary Laidig expressed his thanks for the close liaison his office has with the County Board members. His legislative district covers four of the five Commissioner districts. He also indicated that the County's legislative liaison is doing a great job.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS-COMMENTS-QUESTIONS

Commissioner Abrahamson thanked Senator Laidig for appearing at today's Board meeting and commended him for his work in corrections.

Commissioner Abrahamson commended the State's engineering staff and contractors who worked on the recent resurfacing of Highway 36 from North St. Paul to Stillwater. He stated they did a great job of putting the asphalt down and getting it done quickly.

Commissioner Peterson stated that there is an upcoming Metropolitan Transportation Alliance meeting on September 11 at 1:30 p.m. She would like staff to attend and discuss County transportation issues for the next legislative session and into the future.

Commissioner Stafford mentioned that the new Woodwinds Hospital in Woodbury is having an open house on July 23.

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Commissioner Abrahamson indicated that there is a vacancy on the Ramsey Action Program Board and asked that if anyone is interested to get in touch with the County.

Commissioner Peterson stated that there is a watershed opening in South Washington County and that she has received letters from St. Paul Park and Grey Cloud Island recommending Dennis Hanna to the Board. Mr. Schug responded that he will check into whether the County has received an application from Mr. Hanna, and if not, will see that he gets one, and then schedule him for an interview.

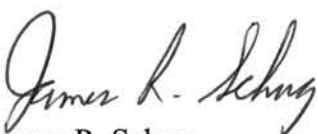
BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

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; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
JULY 25, 2000**

WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY CONVENES

The Washington County Regional Railroad Authority 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. Regional Railroad Authority Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Jim Luger, Parks Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Douglas K. Johnson, Land Acquisition Specialist; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist; 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 10:00 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 Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Jim Luger, Parks Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Douglas K. Johnson, Land Acquisition Specialist; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist; and Dave Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of revisions to the Contract Administration Guidelines, Policy #1201.
2. Approval to appoint Commissioner Bill Pulkrabek as the Washington County representative to the Metropolitan Library Service Agency (MELSA) and Metronet Governing Boards.

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3. Approval of application for a new use of tax forfeited land on parcel 20.031.21.24.0035 by the City of Hugo. The new authorized public use is for the property to be used as additional road right-of-way and utility easement as well as to demolish and remove the house present on the site.
4. Approval of on sale liquor license for Greeder Hinds Comfort VFW Post #323, for the period of August 2, 2000 through August 6, 2000 at the Washington County Fairgrounds.
5. Approval of contract with Human Services, Inc. to act as designated service agency for the Children's Mental Health Collaborative funds.
6. Approval of banding/grading recommendations as follows: Property Manager/Property Acquisition Specialist (Working Condition), C4-5-2; Real Estate/Tax Technician (New), B2-1-1; Sr. Real Estate/Tax Technician (New), B2-3-1; Real Estate/Tax Specialist (New), B2-4-1; and County Risk Manager (Revised), C4-4-1; and approval of new or newly-written affected job descriptions.
7. Approval of agreement with the City of Oakdale for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$91,900.
8. Approval to postpone the decision on the need for an EIS (Environmental Impact Statement) for Rumpca Excavating in Denmark Township for 30 days.
9. Authorization to execute the renewal of road maintenance agreements with the cities of Afton, Hugo, Grant, Lakeland, Lakeland Shores, St. Mary's Point, Lake St. Croix Beach, and the towns of Grey Cloud and West Lakeland.
10. Approval and execution of cost participation agreement with the City of Oakdale for improvements to an access median on CSAH 10.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

2001 Park Fees

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to approve the 2001 park fees and charges as presented. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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Update on the Progress of the I-494/Th 61 Wakota Bridge Reconstruction Project

Adam Josephson, Preliminary Design Engineer and Project Coordinator for the Wakota Bridge project with Minnesota Department of Transportation, updated the Board on the I-494/TH 61 Wakota Bridge reconstruction project, funding and proposed schedule. Mr. Josephson distributed copies of this information. Mr. Josephson indicated that they are looking at breaking ground in the spring of 2002 and that this project will run through 2007. There are three issues that MN/DOT is currently working on: 1) Local roadway improvements to the south, through the Ashland Refinery and through St. Paul Park—there is a question on how that will be funded; 2) Figuring out the transportation needs in the Newport area related to Fourth Avenue and 21st Street, and how that can be done at a lesser cost; and 3) The north ring road ramps providing full access to the Maplewood and South St. Paul area that currently uses the Carver Avenue Intersection—remove the Carver Avenue Intersection, which would be a big enhancement for Highway 61 and clean up that area and provide good access. This adds approximately \$5 million to the project.

Commissioners Hegberg and Stafford asked that MN/DOT keep in mind ways to provide access to and from the Resource Recovery Facility in Newport which has 400,000 tons of waste going in there every year and that they keep in close communication with that facility.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked that utility costs due to relocation be kept in mind and that some of those costs will be passed on to the cities, businesses, utility companies and homeowners.

Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development, reviewed how this construction project will affect County roads and that jurisdictional changes will be made. He indicated that another issue is the JAR Bridge. He indicated that bridge is closed at the present time and it may never reopen. There is a CSAH system, and without that connection they would be revoking a lot of the County system to the City of St. Paul Park and there may be complications with that related to local cost and funding of some of these local road improvements.

COURT SERVICES, PUBLIC HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the amendment to the Washington County Family Service Collaborative Interagency agreement which provides for shared liability for all members should an audit by the Federal Government result in a disallowance for funds already allocated by the Collaborative and spent by the local agency. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-114**, as follows:

Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Projects
2001 Operating Budget

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreement the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board is to prepare and submit an annual budget for consideration by the Ramsey and Washington County Boards; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board Budget Committee met on June 12, 2000 to review and make recommendations on the 2001 Project Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board met on June 22, 2000, and acted on the recommendation of its Budget Committee; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey and Washington Counties, in order to pursue stated environmental performance measures in their respective County Solid Waste Master Plans, will continue to contract with waste haulers to assure the delivery of waste to the Resource Recovery Facility in 2001, at a tipping fee that necessitates the use of County funds; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board is financed from County Participation (Washington County 27%; Ramsey County 73%) and from interest earnings on the Project's fund balance; and

WHEREAS, at its June 22, 2000 meeting, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board acted to recommend that the Ramsey and Washington County Boards notify waste haulers under contract for waste delivery at \$38 per ton that the current waste delivery agreements will be terminated at the end of 2000, and that new agreements with a tipping fee of \$40 per ton will be offered for 2001, noting that both Counties need to act on the affirmative for this to take place; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board recommends that the County Boards use County fund balances as County funding sources for a portion of their contributions, accrued as a result of lower than expected expenses in 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board recommends that the Ramsey and Washington County Boards approve the 2001 Operating Budget:

<u>Appropriations</u>	
140101 Administration	\$ 516,800
140102 Service Fee	<u>\$13,617,851</u>
	\$14,134,651

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Financing Sources

Washington County Participation	\$ 3,729,573
Ramsey County Participation	\$10,083,660
Interest Income	\$ 200,000
Fund Balance (carryover of public education funds)	\$ 121,418
	\$14,134,651

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the 2001 Operating Budget as recommended by the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby directs the Department of Public Health and Environment to notify waste haulers under contract for waste delivery at \$38 per ton that the current contracts will terminate December 31, 2000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Public Health & Environment is directed to offer new waste delivery agreements to haulers at the rate of \$40 per ton effective January 1, 2001.

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.

Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager, informed the Board that the Ramsey County Board is meeting at this time and she is not aware if they will be voting for the \$38 per ton or the \$40 per ton rate. If Ramsey County sets a different fee, a Resource Recovery Project Board meeting will need to be set next month. There cannot be two separate rates.

Commissioner Hegberg stated that he wants to send a message to the State that if they want Counties to comply with the law, they should fund it through the SCORE tax and give the Counties money to subsidize the plan. If they don't, Washington County garbage can go to Wisconsin and the State can pass a law stating that Minnesota it is not responsible for any garbage that leaves the State, and Wisconsin can clean up their own messes later on and hire their own attorneys.

Commissioner Peterson feels this should be the number one legislative issue for the next session. She is frustrated by the fact that there are landfills in Elk River, Minnesota that are inviting the County's haulers to deliver waste there. She would like a letter of appreciation sent to the haulers who are hauling to the Resource Recovery Facility thanking them for doing that.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Purchase of Development Rights Funding**

Commissioner Hegberg moved to approve proposed language for the Purchase of Development Rights Financing Referendum on November 7, 2000 as follows:

"Shall the County of Washington be authorized to sell its general obligation bonds in a principal amount of \$16.2 million to provide funds to acquire and manage conservation easements and other interests in property in order to establish a corridor of green space that would keep lands in their natural state? The maximum amount of the increased property levy, as a percentage of market value, is estimated to be _____ and the amount of taxes that would be levied in the first year after the sale of the bond issue, to pay the principal and interest on the bonds, is estimated to be _____. The maximum amount of taxes that would be levied in any subsequent year for this purpose is estimated to be approximately _____.

BY VOTING YES ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.

The proposed property tax increase, for this purpose, would be approximately \$18 per year on property having a market value of \$100,000 and approximately \$45 per year on most property having a market value of \$250,000. The increased property taxes would be levied for 9 years."

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with a roll call vote as follows; Commissioner Hegberg, Yes; Commissioner Abrahamson, No; Commissioner Stafford, Yes; Commissioner Peterson, Yes; and Commissioner Pulkrabek, Yes.

Commissioner Hegberg suggested sending individual letters to each farmer showing what their taxes would be per thousand dollar valuation so they could calculate it quickly.

County Budget Hearings

James Schug, County Administrator, reminded the Board that the proposed 2001 budget hearings will be starting next week. Also, a public meeting has been scheduled for early September to review the budget.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Cal Bruer asked that the Board of Commissioners review appointments on the Board of Adjustment and Appeals. He stated there are individuals who have been on this Board for longer than term limits would allow. He is concerned about their influence on this Board and suspects they are being influenced by the bureaucracy of Washington County as far as development of the land and individuals wishing to develop their land.

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Richard Hoskins, new Park Manager at William O'Brien State Park, introduced himself to the County Board. He offered to come before the County Board on a biannual basis to report on activities taking place at the park.

Commissioner Stafford thanked Mr. Hoskins for coming in today. He suggested he work through the Washington County Parks and Open Space Commission and keep in touch through them.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek reported on the National Association of Counties Conference they attended last week.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported that the County Fair begins next week. He asked his fellow Board members to help serve coffee and doughnuts at the Senior Citizens booth on August 4 at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Peterson reported she will be meeting with individuals from the State, County and Metropolitan Council this evening to tour Grey Cloud Island and look at funding and its future. She will also be meeting with a person from Metro Council to discuss the siting of a sewer treatment plant in Dakota County across from the siting of the plant in Washington County. She also indicated that she and Commissioner Stafford will be meeting with Dakota County to discuss the JAR Bridge in September.

Commissioner Stafford reported on the open house held at Woodwinds Hospital this past weekend.

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 11:55 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration and Springsted, Inc. to discuss the 2000 bond issuance. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the

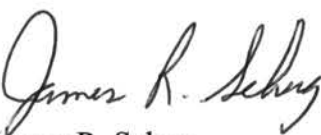
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workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Chris Eitemiller, Edison Vizuete, John Devine, Kathy Aho, Springsted, Inc., and Rick Vanzwol, Citizen of Grant.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Health and Environment to discuss solid waste direct payment for services. 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, Judy Hunter and Jeff Travis.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair
County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 1, 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 and Peterson. Commissioner Pulkrabek absent. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Wayne Sandberg, Engineer; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the July 11 and 18, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to appoint Richard Damchik, Forest Lake Township, to fill an unexpired term on the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District Board of Managers to September 22, 2000.
3. Approval to hold a drawing for a Washington County Park sticker for each day of the County Fair, August 2 through August 6.
4. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-115** as follows:

Resolution Recommending Approval of Conveyance
of Tax-Forfeited Lands for an Authorized Public Use

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Applications for Conveyance of Tax-Forfeited Lands listed below be approved free of charge for an authorized public use, and that the Board Chairman be authorized to execute the Applications for Conveyance pursuant to M.S. 282.01 Subd 1.

<u>City</u>	<u>P.I.D.</u>	<u>Authorized Public Use</u>
City of Cottage Grove	17.027.21.22.0023	The intended public use is for roads, streets, and highways and for a drainage area
	33.027.21.23.0022	The intended public use is for roads, streets, and highways and for walking and bike trail uses.

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5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-116** as follows:

Premises Permit Renewal for
Lions Forest Lake Club

WHEREAS, on or about July 19, 2000, the Lions Forest Lake Club has made application pursuant to the statutes of the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved is Duffy's on the Green, located at 7050 N. Scandia Trail, Forest Lake Township, Washington County.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve 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 Forest Lake.

6. Approval of revisions to County safety/security policies: Employee Identification Badges (#5021), Safety Program Work Rule Enforcement and Discipline (#5406), and Government Center Building Security (#1018).

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

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Installation of Stop Signs on CSAH 6 and CSAH 13/Helmo Avenue in Oakdale

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-117** as follows:

All Way Stop Installation at the Stillwater Boulevard (CSAH 6)
and Ideal Avenue (CSAH 13)/Helmo Avenue Intersection

WHEREAS, the City of Oakdale will be constructing an extension to Helmo Avenue which will join with the existing Ideal Avenue (CSAH 13) alignment creating a four-leg intersection at Stillwater Boulevard (CSAH 6); and

WHEREAS, this construction project is expected to be completed by mid-August, 2000; and

WHEREAS, Helmo Avenue is a collector route serving a large residential development in the City of Oakdale; and

WHEREAS, a traffic analysis shows that the completion of this project is expected to increase the traffic at this intersection to a level that justifies an all way stop condition; and

WHEREAS, it is desired to have the all way stop installed at the time the Helmo Avenue portion is opened to traffic.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Director of Transportation and Physical Development to install and maintain the appropriate signs to establish an all way stop condition at the intersection of Stillwater Boulevard (CSAH 6) and Ideal Avenue (CSAH 13)/Helmo Avenue.

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

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Set Public Hearing on 2000 Bond Issue

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-118** as follows:

Resolution Establishing the Date for a Public Hearing on the
Proposal That Washington County Issue up to \$16,700,000 General Obligation
Capital Improvement Bonds Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40, Washington County (the "County") is authorized to issue its General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds for the purpose of financing certain capital improvements as defined in such section; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County at this time to issue up to \$16,700,000 of its General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds (the "Bonds") for the purpose of financing certain capital improvement projects identified in the Capital Improvement Plan of the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40, a public hearing is required to be held prior to the issuance of Capital Improvement Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Washington County that:

1. The Board of Commissioners of Washington County hereby gives preliminary approval to the issuance of the Bonds, and authorizes Kennedy & Graven, Chartered, bond counsel, and Springsted, financial advisor, to prepare the necessary documentation for the authorization, sale and issuance of the Bonds.
2. The Board of Commissioners of Washington County will conduct a public hearing on the issuance of the Bonds on August 22, 2000 at 9:00 a.m.
3. The publication of notice of the public hearing in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the hearing in the official newspaper of the County is hereby authorized.

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Exhibit A

WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSAL BY
WASHINGTON COUNTY TO ISSUE UP TO
\$16,700,000 OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Washington County (the "County") will meet on August 22, 2000, at 9:00 a.m. at the Washington County Courthouse, Stillwater, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on a proposal that the County issue up to \$16,700,000 of Capital Improvement Bonds (the "Bonds"). The Bonds will be issued pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40 to finance certain capital improvement projects identified in the Capital Improvement Plan of the County.

All persons interested may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above.

DATE: August 1, 2000

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON
COUNTY, MINNESOTA

By: _____

James R. Schug
County Administrator

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

Purchase of Development Rights Funding Referendum

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-119** as follows:

Resolution Authorizing the Washington County Board of Commissioners
to Hold an Election to Request Voter Approval for the County to
Issue and Sell Its General Obligation Bonds to Fund
the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Program

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has chosen to use its authority under MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 84C to adopt Ordinance No.144 establishing a Purchase of Development Rights Program authorizing the County to purchase and manage conservation easements; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has chosen to use its authority under Minn. Stat. SEC. 475.52, SUBD. 3 to issue bonds for the acquisition of development rights in the form of conservation easements; and

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. SECTIONS 375.20 AND. 475.58, SUBD. 1 require Washington County to hold an election prior to selling the bonds.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that, an election be held to request voter approval for the County to issue and sell its general obligation bonds in the amount of \$13.025 million to fund the Washington County Purchase of Development Rights Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners adopts the attached language to include on the general election ballot on November 7, 2000 and directs the County Auditor to post and publish notices of the election as required by MINN. STAT. § 2040.22 SUBDS. 2 AND 3.

County Question Ballot
Special Election
Washington County
November 7, 2000

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: Voters desiring to vote in favor of the foregoing proposition shall make a cross mark (X) in the square opposite the word YES. Voters desiring to vote against the foregoing proposition shall place a cross mark (X) opposite the word NO.

Washington County is asking voter approval to issue and sell its general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$13.025 million to acquire and manage conservation easements.

The amount of taxes that would be levied in the first year of the property tax levy to pay the principal and interest on the bonds is estimated to be approximately \$1,975,000. The maximum amount of taxes that would be levied in any subsequent year for the purpose is estimated to be approximately \$1,975,000. This maximum increase in property tax levy is estimated to be approximately .01799% of the taxable market value of property in the County.

The proposed property tax increase, for this purpose, would be approximately \$18 per year on property having a market value of \$100,000 and approximately \$45 per year on most property having a market value of \$250,000. The increased property taxes would be levied for 9 years.

COUNTY QUESTION NO. 1:

ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT OF CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

Should the County of Washington be authorized to issue and sell its General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$13.025 million to provide funds to acquire and manage conservation easements and other interests in property in order to establish a corridor of green space that would keep lands in their natural state?

BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.

YES	()
NO	()

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with a roll call vote as follows: Commissioner Hegberg, Yes; Commissioner Abrahamson, No; Commissioner Stafford, Yes; Commissioner Peterson, Yes; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

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DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Abrahamson reported that the 2001 Budget hearings started at 1:00 p.m. prior to this afternoon's Board meeting. He hopes the cable audience will stay tuned to watch the replay following the Board meeting.

Commissioner Stafford asked that a letter be sent to the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging indicating that Commissioner Peterson was appointed to sit on that committee. He also reported on a public meeting held last night in Woodbury City Hall regarding group homes which stemmed from a terrible incident a month ago where a young lady was stabbed to death allegedly by a resident of a group home.

Commissioner Peterson reported that a number of the Commissioners will be at the County Fair on Friday, August 4, at 1:30 p.m. serving coffee at the Senior Citizens Booth.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

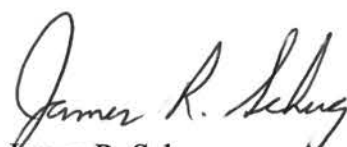
ADJOURNMENT


There being no further business to come before the Board, Board Chair Stafford called for adjournment. The Board meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Office of Administration to discuss the proposed 2001 budget. 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, Virginia Erdahl, Chris Eitemiller, Molly O'Rourke, Cindy Koosmann, Dan Papin, Raoul Schander, Edison Vizuite, Judy Honmyhr and Mary McGlothlin.

Attest:


James R. Schug
County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair
County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 8, 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; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Mike Polehna, Parks Manager; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Jane Harper, Principal Planner; David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the July 25, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to convert a Special Project Office Assistant position to a regular status in the Department of Human Resources effective August 6, 2000.
3. Bids were received for median modifications on CSAH 10 as follows:

Tower Asphalt, Inc.	\$77,869.50
North Valley, Inc.	79,365.45
Hardrives, Inc.	96,001.10

Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-120** as follows:

Award of Contract for CSAH 10 Median Modifications to
Tower Asphalt, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete median modifications on CSAH 10, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on July 31, 2000 with Tower Asphalt, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

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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 the form by the Washington County Attorney's office.

4. Approval and execution of Metropolitan Council Grant SG-00-31 for park land acquisition for Big Marine Park.
5. Approval of Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota, acting through its Department of Public Safety, Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement Division, to conduct alcohol compliance checks for underage drinking.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Peterson Absent.

Commissioner Peterson arrived at 9:10 a.m.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve an agreement between the Department of Economic Security and the Community Services Workforce Center to operate the Senior Community Service Employment Program for the period beginning July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001. Commissioner Peterson 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 feels this is an obsolete program and should be discontinued. He finds it hard to believe that the County is still approving the subsidy of wages with less than a 2% unemployment rate, and with a big problem that employers face today that they cannot find enough quality employees for jobs. That is the reason he is voting against this grant.

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TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT**Award for County Lifeguards**

Mike Polehna, Parks Manager, presented Jon Aerts a letter of commendation for saving the life of Tyler Fosse on July 6, 2000 and recognition of Erin Plathe and the Lake Elmo Park Reserve lifeguards for their efforts in the rescue.

Update on the New Woodbury Library Project

Richard Gauger, Project Manager, presented an update on the proposed Development Agreement between Washington County and the City of Woodbury for the new Woodbury Library/City Park Project. He addressed the following highlights of the agreement:

- The ownership portion of the agreement will be that the County and City will each own cubic feet of building and share in the common space both as to land and building.
- Final square foot ownership figures will be attached to the Development Agreement prior to the bid process which is still scheduled for November 16, 2000.
- Attached to the agreement will be a parking addendum which will address the issues having to do with the parking lot because the City, the County and the YMCA are involved in the parking profile.
- There will be a separate maintenance agreement which is in a very formative stage and will come forward within the next 30 to 60 days.
- Voluntary arbitration can proceed if both parties agree to it, that would be an option not a requirement.
- Should one or the other party decide to dispose of their section of the property the other party would have first refusal.
- Any remodeling that would take place within the park or library would be subject to the approval of the other party.
- Each party would carry their own insurance.
- The cost estimates are still on target and he will hold the architects to those estimates at this time.
- There will be an agreement as to how change orders will be handled during the construction process.
- The County Attorney has reviewed the draft document and has made notations.

Mr. Gauger stated that the construction drawings have gone from the concept stage to more detail. NSP and a consultant group were brought in ten days ago to look at the building and will determine whatever cost savings or rebates might be available.

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Commissioner Peterson stated she is concerned about the humidity in the building. She hopes that when the energy costs are looked at the humidity issue will also be reviewed. Mr. Gauger stated that is also a concern to him and that has been forwarded to the engineers. The temperature and humidity in the library will absolutely be different than the temperature and humidity in the park.

Commissioner Stafford stated that a citizen has brought up two or three ideas that seem to have merit. One idea had to do with returning books and another had to do with handicapped access and getting those as close as possible to the library. Other issues related to food and coffee. Mr. Gauger indicated he had received the letter of concern and he has discussed it with the library staff. A response will be going out on that. He indicated that a remote book return is something they are looking at. There is a concern as to the volume of books and the transporting of those books back into the central operations. The American Disability Act dictates the minimum requirements for handicapped parking and access and those will be strictly adhered to. In addition, Minnesota has even stricter ADA requirements in some aspects and those will be adhered to. Regarding food service, Mr. Gauger indicated that the food service lease will be with the City, however the County will have a chance to review that.

Commissioner Stafford hopes that more than the ADA minimum is accomplished and it be made as convenient as possible for handicapped individuals.

ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-121** as follows:

Resolution Authorizing the Combination of Several Tax-Forfeited Parcels into One Larger Parcel

WHEREAS, the subject parcels of this resolution were forfeited to the State of Minnesota on August 10, 1993, located in the City of Bayport; and

WHEREAS, the said parcels 03.029.20.44.0060, 03.029.20.44.0062, 03.029.20.44.0063 and 03.029.20.44.0066 described as Lots 5 & 6 exc W 125 feet, Pt of Lot 7 being the E 27 feet, Lot 7 except E 27 feet and Pt of Lot 8 being the West 49 feet, except the E 1 ft of South 54 feet of West 49 feet all in Block 28, Bayport (formerly South of Stillwater), are adjoining parcels; and

WHEREAS, the building on the site is in the process of demolition and removal of hazardous materials is occurring; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections asks the County Board to have these parcels combined into one larger parcel to enhance the sale of the tax-forfeited land.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners fully supports the combining of four tax forfeited parcels into one larger parcel as it deems advantageous for the purpose of sale.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Valley Branch Watershed District Enlargement Petition

John Jansen, Lake St. Croix Beach City Council, indicated he has been involved with this study since it started and he is a member of the Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization. He is concerned that the overall plan is not ready to go forward, and what is being done here is effectively destroying a water management organization that he feels has worked well. He is also concerned where the other half of this water management organization will go. He believes the petition contains less than complimentary remarks about water management organizations in general. Mr. Jansen asked the Board to be cautious, look for the big picture and stated that this action may be premature.

David Beaudet, City of Oak Park Heights Councilperson, feels that this petition denigrates the work accomplished by the water management organization. He believes the Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization is working. He feels the problems that are in Brown's Creek should be shared by the County Board. Those problems were created when the County Board approved every plat in all of those township areas, in the Kismet Basin area where flooding has occurred. Mr. Beaudet advised the Board that both Brown's Creek Watershed District and Cernelian-Marine Watershed District did take votes of intent on whether or not they are going to go forward with consolidation. What he heard at these meetings was they are not ready to be engaged in the County process to merge with any entity. He stated that with watershed districts the County Board needs their permission, and right now the watershed districts are saying they cannot go forward. He asked what will happen to the rest of the Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization? He believes there should have been a concurrent petition to deal with the remainder of the WMO, whether it goes to Cernelian-Marine or Brown's Creek. He does not believe this is how good public policy is engaged.

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-122** as follows:

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Resolution Directing the Washington County Attorney's Office
to File Valley Branch Watershed District Enlargement Petition
With the Board of Water and Soil Resources

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has authorized a water governance study to identify and evaluate the best government structures for water management for Washington County, and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners approved the findings and recommendations of the Water Governance Study that recommended the enlargement of the Valley Branch Watershed District to include the entire Lower St. Croix River and a portion of the Middle St. Croix River water management organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT, for the reasons set forth in the attached petition, the Washington County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Washington County Attorney's Office to file a petition with the Board of Water and Soil Resources to enlarge the Valley Branch Watershed District.

ENLARGEMENT PETITION

In the Matter of the Petition of
Washington County for the Enlargement
of the Valley Branch Watershed District and
to Increase the Number of Managers

TO: Board of Water and Soil Resources, 1 West Water Street, Suite 200, St. Paul, MN
55107

Petitioner, Washington County, a body politic and corporate, pursuant to Washington County Board Resolution No. 2000-122 does hereby petition the Board of Water and Soil Resources to enlarge the Valley Branch Watershed District pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 103D.261 and to increase the number of managers of the Valley Branch Watershed District pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 103D.305 for the following reasons:

1. The Valley Branch Watershed District is an existing watershed district located entirely within the metropolitan area.
2. The area proposed to be added to the existing Valley Branch Watershed District is contiguous to the Valley Branch Watershed District and also located entirely within the metropolitan area. The area is described on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A and consists of a total of 126.76 square miles, of which

25.32 square miles are located within the City of Afton
0.52 square miles are located within the City of Bayport
8.10 square miles are located within Baytown Township
5.55 square miles are located within the City of Cottage Grove
30.33 square miles are located within Denmark Township
4.19 square miles are located within the City of Grant
22.62 square miles are located within the City of Lake Elmo
0.98 square miles are located within the City of Lake St. Croix Beach
2.93 square miles are located within the City of Lakeland
0.68 square miles are located within the City of Lakeland Shores
0.85 square miles are located within the City of Mahtomedi
0.39 square miles are located within the City of Oak Park Heights
5.91 square miles are located within the City of Oakdale
0.90 square miles are located within the City of Pine Springs
0.73 square miles are located within the City of St. Mary's Point,

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- 12.68 square miles are located within West Lakeland Township
 - 3.13 square miles are located within the City of Woodbury
 - 0.25 square miles are located within the City of Hastings, Washington County
 - 0.14 square miles are located within the City of Maplewood, Ramsey County
 - 0.26 square miles are located within the City of North St. Paul, Ramsey County
 - 0.30 square miles are located within the City of White Bear Lake, Ramsey County
3. The November, 1999 Washington County Assessor's determination of taxable market value for the property located within the area to be added to the Valley Branch Watershed District and located within Washington County is \$2,343,754,700. The June, 2000 Ramsey County Assessor's determination of taxable market value for the property located within the area to be added to the Valley Branch Watershed District and located within Ramsey County is \$85,571,000.
 4. The areas that are proposed to be added to the existing Valley Branch Watershed District include a portion of the Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization and the entire Lower St. Croix Water Management Organization. Both are currently administered under joint powers agreements pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 103B.211.
 5. Each of the existing water management organizations whose territory is to be included in the proposed enlargement of the Valley Branch Watershed District will be free of financial liabilities at the time of the enlargement.
 6. The watershed district, as expanded, will have the boundaries as shown on the attached Exhibit A and can be feasibly administered by the managers of the existing Valley Branch Watershed District. The Valley Branch Watershed District has proposed, however, the addition of two new members to ensure adequate representation from the sub-watershed areas that are proposed to be added to the district. One of the new members is proposed to represent the sub-watershed area currently included in the Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization and one member is proposed to represent the sub-watershed currently managed by the Lower St. Croix Water Management Organization. After the first two years of operation, the number of managers for this enlarged watershed district shall be reduced to five. The five managers shall be appointed to fairly represent the various hydrological areas within the watershed district.
 7. The reasons why adding the area described on Exhibit A to the existing Valley Branch Watershed District would be conducive to the public health and welfare and for the purposes of Chapter 103D are as follows:

In May of 1998, the Washington County Board authorized a water government study to identify and evaluate the best government structures for water management for the County. The need for the study was identified after the failure of several joint powers water management organizations in the County. In June of 1999, the Washington County Board adopted the report for the water governance study which is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The study included recommendations for improving the structure that governs the management of surface and ground water in the County. These recommendations include changes to the boundaries of existing water management organizations in the County, including the enlargement of the Valley Branch Watershed District, as proposed herein. Those reasons are summarized as follows:

 - a. Washington County currently has a relatively large number of water governance units of small size in comparison to other Metro Area counties. The large number of water management units in the County

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contributes to unnecessary duplication in services and costs, such as the creation of watershed plans for each unit. Enlargement and consolidation of units as proposed in the Water Governance Study will increase the efficiency of water governance by reducing unnecessary duplication of services.

- b. Organizations and individuals that participated in the Water Governance Study indicated that the Joint Powers Water Management Organizations (JPWMO) structure has generally been ineffective in addressing water management issues and problems in the County. Study findings indicated that JPWMO's in the County have often been ineffective in adopting adequate plans, implementing plans, working with other organizations on water management issues and monitoring management actions. The JPWMO structure has encouraged parochial viewpoints, rather than a watershed-wide ethic, which has been an impediment to implementing projects that need a district-wide commitment. As the County grows, the need to address water management problems effectively on a comprehensive basis will increase. The watershed district structure has been more successful in addressing water management issues and implementing needed projects than the JPWMO structure, and was recommended by the Water Governance Study as the structure for all new and enlarged water units in the County.
- c. In addition to structural issues, the small size and limited tax capacity of some water management units in Washington County limits their ability to raise sufficient funds to address water management problems effectively. This has been a cause of the failure of some water management organizations in Washington County. The enlargement and consolidation of water units in the County, as proposed by the Water Governance Study, will provide each of the new units with sufficient tax capacity to provide the water governance services needed in the County, and to fund projects that manage water quantity and quality effectively.
- d. The JPWMO units in the County have not established offices that provide a clear point of communication for citizens or local units of government needing information about water management. The Water Governance Study recommended that the new units establish a clear point of contact and employ an administrator to work directly with citizens, local government units and others on water management issues. Enlargement of existing units will provide the taxing capacity needed to support this service on a district-wide basis. Providing this clear, reliable point of contact will improve the accountability of the water management unit to local units of government and citizens.
- e. Washington County has worked with representatives of each of the existing water management units to develop recommendations for key issues related to the enlargement of the Valley Branch Watershed District, such as financing policies, coordination of water management plans and board representation. Recommendations developed by the water management unit representatives and approved by the County include the following:
 - The enlarged watershed district will be guided and managed consistent with a watershed management plan as prepared and adopted and implemented in accordance with requirements in MINN. STAT. §§ 103B.205-255.

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- The enlarged watershed district will adopt the existing water management plans of the three units as the interim plan for the new unit, to be effective until the Board of Water and Soil Resources requires that the district complete a Third Generation Watershed Plan (scheduled for 2005). The minor amendment process will be used, if needed, to make changes in the interim plan.
- Administrative services and related general services that are provided throughout the district shall be funded using a district-wide ad valorem tax, collected by Washington County as part of property tax collection.
- The full range of funding options available to the district under MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 103D and 103B should be considered to fund water quality and quantity projects or other services that are not provided on a district-wide basis. Funding should be determined on a project by project basis, based on project benefits, costs (including administrative costs of the financing options) and equity.
- The name of the proposed enlarged watershed district should be changed from Valley Branch Watershed District to the Lower St. Croix Valley Watershed District.

WHEREFORE, Washington County requests that the Board of Water and Soil Resources, after setting a time and location for a hearing on the Petition and giving notice as required by law and conducting a hearing as required by law, issue its order granting the following relief.

1. That the boundaries of the Valley Branch Watershed District be enlarged to include the area set forth on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A.
2. That the number of managers of the enlarged watershed district be increased as proposed.
3. That the name of the enlarged watershed district shall be the Lower St. Croix Valley Watershed District.
4. That the area proposed to be added be guided and managed consistent with the current management plans of the water management organization in accordance with MINN. STAT. §§ 103B.205-103.255.

Date: _____

DOUG JOHNSON, COUNTY ATTORNEY
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

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Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek; No, Commissioner Abrahamson.

James Schug, County Administrator, addressed the concern of what happens to the Middle St. Croix water management area that is not included in the petition. He indicated that the County did receive correspondence from both Carnelian-Marine Watershed District and Brown's Creek Watershed District. They both met last night and their letters stated they are concerned about some of the things that have to be accomplished prior to consolidation. They are in favor of the consolidation, but they feel there are some impediments that need to be dealt with before they move forward. Carnelian-Marine is encouraging starting with adding those other WMO areas to the existing watershed districts, then once that is taken care of to consolidate the two enlarged districts. Mr. Schug stated that the County has been working toward a staged plan to make all of those things happen and today's petition is the first item. The next item to be discussed is that enlargement petition of Brown's Creek in order to take care of that other part of the Middle St. Croix. Then the enlargement of Carnelian-Marine to include the Marine on St. Croix Water Management Organization and the northeast part of the County that is currently not under a water management agreement.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford reported on the Resource Recovery Project Board meeting held on Monday, August 7. He indicated that the Project Board voted 4-2 for a \$38 tipping fee. A new resolution will be brought back to the County Board reflecting the \$38 tipping fee.

Commissioner Stafford reported that the Board should address the possibility of putting the 800 mghz system back into the CIP. He indicated that he has asked for a Task Force report and he's asked the Metropolitan Radio Board to make a brief presentation to this County Board to talk about the system.

Commissioner Abrahamson thanked the Board members who attended the County Fair last Friday and helped serve coffee at the Senior Booth.

Commissioner Hegberg reported on a meeting he attended at the Vet's Camp this past Saturday concerning the boats, docks and a proposal by Soil and Water Conservation to do projects out there to minimize the erosion into the lake.

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Commissioner Hegberg reported that the County's insurance rates will be going down slightly and also the dividends will go up slightly.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Stafford moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Abrahamson and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss a proposal from the Water Governance Project for the County to levy and distribute taxes for the Watershed District Administrative budgets. 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, Jay Brunner and Jane Harper.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH RECORDER'S OFFICE

The Board met in workshop session with the Recorder's Office for a demonstration and discussion of availability of Recorder's office records on the internet. 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, Cindy Koosmann, Jennifer Wagenius, Larry Haseman, Barb Fritsche, Larry Nybeck, Edison Vizuite, Raoul Schander, Joanne Helm, Konrad Koosmann, and Teresa Lee.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the proposed 2001 budget with the following departments: Public Health and Environment and Transportation and Physical

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Development. 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, Chris Eitemiller, Mary McGlothlin, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer and Jim Luger.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 15, 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; Meredith Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; James Luger, Parks Director; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Robert Lockyear, Administrative Services Director; Martina Johntz, Grants Coordinator; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the August 1, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval of five additional projects recommended by the Department Head Group for funding through the 1999 Budget Savings Pool in the amount of \$112,600: Added network capacity (\$48,000); Voice Mail software and capacity upgrade (\$29,900); Additional Novell Licenses (\$13,000); Additional capacity for the main phone switch (\$12,800) and Additional e-mail server to handle e-mail coming from outside the County (\$8,600).
3. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-123** as follows:

Repurchase of Tax Forfeited Parcel by
 Ronald J. Blechinger, Former Owner

WHEREAS, Ronald J. Blechinger, the former owner has made and filed an application with the County Auditor for the repurchase of the hereinafter described parcel 08.028.21.33.0109 of tax forfeited land, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, of amended, which land is situated in the County of Washington, Minnesota, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 11 Block 4
 Woodview Acres Add

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;and WHEREAS, said applicant has set forth in his application that he has lived in this house for more than 36 years and doesn't want to lose the house; that he is prepared to pay all the delinquent taxes plus current to put the property back on tax roll; that he has worked so hard to acquire this house; that he never received notice regarding the status of his property. That the repurchase of said land will promote and best serve the public interest, because all the delinquent taxes and current taxes are paid and this will put his property back on tax roll.

;and WHEREAS, this Board is of the opinion that said application should be granted for such reasons.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of Ronald J. Blechinger for the purchase of the above described parcel of tax forfeited land be and the same is hereby granted and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to permit such repurchase according to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, as amended.

4. Approval and execution by Board Chair and Administrator of an agreement with the Cities of Birchwood and Stillwater for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$97,387.
5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-124** as follows:

Request to Authorize the Commissioner of Transportation to Perform
a Speed Study to Determine the Reasonable and Safe Speed Limit on
CSAH 20 from CSAH 18 to CSAH 21 in the Cities of Newport,
Woodbury, Cottage Grove and the Township of Denmark

WHEREAS, the last speed study to be performed on CSAH 20, between CSAH 18 and CSAH 21 was in 1995; and

WHEREAS, significant changes in the amount and the nature of traffic have occurred on this segment since 1995; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of all parties to have reasonable and safe speeds posted on our County Highways.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Director of Transportation and Physical Development to request that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Transportation perform a speed survey to determine the reasonable and safe speed limit on CSAH 20 between CSAH 18 and CSAH 21.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Transportation and Physical Development is hereby authorized to install and maintain signing consistent with the resulting order.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

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TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Update on the Lake Links Trail Network Planning Effort

Jeff Schoenbauer, Brauer & Associates, LTD, presented an update of the Lake Links Trail Network comprehensive master plan study which addresses proposed trails around White Bear and Silver Lakes. Mr. Schoenbauer indicated the purpose of the study was to create a trail network from White Bear to Stillwater and the Gateway Trail. They also wanted to get a link around Silver Lake, which is in North St. Paul, and a trail around White Bear Lake. He indicated that they are going through and nearing the end of a very extensive public process for this project and are beginning the detail planning stage. Mr. Schoenbauer expects to work on his report starting in August and finish in October. The report will lay out all the options considered, pros and cons of those options, and final recommendations of the Citizen Advisory Committee and consultant based on all findings.

Mr. Schoenbauer reviewed the following segments and presented routing options for each: Burlington Northern Segment; Highway 96 to Highway 244 Segment; Dellwood Segment; Grant Segment; Mahtomedi Segment; South Shore Segment; Birchwood Segment; White Bear Lake-Lake Avenue Segment; Maplewood Route and the Connection from Gateway to the Stillwater Segment. Mr. Schoenbauer indicated that the City of Grant property owners were not interested in selling their property willingly. He suggests that Highway 96 is the most likely route with a trail along the road.

Mr. Schoenbauer stated they will be back before this Board in December with the final plan.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Contract for Legislative Liaison Services

Commissioner Peterson moved to renew a contract with John Kaul, DBA, Capitol Gains, for legislative liaison services for the period September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

The Board discussed whether to renew membership in the Association of Minnesota Counties and the Metropolitan Inter-County Association in 2001.

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Status of Community Development Grant Program

James Schug, County Administrator, informed the Board that 27 of the 32 communities in Washington County have agreed to participate in the Community Development Grant Program. He reviewed a timetable on what will occur next. In September the Board will hold a workshop to discuss options for the distribution of funds and citizen participation to prepare the Consolidated Plan components. In February, 2001, a public hearing will be held on the consolidated plan and in late March the County will submit the County Consolidated Plan components as part of the four-county consortium. If all goes according to schedule, the grant funds will be available to the County on July 1, 2001.

Mr. Schug thanked Martina Johntz for coordinating this effort and doing the footwork on this project.

Comments on Cottage Grove Tax Increment Financing Districts

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve comments on the proposed establishment of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-11 within Development District No. 1 by the City of Cottage Grove and the Cottage Grove Economic Development Authority, and that the letter include a section indicating that the County would not look favorably upon any future request of the City for a tax abatement for economic development. Commissioner Peterson 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

Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek reported on the Workforce Center recognition program held last week.

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported he will be attending the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board meeting this evening. He also is planning on attending the MICA meeting tomorrow afternoon.

Commissioner Stafford reported on the AMC Leadership conference he attended last week.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

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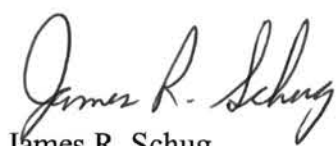
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Peterson and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the proposed 2001 budget with the following departments: Court Services, Sheriff, Attorney, Court Administration, County Library and Minnesota Extension. 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, Chris Eitemiller, Russ Reetz, Jim Frank, Doug Johnson, Chris Volkers, Jim Wells, and Chuck Leifeld.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 22, 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, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Edison Vizuete, Financial Services Director; John Devine, Financial Services Department; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Dan Papin, Community Services, Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the August 8, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to extend copy services with IKON Office Services from August 1, 2000 through July 31, 2001.
3. Approval of Needs Determination to close two intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded programs, Nekton-Stillwater Lane and Nekton-Imperial Court.
4. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-125** as follows:

Resolution Establishing 2001 Fee Schedules for Environmental
Health Programs - Department of Public Health and Environment

WHEREAS, the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment provides licensing, permitting, testing and professional consultation services to the community; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota State Law and Washington County Ordinances allow the County to establish and collect fees for such services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health and Environment has prepared recommended fee schedules for the year 2001 which are consistent with County Board policy.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts 2001 fee schedules for the Hazardous Waste, Solid Waste, Individual Sewage Treatment Systems, Private Well Water Analysis and Food, Beverage and Lodging Programs.

5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-126**, as follows:

Authorizing Execution of Agreement with the Minnesota
Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety,
for the Project Entitled Safe and Sober Communities

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Sheriff's Office enter into a grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety, for the project entitled Safe and Sober Communities during the period from October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2001.

The Sheriff of Washington County is hereby authorized to execute such agreement and amendments as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of the Washington County Sheriff's Office and to be the fiscal agent and administrator.

6. Approval of service agreement with Motorola Communications for radio maintenance for the remainder of 2000.

7. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-127** as follows:

Final Payment to Allied Blacktop Company for
2000 Sealcoating of County Roads

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on May 16, 2000, authorized the bid of Allied Blacktop Company and entered into a contract for sealcoating various County roads within the County; and

WHEREAS, Allied Blacktop Company has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

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

8. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-128** as follows:

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Request to Authorize the Commissioner of Transportation to
Perform a Speed Study to Determine the Reasonable and Safe
Speed Limit on CSAH 6 from Grenada Avenue to Trunk Highway 5
in the Cities of Oakdale and Lake Elmo

WHEREAS, an all way stop condition was recently installed at the intersection of CSAH 6 and CSAH 13/Helmo Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the installation of this all way stop condition changes the conditions of the corridor; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of everyone to have reasonable and safe speeds posted on our County Highways.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Director of Transportation and Physical Development to request that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Transportation perform a speed survey to determine the reasonable and safe speed limit on CSAH 6 between Grenada Avenue and Trunk Highway 5.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Transportation and Physical Development is hereby authorized to install and maintain signing consistent with the resulting order.

9. Adoption on **Resolution No. 2000-129** as follows:

Resolution to Release Advertising Sign covenants on CSAH 19

WHEREAS, Washington County acquired two highway easements on County State Aid Highway 19, the first easement was acquired in 1951 and is recorded in the Washington County Recorder's Office as Document No. 229067 in Book 257 of Deeds Page 615 and also memorialized in the Washington County Registrar of Titles Office in Document No. 39237 and the second easement was acquired in 1972 and is recorded in the Washington County Recorder's Office as Document No. 305364 in Book 319 of Deeds, Page 205 and also memorialized in the Washington County Registrar of Titles Office in Document No. 39237; and

WHEREAS, said highway easements include a phrase which conveys to the County the owner's right to "construct, erect, or maintain or allow or suffer any other person to construct, erect or maintain any sign or billboard or other advertising device upon the lands adjoining the parcel hereby conveyed, closer than one hundred (100) feet from the said premises unless a permit therefor in writing shall have first been obtained from the County of Washington"; and

WHEREAS, said billboard/advertising sign phrase encumbers land lying outside the highway easement; and

WHEREAS, the landowner has requested that the County release said covenant from the above described highway easements; and

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WHEREAS, the release of said covenant does not eliminate the need of the landowner to comply with the applicable zoning ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners release the billboard/advertising sign covenant from the highway easements described as follows: 1) the Highway Easement recorded as Document No. 305364 and found in Book 319 of Deeds, Page 205, Washington County Records Office and also memorialized in the Washington County Registrar of Titles Office as Document No. 39237; and 2) the Highway Easement recorded as Document No. 229067 and found in Book 257 of Deeds, Page 615, Washington County Records Office and also memorialized in the Washington County Registrar of Titles Office as Document No. 39237.

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.

10. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-130** as follows:

Support the Submittal of an Application of the Historic Courthouse Video Documentary, Titled "Sentry on the Hill" for a 2000 County Achievement Award

WHEREAS, Washington County took the necessary steps of preserving the oldest standing courthouse in the state of Minnesota;

WHEREAS, the Historic Courthouse continues to serve the citizens of Washington County and the public at large;

WHEREAS, the Historic Courthouse has been placed on the national register of historic places;

WHEREAS, Washington County continues in the effort to provide additional benefits to the public while at the same time preserving this unique resource;

WHEREAS, the staff of the Historic Courthouse and numerous volunteers have worked over 550 hours to develop a video interpreting the courthouse history and preservation effort.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners support the submittal to the Association of Minnesota Counties for an achievement award for the documentary video, "Sentry on the Hill."

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

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PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to table an agreement with Forest Lake Township for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$73,017 until September 5, 2000. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek; No, Commissioner Hegberg.

PUBLIC HEARING - OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION**Proposal to Issue up to \$16,700,000 General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds**

The Board Chair presented an overview of today's public hearing to consider adoption of a resolution providing for the issuance and sale of \$16,410,000 General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2000A. The Board secretary read the notice of public hearing into the record.

Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator, advised the Board that Minnesota Statute 373.40 requires that the County have a duly adopted Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Plan. She stated that Washington County's Plan was approved by the State Department of Trade and Economic Development. A second requirement is that the CIP Plan identifies the projects proposed for financing by General Obligation Bonds, which it does. The CIP projects include the new Woodbury Library and the parking lot expansion for that library, Sheriff's radio upgrade, the South Shop addition, Historic Courthouse retaining wall, County Road 61, Public Safety Training Facility, remodeling of the existing Woodbury Library, remodeling of the Government Center North Wing, the North and South Shop water filtration systems, and various highway traffic signal and design projects.

Ms. Erdahl indicated that the issuance of \$16.7 million General Obligation CIP bonds conforms with the County Board's debt policy which sets forth the general guidelines for all debt decisions. There are three parts to the debt policy: 1) Limit of net debt to less than 2% of the last certified market value by the Department of Revenue - in this case \$220.8 million; 2) Limit levy to 12.5% of the general expenditures - in this case \$14.9 million; and 3) Limit debt to 15% of the County's total gross levy, leaving an available debt service of \$2.5 million. Another piece of the debt policy is the debt authority under the CIP legislation which limits the amount the County can sell bonds for under this particular statute. Available debt authority for CIP bonds is \$3.6 million and that is over and above what the County already has in its previous bonds.

Ms. Erdahl informed the Board that Washington County has the lowest debt per capita, which is \$57, of the six largest metro counties.

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The Board Chair asked for comments from the audience; none were heard. The Board Secretary indicated she had all of the documentary evidence. The Public Hearing was closed at 9:14 a.m.

Kathy Aho, Springsted, Incorporated, informed the Board of the process for the bond sale. She indicated that the official statement will be disseminated in electronic form and notice of the bond sale will also be listed on the Springsted web site. It will also be carried in the industry notification of other major publications. Ms. Aho stated that a rating process is underway and they are establishing meetings with both Standard and Poor's and Moody's. The bids will be accepted both physically and electronically and the sale will be conducted in September. The County will receive the money in two to three weeks following the sale.

Ms. Aho outlined responsibilities of the County after the sale which include reporting back to the Federal Government any rebate obligation, and provide ongoing information to the market place regarding the County and its credit. She reported that the market place has had minor ups and downs since the beginning of the year. At the beginning of the year the BBI was at 6.01, but is now at 5.51 and has been going down since the middle of May. She does not see anything that would interrupt that downward trend. They are looking at a very well placed market for the County's sale.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-131** as follows:

Resolution Providing for the Issuance and Sale of
\$16,410,000 General Obligation Capital Improvement
Plan Bonds, Series 2000A

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

1. It is hereby determined that:
 - (a) The County has duly adopted a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP Plan) in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 373.40, as amended (Act).
 - (b) The CIP Plan identifies the projects (Projects) to be financed by general obligations to be issued by the County as authorized by the Act.
2. To provide financing for the Projects, the County will therefore issue and sell Bonds in the amount of \$16,196,670. To provide in part the additional interest required to market the Bonds at this time, additional Bonds will be issued in the amount of \$213,330. The excess of the purchase price of the Bonds over the sum of \$16,196,670 will be credited to the debt service fund for the Bonds for the purpose of paying interest first coming due on the additional Bonds. The Bonds will be issued, sold and delivered in accordance with the terms of the following Terms of Proposal:

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3. Springsted Incorporated is authorized and directed to negotiate the sale of the Bonds in accordance with the bidding procedures set forth in the foregoing Terms of Proposal. The Board of Commissioners will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 26, 2000, to consider proposals on the Bonds and take any other appropriate action with respect to the Bonds.

Attachment A

THE COUNTY HAS AUTHORIZED SPRINGSTED INCORPORATED TO NEGOTIATE THIS ISSUE ON ITS BEHALF. PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED ON THE FOLLOWING BASIS:

TERMS OF PROPOSAL
\$16,410,000

WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
PLAN BONDS, SERIES 2000A

(BOOK ENTRY ONLY)

Proposals for the Bonds will be received on Monday, September 25, 2000, until 2:00 P.M., Central Time, at the offices of Springsted Incorporated, 85 East Seventh Place, Suite 100, Saint Paul, Minnesota, after which time they will be opened and tabulated. Consideration for award of the Bonds will be by the County Board on Tuesday, September 26, 2000 at 9:00 A.M., Central Time.

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Springsted will assume no liability for the inability of the bidder to reach Springsted prior to the time of sale specified above. All bidders are advised that each Proposal shall be deemed to constitute a contract between the bidder and the County to purchase the Bonds regardless of the manner by which the Proposal is submitted.

(a) ***Sealed Bidding.*** Proposals may be submitted in a sealed envelope or by fax (651) 223-3046 to Springsted. Signed Proposals, without final price or coupons, may be submitted to Springsted prior to the time of sale. The bidder shall be responsible for submitting to Springsted the final Proposal price and coupons, by telephone (651) 223-3000 or fax (651) 223-3046 for inclusion in the submitted Proposal.

OR

(b) ***Electronic Bidding.*** Electronic Bids may be submitted to Dalcomp/Parity (an "Approved Provider"). For purposes of the electronic bidding process, the time as maintained by the Approved Provider shall constitute the official time with respect to all Bids submitted to such Approved Provider. *Each bidder shall be solely responsible for making necessary arrangements to access the Approved Provider for purposes of submitting its electronic Bid in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of the Notice of Sale.* Neither the County, its agents nor the Approved Provider shall have any duty or obligation to undertake registration to bid for any prospective bidder or to provide or ensure electronic access to any qualified prospective bidder, and neither the County, its agents nor the Approved Provider shall be responsible for a bidder's failure to register to bid or for any failure in the proper operation of, or have any liability for any delays or interruptions of or any damages caused by the Approved Provider's service. The County is using the services of the Approved Provider solely as a communication mechanism to conduct the electronic bidding for the Bonds, and the Approved Provider is not an agent of the County.

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If any provisions of this Notice of Sale conflict with information provided by an Approved Provider, this Notice of Sale shall control. Further information about the Approved Provider, including any fee charged, may be obtained from:

Dalcomp/Parity, 395 Hudson Street, New York City, New York 10014, Customer Support, (212) 806-8304.

DETAILS OF THE BONDS

The Bonds will be dated October 1, 2000, as the date of original issue, and will bear interest payable on February 1 and August 1 of each year, commencing August 1, 2001. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

The Bonds will mature February 1 in the years and amounts as follows:

2003	\$510,000	2008	\$350,000	2013	\$ 925,000	2018	\$1,225,000
2004	\$775,000	2009	\$775,000	2014	\$1,000,000	2019	\$1,275,000
2005	-0-	2010	\$800,000	2015	\$1,050,000	2020	\$1,350,000
2006	\$375,000	2011	\$850,000	2016	\$1,100,000	2021	\$1,450,000
2007	\$575,000	2012	\$900,000	2017	\$1,125,000		

Proposals for the Bonds may contain a maturity schedule providing for a combination of serial bonds and term bonds, provided that no serial bond may mature on or after the first mandatory sinking fund redemption date of any term bond. All term bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption and must conform to the maturity schedule set forth above at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. In order to designate term bonds, the proposal must specify "Last Year of Serial Maturities" and "Years of Term Maturities" in the spaces provided on the Proposal Form.

BOOK ENTRY SYSTEM

The Bonds will be issued by means of a book entry system with no physical distribution of Bonds made to the public. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and one Bond, representing the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds maturing in each year, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, which will act as securities depository of the Bonds. Individual purchases of the Bonds may be made in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof of a single maturity through book entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. Principal and interest are payable by the registrar to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Transfer of principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC; transfer of principal and interest payments to beneficial owners by participants will be the responsibility of such participants and other nominees of beneficial owners. The purchaser, as a condition of delivery of the Bonds, will be required to deposit the Bonds with DTC.

REGISTRAR

The County will name the registrar which shall be subject to applicable SEC regulations. The County will pay for the services of the registrar.

OPTIONAL REDEMPTION

The County may elect on February 1, 2010, and on any day thereafter, to prepay Bonds due on or after February 1, 2011. Redemption may be in whole or in part and if in part at the option of the County and in such manner as the County shall determine. If less than all Bonds of a maturity are called for redemption, the County will notify DTC of the particular

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amount of such maturity to be prepaid. DTC will determine by lot the amount of each participant's interest in such maturity to be redeemed and each participant will then select by lot the beneficial ownership interests in such maturity to be redeemed. All prepayments shall be at a price of par plus accrued interest.

SECURITY AND PURPOSE

The Bonds will be general obligations of the County for which the County will pledge its full faith and credit and power to levy direct general ad valorem taxes. The proceeds will be used to finance various improvement projects listed in the County's Capital Improvement Program 2000-2004.

TYPE OF PROPOSALS

Proposals shall be for not less than \$16,196,670 and accrued interest on the total principal amount of the Bonds. Proposals shall be accompanied by a Good Faith Deposit ("Deposit") in the form of a certified or cashier's check or a Financial Surety Bond in the amount of \$164,100, payable to the order of the County. If a check is used, it must accompany the proposal. If a Financial Surety Bond is used, it must be from an insurance company licensed to issue such a bond in the State of Minnesota, and preapproved by the County. Such bond must be submitted to Springsted Incorporated prior to the opening of the proposals. The Financial Surety Bond must identify each underwriter whose Deposit is guaranteed by such Financial Surety Bond. If the Bonds are awarded to an underwriter using a Financial Surety Bond, then that purchaser is required to submit its Deposit to Springsted Incorporated in the form of a certified or cashier's check or wire transfer as instructed by Springsted Incorporated not later than 3:30 P.M., Central Time, on the next business day following the award. If such Deposit is not received by that time, the Financial Surety Bond may be drawn by the County to satisfy the Deposit requirement. The County will deposit the check of the purchaser, the amount of which will be deducted at settlement and no interest will accrue to the purchaser. In the event the purchaser fails to comply with the accepted proposal, said amount will be retained by the County. No proposal can be withdrawn or amended after the time set for receiving proposals unless the meeting of the County scheduled for award of the Bonds is adjourned, recessed, or continued to another date without award of the Bonds having been made. Rates shall be in integral multiples of 5/100 or 1/8 of 1%. Rates must be in level or ascending order. Bonds of the same maturity shall bear a single rate from the date of the Bonds to the date of maturity. No conditional proposals will be accepted.

AWARD

The Bonds will be awarded on the basis of the lowest interest rate to be determined on a true interest cost (TIC) basis. The County's computation of the interest rate of each proposal, in accordance with customary practice, will be controlling.

The County will reserve the right to: (i) waive non-substantive informalities of any proposal or of matters relating to the receipt of proposals and award of the Bonds, (ii) reject all proposals without cause, and, (iii) reject any proposal which the County determines to have failed to comply with the terms herein.

BOND INSURANCE AT PURCHASER'S OPTION

If the Bonds qualify for issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance or commitment therefor at the option of the underwriter, the purchase of any such insurance policy or the issuance of any such commitment shall be at the sole option and expense of the purchaser of the Bonds. Any increased costs of issuance of the Bonds resulting from such purchase of insurance shall be paid by the purchaser, except that, if the County has requested and received a rating on the Bonds from a rating agency, the County will pay that rating fee. Any other rating agency fees shall be the responsibility of the purchaser.

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Failure of the municipal bond insurer to issue the policy after Bonds have been awarded to the purchaser shall not constitute cause for failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery on the Bonds.

CUSIP NUMBERS

If the Bonds qualify for assignment of CUSIP numbers such numbers will be printed on the Bonds, but neither the failure to print such numbers on any Bond nor any error with respect thereto will constitute cause for failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery of the Bonds. The CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of CUSIP identification numbers shall be paid by the purchaser.

SETTLEMENT

Within 40 days following the date of their award, the Bonds will be delivered without cost to the purchaser through DTC in New York, New York. Delivery will be subject to receipt by the purchaser of an approving legal opinion of Kennedy & Graven, Chartered of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and of customary closing papers, including a no-litigation certificate. On the date of settlement, payment for the Bonds shall be made in federal, or equivalent, funds which shall be received at the offices of the County or its designee not later than 12:00 Noon, Central Time. Except as compliance with the terms of payment for the Bonds shall have been made impossible by action of the County, or its agents, the purchaser shall be liable to the County for any loss suffered by the County by reason of the purchaser's non-compliance with said terms for payment.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

In accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(5), the County will undertake, pursuant to the resolution awarding sale of the Bonds, to provide annual reports and notices of certain events. A description of this undertaking is set forth in the Official Statement. The purchaser's obligation to purchase the Bonds will be conditioned upon receiving evidence of this undertaking at or prior to delivery of the Bonds.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The County has authorized the preparation of an Official Statement containing pertinent information relative to the Bonds, and said Official Statement will serve as a nearly-final Official Statement within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. For copies of the Official Statement or for any additional information prior to sale, any prospective purchaser is referred to the Financial Advisor to the County, Springsted Incorporated, 85 East Seventh Place, Suite 100, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101, telephone (651) 223-3000.

The Official Statement, when further supplemented by an addendum or addenda specifying the maturity dates, principal amounts and interest rates of the Bonds, together with any other information required by law, shall constitute a "Final Official Statement" of the County with respect to the Bonds, as that term is defined in Rule 15c2-12. By awarding the Bonds to any underwriter or underwriting syndicate submitting a proposal therefor, the County agrees that, no more than seven business days after the date of such award, it shall provide without cost to the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate to which the Bonds are awarded 300 copies of the Official Statement and the addendum or addenda described above. The County designates the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate to which the Bonds are awarded as its agent for purposes of distributing copies of the Final Official Statement to each Participating Underwriter. Any underwriter delivering a proposal with respect to the Bonds agrees thereby that if its proposal is accepted by the County (i) it shall accept such designation and (ii) it shall enter into a contractual relationship with all Participating

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Underwriters of the Bonds for purposes of assuring the receipt by each such Participating Underwriter of the Final Official Statement.

Dated August 22, 2000

BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY BOARD

/s/ James R. Schug
Administrator/Secretary of the Board

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Termination of Uniform Street Naming and Numbering System Agreement with Cottage Grove

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-132** as follows:

Terminating the Uniform Street Naming and Numbering System Agreement with the City of Cottage Grove

WHEREAS, Washington County has implemented a Uniform Street Naming and Property Numbering System for the County; and

WHEREAS, Washington County (the County) entered into an Agreement (Agreement) on February 4, 1970 with the City of Cottage Grove (the City) whereby the City agreed to adopt the County's Uniform Street Naming and Numbering system; and

WHEREAS, the City now wishes to terminate this agreement; and

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2000 the City Council took formal action to terminate the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City has requested the County for mutual termination of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners agrees to abide by the City's wishes to terminate this agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approves the termination of the aforementioned Agreement.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Stafford asked that in the cover letter to the City of Cottage Grove transmitting the County's approval, it request that the City stick with the County's numbering system.

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PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Projects 2001 Operating Budget

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-133** as follows:

Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Projects 2001 Operating Budget
(Supercedes Resolution No. 2000-114 Adopted July 25, 2000)

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreement the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board is to prepare and submit an annual budget for consideration by the Ramsey and Washington County Boards; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board met on June 22, 2000, to review and make recommendations on the 2001 Project Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington Resource Recovery Project Board met again on August 7, 2000 to review new information before making a recommendation to the Ramsey and Washington County Boards of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Counties, in order to pursue stated environmental performance measures, will continue to contract with waste haulers to assure the delivery of waste to the Resource Recovery Facility in 2001 at a tipping fee that necessitates the use of County funds; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board is financed from County participation (Washington County 27%; Ramsey County 73%) and from interest earnings on the Project's fund balance; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board recommends that the Ramsey and Washington County Boards approve the 2001 budget based on 410,000 tons to be delivered at a tipping fee of \$38/per ton; thereby continuing the current waste delivery agreements, noting that both County Boards act in the same manner; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board recommends that the County Boards use County fund balances as County funding sources for a portion of their contributions, accrued as a result of lower than expected expenses in 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board recommends that the Ramsey and Washington County Boards approve the 2001 Operating Budget:

<u>Appropriations</u>	
140101 Administration	\$ 516,800
140102 Service See	<u>\$14,437,851</u>
	\$14,954,651
<u>Financing Sources</u>	
Washington County Participation	\$ 3,950,973
Ramsey County Participation	\$10,682,260
Interest Income	\$ 200,000
Fund Balance	<u>\$ 121,418</u>
	\$14,954,651

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the 2001 Operating Budget as recommended by the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, adoption of this resolution will supercede previous Washington County Board adoption of Resolution 2000-114 on July 25, 2000.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board Appointments

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-134** as follows:

Appointments to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board of Directors

WHEREAS, the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development has adopted a new rule requiring that the membership of the Board of Directors of a public housing agency must contain at least one member who is directly assisted by the agency; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature during the 2000 Legislative Session enacted legislation which increases the size of the Board of the Washington County Housing and Urban Development Authority from five to seven members; and

WHEREAS, the special legislation requires that one of the additional two members must be appointed by the County Board to represent the County at large and one must be appointed by the County Board from among County residents who are directly assisted by the public housing agency as defined in the Code of Federal Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the initial term of office for the at-large position is two years, with subsequent terms thereafter to be three years; and

WHEREAS, the initial term of office for the appointee who is directly assisted by the public housing agency is one year, with subsequent terms thereafter to be three years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby appoint Robert Lafayette as the at-large representative to a two-year term commencing September 1, 2000, and ending August 31, 2002.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby appoint Bharat Tandan of Mahtomedi to the HRA Board as one who is directly assisted by the public housing agency for a term of one year commencing on September 1, 2000, and ending on August 31, 2001.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Joyce Welander, 10381 83rd Street North, Grant, addressed the Board on the Minnesota Extension Services Budget and 4-H programs in particular. She stated she was concerned that these programs may see some budget cuts and asked that the Board give its continued support and funding for the 4-H Program as it has in the past. Ms. Welander also spoke in favor of the Agricultural Society's budget and indicated that this year's fair was excellent and attendance was up.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Pulkrabek commented on recent articles in the paper regarding three brutal killings in the last couple of weeks. He indicated that the individuals allegedly involved in these crimes have previously been convicted of crimes in the past on numerous occasions and have been released. He feels it is sad that the only time these individuals go to jail for prolonged periods of time is when they literally have to go out and kill somebody. Supposedly the reason they are let out of jail is because there is no place to keep them. He pointed out that at least in Washington County the jails cannot be kept full. There is so much jail space that the County rents it out to other counties, the State and Federal Government. He does not buy into the mentality that the reason there is this revolving door is because there is not enough prison space.

Commissioner Peterson reported that the Red Rock Rail Corridor meeting scheduled for August 31 has been cancelled.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked that the Department of Transportation and Physical Development find out why the Minnesota Department of Transportation changed the speed limit south of Stillwater from 40 to 50 miles per hour. He is concerned about safety in that area and asked staff to find out why that speed limit was raised.

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 10:10 a.m.

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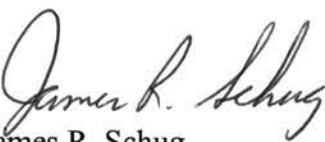
BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the proposed 2001 budget with the following agencies: Browns Creek Watershed District, Carnelian-Marine Watershed District, Housing and Redevelopment Authority, Soil and Water Conservation District, Agricultural Society and Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District. 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, Chris Eitemiller, Craig Leiser, President, Brown's Creek Watershed District, Dennis Larson, Acting President, Comfort Lake Forest Lake Watershed, John Bower, President, Carnelian-Marine Watershed, Konrad Koosmann, Soil and Water Conservation District, Dave Engstrom, Housing and Redevelopment Authority, and Dick Becker, Agricultural Society.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION


The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the 2001-2005 Capital Improvement Program. 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, Chris Eitemiller, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Jim Luger and Virginia Chace.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 29, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:04 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; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Tom Ferber, Administrative Services Manager; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Rick Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Diane Elias, Community Services Program Coordinator; Mark Kuppe, HSI; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the August 15, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval of one day on sale, 3.2 percent malt liquor license by Scandia/Marine Lions for Taco Days, September 9, 2000, at the Scandia Community Center.
3. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-135** as follows:

Final Payment to NS/I Mechanical Contracting Co. for
a New Air Cooled Chiller (HVAC) Unit at the Government Center

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on September 14, 1999, approved a contract with NS/I Mechanical Contracting Co. for the Eliminate Seasonal Drainage HVAC project at the Government Center; and

WHEREAS, NS/I Mechanical Contracting Co. has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that NS/I Mechanical Contracting Co., 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.

August 29, 2000

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**Haven Chemical Health Systems**

Commissioner Stafford pulled from the Consent Calendar the host County contract with Haven Chemical Health Systems, LLC, an additional provider of chemical dependency services for the period January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000.

Commissioner Pulkrabek indicated that he hopes the County's chemical dependency service vendors are evaluated at the end of their contracts, and those who give the best service are retained and those who don't meet expectations are not retained.

Commissioner Abrahamson added, for the record, that these are state contracts with the County matching 15%.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the host County contract with Haven Chemical Health Systems, LLC. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford abstained.

ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS**2000 Canvass Board Appointments**

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Commissioners Peterson and Pulkrabek to the 2000 County Canvass Board for the State Primary and General Elections. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked to change the time of the Monday, November 13 Canvass Board to 9:00 a.m., and the time change was noted.

Introduction of Administrative Services Manager

Molly O'Rourke, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections Director, introduced the department's new Administrative Services Manager, Tom Ferber. Mr. Ferber is the supervisor for the license bureaus and the elections division.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Budget Policy**

Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator, presented an overview of a proposed budget policy for Washington County. The proposed draft budget policy documents general guidelines and philosophies which have been developed over the past few years and incorporates Policies 2103 and 2104 into one comprehensive budget document. It also delineates Administrator and Department Head responsibilities in development and management of the budget.

Chairman Stafford stated that this policy gives budget detail and parameters of the budget process and that the Board will add further direction each year. He also indicated that the policy will help the public know more budget details in advance. He commended Deputy Administrator Erdahl on the budget policy.

Commissioner Pulkrabek added that he felt the budget policy was a good document.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt the revised Budget Policy for Washington County. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ronald Schaefer, Woodbury, read a copy of a letter he had distributed to the Commissioners, concerning a presentation he had made to the Board on June 20, and a conflict of interest concern with HSI.

Chairman Stafford stated that Mr. Schaefer's issue does not involve the Board and must be dealt with through the Courts, County Attorney and Sheriff. He has been advised that Mr. Schaefer has a meeting scheduled with the County Attorney immediately after the Board meeting and that the County Attorney will respond to his complaints on behalf of the County.

John Neeman, Denmark Township, spoke on behalf of Minnesota Extension Service and the programs it provides. He urged the Board to support the Extension Service.

Commissioner Stafford informed Mr. Neeman that he was welcome to attend the Minnesota Extension workshop which follows the Board meeting.

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Pulkrabek attended the Mahtomedi City Council meeting to give an update on Washington County issues and how they relate to the City of Mahtomedi.

Commissioner Peterson indicated that there will not be a Red Rock Rail meeting this coming Thursday.

Commissioner Abrahamson spoke in favor of the University of Minnesota Extension Service and the programs it provides.

Commissioner Hegberg stated that he recently attended an Extension Committee meeting of the University of Minnesota; it was a good meeting with citizens speaking of the same issues we are dealing with here. He feels the Extension Service is moving in the right direction.

Commissioner Peterson indicated that she may not be able to make the September 12 Canvass Board meeting due to an air flight schedule. If she is unable to attend, the Board agreed that County Administrator Schug would be on the Canvass Board for that date.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and place on file.

ADJOURNMENT

Before adjournment, Commissioner Abrahamson asked if the following University of Minnesota Extension Service workshop could be televised. After discussion it was decided to hold the workshop as planned, and not televise it.

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 9:34 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA EXTENSION SERVICE

The Board met in workshop session with the University of Minnesota Extension Service to discuss its programs and consider their budget recommendation for 2001. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson,

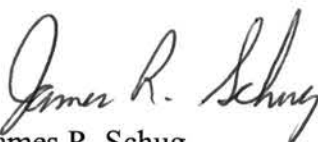
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Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were Jim Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Chris Eitemiller, Chuck Leifeld, Joan Sprain, Liz Templin, Bob Olson, Sheila Barbetta, Charles Casey, Duane Fowler, John Neena, Lu Ann Stoffel, Maurice Grogan, Don Scheel, Ilene Simonson, Sally Langlois, Mary Beth Leifeld, Joyce Weland, and Myron Tank,

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the proposed 2001 budget and final direction on the budget prior to certification on September 12. 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, Chris Eitemiller, Judy Honmyhr, Dan Papin, Bob Lockyear, Lowell Johnson, Jeff Travis, Chuck Leifeld, Molly O'Rourke, Edison Vizuete, Myron Tank, Lu Ann Stoffel, Ilene Simonson, Jean Sprain, Sally Langlois, and Bob Olson.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 5, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioners 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; Meredith Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Judy Honmyhr, Director of Human Resources; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the August 22, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to appoint Janet Wuorenma to the Washington County Community Corrections Advisory Board to fill an unexpired term to December 31, 2000.
3. Approval of the following reappointments to the Workforce Council to terms expiring June 30, 2002: Molly Wellik, Large Business; Tom Yetter, Small Business; Earl Hall, Small Business; Jane Klein, Small Business; Sara Shore, Small Business; Jerry Turnquist, Municipalities; Jack Stoehr, Rehabilitation; Gerald Beedle, Labor; James Donovan, Labor; Jonette Zuercher, Post Secondary Education; and Pat Singel, Public Assistance.
4. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-136** as follows:

Final Payment to Mattson Lawn & Garden, Inc.
for Chemical Weed Control

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on July 6, 2000 signed a contract with Mattson Lawn & Garden, Inc. for Chemical Weed Control along County roads; and

WHEREAS, Mattson Lawn & Garden, Inc. has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Mattson Lawn & Garden, 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.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved approval and execution by the County Board Chair and Administrator of an agreement with Forest Lake Township for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$73,017. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

CSAH 21/28 Improvement Project Contract

Commissioner Abrahamson moved approval of Amendment No. 2 to Contract #284 with Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. in the amount of \$49,800 for engineering design services for the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 21/CSAH 28 (56th Street and Pickett Avenue) improvement project. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Architect Contract for Remodeling of Current Woodbury Library Building

Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development, reviewed the proposed contract with Wold Architects and Engineers for engineering work involved with remodeling the old Woodbury Library and parking lot expansion.

Commissioners Peterson and Abrahamson indicated that this action may be premature until bids are received for the new Woodbury Library in November.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to table the proposed contract with Wold Architects and Engineers for engineering work involved with remodeling the old Woodbury Library for an indefinite period. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Don Dame, Woodbury, distributed a letter and commented on the new Woodbury Library. He proposed options for a drive through book return and food service options at the new Woodbury Library.

Commissioner Stafford indicated that Mr. Dame's comments would be forwarded to appropriate staff and the Project Manager for comments.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford reported on a meeting he attended with staff last week related to the bond sale. The rating agency toured the Government Center and they were impressed with the Law Enforcement Center.

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 5:15 p.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop session with the Office of Administration to continue budget meetings with the County's Watershed Districts. 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, Virginia Erdahl, and representatives from the South Washington Watershed District, Ramsey/Washington Watershed District, Valley Branch Watershed District and Rice Creek Watershed District.

PROPOSED 2001 BUDGET AND OVERVIEW BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

The County Board of Commissioners met to discuss and receive public comments on the proposed 2001 budget. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Chris Volkers, Court Administrator; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Lowell Johnson, Senior Program Manager; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Jim Frank, County Sheriff; Jim Wells, Library Director; Chuck Leifeld, Minnesota Extension; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; and Cindy Koosmann, Recorder.

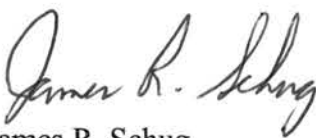
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Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator, presented an overview of the proposed 2001 budget followed by County Department presentations.

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

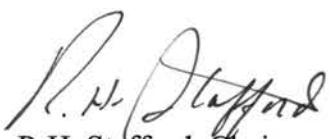
The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 12, 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 Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Commissioner Hegberg absent. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Pat Singel, Community Services Deputy Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Stuart Glaser, Emergency Services Manager; Mark Doneux, Soil and Water Conservation District; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of lease with Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District for subletting space in the Forest Lake City Hall on a month-to-month basis.
2. Approval for the County Administrator to execute the Limited Regional Parcel Data Version 1 MetroGIS Evaluation Pilot Project Data Distribution agreement with Metropolitan Council.
3. Approval to renew service agreement with Frank Madden & Associates for labor relations consultant services through September 30, 2001.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Workforce Council Name Change

Commissioner Peterson moved to change the name of the Washington County Workforce Council to the Washington County Workforce Investment Board effective September 12, 2000. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

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Special Dislocated Worker Project Agreement

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve an agreement between the Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development and the Washington County Community Service's Workforce Center Division to operate the special Dislocated Worker Project for DiaSorin, Inc. between August, 2000 and September 30, 2001. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT**Cooperating Technical Communities Memorandum of Agreement with FEMA**

Commissioner Abrahamson moved approval to enter into the Cooperating Technical Communities Memorandum of Agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and, approval to apply for a Cooperating Technical Communities Grant of \$129,900 to provide funding to assist the County in defining unmapped areas and landlocked basins in Washington County. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

Set Public Hearing on the Proposed Right of Way Ordinance

Commissioner Abrahamson moved approval to advertise for a public hearing on the proposed Right of Way Ordinance and to schedule the public hearing for September 26, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Proposed Budget for Payable 2001**

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-137** as follows:

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Resolution Adopting the Washington County
Proposed Budget for Payable 2001

<u>OPERATING FUNDS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE OTHER THAN LEVY</u>	<u>FUND BALANCE INC/(DEC)</u>	<u>GROSS LEVY</u>	<u>HACA</u>	<u>CERTIFIED LEVY</u>
General Government	\$66,435,100	\$35,056,700	(\$486,600)	\$30,891,800	5,145,789	\$25,746,012
Social Services	30,376,000	17,722,200	(225,900)	12,427,900	2,071,815	10,356,085
Public Works - Road & Bridge	17,331,200	12,504,600	(225,000)	4,601,600	767,118	3,834,482
Public Works - Parks	1,688,800	1,102,500	220,200	806,500	134,449	672,051
Regional Rail Authority	420,000	0	(214,000)	206,000	0	206,000
Library	4,623,100	154,000	0	4,469,100	745,029	3,724,071
Debt Service - County Wide	6,505,600	744,500	1,398,900	7,160,000	0	7,160,000
Debt Service - Library District	158,800	24,500	(134,300)	0	0	0
Subtotal:	\$127,538,600	\$67,309,000	\$333,300	\$60,562,900	\$8,864,200	\$51,698,700
<u>CAPITAL FUNDS</u>						
CIP Bond Projects	8,030,500	0	(8,030,500)	0	0	0
Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Historic Courthouse Restoration	30,000	17,200	(12,800)	0	0	0
Capital Repair Fund	225,000	250,000	25,000	0	0	0
Subtotal:	\$8,285,500	\$267,200	(\$8,018,300)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total 2001 Budget:	\$135,824,100	\$67,576,200	(\$7,685,000)	\$60,562,900	\$8,864,200	\$51,698,700

Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

Certifying Proposed Property Tax Levies for Washington County Payable 2001

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-138** as follows:

Resolution Certifying Proposed Property Tax Levies for
Washington County Payable 2001

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following proposed tax levies for payable 2001:

Washington County	\$51,698,700
Washington County Special Levy for the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority	\$ 200,000

Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

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Certifying Proposed Property Tax Levy for Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority Payable 2001

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-139** as follows:

Resolution Certifying Proposed Property Tax Levy for Washington
County Housing and Redevelopment Authority Payable 2001

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following proposed tax levy for payable 2001:

Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority \$1,589,866

Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

Announcements

James Schug, County Administrator, announced the following items:

- Primary election results will be available in the County Board room this evening starting at 8:00 p.m.
- On October 3, the Metropolitan Inter-County Association (MICA) will hold a Candidate Forum in the County Board room beginning at 5:00 p.m. MICA has developed a number of position statements which will be made available to the County Board;
- Copies of updated information on allocation of county state aid highway funding in Minnesota were distributed to the County Board members.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Pulkrabek addressed the "revolving door" policy in Minnesota related to criminal's incarceration by noting that another individual was released to allegedly commit the same type of offense he was previously convicted on.

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BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss the proposed Washington County Right of Way Ordinance. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Don Wisniewski, Larry Nybeck, Doug Fischer and Joe Lux.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Community Services to discuss the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Dan Papin, Richard Backman, Marcia Wielinski and Rob McDonough.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 19, 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 and Peterson. Commissioner Pulkrabek absent. Board Chair Stafford presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Meredith Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist; Mark Doneux, Soil and Water Conservation District; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Marcia Wielinski, Community Services Department; Beth Clendenen, Community Services; Rick Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Jon Michels, Environmental Specialist; Cindy Weckwerth, Public Health and Environment Manager; Jane Harper, Principal Planner; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the August 29, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to appoint Kay Ellingwood to the Workforce Investment Board as a Post Secondary Education representative, to fill an unexpired term to June 30, 2001.
3. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-140** as follows:

Resolution Approving Washington County Community
 Development Grant (CDBG) Cooperation Agreement

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has the authority to award Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program funds to local governments for the purpose of providing assistance to low and moderate-income individuals and families, pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 24, Chapter 5, §570; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Urban Development has determined that Washington County is eligible to receive a CDBG Block Grant of up to \$1,030,000 in 2001 upon execution of CDBG Cooperation Agreements with the cities and towns of Washington County.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Community Development Block Grant Cooperation Agreements between Washington County and the cities and towns of Washington County be approved, and that the County Board Chair and County Administrator are authorized to execute the CDBG Cooperation Agreements together with all related documents.

4. Approval to reappoint the following individuals to the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District Board of Managers: Richard Damchik, 1-year term to September 22, 2001; John T. Lynch, 2-year term to September 22, 2002; and Dennis G. Larson, 3-year term to September 22, 2003.
5. Approval of one day on sale 3.2 percent malt liquor license for Courage Center, on September 23, 2000 at Scandia Plaza.
6. Approval to modify Section 15 of the County Personnel Rules and Regulations to permit use of paid sick leave and vacation for new employees after the completion of three (3) months of service.
7. Approval of six month Special Project Social Service Supervisor position in the Department of Community Services.
8. Approval of a twelve month Special Project Environmental Health Technician position in Public Health and Environment.
9. Approval of contract with Allphase Companies, Inc. for the demolition of the Bayport Garage in Bayport.
10. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-141** as follows:

Resolution to Purchase Wallace Carlson Property
Big Marine Regional Park Reserve

WHEREAS, Washington County is interested in acquiring the property described herein in May Township, for inclusion into the Big Marine Regional Park Reserve and whereas the owners agree to sell the property to the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes its Chairman and Administrator to execute on behalf of the County a purchase agreement and any other document necessary for the County to purchase the property legally described as follows:

See Exhibit 1 for legal description

For the sum of \$150,000.00; in total, upon the following terms and conditions:

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1. Conveyance should be by warranty deed pursuant to the terms and conditions of the purchase agreement, free and clear of all liens, charges and encumbrances;
2. Seller to pay all levied or pending special assessments (if any);
3. Seller to pay abstract expenses;
4. Buyer to pay recording fee(s), state deed tax, and conservation fee;
5. Sellers shall be obligated to perform all maintenance in order to keep the property in a reasonable repair until possession by the County, normal wear and tear excepted.
6. Ownership of the property (including house) shall transfer to Washington County as of the date of closing. However, the sellers shall have the option of entering into a lease agreement with Washington County prior to closing to lease the house from October 23, 2000 (the date of closing) through January 31, 2001, rent free. The sellers also have the option of entering into a lease agreement prior to the closing date with the County's Agent (Greystone Management, LLC) to lease the house from February 1, 2001 to January 31, 2002 for \$500 per month. If the sellers abide by the lease agreement, they may continue to lease the property with lease rates as follows:
 - \$600 per month from February 1, 2002 to January 31, 2003
 - \$650 per month from February 1, 2003 to January 31, 2004

The lease rate after January 31, 2004 shall be adjusted based on market lease rates. Washington County or its agent reserves the right to terminate the lease at any time with 60 days notice should the property require major repair as determined by the County. The terms and conditions of the lease with Washington County for the 3 month free rent period is attached as exhibit 3. The terms and conditions of the lease with the County's Agent is attached as exhibit 4.

7. The sellers shall be obligated to pay all utilities, including fuel, oil, propane gas, natural gas, electricity, city water, telephone, city sewer, and garbage hauling, in a timely manner, while they are in possession of the property.
8. The sellers shall remove all personal possessions and debris from both the house and yard prior to vacating the property. The house and yard shall be of reasonable cleanliness at the time the County possesses the property.
9. Relocation rights are available to the seller in conformance with the Uniform Relocation Act. At the seller's choice, they may waive their relocation benefits in return for a one time payment of \$7,500.

Exhibit 1: Legal Description of Carlson Property

Part of Government Lot 2, Section 8, Township 31 North, Range 20 West, Washington County, Minnesota, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Lot 2, said point being 193 feet North from the Southeast corner thereof, this point being on the new road as now established; thence North on said center of road 313 feet; thence North 26°25' West along said center of road 540 feet; thence North 1°30' West along said road 330 feet to the North line of said Government Lot 2; thence North 89°50' West along said North line 480 feet to the center of the old road; thence South 12 degrees 30 minutes West, 228 feet along the old center line; thence South 48°27' East, 320 feet; thence South 24°40' East, 202 feet; thence South 59 degrees 27' East, 205 feet; thence South 16°05' East, 284 feet; thence South 55°40' East, 247 feet to the point of beginning.

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

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve an amendment of the Plan Provider Participation Agreement where UCARE Minnesota has contracted with Washington County for services for the Minnesota Senior Health Options Project which clarifies that in addition to Community Services, Public Health may also be reimbursed for Pre-Admission Screening and case management services for elderly waiver clients. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Determination of Need for an Environmental Impact Statement

The Board Chair presented an overview of today's procedures to determine the need for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Rumpca Excavating mining operation in Denmark Township.

Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist, advised the Board that on May 5, 2000, an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) had been completed for a mining operation proposed by Rumpca Excavating in Denmark Township. She indicated that the EAW was distributed to various regional, state and local agencies and that none of these agencies identified any significant environmental issues. The EAW and responses to public comments were made a part of the record.

Jon Nedved, representing Rumpca Excavating, reviewed comments and responses to the EAW.

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

Commissioner Stafford asked if the permitting process could be used to direct the owners of the mine to move their traffic over certain routes and away from subdivisions? Ms. Pung-Terwedo indicated that it could, but she believes that would be done through the township permitting process because the roads involved are all local roads.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved a negative declaration for the need of an Environmental Impact Statement on the proposed mining operation by Rumpca Excavating in Denmark Township for the following reasons:

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- 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 ongoing regulatory authority, including the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Washington County and Denmark Township; and,
- The extent to which environmental effects of the mining operation can be anticipated and controlled as a result of the mining permitting process as required by the Washington County Development Code, Chapter Seven, Mining Regulations, the Denmark Town Board and other environmental studies undertaken by public agencies or the project proposer, including other EISes.

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

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Alternative Implementation Strategy and Time Line for the Water Governance Project

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, reviewed an alternative implementation strategy and time line for implementation of the Water Governance Project which would enable the watershed districts to levy over the entire area to be included in the consolidation to fund the first year operations of the consolidated watershed district; and, considering the Brown's Creek Watershed District enlargement at the same time as the Valley Branch Watershed District enlargement addresses the Board of Water and Soil Resources's concern about leaving a portion of the Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization as an "orphan area".

Richard Caldecott, Carnelian-Marine Watershed District, stated that the new plan as recommended is a good plan. It will allow them to get their houses in order and take care of political issues that he feels will occur to enlarge the Carnelian-Marine. They will be holding a public meeting this month to discuss the enlargement. They believe that ultimately it will ease the bringing together of Brown's Creek and Carnelian-Marine.

Dave Beaudet, City of Oak Park Heights Councilman and member of the Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization, stated that streamlining of rules could lead to efficiencies but he would prefer that the Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization stay as it is. He feels there is not sufficient information on what the fiscal impact will be on anyone in the City of Oak Park Heights. He does not

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believe that a greater good has been shown for proceeding in this petition. He urges the Board not to move forward with this petition and to withdraw the Valley Branch petition that was just filed with the Board of Water and Soil Resources last week.

John Waller, Hugo, asked what the district-wide tax will be and if it includes the portion that is already paying taxes for Rice Creek Watershed District? He is not a supporter of enlarging government, he supports decentralizing government. He believes that the cities and townships should be asked to play a more active role in them. He hopes that the stormwater management plans of the local government units are developed and that the permitting authority is given strictly to them. He does not like large districts, because large budgets lead to abuse, especially in watershed districts. Finally, he feels that watersheds are not responsible to the individual taxpayer, managers are not directly voted for, and are not accountable to the taxpayers which could lead to abuses in the law. He urged the Board to go back to the drawing board and resolve some of the details before the project proceeds any farther.

Commissioner Stafford advised Mr. Waller that the taxing situation will need to be looked at carefully so that the taxpayer is not paying twice for watershed services.

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the alternative implementation strategy and time line for implementation of the Water Governance Project as presented. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Stafford and Peterson; No, Commissioner Abrahamson; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

Petition to Enlarge the Brown's Creek Watershed District

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-142** as follows:

Resolution Directing the Washington County Attorney's Office
to File Brown's Creek Watershed District Enlargement Petition
With the Board of Water and Soil Resources

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has authorized a water governance study to identify and evaluate the best government structures for water management for Washington County, and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners approved the findings and recommendations of the Water Governance Study that recommended the enlargement of the Brown's Creek Watershed District to include the northern portion of the Middle St. Croix River Water Management Organization.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT, for the reasons set forth in the attached petition, the Washington County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Washington County Attorney's Office to file a petition with the Board of Water and Soil Resources to enlarge the Brown's Creek Watershed District.

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ENLARGEMENT PETITION

In the Matter of the Petition of
Washington County for the Enlargement
of the Brown's Creek Watershed District and
to Increase the Number of Managers

TO: Board of Water and Soil Resources, 1 West Water Street, Suite 200, St. Paul, MN 55107 Petitioner, Washington County, a body politic and corporate, pursuant to Washington County Board Resolution No. 2000-142 does hereby petition the Board of Water and Soil Resources to enlarge the Brown's Creek Watershed District pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 103D.261 and to increase the number of managers of the Brown's Creek Watershed District pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 103D.305 for the following reasons:

1. The Brown's Creek Watershed District is an existing watershed district located entirely within the metropolitan area.
2. The area proposed to be added to the existing Brown's Creek Watershed District is contiguous to the Brown's Creek Watershed District and also located entirely within the metropolitan area. The area is described on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A and consists of a total of 37.77 square miles, of which
 - 2.03 square miles are located within Baytown Township
 - 1.18 square miles are located within the City of Bayport
 - 3.45 square miles are located within the City of Hugo
 - 0.28 square miles are located within the City of Lake Elmo
 - 2.43 square miles are located within the City of Oak Park Heights
 - 7.15 square miles are located within the City of Stillwater
 - 14.60 square miles are located within the City of Grant
 - 3.14 square miles are located within May Township, and
 - 3.51 square miles are located within Stillwater Township
3. The November, 1999 Washington County Assessor's determination of taxable market value for the property located within the enlarged Brown's Creek Watershed District is \$1,745,576,800.
4. The area that is proposed to be added to the existing Brown's Creek Watershed District is the northern portion of the Middle St. Croix River Water Management Organization. It is currently administered under a Joint Powers Agreement pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 103B.211. The southern portion of the Middle St. Croix River Water Management Organization is included in an enlargement petition from the Valley Branch Watershed District.
5. The water management organization whose territory is to be included in the proposed enlargement of the Brown's Creek Watershed District will be free of financial liabilities at the time of the enlargement.
6. The watershed district, as expanded, will have the boundaries as shown on the attached Exhibit A and can be feasibly administered by the managers of the existing Brown's Creek Watershed District. The County is asking, however, for the addition of two new members to ensure adequate representation from the sub-watershed area that is proposed to be added to the district. These new members should be chosen to represent the sub-watershed area currently managed by the Middle St. Croix River Water Management Organization. After the first two years of operation, the number of managers for this

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enlarged watershed district shall be reduced to five. Future managers shall be appointed to fairly represent the various hydrological areas within the watershed district.

7. The reasons why adding the area described on Exhibit A to the existing Brown's Creek Watershed District would be conducive to the public health and public welfare and for the purposes of Chapter 103D are as follows:

In May of 1998, the Washington County Board authorized a Water Governance Study to identify and evaluate the best governance structure for water management for the County. The need for the study was identified after the failure of several joint powers water management organizations in the County. In June of 1999, the Washington County Board adopted the Report for the Water Governance Study which is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The study included recommendations for improving the structure that governs the management of surface and ground water in the County. These recommendations included changes to the boundaries of existing water management organizations in the County, including the enlargement of the Brown's Creek Watershed District, as proposed herein. These reasons are summarized as follows:

- a. Washington County currently has a relatively large number of water governance units of small size in comparison to other Metro Area counties. The large number of water management units in the County contributes to unnecessary duplication in services and costs, such as the creation of watershed plans for each unit. Enlargement and consolidation of units as proposed in the Water Governance Study will increase the efficiency of water governance by reducing unnecessary duplication of services.
- b. Organizations and individuals that participated in the Water Governance Study indicated that some Joint Powers Water Management Organizations (JPWMO) have been ineffective in addressing water management issues and problems in the County. Study findings indicated that JPWMO's in the County have often been ineffective in adopting adequate plans, implementing plans, working with other organizations on water management issues and monitoring management actions. The JPWMO structure has encouraged parochial viewpoints, rather than a watershed-wide ethic, which has been an impediment to implementing projects that need a district-wide commitment. As the County grows, the need to address water management problems effectively on a comprehensive basis will increase. The watershed district structure has been more successful in addressing water management issues and implementing needed projects than the JPWMO structure, and was recommended by the Water Governance Study as the structure for all new and enlarged water units in the County.
- c. In addition to structural issues, the small size and limited tax capacity of some water management units in Washington County limits their ability to raise sufficient funds to address water management problems effectively. This has been a cause of the failure of some water management organizations in Washington County. The enlargement and consolidation of water units in the County, as proposed by the Water Governance Study, will provide each of the new units with sufficient tax capacity to provide the water governance services needed in the County, and to fund projects that manage water quantity and quality effectively.
- d. The JPWMO units in the County have not established offices that provide a clear point of communication for citizens or local units of government needing information about water management. The Water Governance Study recommended that the new units establish a clear point of contact and employ an administrator to work directly with citizens, local government units and others on water management issues. Enlargement of existing units will provide the taxing capacity needed to support this

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service on a district-wide basis. Providing this clear, reliable point of contact will improve the accountability of the water management unit to local units of government and citizens.

- e. Washington County has worked with representatives of each of the existing water management units to develop recommendations for key issues related to the enlargement of the Brown's Creek Watershed District, such as financing policies, coordination of water management plans and board representation. Recommendations developed by the water management unit representatives and approved by the County include the following:
 - The enlarged watershed district will be guided and managed consistent with a watershed management plan as prepared and adopted and implemented in accordance with requirements in MINN. STAT. §§ 103B.205-.255.
 - The enlarged watershed district will adopt the existing water management plans of the water units as the interim plan for the new water unit, to be effective until the Board of Water and Soil Resources requires that the district complete a Third Generation Watershed Plan. The minor amendment process will be used, if needed, to make changes in the interim plan.
 - Administrative services and related general services that are provided throughout the district shall be funded using a district-wide ad valorem tax, collected by Washington County as part of property tax collection.
 - The full range of funding options available to the district under MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 103D and 103B should be considered to fund water quality and quantity projects or other services that are not provided on a district-wide basis. Funding should be determined on a project by project basis, based on project benefits, costs (including administrative costs of the financing options) and equity.
 - Where available and applicable, without compromising the watershed management plan, the district managers should seek any and all grants from any agency, governmental or private, as a funding source for projects within the district.
 - The "cost" of any project should be considered both on the direct and tangible amounts and with consideration of potential financial or environmental impacts over a subsequent 10 year period.

8. The name of the proposed enlarged watershed district should be the Brown's Creek Watershed District.

WHEREFORE, Washington County requests that the Board of Water and Soil Resources, after setting a time and location for a hearing on the Petition and giving notice as required by law and conducting a hearing as required by law, issue its order granting the following relief.

1. That the boundaries of the Brown's Creek Watershed District be enlarged to include the area set forth on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A.
2. That the number of managers of the enlarged watershed district be increased as proposed.
3. That the name of the enlarged watershed district shall be the Brown's Creek Watershed District.

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4. That the area proposed to be added be guided and managed consistent with the current management plans of the water management organization in accordance with MINN. STAT. §§ 103B.205-103.255.

Date: _____

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Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with a roll call vote as follows: Commissioner Hegberg, Yes; Commissioner Abrahamson, No; Commissioner Stafford, Yes; Commissioner Peterson, Yes; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Peterson announced that the Red Rock Corridor will hold station location workshops on the following dates: September 21 at 4:00 p.m. in St. Paul; September 26, in Newport; and, on September 28 in Cottage Grove.

Commissioner Peterson reported that she met with the Metropolitan Area on Aging Agency president and executive director and will be attending her first meeting on Friday, September 22.

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Commissioner Stafford updated the Board on the electronic recycling effort by Best Buy in Woodbury. He indicated it was a great success and hopes that more can be done to keep items such as TV's and computers out of the waste stream.

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the Rush Line Corridor meeting he attended last Wednesday and indicated that the study and plans are proceeding.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

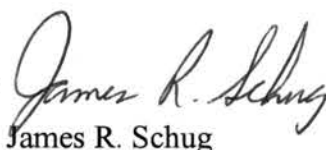
ADJOURNMENT

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 10:55 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to review options for allocating Community Development Block Grant program funds. 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, Robert Lockyear, Martina Johntz, Barry Johnson, Administrator, City of Woodbury, Ryan Schroeder, Administrator, City of Cottage Grove, Pat Bantli, Clerk, Stillwater Township, John Jansen, Councilperson, City of Lake St. Croix Beach, and Chuck Dillerud, Planner, City of Lake Elmo.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
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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. Regional Railroad Authority Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Deputy Director of Community Services; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Edison Vizuete, Financial Services Director; Julie Sorrem, Risk Management Coordinator; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; and Robert Lockyear, Administrative Services Director. 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 9:14 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; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Deputy Director of Community Services; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Edison Vizuete, Financial Services Director; Julie Sorrem, Risk Management Coordinator; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; and Robert Lockyear, Administrative Services Director.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the September 5 and 12, 2000 Board meeting minutes.

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2. Approval to appoint Debra Barnes, Hugo, to the Sentence to Service Advisory Board to a term expiring December 31, 2001.
3. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-143** as follows:

County Assessor Appointment

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 273.061 sets forth the appointment process for assessors; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 273.061 Subdivision 1 requires that every county shall have a County Assessor who is to be appointed by the County Board; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 273.061 Subdivision 2 states that if the Board of County Commissioners does not intend to reappoint a County Assessor who has been certified by the State Board of Assessors, the Board shall present written notice to the County Assessor not later than 90 days prior to the termination of the assessor's term; and

WHEREAS, a County Board request for Board Action heard on December 17, 1996 reaffirmed the appointment of Scott Hovet as Washington County Assessor to a four-year term that began January 1, 1997 and ends December 31, 2000; and

WHEREAS, Scott Hovet has withdrawn his name from consideration as County Assessor for the term commencing on January 1, 2001 to assume a Commercial/Industrial Appraiser position with Washington County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners will exercise its authority under Minnesota Statute 273.061 not to reappoint Scott Hovet to the office of Washington County Assessor when his current appointment expires on December 31, 2000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to provide Scott Hovet written notice of the Board's action not to reappoint him to the Office of County Assessor, said notice to be served on or before September 29, 2000.

4. Approval to appoint Shelley Elling to the Community Corrections Advisory Board as a Probation Officer representative to fill an unexpired term to December 31, 2000.
5. Approval of modified merit pay program for employees in the County Association of Supervisors bargaining unit.
6. Approval of modified agreement with Cottage Grove for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$44,868.

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7. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-144** as follows:

Authorizing Execution of Grant Contract for the
Program Entitled Operation NightCAP

BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Sheriff's Office enters into a grant contract with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, State Patrol Division for the program entitled Operation NightCAP.

Sheriff James J. Frank is hereby authorized to execute and sign such Grant Contracts, and amendments thereto, as are necessary to implement the program on behalf of the Washington County Sheriff's Office.

8. Approval to execute the terms of the grant agreement with FEMA for the funding of \$129,900 for floodplain mapping.
9. Approval to cancel the public hearing for the proposed Washington County Right of Way Ordinance which was scheduled for September 26, 2000 and schedule a new hearing for October 10, 2000.
10. Approval of supplemental agreement No. 1 to the plant mixed bituminous material inplace contract with Tower Asphalt, Inc.
11. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-145** as follows:

Rejection of Bids Received for North Shop Air
Handler Replacement

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the replacement of the air handler unit at the County north shop, the County solicited bids for the project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened September 11, 2000, with bids being received from Thelen Heating & Roofing, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the bids received were in excess of the project budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid from Thelen Heating & Roofing, Inc. made on September 11, 2000 be rejected due to being in excess of the project budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Department of Transportation & Physical Development be authorized to rebid the project at a later date.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

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HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust**

John Bower, Meadowbrook Account Executive, presented the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust (MCIT) Risk Management Report. This report included an overview of MCIT activities during the past year, future projects, issues they are examining for members, contribution levels, dividends, and accomplishments.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Patrick Singel, Deputy Community Services Department, reviewed the Local Service Unit Plan for Local Intervention from Grants for Self-Sufficiency. This grant is intended to provide assistance to counties in providing employment and other services to hard-to-employ Minnesota Family Investment program participants. The overall purpose is to reduce the number of families that reach the 60 months lifetime limit of Temporary Assistance to Needy Families assistance. Mr. Singel indicated that Washington County has been allocated \$148,633 for SFY 2001 and \$206,666 in both SFY 2002 and SFY 2003. These funds will seek to create a multi-disciplinary special project team to provide highly individualized assessment and service to a targeted caseload of hard to serve participants.

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the Local Service Unit Plan for Local Intervention from Grants for Self-Sufficiency. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Sale of General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2000A**

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-146** as follows:

A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN BONDS, SERIES 2000A;
FIXING THEIR FORM AND SPECIFICATIONS;
DIRECTING THEIR EXECUTION AND DELIVERY;
AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR PAYMENT

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

Section 1. Sale of Bonds.

1.01. Pursuant to the terms of a resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the County, adopted on August 22, 2000 (the "Preliminary Resolution"), Springsted Incorporated was authorized to negotiate the sale of the General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds,

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Series 2000A (the "Bonds"), of the County, in the original aggregate principal amount of \$16,410,000, in accordance with the Terms of Proposal set forth in the Preliminary Resolution. The proposal of Banc of America Securities, LLC (the "Purchaser") to purchase the Bonds is hereby found and determined to be a reasonable offer and is hereby accepted, the proposal being to purchase the Bonds at a price of \$16,249,692.70 plus accrued interest to date of delivery, for Bonds bearing interest as follows:

<u>Year of</u> <u>Maturity</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Year of</u> <u>Maturity</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
2003	5.00%	2013	5.00%
2004	5.00	2014	5.25
2005	---	2015	5.25
2006	5.00	2016	5.25
2007	5.00	2017	5.25
2008	5.00	2018	5.50
2009	5.00	2019	5.50
2010	5.00	2020	5.50
2011	5.00	2021	5.50
2012	5.00		

True interest cost: 5.384256%

1.02. The sum of \$53,022.70 being the amount proposed by the Purchaser in excess of \$16,196,670 is credited to the Debt Service Fund hereinafter created. The County Auditor/Treasurer is directed to deposit the good faith check of the Purchaser, pending completion of the sale of the Bonds, and to return the good faith checks of the unsuccessful proposers forthwith. (The proposals of all proposers are set forth in EXHIBIT A to this Resolution.) The Chair and County Auditor/Treasurer are directed to execute a contract with the Purchaser on behalf of the County.

1.03. The County will forthwith issue and sell the Bonds pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40, as amended, and Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, as amended (collectively, the "Act"), in the total principal amount of \$16,410,000, originally dated October 1, 2000, in the denomination of \$5,000 each or any integral multiple thereof, numbered No. R-1, upward, bearing interest as above set forth, and maturing serially on February 1 in the years and principal amounts as follows:

<u>Year of</u> <u>Maturity</u>	<u>Principal</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Year of</u> <u>Maturity</u>	<u>Principal</u> <u>Amount</u>
2003	\$ 510,000	2013	\$ 925,000
2004	775,000	2014	1,000,000
2005	0	2015	1,050,000
2006	375,000	2016	1,100,000
2007	575,000	2017	1,125,000
2008	350,000	2018	1,225,000
2009	775,000	2019	1,275,000
2010	800,000	2020	1,350,000
2011	850,000	2021	1,450,000
2012	900,000		

1.04. Optional Redemption. The County may elect on February 1, 2010, and on any day thereafter to prepay Bonds due on or after February 1, 2011. Redemption may be in whole or in part and, if in part, at the option of the County and in such manner as the County shall determine. If less than all Bonds of a maturity are called for redemption, the County shall

notify DTC (as defined in Section 7 hereof) of the particular amount of such maturity to be prepaid. DTC will determine by lot the amount of each participant's interest in such maturity to be redeemed and each participant will then select by lot the beneficial ownership interests in such maturity to be redeemed. Prepayments shall be at a price of par plus accrued interest.

Section 2. Registration and Payment.

2.01. Registered Form. The Bonds will be issued only in fully registered form. The interest thereon and, upon surrender of each Bond, the principal amount thereof, are payable by check or draft issued by the Registrar described herein.

2.02. Dates; Interest Payment Dates. Each Bond shall be dated as of the last interest payment date preceding the date of authentication to which interest on the Bond has been paid or made available for payment, unless (i) the date of authentication is an interest payment date to which interest has been paid or made available for payment, in which case the Bond will be dated as of the date of authentication, or (ii) the date of authentication is prior to the first interest payment date, in which case the Bond will be dated as of the date of original issue. The interest on the Bonds is payable on February 1 and August 1 of each year, commencing August 1, 2001, to the registered owners of record thereof as of the close of business on the fifteenth day of the immediately preceding month, whether or not such day is a business day.

2.03. Registration. The County will appoint a bond registrar, transfer agent, authenticating agent and paying agent (the "Registrar"). The effect of registration and the rights and duties of the County and the Registrar with respect thereto are as follows:

- (a) Register. The Registrar shall keep at its principal corporate trust office a bond register in which the Registrar provides for the registration of ownership of Bonds and the registration of transfers and exchanges of Bonds entitled to be registered, transferred or exchanged.
- (b) Transfer of Bonds. Upon surrender for transfer of a Bond duly endorsed by the registered owner thereof or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer, in form satisfactory to the Registrar, duly executed by the registered owner thereof or by an attorney duly authorized by the registered owner in writing, the Registrar shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Bonds of alike aggregate principal amount and maturity, as requested by the transferor. The Registrar may, however, close the books for registration of any transfer after the fifteenth day of the month preceding each interest payment date and until that interest payment date.
- (c) Exchange of Bonds. When Bonds are surrendered by the registered owner for exchange the Registrar shall authenticate and deliver one or more new Bonds of alike aggregate principal amount and maturity as requested by the registered owner or the owner's attorney in writing.
- (d) Cancellation. Bonds surrendered upon transfer or exchange shall be promptly canceled by the Registrar and thereafter disposed of as directed by the County.
- (e) Improper or Unauthorized Transfer. When a Bond is presented to the Registrar for transfer, the Registrar may refuse to transfer the Bond until the Registrar is satisfied that the endorsement on the Bond or separate instrument of transfer is valid and genuine and that the requested transfer is legally authorized. The Registrar shall incur no liability for the refusal, in good faith, to make transfers which it, in its judgment, deems improper or unauthorized.

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- (f) Persons Deemed Owners. The County and the Registrar may treat the person in whose name a Bond is registered in the bond register as the absolute owner of the Bond, whether the Bond is overdue or not, for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal of and interest on the Bond and for all other purposes, and payments so made to a registered owner or upon the owner's order shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon the Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.
- (g) Taxes, Fees and Charges. The Registrar may impose a charge upon the owner thereof for a transfer or exchange of Bonds sufficient to reimburse the Registrar for any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the transfer or exchange.
- (h) Mutilated, Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Bonds. If a Bond becomes mutilated or is destroyed, stolen or lost, the Registrar shall deliver a new Bond of like amount, number, maturity date and tenor in exchange and substitution for and upon cancellation of the mutilated Bond or in lieu of and in substitution for any Bond destroyed, stolen or lost, upon the payment of the reasonable expenses and charges of the Registrar in connection therewith; and, in the case of a Bond destroyed, stolen or lost, upon filing with the Registrar of evidence satisfactory to it that the Bond was destroyed, stolen or lost, and of the ownership thereof, and upon furnishing to the Registrar an appropriate bond or indemnity in form, substance and amount satisfactory to it and as provided by law, in which both the County and the Registrar must be named as obligees. Bonds so surrendered to the Registrar shall be cancelled by the Registrar and evidence of such cancellation shall be given to the County. If the mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost Bond has already matured or been called for redemption in accordance with its terms it is not necessary to issue a new Bond prior to payment.
- (i) Redemption. In the event any of the Bonds are called for redemption, notice thereof identifying the Bonds to be redeemed shall be given by the Registrar by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by first class mail (postage prepaid) to the registered owner of each Bond to be redeemed at the address shown on the registration books kept by the Registrar and by publishing the notice if required by law. Failure to give notice by publication or by mail to any registered owner, or any defect therein, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of Bonds. Bonds so called for redemption shall cease to bear interest after the specified redemption date, provided that the funds for the redemption are on deposit with the place of payment at that time.

2.04. Appointment of Initial Registrar. The County appoints U.S. Bank Trust National Association, St. Paul, Minnesota, as the initial Registrar. The Chair and the County Auditor are authorized to execute and deliver, on behalf of the County, a contract with the Registrar. Upon merger or consolidation of the Registrar with another corporation, if the resulting corporation is a bank or trust company authorized by law to conduct such business, the resulting corporation is authorized to act as successor Registrar. The County agrees to pay the reasonable and customary charges of the Registrar for the services performed. The County reserves the right to remove the Registrar upon thirty days' notice and upon the appointment of a successor Registrar, in which event the predecessor Registrar shall deliver all cash and Bonds in its possession to the successor Registrar and shall deliver the bond register to the successor Registrar. On or before each principal or interest due date, without further order of this Board, the County Auditor shall transmit to the Registrar money sufficient for the payment of all principal and interest then due.

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2.05. Execution Authentication and Delivery. The Bonds shall be prepared under the direction of the County Auditor and executed on behalf of the County by the signatures of the Chair and the County Auditor/Treasurer, provided that all signatures may be printed, engraved, or lithographed facsimiles of the originals. If an officer whose signature or a facsimile of whose signature appears on the Bonds ceases to be such officer before the delivery of any Bond, that signature or facsimile shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if the officer had remained in office until delivery. Notwithstanding such execution, a Bond shall not be valid or obligatory for any purpose or entitled to any security or benefit under this Resolution unless and until a certificate of authentication on the Bond has been duly executed by the manual signature of an authorized representative of the Registrar. Certificates of authentication on different Bonds need not be signed by the same representative. The executed certificate of authentication on a Bond is conclusive evidence that it has been authenticated and delivered under this Resolution. When the Bonds have been so prepared, executed, and authenticated, the County Auditor shall deliver the same to the Purchaser upon payment of the purchase price in accordance with the contract of sale heretofore made and executed, and the Purchaser is not obligated to see to the application of the purchase price.

2.06. Temporary Bonds. The County may elect to deliver in lieu of printed definitive Bonds one or more typewritten temporary Bonds in substantially the form set forth in Section 3 with such changes as may be necessary to reflect more than one maturity in a single temporary bond. Upon the execution and delivery of definitive Bonds the temporary Bonds shall be exchanged therefor and cancelled.

Section 3. Form of Bond.

3.01. The Bonds will be printed or typewritten in substantially the following form:

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[Face of the Bond]

No. R- \$

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF WASHINGTON

**GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN BOND
SERIES 2000A**

<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Date of Original Issue</u>	<u>CUSIP</u>
		October 1, 2000	

Registered Owner: Cede & Co.

Principal Amount:

Washington County, Minnesota, a duly organized and existing municipal corporation (the "County"), acknowledges itself to be indebted and for value received hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above, or registered assigns, the principal amount

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specified above, on the maturity date specified above, with interest thereon from the date hereof at the annual rate specified above, payable February 1 and August 1 in each year, commencing August 1, 2001, to the person in whose name this Bond is registered at the close of business on the fifteenth day (whether or not a business day) of the immediately preceding month. The interest hereon and, upon presentation and surrender hereof, the principal hereof are payable in lawful money of the United States of America by check or draft by U.S. Bank Trust National Association, St. Paul, Minnesota, as Bond Registrar, Paying Agent, Transfer Agent and Authenticating Agent, or its designated successor under the Resolution described herein. For the prompt and full payment of such principal and interest as the same respectively become due, the full faith and credit and taxing powers of the County have been and are hereby irrevocably pledged.

The County may elect on February 1, 2010, and on any day thereafter to prepay Bonds due on or after February 1, 2011. Redemption may be in whole or in part and, if in part, at the option of the County and in such manner as the County shall determine. If less than all Bonds of a maturity are called for redemption, the County shall notify The Depository Trust Company (DTI) of the particular amount of such maturity to be prepaid. (DTI) will determine by lot the amount of each participant's interest in such maturity to be redeemed and each participant will then select by lot the beneficial ownership interests in such maturity to be redeemed. Prepayments shall be at a price of par plus accrued interest.

Additional provisions of this Bond are contained on the reverse hereof and such provisions will for all purposes have the same effect as though fully set forth in this place.

This Bond is not valid or obligatory for any purpose or entitled to any security or benefit under the Resolution until the Certificate of Authentication hereon has been executed by the Bond Registrar by manual signature of one of its authorized representatives.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, RECITED, COVENANTED AND AGREED that all acts, conditions and things required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota to be done, to exist, to happen and to be performed preliminary to and in the issuance of this Bond in order to make it a valid and binding general obligation of the County in accordance with its terms, have been done, do exist, have happened and have been performed as so required, and that the issuance of this Bond does not cause the indebtedness of the County to exceed any constitutional or statutory limitation of indebtedness.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Washington County, Minnesota, by its County Board, has caused this Bond to be executed on its behalf by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Chair and County Administrator has caused this Bond to be dated as of the date set forth below.

Dated:

WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

(facsimile)
County Administrator

(facsimile)
Chair

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CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This is one of the Bonds delivered pursuant to the Resolution mentioned within.

U.S. BANK TRUST
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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By
Authorized Representative

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[Reverse of the Bond]

This Bond is one of an issue in the aggregate principal amount of \$16,410,000 all of like original issue date and tenor, except as to number, maturity date, redemption privilege, and interest rate, all issued pursuant to a resolution adopted by the County Board on September 26, 2000 (the "Resolution"), for the purpose of providing money to aid in financing the cost of improvements in the County pursuant to a capital improvement plan duly adopted under Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40, as amended, and pursuant to and in full conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota, including Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, as amended, and the principal hereof and interest hereon are payable primarily from ad valorem taxes, as set forth in the Resolution to which reference is made for a full statement of rights and powers thereby conferred. The full faith and credit of the County are irrevocably pledged for payment of this Bond and the County Board has obligated itself to levy additional ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the County in the event of any deficiency, which additional taxes may be levied without limitation as to rate or amount. The Bonds of this series are issued only as fully registered Bonds in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof of single maturities.

As provided in the Resolution and subject to certain limitations set forth therein, this Bond is transferable upon the books of the County at the principal office of the Bond Registrar, by the registered owner hereof in person or by the owner's attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender hereof together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Bond Registrar, duly executed by the registered owner or the owner's attorney; and may also be surrendered in exchange for Bonds of other authorized denominations. Upon such transfer or exchange the County will cause a new Bond or Bonds to be issued in the name of the transferee or registered owner, of the same aggregate principal amount, bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date, subject to reimbursement for any tax, fee or governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such transfer or exchange.

The County and the Bond Registrar may deem and treat the person in whose name this Bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof, whether this Bond is overdue or not, for the purpose of receiving payment and for all other purposes, and neither the County nor the Bond Registrar will be affected by any notice to the contrary.

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The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of this Bond, will be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM -- as tenants in common	UNIF GIFT MIN ACT ____Custodian____ (Cust) (Minor) under Uniform Gifts or Transfers to Minors Act, State of _____
TEN ENT -- as tenants by entireties	
JT TEN -- as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common	

Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the above list.

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ASSIGNMENT

For value received, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto _____ the within Bond and all rights thereunder, and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint _____ attorney to transfer the said Bond on the books kept for registration of the within Bond, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated:

Notice: The assignor's signature to this assignment must correspond with the name as it appears upon the face of the within Bond in every particular, without alteration or any change whatever.

Signature Guaranteed:

NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by a financial institution that is a member of the Securities Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP"), the Stock Exchange Medallion Program ("SEMP"), the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. Medallion Signatures Program ("MSP") or other such "signature guarantee program" as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STEMP, SEMP or MSP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

The Bond Registrar will not effect transfer of this Bond unless the information concerning the assignee requested below is provided.

Name and Address: _____

(Include information for all joint owners if this Bond is held by joint account.)

Please insert social security or other identifying number of assignee

PROVISIONS AS TO REGISTRATION

The ownership of the principal of and interest on the within Bond has been registered on the books of the Registrar in the name of the person last noted below.

<u>Date of Registration</u>	<u>Registered Owner</u>	<u>Signature of Officer of</u>
_____	Cede & Co.	<u>the Registrar</u>
	Federal ID #13-25551 19	_____

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3.02. The County Auditor is authorized and directed to obtain a copy of the proposed approving legal opinion of Kennedy & Graven, Chartered. Minneapolis, Minnesota, which shall be complete except as to dating thereof and cause the opinion to be printed on or accompany each Bond.

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Section 4. Payment; Security; Pledges and Covenants.

4.01. The Bonds shall be payable from the General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2000A Debt Service Fund (Debt Service Fund) hereby created, and the proceeds of the ad valorem taxes hereinafter levied described in the resolution authorizing the sale of the Bonds, are hereby pledged to the Debt Service Fund. If a payment of principal or interest on the Bonds becomes due when there is not sufficient money in the Debt Service Fund to pay the same, the County Auditor/Treasurer will pay such principal or interest from the general fund of the County, and the general fund will be reimbursed for those advances out of the proceeds of the taxes levied by this resolution, when collected. There is appropriated to the Debt Service Fund (i) capitalized interest financed from Bond proceeds, if any, (ii) any amount over the minimum purchase price of the Bonds paid by the Purchaser, and (iii) the accrued interest paid by the Purchaser upon closing and delivery of the Bonds.

4.02. For the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds, there is levied a direct annual irrevocable ad valorem tax upon all of the taxable property in the County, to be spread upon the tax rolls and collected with and as part of other general taxes of the County. The tax will be credited to the Debt Service Fund above provided and is in the years and amounts set forth in EXHIBIT B to this Resolution.

4.03. It is determined that the estimated collection of the foregoing taxes will produce at least five percent in excess of the amount needed to meet when due, the principal and interest payments on the Bonds. The tax levy herein provided shall be irrevocable until all of the Bonds are paid, provided that the County Board may annually, at the time the County makes its tax levies, certify to the County Auditor/Treasurer the amount available in the Debt Service Fund to pay principal and interest due during the ensuing year, and the County Auditor/Treasurer will thereupon reduce the levy collectible during such year by the amount so certified.

4.04. The County Auditor/Treasurer is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution in the Auditor's office and to supply the certificate required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.63, as amended.

Section 5. Authentication of Transcript.

5.01. The officers of the County are authorized and directed to prepare and furnish to the Purchaser and to the attorneys approving the Bonds, certified copies of proceedings and records of the County relating to the Bonds and to the financial condition and affairs of the County, and such other certificates, affidavits and transcripts as may be required to show the facts within their knowledge or as shown by the books and records in their custody and under their control, relating to the validity and marketability of the Bonds, and such instruments, including any heretofore furnished, will be deemed representations of the County as to the facts stated therein.

5.02. The Chair and County Auditor/Treasurer are authorized and directed to certify that they have examined the Official Statement prepared and circulated in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds and that to the best of their knowledge and belief the Official Statement is a complete and accurate representation of the facts and representations made therein as of the date of the Official Statement.

Section 6. Tax Covenants.

6.01. The County covenants and agrees with the holders from time to time of the Bonds that it will not take or permit to be taken by any of its officers, employees, or agents any action which would cause the interest on the Bonds to become includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the

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"Code"), and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder, in effect at the time of such actions, and that it will take or cause its officers, employees or agents to take, all affirmative action within its power that may be necessary to ensure that such interest will not become includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations, as presently existing or as hereafter amended and made applicable to the Bonds.

6.02. The County will comply with requirements necessary under the Code to establish and maintain the exclusion from gross income of the interest on the Bonds under Section 103 of the Code, including, without limitation, requirements relating to temporary periods for investments and limitations on gross proceeds invested at a yield greater than the yield on the Bonds.

6.03. The County further covenants not to use the proceeds of the Bonds or to cause or permit them or any of them to be used, in such a manner as to cause the Bonds to be deemed to be "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Code.

6.04. The County will use its best efforts to comply with any federal procedural requirements which may apply in order to effectuate the designations made by this section.

Section 7. Book-Entry System; Limited Obligation of County.

7.01. The Bonds will be initially issued in the form of a separate single typewritten or printed fully registered Bond for each of the maturities set forth in Section 1.03 hereof. Upon initial issuance, the ownership of each Bond will be registered in the registration books kept by the Bond Registrar in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, and its successors and assigns ("DTC"). Except as provided in this section, all of the outstanding Bonds will be registered in the registration books kept by the Bond Registrar in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC.

7.02. With respect to Bonds registered in the registration books kept by the Bond Registrar in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, the County, the Bond Registrar and the Paying Agent will have no responsibility or obligation to any broker dealers, banks and other financial institutions from time to time for which DTC holds Bonds as securities depository ("Participants") or to any other person on behalf of which a Participant holds an interest in the Bonds, including but not limited to any responsibility or obligation with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of DTC, Cede & Co. or any Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Bonds, (ii) the delivery to any Participant or any other person (other than a registered owner of Bonds, as shown by the registration books kept by the Bond Registrar), of any notice with respect to the Bonds, including any notice of redemption, or (iii) the payment to any Participant or any other person, other than a registered owner of Bonds, of any amount with respect to principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds. The County, the Bond Registrar and the Paying Agent may treat and consider the person in whose name each Bond is registered in the registration books kept by the Bond Registrar as the holder and absolute owner of such Bond for the purpose of payment of principal, premium and interest with respect to such Bond, for the purpose of registering transfers with respect to such Bonds, and for all other purposes. The Paying Agent shall pay all principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds only to or on the order of the respective registered owners, as shown in the registration books kept by the Bond Registrar, and all such payments will be valid and effectual to fully satisfy and discharge the County's obligations with respect to payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. No person other than a registered owner of Bonds, as shown in the registration books kept by the Bond Registrar, will receive a certificated Bond evidencing the obligation of this Resolution. Upon delivery by DTC to the County Auditor/Treasurer of a written notice to the effect that DTC has determined to substitute a

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new nominee in place of Cede & Co., the words "Cede & Co." shall refer to such new nominee of DTC; and upon receipt of such a notice, the County Auditor/Treasurer shall promptly deliver a copy of the same to the Bond Registrar and Paying Agent.

7.03. Representation Letter. The form of Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations proposed to be submitted to DTC, which is on file with the County Auditor/Treasurer (the "Representation Letter"), is hereby approved, and the County Auditor/Treasurer is authorized to execute and deliver the Representation Letter in substantially the form on file, with such changes therein not inconsistent with law as the County Auditor/Treasurer and the County Attorney may approve, which approval shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution thereof. Any Paying Agent or Bond Registrar subsequently appointed by the County with respect to the Bonds shall agree to take all action necessary for all representations of the County in the Representation letter with respect to the Bond Registrar and Paying Agent, respectively, to be complied with at all times.

7.04. Transfers Outside Book-Entry System. In the event the County, by resolution of the County Board, determines that it is in the best interests of the persons having beneficial interests in the Bonds that they be able to obtain Bond certificates, the County will notify DTC, whereupon DTC will notify the Participants, of the availability through DTC of Bond certificates. In such event the County will issue, transfer and exchange Bond certificates as requested by DTC and any other registered owners in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution. DTC may determine to discontinue providing its services with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving notice to the County and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law. In such event, if no successor securities depository is appointed, the County shall issue and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate Bond certificates in accordance with this resolution and the provisions hereof shall apply to the transfer, exchange and method of payment thereof.

7.05. Payments to Cede & Co. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution to the contrary, so long as a Bond is registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, payments with respect to principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bond and all notices with respect to the Bond shall be made and given, respectively, in the manner provided in DTC's Operational Arrangements, as set forth in the Representation Letter.

Section 8. Continuing Disclosure.

8.01. The County hereby covenants and agrees that it shall comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution, failure of the City to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Certificate is not to be considered an event of default with respect to the Bonds; however, any Bondholder may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the City to comply with its obligations under this section.

8.02. "Continuing Disclosure Certificate" means that certain Continuing Disclosure Certificate executed by the Chair and County Auditor/Treasurer and dated the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds, as originally executed and as it may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

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EXHIBIT A

PROPOSALS

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EXHIBIT B
TAX LEVY

Commissioner Peterson 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 asked staff to look at the deductibles for the County's insurance.

Commissioner Abrahamson presented the Board Chair a petition signed by 54 residents of the Ann Bodlovick Apartments who are protesting a \$30 a month rent increase proposed by the Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked staff about the construction progress on County Road 19. Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development, indicated that they are ahead of schedule and both sides of the four lane should be done by the end of the construction season. He also stated they are on budget, but if there is an overrun it would be very small.

Commissioner Peterson informed the Board that she will be attending the Minnesota Transportation Alliance Conference where they will be setting their legislative agenda for next year. She will bring back information to see if some of their positions can be incorporated into the County's legislative platform.

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 10:40 a.m.

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BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Health and Environment to discuss the draft groundwater plan update process and timelines for completion. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Abrahamson, Hegberg, Stafford and Peterson. Also present were James Schug, Mary McGlothlin, Cindy Weckwerth, Lowell Johnson and Jon Michels.

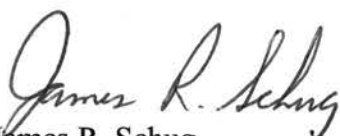
BOARD WORKSHOP WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss funding sources for maintenance and construction of the County highway system and review of the Minnesota Department of Transportation's cost sharing proposal for the TH 61/I-494 Wakota Bridge Reconstruction project. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson. Also present were James Schug, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer and Marc Hugunin, Metropolitan Council.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Community Services Department for an update on the concurrent permanency planning. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg and Peterson. Also present were James Schug, Dan Papin, Rick Backman, Sally Borich, Suzanne Pollack, Lisa Hanson, Deb Flick, Denise Steans and Bill Funari.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair
County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
OCTOBER 3, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 2:40 p.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson and Stafford. Commissioners Pulkrabek and Peterson absent. 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; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Richard Gauger, Woodbury Library Project Manager; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-147** as follows:

Negative Declaration of Need for an Environmental Impact Statement
for the Rumpca Excavation Gravel Mining Operation in Denmark Township

General legal description:

The southern 80 acres of the Northeast Quarter of Section 17, Township 27
North, Range 20 West, Denmark Township, Washington County, Minnesota

WHEREAS, Washington County Board of Commissioners is the responsible
governmental unit (RGU); and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Rules 4410.4300(12) and the Washington County
Development Code, Chapter Seven, Mining Regulations requires that an
Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) be prepared for the extraction
of or mining of sand, gravel, stone or other non-metallic minerals other than
peat, which will excavate 40 or more acres of land to a mean depth of 10 feet
or more during its existence; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) dated May
and August, 2000 has been prepared and circulated to the appropriate public
agencies and private citizens pursuant to Minnesota Rule 4410.1700; and

WHEREAS, based on the information contained in the EAW, records and
files and comments received and responded to in the EAW, the County Board
as the RGU concluded 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.

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

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

The extent to which environmental effects of the mining operation can be anticipated and controlled as a result of the mining permitting process as required by the Washington County Development Code, Chapter Seven, Mining Regulations, the Denmark Town Board and other environmental studies undertaken by public agencies or the project proposer, including other EISes.

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 Rumpca Excavation Gravel Mine in Denmark Township is adequate and a negative declaration is made on the need for an EIS.

2. Approval to appoint Patrick L. Miller, Willernie, as Washington County's representative to the Ramsey Action Program for a term expiring December 31, 2001.
3. Approval to reappoint Ned Gordon, Stillwater, to the Brown's Creek Watershed District, to a three year term expiring October 21, 2003.
4. Approval to designate the 2000 Association of Minnesota Counties official delegate list as follows: Commissioners Hegberg, Pulkrabek, Abrahamson, Peterson and Stafford; James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; and Don Wisniewski, Director, Transportation and Physical Development.
5. Approval to renew grant with the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning, Office of Drug Policy and Prevention, on behalf of the Washington County Community Circle Council with Court Services acting as host agency for fiscal and personnel matters.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously; Commissioners Peterson and Pulkrabek absent.

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TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT**J.A.R. Bridge, Inc. Request for Bridge Inspection Services**

Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development, reviewed the history of the J.A.R. Bridge. He stated it was originally built in 1894 as a combination railroad/trail crossing. J.A.R. Bridge, Inc. purchased the bridge in 1981 and has operated it as a toll facility since 1982. This bridge connects CSAH's 22 and 38 to Dakota CSAH 38. Mr. Fischer reported that the bridge has been closed since June of 1999 when bridge inspectors noted deteriorated beams and girders. He stated that the bridge will not be permitted to be reopened until a complete mechanical and structural inspection has been performed and resulting repairs have been made. The estimated cost for the inspection is approximately \$193,000 and the repair costs have been estimated between \$1,000,000 and \$10,000,000.

Mr. Fischer indicated that the present bridge owner intends on selling the bridge and that they have prospective buyers, but the buyers will not purchase the structure until repair costs of the bridge are determined and neither party is willing to risk the cost of the inspection. J.A.R. Bridge has requested that Washington and Dakota Counties pay for the bridge inspection and if the repair costs are such that it makes economic sense for the prospective purchaser to buy the bridge then the money may be refundable by special agreement to the agency paying for the inspection. If the repair costs exceed the capacity which the prospective owner feels a profit could be made, then no refund for the cost of the inspection will be made.

Mr. Fischer presented other issues concerning the bridge: Payment on taxes have not been made in May or October which amount to \$6,500; J.A.R. Bridge may abandon and allow the bridge to go tax forfeit if it cannot be reopened; The estimated cost to remove the bridge is \$1,500,000; If the bridge is repaired, the expected useful life would be approximately 10 years; More feasible river crossing locations may be discovered; and County Attorneys of both counties have been asked to research and advise the County Boards on the responsibility for bridge removal if no repair is implemented.

Mr. Fischer concluded that in light of the bridge's age, condition and restricted use, he feels that it does not serve a regional County function. Even with repairs, the bridge has limited useful life. He stated that it is staff's recommendation that the request for funding the inspection be denied and that a separate feasibility study for a new river crossing located between the Hastings Bridge and the Wakota Bridge should be considered in 2001.

Commissioner Peterson arrived at 3:00 p.m.

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Commissioner Abrahamson asked who would be responsible for paying for the removal of that bridge? George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney, stated if the federal government orders the removal of the bridge immediately, J.A.R. Bridge is still the owner and they would be responsible for the removal. He believes that the bridge would be declared an obstruction, the federal government would remove it and seek recoupment from J.A.R. Bridge. If J.A.R. Bridge cannot pay, the government would eat the cost.

William Gardner, Director of Operations for J.A.R. Bridge, Inc., believes that making the repairs to the bridge would be a benefit to the people who live in that area and have had to put up with traffic in residential neighborhoods, as well as those individuals who have had to find alternate routes to the expressway. He feels that if the bridge were repaired and opened that in the next ten years there would be an economic benefit to the consumer of \$51 million taking into consideration the number of cars using the bridge, plus mileage rates and time saved in commuting using a minimum wage figure.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated this bridge is over 100 years old and he believes the repair work on the bridge will cost a lot of money. He does not feel it is worth it and will go along with staff's recommendation.

Commissioner Peterson asked if the Board would have any interest in doing a partial inspection on the mechanical aspect of the bridge which would cost \$65,000? If that was determined to be physically and mechanically sound then they could look at doing the rest.

Commissioner Hegberg feels that the bridge has lived out its life and he will not support putting more money into it.

Commissioner Peterson stated she is concerned about the road rage that may occur in Newport and St. Paul Park when cars start to line up waiting to get on the Wakota Bridge during its repairs.

Commissioner Stafford stated even if the inspection were made and it was determined to be repairable, the most optimistic outlook for the bridge is only 10 years. He does not feel the County should spend money to repair the bridge. He also is aware that there will be traffic problems for the next seven years during the Wakota Bridge construction.

Commissioner Peterson indicated that if it is the Board's desire not to support this request, she asked that the County help the citizens of Newport and St. Paul Park with additional traffic controls and police to direct some of the traffic problems that will occur during construction. Commissioner Stafford suggested that could be looked at during a workshop session.

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Commissioner Abrahamson moved to deny the request by J.A.R. Bridge, Inc. that the County pay for bridge inspection services; and, that a feasibility study for a new river crossing located between the Hastings Bridge and the Wakota Bridge be considered in 2001. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

Update on the New Woodbury Library and Central Park Project

Richard Gauger, Project Manager on the new Woodbury Library/Central Park project, presented an update on the progress and issues related to the project. He stated that at this point cost is an issue and they are conscious of that and are working to stay within budget. There are concerns in the design such as an automobile drive up book drop, which they feel they can accomplish. There are environmental concerns regarding the interface between the park and the library and they are working to reduce the ventilation/humidity transfer between the park and library. An energy analysis has been performed and the project will more than meet the energy codes of the State of Minnesota. They have worked with Xcel, formally NSP, and there will be rebates to the project. Mr. Gauger indicated that the drawings are about 90% completed and a full set has been made available to the County Board.

Mr. Gauger reviewed the schedule for the project. They are continuing to work on the development agreement between the City and the County. When the drawings are 100% complete and reviews by both entities are complete, they will be coming to the Board to request approval to advertise for bids by the end of October or the first of November. At that time they will bring forward their best cost estimates that they have been able to develop. Bids will be received in November and award of bids will be made by the end of the year to maintain a completion of the project by April of 2002. Mr. Gauger also informed the Board that they are developing alternates for the bidding process.

The Board reviewed site plans and diagrams of the new Woodbury Library and Woodbury Central Park.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

James Schug, County Administrator, advised the Board that the December 5 Board meeting may conflict with the annual Association of Minnesota Counties Conference. The County Board will be meeting on December 7 at 7:00 p.m. for its Truth-in-Taxation hearing, and he suggested that the regular County Board meeting precede the Truth-in-Taxation hearing at 4:30 p.m.

It was the consensus of the County Board to move the December 5, 2000 County Board meeting to December 7, 2000 at 4:30 p.m.

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Mr. Schug reminded the Board that the Metropolitan Inter-County Association will host a candidates forum at 5:00 p.m. this evening in the County Board Room.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Don Dame, Woodbury, addressed the Board on issues related to the new Woodbury Library. He feels that the public should have input into the design of the library since they are the ones who will be using it. He also feels the proposed snack shop is inadequate and improvements should be made in that area.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Peterson reported on the Minnesota Transportation Alliance Conference she attended last week. She will bring in their proposals next week.

Commissioner Stafford reported on the City of Woodbury's position on the Tower/Hinton Connection project. They are willing to contribute \$327,000 should the County decide to proceed with the project.

Commissioner Stafford informed the Board that he made presentations on the Green Corridor referendum at the League of Women Voters last week, appeared on Oakdale Cable and is scheduled to make another presentation this Wednesday for the Woodbury Lions Club.

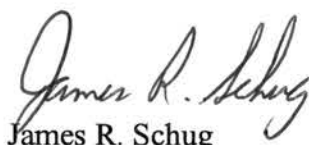
BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

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 Pulkabek absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
OCTOBER 10, 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 Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Suzanne Pollack, Community Services Supervisor; Rick Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Joe Lux, Lead Engineering Tech.; Larry Nybeck, County Surveyor; Judy Hunter, Public Health and Environment Senior Program Manager; Anne Gelbmann, Senior Environmental Specialist; Jeff Travis, Public Health and Environment Program Manager; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Bogdan Filipesco, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Linda Dyer, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

Board Chair Stafford paid tribute to the Honorable Judge Smith Eggleston, who passed away last week.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the September 19 and 26, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-148** as follows:

Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Grant
for the 2000 Metro Children's Water Festival

WHEREAS, water is a complex subject about which few people have a good understanding; and

WHEREAS, a basic understanding of surface and ground water, the water cycle, and the causes and sources of contamination is integral to making a positive impact on the quality of water resources; and

WHEREAS, every citizen needs to take actions and precautions to protect water resources; and

WHEREAS, a formative time to shape citizen's behaviors is in their childhood years; and

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WHEREAS, Washington County has identified as a major strategy in its Draft Comprehensive Ground Water Management Plan, the need for a strong educational effort as the centerpiece of a ground water protection program; and

WHEREAS, Washington County, in coordination with the Metro Area Groundwater Alliance (MAGWA), recently hosted a Children’s Water Festival to teach students about the water cycle, ground water, surface water, and other related natural resources in an attempt to inspire and motivate children to conserve and protect our water resources; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has been awarded a Cargill Water Matters Mini-Grant of \$2,500 to support the 2000 Metro Children’s Water Festival.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approves acceptance of the Cargill Water Matters Mini-Grant to be used to reimburse transportation costs incurred in bringing students to the Children’s Water Festival.

- 3. Approval to appoint Donald L. Pereira, Cottage Grove, to the South Washington Watershed District Board of Managers, to fill an unexpired term beginning November 1, 2000 through May 1, 2003.
- 4. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-149** as follows:

Authorization to Classify Tax-Forfeited Parcels as Non-Conservation

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners of the County of Washington, State of Minnesota, desires to offer for sale or convey the said parcels of land that have forfeited to the State of Minnesota, for non-payment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, said parcels of land have been viewed by designees of the County Board of Commissioners and have been classified as non-conservation land as provided for in Minnesota Statutes 282.01.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby certify that all parcels of land on the attached list have been viewed and comply with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8, and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of tax-forfeited land from sale or conveyance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby requests approval from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the sale or conveyance of said lands.

Tax Forfeited Land Classification List
(Non-Conservation Parcels)

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Geocode No.</u>	<u>Bldg/Vacant Land</u>
Forest Lake Township	04.032.21.23.0022	Vacant Land (.17 Acre)
	04.032.21.23.0023	Vacant Land (.17 Acre)

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City of Afton	33.028.20.14.0008	Vacant Land (2.79 Acres)
City of Stillwater	20.030.20.14.0003	Vacant Land (.39 Acre)
	20.030.20.14.0010	Vacant Land (.46 Acre)
	20.030.20.14.0011	Vacant Land (.67 Acre)
City of Cottage Grove	17.027.21.31.0003	Vacant Land (7.0 Acres)
City of Woodbury	18.028.21.43.0005	Vacant Land (4.44 Acres)
Total No. of Parcels	8	

5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-150** as follows:

Repurchase of Tax Forfeited Land by
James L. Organ, Former Owner

WHEREAS, James L. Organ the former owner, has made and filed an application with the County Auditor for the repurchase of the hereinafter described parcel of tax forfeited land, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, of amended, which land is situated in the County of Washington, Minnesota, and described as follows, to-wit:

Parcel #34.032.21.34.0007
PART SE 1/4-SW1/4 SEC34 TWP32 RANGE 21 BEG AT INTER OF W LINE OF SD SE1/4-SW1/4 WITH N LINE OF TRACT OF LAND DESC BK 299 OF DEEDS PG 92 OR ITS WLY EXT THN ELY ALONG SD N LINE 220FT M/L TO NE COR OF SD TRACT THN SLY ALONG ELY LINE OF SD TRAC 217.8FT M/L TO S LINE OF SD SEC 34 THN E ASSUMED BEARING ALONG SD S LINE TO PT DIST 1743.5 FT E OF SW COR OF SD SEC 34 THN N 544.5 FT THN E & PAR WITH SD S LINE 400FT THN N TO S LINE OF N 600FT OF SD SE 1/4 SW 1/4 THN WLY ALONG SD S LINE TO W LINE OF SD SE 1/4-SW1/4 THN SLY ALONG SD W LINE TO PT OF BEG SUBJ TO EASE, FOREST LAKE TOWNSHIP

;and WHEREAS, said applicant has set forth in his application that the property was incorrectly taxed due to county and township zoning discrepancy; that he is planning to work with the county to correct this error; that the repurchase of said land by him will promote and best serve the public interest, because all the delinquent and current taxes are paid and this will put the property back on tax role.

;and WHEREAS, this Board is of the opinion that said application should be granted for such reasons.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of James L. Organ for the purchase of the above described parcel of tax forfeited land be and the same is hereby granted and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to permit such repurchase according to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, as amended.

6. Approval to submit grant application to the Minnesota Department of Health for Part V - Youth Access Enforcement Projects of the Minnesota Youth Tobacco Prevention Initiative.

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7. Approval to establish a fifteen member Groundwater Advisory Committee to be appointed by the County Board for the purpose of advising the County on the development, content, and implementation of the Washington County Groundwater Plan; and approve the payment of per diem at \$35 per meeting and mileage reimbursement at the rate designated by the County Board of Commissioner's expense reimbursement policy.
8. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-151** as follows:

Request Funding from the Minnesota Department of Transportation
through the Municipal Agreement Program for the CSAH 21/28
Improvement Project

WHEREAS, Washington County wishes to reconstruct County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 21/28 (56th Street/Pickett Avenue) between CSAH 21 (Stagecoach Trail) and Trunk Highway 95; and

WHEREAS, the project will be of mutual benefit to both the Minnesota Department of Transportation and Washington County; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is requesting financial participation in the project from the Minnesota Department of Transportation through the Municipal Agreement program; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is committed to providing the local share of the costs if the project is selected as part of the FY 2002 Municipal Agreement Program; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is committed to completing the project if selected and funding is provided as part of the FY 2002 Municipal Agreement Program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Washington County is requesting funding from the Minnesota Department of Transportation for the CSAH 21/28 (56th Street/Pickett Avenue) project and is committed to completing such project and providing the local share of funding.

9. Approval and execution of a cooperative construction agreement with the City of Forest Lake and Forest Lake Township.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt the following Proclamation:

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Family Child Care Provider Week

WHEREAS, there are 6,800 children in Washington County in licensed family child care homes; and

WHEREAS, these children are Washington County's most valuable asset and resource; and

WHEREAS, no profession is more important than caring for and developing young children; and

WHEREAS, many families in Washington County seek child care outside their own homes; and

WHEREAS, the licensed family child caregivers of Washington County are professional people devoted to achieving and maintaining the highest level of quality child care; and

WHEREAS, the licensed family child caregivers are highly competent, trained dedicated, caring, concerned individuals.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Washington County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim the week of October 9 - 14, 2000 as

Family Child Care Provider Week

In Washington County.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Stafford presented certificates of recognition to Angela Eppler-Scheller and Shannon Sargent for being selected as the Washington County Outstanding Child Care Providers for 2000.

PUBLIC HEARING - TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Proposed Washington County Right of Way Ordinance

The Board Chair presented an overview of today's public hearing to consider a proposed Washington County Right of Way Ordinance. The Board Secretary read the notice of public hearing into the record.

Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development, presented an overview of the proposed Right of Way Ordinance. He stated that most county highway right of way was purchased for the specific purpose of providing land to build a county road. A secondary purpose of this right of way is to provide space for public utilities to be located and installed. In 1997 the State legislature reaffirmed the authority of local governments to manage the rights of way by amending Minnesota Statute 237. This regulation allowed local governments to regulate and issue permits, require registration of utilities and

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required utilities to submit plans and recover management costs if an ordinance is adopted. Mr. Fischer indicated that the ordinance being presented today is, with a few modifications to fit the County's needs, the model ordinance that was developed by the Association of Minnesota Counties, and the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust in conjunction with the Minnesota Association of County Engineers. They have also worked with the other metropolitan counties to coordinate changes so there will be consistent regulation of utility installation throughout the Twin Cities.

Mr. Fischer stated that the proposed ordinance takes the County's current practice and puts them in the form of an ordinance. The ordinance does require utilities to register. Prior to working in County rights of way, each permit applicant must furnish contact information including Gopher State One Call registration certificate numbers, the names, phone numbers, addresses and e-mail addresses of the company representatives. Registrants must also furnish insurance information and must name the County as an additional insured to the companies insurance policy. The ordinance also requires the utilities to provide mapping information. If the utility can provide electronic files with this mapping information there will be no fee for that; however, if the information has to be converted into the County's electronic format there will be a fee for the cost to implement that mapping.

Mr. Fischer indicated that the new ordinance does provide performance standards for work to be done in the County right of way. Penalties for substandard work or work done without a permit are now specified in the new ordinance. Those penalties may be doubled for non-emergency work that is done without a permit. There are provisions for revocation of a permit for a substantial breach of the permit conditions or the denial of additional permits until conditions caused by a permit in place are corrected. Mr. Fischer noted a change that was made in the draft ordinance that was presented at the Board's previous workshop. Section 1.13, Subd. 2(c) that regards the degradation fee and patching in lieu of restoration. The previous draft read that the utility could request to pay in lieu of performing the work. The PUC guidelines say that the utility may elect to pay.

Mr. Fischer reviewed revisions to the permit fee structure. The fees have not changed from the current fee structure except they do have the new cost for the mapping and for obstruction fees. The obstruction fee would apply during peak hours in the morning or afternoon. If the utility is obstructing traffic, there would be an obstruction fee, which would vary on the location.

Mr. Fischer indicated that the public hearing was advertised in the County's official newspaper on September 20. They also sent out the ordinance to utility companies and contractors for their review. Some comments were received unofficially at their office which they feel are addressed in some part of this ordinance. Depending on comments received today, they would hopefully like to bring this back to the Board next Tuesday for final approval.

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Larry Nelson, Connexus Energy, 14601 Ramsey Boulevard, Ramsey, Minnesota - Mr. Nelson stated this is a well written ordinance, but there are a couple of items that cause them concern. The State Legislature did reaffirm the cities rights to uphold their interest, but it also states that an Advisory Task force be convened consisting of cities, areas of government, industry and other interested parties to come up with guidelines on how to write these ordinances, which are referred to as PUC guidelines. There are a number of items in the ordinance that are in direct contradiction to the PUC guidelines. Mr. Nelson highlighted those items in his copy of the ordinance and presented it as comments for the record.

John Wertish, Xcel Energy, echoed Mr. Nelson's comments. They are behind the eight ball, as all the metro counties are on the same schedule with adopting this ordinance. They have not had the proper time to make electronic comments on all the language problems that they have. If the Board intends to adopt the ordinance next Tuesday, they would request more time to comment. They are concerned about the location of facilities, the language says "both horizontal and vertical"; unfortunately they do not have the technology to locate vertically. There are other things they can work out, they just need a little more time.

Mr. Fischer indicated that the advisory committee that Mr. Nelson spoke about was established over two years ago and formulated the model ordinance that the County is using for the basis of its ordinance. Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development, was the County representative on that committee with the other utilities. That part has already occurred. The specific language that both Mr. Nelson and Mr. Wertish may have staff can take a look at that in the next couple of weeks.

Richard Pillen, Senior Engineer, Reliant Energy Minnegasco, stated he has the same comments as the gentlemen before him. He feels their biggest concern is the vertical locate. On horizontal locates there is a two foot leeway. If that same two foot leeway is given on a vertical locate and there is a backhoe operator there could be a catastrophe. He presented written comments for the record.

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

Commissioner Hegberg moved to close the public hearing and keep the written comment period open for two weeks. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Hegberg asked that staff look at private citizens placing obstructions in the County's rights of way such as rocks and other decorative items, trees and parking vehicles with sale signs on them. The rights of way are not to be used for selling equipment and other things.

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Commissioner Stafford asked about the reference to vertical identification of lines and that two individuals have indicated that the technology is not available yet or is not acceptable. Is the County asking for something that cannot be done? Joe Lux, Lead Engineer, stated this is addressed in the ordinance and the intent is to get cooperation in pot holing, they have to be exposed so they can shoot the elevation. It doesn't specifically require vertical location as part of Gopher State One Call, but it does require cooperation with excavators to get them located.

Commissioner Peterson suggested that the Commissioners' spring newsletter to the public include an update on the Gopher State One Call system and how important it is to identify areas that may have utilities located there.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Jeff Travis, Program Manager and Anne Gelbmann, Senior Environmental Specialist, presented an update on the September 15 and 16 electronics collection project held at the Woodbury Best Buy store. They indicated that 583 individuals participated and the following items were collected: Monitors and TV's, 21,233 lbs; Computers, 5,422 lbs; and Mixed Electronics, 17,655 lbs for a total of 44,310lbs (22 tons).

Mr. Travis indicated that collecting these items is important because many electronics contain components that have toxic materials. TV's and computer monitors contain, on average, five pounds of lead in the picture tube. Currently there are millions of TV's and monitors going into landfills or processing facilities every year. Those materials are not only recyclable but they are toxic.

The Board Chair presented appreciation awards to Dustin Mirick, Best Buy, Joe Aho, Waste Management-Asset Recovery Group, and Charles Schaeffer, Sharp Corporation.

Commissioner Pulkrabek thanked the private businesses involved in this project. He asked that staff acknowledge their participation in its newsletter or a letter to the editor thanking the private sector who participated when they didn't have to.

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on the Metropolitan Inter-County Association Candidate Forum that was held last Tuesday in the County Board Room. He felt it was well attended and relevant issues to the County were discussed.

Commissioner Peterson distributed copies of materials she received from the Minnesota Transportation Alliance Conference she attended on how federal funding works and how to get a project into the hopper at the federal level. She also provided copies from the Housing and Land Use Advisory Committee of the Metropolitan Council who is proposing criteria for TEA-21.

Commissioner Peterson reported that the Minnesota World Competitor will hold a convention on November 2 and 3 at the Doubletree Park Place Hotel in St. Louis Park. They will discuss economic development.

Commissioner Hegberg asked that the Court Order regarding the Annexation of Forest Lake Township be sent to the Forest Lake Public Library to be kept on file and available to the Forest Lake residents.

Commissioner Hegberg distributed copies of two reports he received at last week's Energy Task Force meeting. The reports were from the Department of Commerce and the Attorney General's Office regarding the deregulation of the utility industry. He is concerned that the State is going in the direction of using more hydrocarbons for its power generation. In the United States there are about eight years of proven reserves for natural gas. He believes that nuclear power should be revisited because it is the cheapest form of electricity. He indicated that a resolution will be coming from the Energy Task Force and that he will ask that it be amended to include nuclear power. He asked the Board to study that subject to see if they could support that.

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 10:35 a.m.

Attest:

Virginia R. Erdahl
Virginia R. Erdahl
Deputy Administrator

R.H. Stafford
R.H. Stafford, Chair
County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
OCTOBER 17, 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. Board Vice Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator; Linda Kraftefer, Chief Assistant County Attorney; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Rick Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Sue Fennern, Human Resources Associate; and Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval to set the Truth-in-Taxation hearing for 7:00 p.m. on December 7, 2000 and to set a continuation hearing for 7:00 p.m. on December 19, 2000 if needed.
2. Approval of revised bylaws for the Community Social Service Advisory Committee.
3. Approval to substitute the position of Transportation Engineer (supervisory) for an Engineer II (non-supervisory) position to manage the Traffic Section of the Transportation Division.
4. Approval to convert a special project Utility Shift Supervisor to a regular status supervisory position.
5. Approval of citizen tipping fees as recommended by the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project:
 1. Ramsey and Washington County residents shall be charged \$50/ton plus tax for waste delivered to the facility with a minimum charge of \$20 plus tax.
 2. In addition to the fee set forth above, the following charges shall be made for tires and bulky items:
 - A. Tires:
Without Rim Car - \$4; Truck \$6; Tractor \$8
With Rim - Car \$6; Truck \$8; Tractor \$10
 - B. Bulky Furniture Items and Appliances - \$15/each
 3. Tipping fees for individual resident deliveries from Counties other than Ramsey and Washington Counties shall be charged \$66.79/ton plus tax with

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a minimum charge of \$20 plus tax and an additional piece charge(s) for tires and bulky items (see above).

4. If a citizen delivers only bulky items or tires for disposal, the citizen will be only charged at the rate set forth above for such items plus tax.

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

PUBLIC HEARING - ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections, informed the Board that the 1999 legislature enacted a law that requires counties and cities with populations over 500 to hold a public hearing and pass a resolution in order to levy property taxes at a rate that would produce more than last year's levy. She asked that the Board consider adopting the resolution that was attached in the Board packet.

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

Commissioner Abrahamson moved, seconded by Commissioner Hegberg to close the public hearing and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-152** as follows:

Resolution Relating to Tax Rate Authorization for the Year 2001

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has enacted chapter 243, Laws of Minnesota 1999, Article 6, Section 2 requiring a county board to have adopted and filed an authorizing resolution if its county's tax rate turns out to be higher the following year than a theoretical tax rate for the previous year under the law; and

WHEREAS, Washington County prides itself on beginning its budget process as early as possible in the calendar year in order to maximize input by all concerned parties and allow full review of all expenditure items; and

WHEREAS, there are numerous factors that are beyond the control of county boards and that can potentially cause tax rates to rise, including but not limited to:

- A. Class rate changes by the state on various types of property,
- B. The economy and its effect on the tax base, including real estate and new construction growth or lack thereof,
- C. Tax Increment Financing (TIF) districts created by cities,
- D. Limitations on what percentage the market value of property can rise each year as set by the state, and
- E. Unfunded mandates upon local governments and reductions of federal and state aid; and

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WHEREAS, because of these outside factors beyond control, a county may need to have a higher tax rate for the following year, and if the tax rate has to go up, Washington County wishes to be in compliance with the law with an authorizing resolution adopted and filed; and

WHEREAS, regardless of external factors influencing the tax rate through the years, Washington County has a strong tradition and a record of success in holding down property taxes on the citizen of the county; and

WHEREAS, Washington County's property tax levy has been set each year well within the levy limitations when they were imposed by the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, even during those years when the state has not enacted levy limitations, Washington County has had its own self-imposed levy limitations to protect the interests of the county's property taxpayers.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLED that if the tax rate of Washington County for the year 2001 is higher than the tax rate certified by the county auditor under clause (3) of Section 2, Article 6, Chapter 243, Laws of Minnesota 1999, the higher tax rate is hereby authorized by the Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that regardless of outside factors impacting tax rates, the Board of Commissioners remains firmly committed to the delivery of mandated and other important services at a cost well within established levy guidelines in order to hold down property taxes of the citizens of Washington County.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that an official copy of this adopted resolution be filed with the Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections.

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

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-153** as follows:

Increase in the Ramsey/Washington Resource Recovery 2000 Budget and Appropriation of \$324,000

WHEREAS, Ramsey and Washington Counties approved the 2000 Resource Recovery Project service fee budget at \$10,857,306, and the 2000 tipping fee at \$38 per ton; and

WHEREAS, the approved 2000 service fee budget included a projected 10 percent increase in the N1 fee component of the service fee, which has increased based on fuel indices provided by the federal government; and

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WHEREAS, the actual 2000 N1 fee component of the service fee increased by over 36 percent due to escalation of fuel costs at the end of 1999; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the 2000 Resource Recovery Project Board budget for the NRG service fee will have a projected maximum shortfall of up to \$1,200,000; and

WHEREAS, the 1999 N1 fee component of the service fee decreased by almost 14 percent, which contributed to savings of \$3,600,000 to Ramsey and Washington Counties for their respective shares of Resource Recovery Project costs for 1999; and

WHEREAS, funds to finance the 2000 Resource Recovery Project Board service budget shortfall are available in Washington County's solid waste fund balances due to 1999 Resource Recovery savings;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby approves an increase of \$1,200,000 in the Resource Recovery Project Board 2000 service fee budget to be financed from estimated revenues of \$876,000 from Ramsey County and \$324,000 from Washington County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Washington County Board approves the appropriation of \$324,000 from solid waste fund balance to the 2000 budget for the Resource Recovery Project to finance Washington County's 27 percent share of the projected maximum Resource Recovery 2000 budget shortfall.

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

DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Chock Junker, Stillwater, addressed the Board on the upcoming referendum related to the Green Corridor. He feels that senior citizens should be exempt from paying this tax if it is passed.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioners Abrahamson and Hegberg asked that staff look at moving the Discussion from the Audience segment of the County Board Agenda before the Consent Calendar or immediately after to give citizens an opportunity to voice their concerns sooner.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

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EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION - ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

The Board recessed into Executive (Closed) Session with the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections to discuss the status of the Preferred Commercial Industrial property tax lawsuit at 9:53 a.m. Present for the Executive Session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Doug Johnson, Bob Turrentine, Linda Krafthefer, Molly O'Rourke, Scott Hovet and Patricia Raddatz.

The Board meeting reconvened at 10:25 a.m.

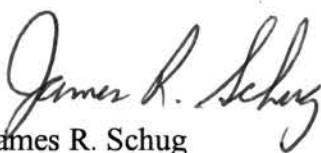
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Hegberg moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Abrahamson and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Health and Environment to discuss the Youth Risk Behavior Endowment. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Mary McGlothlin, Lowell Johnson, Sue Hedlund, Jean Streetar, Pat Galligher and Julie Kilpatrick.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



Myra Peterson, Vice Chair

County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
OCTOBER 24, 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; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Molly O'Rourke, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections Director; Bogdan Filipescu, Accounting Supervisor; Linda Dyer, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Community Services Deputy Director; Andrew Ervin, Community Services Supervisor; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Jim Luger, Parks Director; John Elholm, Parks Planner; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manger; Mike Polehna, Parks Manager; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the October 3, 10 and 17, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to reappoint Dale Borash, West Lakeland Township, to the Valley Branch Watershed District Board of Managers to a second term expiring November 13, 2003.
3. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-154** as follows:

Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo from Scandia Marine Lions

WHEREAS, on or about October 17, 2000, the Scandia Marine Lions has made an application for Authorization to Conduct Excluded Bingo on November 10, 2000, pursuant to the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved is located at the Scandia Community Center, 14727 209th Street North, Scandia, New Scandia Township, Washington County.

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 license 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 New Scandia Township.

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5. Approval to enter into a contract with Lakeview Memorial Hospital effective October 24, 2000 through June 30, 2001 for \$26,400 for services related to the performance of lead agency duties for the Tobacco Free Future Coalition of Washington County.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-155** as follows:

Authorization to Classify Tax-Forfeited Parcels as Non-Conservation

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners of the County of Washington, State of Minnesota, desires to offer for sale or convey the said parcels of land that have forfeited to the State of Minnesota, for non-payment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, said parcels of land have been viewed by designees of the County Board of Commissioners and have been classified as non conservation land as provided for in Minnesota Statutes 282.01.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby certify that all parcels of land on the attached list were viewed and comply with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8, and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of tax-forfeited land from sale or conveyance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby requests approval from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the sale of conveyance of said lands.

2000 Tax Forfeited Land Classification List (Non-Conservation Parcels)

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Parcel No.</u>	<u>Dated Forfeited</u>	<u>Type of Property</u>
Forest Lake Twp	10.032.21.24.0012	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	10.032.21.24.0013	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	10.032.21.24.0014	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	15.032.21.32.0004	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
	21.032.21.34.0007	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
	21.032.21.34.0008	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
	24.032.21.21.0033	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
May Twp	20.031.20.21.0004	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
New Scandia Twp	31.032.20.14.0021	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	31.032.20.14.0022	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	31.032.20.14.0023	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	31.032.20.14.0024	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	31.032.20.14.0025	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	31.032.20.14.0026	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
Afton City	34.028.20.32.0003	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
Bayport City	11.029.20.32.0077	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land

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<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Parcel No.</u>	<u>Dated Forfeited</u>	<u>Type of Property</u>
Forest Lake City	08.032.21.12.0075	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
	08.032.21.42.0049	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
Hugo City	26.031.21.24.0003	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
	31.031.21.21.0006	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
Mahtomedi City	20.030.21.21.0027	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
Willernie City	29.030.21.31.0185	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
Cottage Grove	15.027.21.24.0035	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
	32.027.21.14.0017	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
Woodbury City	06.028.21.32.0073	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
	07.028.21.12.0014	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
Oakdale City	20.028.21.31.0049	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	20.028.21.34.0076	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	07.029.21.21.0091	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	19.029.21.31.0002	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	31.029.21.11.0107	11-Sept-98	Vacant Land
	14.030.21.32.0002	09-Sept-99	Vacant Land
Total	32 Parcels		

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the 2001 Child and Teen Checkup Program Plan.
Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Lease of Agricultural Land at County Parks for 2001

James Luger, Parks Director, presented bids for lease of agricultural land at County Parks for 2001 as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Pine Point</u> (31.9 acres)	<u>Big Marine</u> (75.4 acres)	<u>Cottage Grove</u> (41.8 acres)	<u>Lake Elmo</u> (278.9 acres)	<u>St Croix Bluffs</u> (144.7 acres)
Ken Berwald	\$45.40*				
Steve Biscoe				\$45.00	\$ 85.00
Gordon Herman				\$65.10*	
Steve Herman					\$100.00
Jerry Lepinski	\$30.00	\$62.00*			
Craig Mayer					\$102.00
Gary Swanson					\$110.68
Gordon & Myron Tank			\$101.60		\$115.60*
Metropolitan Council			\$150.50		

*Highest Responsible Bidder

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Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-156** as follows:

Award of Lease and Rejection of Bid for Agricultural Land at County Parks

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the leasing of agricultural land in County parks, the County solicited bids for the project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on October 5, 2000 with the highest bidders being: Kenneth Berwald for Pine Point Park, Gordon Herman for Lake Elmo Park Reserve, Jerry Lepinski for Big Marine Park Reserve and Gordon and Myron Tank for St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park; and

WHEREAS, bids received on October 5, 2000 for the agricultural land at Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park with The Metropolitan Council and Myron and Gordon Tank being the only bidders on this agricultural land parcel and The Metropolitan Council being the highest bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council's bid was nonconforming in that it wished to lease the land in order to install a drainage system on a portion of the land; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council wishes a property interest in a portion of the agricultural land in Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park in order to install a drainage system.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bids of Metropolitan Council and Myron and Gordon Tank for the agricultural land at Cottage Grove Regional Park be rejected as Metropolitan Council wishes to use a part of the land for other than agricultural purposes in conflict of the project specifications.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the bids of Kenneth Berwald for Pine Point Park, Gordon Herman for Lake Elmo Park Reserve, Jerry Lepinski for Big Marine Regional Park, and Gordon and Myron Tank, for St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park be accepted and the County enter into a lease with these bidders for the respective parcels of land noted previously in this resolution under the terms and conditions set forth in the bid specification documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the lease between the County and Kenneth Berwald for Pine Point Park, Gordon Herman for Lake Elmo Park Reserve, Jerry Lepinski for Big Marine Regional Park and Gordon and Myron Tank for St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park 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.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, with respect to the agricultural land at Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park that staff enter into negotiations with Metropolitan Council in order to provide a property interest to facilitate install of a drainage system and with other parties for the lease of the remaining portion of land for agricultural use.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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Advertise for Bids to Re-Roof Buildings in Lake Elmo Park Reserve

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to authorize advertisement for bids to re-roof buildings in the Lake Elmo Park Reserve that were damaged during the July 7, 2000 thunderstorm. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Proclaim October as Registered Apprenticeship Awareness Month**

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt the following Proclamation:

Washington County
Proclamation
Registered Apprenticeship Awareness Month

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Labor recognizes October 2000 as Registered Apprenticeship Awareness Month (RAAM 2000); and

WHEREAS, registered apprenticeship has a long and successful history of helping individuals to gain up-to-date, comprehensive skills needed in today's fast changing workplace. Registered apprenticeship programs are not federally funded, but are industry funded; and

WHEREAS, today, there are more than 37,000 sponsors in the National Apprenticeship System, 80% of whom have been in the system for the last 20 years. There are more than 850 occupations with registered apprenticeships across five major industries: construction, manufacturing, utilities, service and government. The National Registered Apprenticeship System has produced millions of skilled certified workers; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of RAAM 2000 is to increase awareness of and support for registered employers, employer associations, labor unions, labor and management organizations, educators, employment counselors, parents, students, government officials and press representatives; and

WHEREAS, the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 was enacted to streamline and coordinate federally funded job training, adult education and literacy and vocational rehabilitation programs. These programs and WIA adult, youth and dislocated worker services are operated out of the Washington County Workforce Center; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. registered apprenticeship program supports WIA goals. As part of RAAM 2000, a representative from the registered apprenticeship program will present information to the Workforce Investment Board, the guiding entity of WIA. Results from this presentation and other educational events will foster the awareness and strengthening of registered apprenticeships as means to serve both employers and employees in Washington County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners supports Registered Apprenticeship Awareness Month and its sponsoring activities.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have here onto set my hand of this 24th day of October, 2000.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Upcoming Meetings

James Schug, County Administrator, announced that next Tuesday, October 31, is the fifth Tuesday and there will not be a County Board meeting.

Mr. Schug also announced that the County Board will be hosting the League of Local Governments meeting next Monday, October 30, at the Prom Center in Oakdale. The Keynote speaker will be former Governor Arne Carlson and there will be a round table discussion on reform being proposed for the Minnesota property tax system.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg reported on meetings he has been attending with the City of Forest Lake, Forest Lake Township and the State of Minnesota discussing the Highway 97 issue near the school. He indicated that the State of Minnesota has a plan to change Highway 61 in that area which would require the County to move its bridge over the trail. He asked that staff keep updated on that situation.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked that the Board members read the letter in Board correspondence from Winona and Edward Zechmann who reside in the Bodlivick Apartments in Stillwater. That letter was addressed to Governor Ventura and copied to the County Board.

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on the Library Board meeting he attended on Monday. He indicated that the Library Board members are concerned that the County Board did not proceed with expansion of the parking lot at the current library.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked that the Board hold a workshop to discuss Commissioner committee appointments for 2001.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked if the County was sending out any additional information on the Purchase of Development Rights referendum prior to the election? Mr. Schug indicated that other than the Commissioners' Newsletter and speaking at various citizen organizations when requested there will not be anything else sent out.

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Commissioner Hegberg announced that Randall Samuelson has resigned from the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board.

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 10:07 a.m.

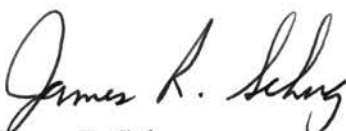
BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE RECORDER'S OFFICE

The Board met in workshop session with the Recorder's Office to discuss availability of Recorder's Office records on the internet and a potential fee structure. 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, Cindy Koosmann, Jennifer Wagenius, Raoul Schander, Barb Fritsche, Larry Haseman, Molly O'Rourke, Larry Nybeck, Stephanie Iverson, Jody Moran, Terry Ditty, John Klun, Gazette, and Mary Divine, St. Paul Pioneer Press.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Board met in workshop session with the Sheriff's Office to discuss trends in jail bed rental revenue. 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, Jim Frank, Steve Pott, Chuck Yetter, John Klun, Gazette and Mary Divine, St. Paul Pioneer Press..

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair
County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY CONVENES

The Washington County Regional Railroad Authority 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. RRA 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; Joe Lux, Transportation and Physical Development; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Cindy Koosmann, Recorder; Molly O'Rourke, Director Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Stephanie Iverson, Administrative Technician; Joanne Helm, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Linda Dyer, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Julie Sorrem, Risk Management; Jane Harper, Principal Planner; and Robert Lockyear, Administrative Services Director. 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 4:38 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; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Joe Lux, Transportation and Physical Development; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Cindy Koosmann, Recorder; Molly O'Rourke, Director Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Stephanie Iverson, Administrative Technician; Joanne Helm, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Linda Dyer, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Julie Sorrem, Risk Management; Jane Harper, Principal Planner; and Robert Lockyear, Administrative Services Director.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Richard Caldecott, Carnelian-Marine Watershed District Manager, wanted to assure the Board that he and other members of the Watershed District are not using delaying tactics in the issue of joining with Brown's Creek Watershed District. He stated they have acted in good faith to this point, but they cannot guarantee the actions of the watershed board in the future.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the October 24, 2000 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-157** as follows:

Repurchase of Tax Forfeited Land by
Conlin Construction, Former Owner

WHEREAS, Conlin Construction, the Former owner, has made and filed an application with the County Auditor for the repurchase of the hereinafter described parcel of tax forfeited land, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, of amended, which land is situated in the County of Washington, Minnesota and described as follows, to-wit:

Outlot A
Timberhill Ridge
City of Oakdale

;and, WHEREAS, said applicant has set forth in his application that the property will be deeded to the homeowners association for roadway purposes.

;and, WHEREAS, this Board is of the opinion that said application should be granted for such reasons.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of Conlin Construction for the purchase of the above described parcel of tax forfeited land be and the same is hereby granted and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to permit such repurchase according to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, as amended.

3. Approval of amendment to the Children's Mental Health Collaborative contract regarding COLA increase and supplemental award.
4. Approval to accept the Children's Justice Act Award which will provide training on interviewing methods, in the amount of \$1,232.
5. Approval of contract with Families for Effective Autism Treatment to provide home based mental health services for children with severe emotional disturbance.

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6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-158** as follows:

Resolution to Request Funding from the Minnesota Department of Transportation through the Municipal Agreement Program for the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 13 Traffic Signal System Project
At Hudson Boulevard/4th Street North

WHEREAS, Washington County wishes to install a traffic signal system on County State Highway (CSAH) 13 at the intersection with Hudson Blvd./4th Street; and

WHEREAS, the project will be of mutual benefit to both the Minnesota Department of Transportation and Washington County; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is requesting financial participation in the project from the Minnesota Department of Transportation through the Municipal Agreement program; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is committed to providing the local share of the costs if the project is selected as part of the FY 2002 Municipal Agreement Program; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is committed to completing the project if selected and funding is provided as part of the FY 2002 Municipal Agreement Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Washington County is requesting funding from the Minnesota Department of Transportation for the installation of a traffic signal system on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 13 at the intersection with Hudson Blvd/4th Street N and is committed to completing such project and providing the local share of funding.

7. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-159** as follows:

Final Payment to Restoration Technologies, Inc. for
North Shop Floor Coating

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners on August 10, 2000 signed a contract with Restoration Technologies, Inc. for the floor coating work at the North Shop of the Transportation & Physical Development Department; 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.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

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TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-160** as follows:

Resolution to Purchase Herber Property
Big Marine Regional Park Reserve

WHEREAS, Washington County is interested in acquiring the property described herein in May Township, for inclusion into the Big Marine Regional Park Reserve and whereas the owners agree to sell the property to the County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes its Chairman and Administrator to execute on behalf of the County a purchase agreement and any other document necessary for the County to purchase the property legally described as follows:

Lot 1, block 1 and Outlot A, Wrangham Addition

For the sum of \$370,000.00, in total, upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Conveyance should be by warranty deed pursuant to the terms and conditions of the purchase agreement, free and clear of all liens, charges and encumbrances;
2. Seller to pay all levied or pending special assessments (if any);
3. Seller to pay abstract expenses;
4. Buyer to pay recording fee(s), state deed tax, and conservation fee;
5. Sellers shall be obligated to perform all maintenance in order to keep the property in a reasonable repair until possession by the County, normal wear and tear excepted.
6. The sellers shall be obligated to pay all utilities, including fuel oil, propane gas, natural gas, electricity, city water, telephone, city sewer, and garbage hauling, in a timely manner, while they are in possession of the property.
7. Ownership of the property (including house) shall transfer to Washington County as of the date of closing. However, the sellers shall have the option of entering into a lease agreement with Washington County prior to closing to lease the house from December 1, 2000 (the date of closing) through February 28, 2001, rent free. The sellers also have the option of entering into a lease agreement prior to the closing date with the County's Agent (Greystone Management, LLC) to lease the house from March 1, 2001 to February 28, 2003 for \$800 per month. If the sellers abide by the lease agreement, they may continue to lease the property from March 1, 2003 to February 28, 2004 for \$900 per month. The lease rate after February 28, 2004 shall be adjusted based on market lease

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rates. Washington County reserves the right to terminate the lease at any time with 60 days notice should the property require major repair as determined by the County. The lease to Washington County with its associated terms and conditions is attached as exhibit 1. The lease with the County's Agent is attached as exhibit 2.

8. The sellers shall remove all personal possessions and debris from both the house and yard prior to vacating the property. The house and yard shall be of reasonable cleanliness at the time the County possess the property.
9. Relocation rights are available to the seller in conformance with the Uniform Relocation Act. The Sellers have indicated that they desire to waive their relocation benefits in return for a one time payment of \$10,000 over and above the purchase price of \$370,000.

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

RECORDER'S OFFICE

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve fees for Recorder's Office Internet Product as follows: Initial Setup Fee, \$50; Monthly Access, \$30; Current Reproduction Fee \$1/page; and Service Fee for Non-image Document Fax \$1/document. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to negotiate a contract with ezgov.com for the provision of access to on-line property tax information and electronic payment options for property tax. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Continuation of Public Hearing - Right of Way Ordinance

The Board Chair stated that this is a continuation of a public hearing from October 10, 2000, to receive comment on the proposed Washington County Right of Way Ordinance and a revised fee schedule. He asked for 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.

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Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-161** as follows:

Adoption of Washington County Right of Way
Ordinance No. 154

WHEREAS, Washington County desires to regulate the use of its public rights of way in a fair, efficient, competitively neutral and substantially uniform manner; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners recognizes that such regulation must reflect the distinct engineering, construction, operation, maintenance, and public worker safety requirements of the various utilities; and

WHEREAS, the proliferation of utilities in County rights of way has increased the need to coordinate and monitor the installation of new utilities; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 237.162-237.163 provides the County authority to manage its rights of way through ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Minnesota Counties and the Minnesota Insurance Trust in cooperation with the Minnesota Association of County Engineers has developed a model Right of Way Ordinance to address the management of public rights of way; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has determined after a public hearing on the matter that it would be in the best interests of the public to enact an ordinance to provide comprehensive management and regulation of the County's rights of way.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendations of the Department of Transportation and Physical Development and the testimony received at the hearing, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the Washington County Right of Way Ordinance, Ordinance Number 154, to be effective immediately upon publication according to law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ordinance establishes, among other things, standards for the installation of utilities in County rights of way, restoration of said rights of way and mapping of utilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing is only a summary of the Ordinance and the full text is available for public inspection at the Office of the Washington County Auditor-Administration Office, Washington County Department of Transportation and Physical Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners also hereby adopts the attached permit fee schedule, to be effective immediately upon publication according to law.

Proposed Right of Way Permit Fees

Utility Service	\$25.00*
Utility Distribution	\$100.00*
Non-utility Excavation (no open cut of roadway)	\$100.00*
Obstruction	Applicable permit fee plus obstruction fee (see below for obstruction fee calculation)
Mapping	Applicable permit fee plus mapping fee (see below for mapping fee explanation)

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Annual Permit Fee (for all work in a calendar year) \$2,500.00*

*The permit holder is responsible for complete restoration of the disturbed roadway. Restoration shall be done according to Minnesota Public Utilities Commission standards, unless approved by the Director of Transportation and Physical Development. If patching is substituted for restoration, the permit holder shall pay a degradation fee of the estimated cost of full restoration. The cost estimate shall be based on Washington County seasonal material unit prices. If no seasonal bid price is available on an item, then MN/DOT unit prices shall be used. If the Director determines that full restoration is necessary, and the work is done by County forces, the permit holder shall reimburse the County at the County's billable rates for labor and materials. If the Director determines that restoration is necessary and the County must contract for the work, the permit holder shall reimburse the County for all costs associated with the accomplishing the work, including inspection and contract administration, at the County's billable rates. Billable rates shall include fringe benefits and a 15% surcharge. The cost of patching shall be in addition to the degradation fee.

The permit holder shall reimburse the County for the cost associated with adding the permitted utility installation to the County's base map. The permit holder will be billed for the actual time spent on conversion at the billable labor rate of the person performing the conversion, plus any material costs, plus overhead.

Annual permits shall be subject to additional charges for restoration, mapping, and obstruction.

Proposed Obstruction Fee Calculation:

An obstruction fee shall be charged only when work is performed during the morning and afternoon peak traffic hours. Peak hours, for the purposes of these calculations shall be 6:00-9:00 a.m. and 3:00-6:00 p.m., inclusive, on weekdays only. No obstruction fee shall be charged for emergency work. No obstruction fee shall be charged for work necessitated by a County or municipal project. The Director may waive the obstruction fee at his discretion. Obstruction fees shall only be charged when a traffic lane is closed.

2 Lane Obstruction Fee:

(Hourly ADT) X \$1.00 for hours of peak hour obstruction.

4 Lane Obstruction Fee:

(Hourly Directional ADT) X \$1.00 for hours of peak hour obstruction. OR
(Hourly ADT) X 0.5 X \$1.00 for hours of peak hour obstruction.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust Voting Delegate and Alternate

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Commissioner Dennis C. Hegberg as delegate and Commissioner Myra Peterson as alternate to the Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust

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on Monday, December 4, 2000. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Carnelian-Marine Watershed District Enlargement Petition

Commissioner Peterson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-162** as follows:

Resolution Directing the Washington County Attorney's Office
to File Carnelian-Marine Watershed District Enlargement Petition
With the Board of Water and Soil Resources

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has authorized a water governance study to identify and evaluate the best government structures for water management for Washington County, and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners approved the findings and recommendations of the Water Governance Study that recommended the enlargement of the Carnelian-Marine Watershed District to include the Marine on St. Croix Water Management Organization and areas of New Scandia Township that currently are not in a water management organization.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT, for the reasons set forth in the attached petition, the Washington County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Washington County Attorney's Office to file a petition with the Board of Water and Soil Resources to enlarge the Carnelian-Marine Watershed District.

ENLARGEMENT PETITION

In the Matter of the Petition of
Washington County for the Enlargement
of the Carnelian Marine Watershed District and
to Increase the Number of Managers

TO: Board of Water and Soil Resources, 1 West Water Street, Suite 200, St. Paul, MN 55107 Petitioner, Washington County, a body politic and corporate, pursuant to Washington County Board Resolution No. 2000-162 does hereby petition the Board of Water and Soil Resources to enlarge the Carnelian Marine Watershed District pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 103D.261 and to increase the number of managers of the Carnelian Marine Watershed District pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 103D.305 for the following reasons:

1. The Carnelian Marine Watershed District is an existing watershed district located entirely within the metropolitan area.
2. The area proposed to be added to the existing Carnelian Marine Watershed District is contiguous to the Carnelian Marine Watershed District and also located entirely within the metropolitan area. The area proposed to be added is described on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A. The proposed watershed district consists of a total of 80.62 square miles, of which

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27.28 square miles are located within New Scandia Township
 4.14 square miles are located within Marine on St. Croix
 .82 square miles are located within the City of Hugo
 33.97 square miles are located in May Township
 .26 square miles are located within the City of Grant
 14.15 square miles are located within Stillwater Township

3. The November, 1999 Washington County Assessor's determination of taxable market value for the property located within the proposed enlarged Carnelian Marine Watershed District is \$352,320,800.
4. The area that is proposed to be added to the existing Carnelian Marine Watershed District is the Marine on St. Croix Water Management Organization and portions of New Scandia Township that currently are not within a watershed district or under water management organization, referred to in Exhibit A as "unclaimed" areas. The Marine on St. Croix Water Management Organization is currently administered under a Joint Powers Agreement pursuant to MINN. STAT. § 103B.211.
5. The water management organization whose territory is to be included in the proposed enlargement of the Carnelian Marine Watershed District will be free of financial liabilities at the time of the enlargement.
6. The watershed district, as expanded, will have the boundaries as shown on the attached Exhibit A and can be feasibly administered by the managers of the existing Carnelian Marine Watershed District. The County is asking, however, for the addition of two new members to ensure adequate representation from the sub-watershed areas that are proposed to be added to the district. These new members should be chosen to represent the sub-watershed area currently managed by the Marine on St. Croix Water Management Organization and the "unclaimed" portions of New Scandia Township. After the first two years of operation, the number of managers for this enlarged watershed district shall be reduced to five. Future managers shall be appointed to fairly represent the various hydrological areas within the watershed district.
7. The reasons why adding the area described on Exhibit A to the existing Carnelian Marine Watershed District would be conducive to the public health and public welfare and for the purposes of Chapter 103D are as follows:

In May of 1998, the Washington County Board authorized a Water Governance Study to identify and evaluate the best governance structure for water management for the County. The need for the study was identified after the failure of several joint powers water management organizations in the County. In June of 1999, the Washington County Board adopted the Report for the Water Governance Study which is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The study included recommendations for improving the structure that governs the management of surface and ground water in the County. These recommendations included changes to the boundaries of existing water management organizations in the County, including the enlargement of the Carnelian Marine Watershed District, as proposed herein. These reasons are summarized as follows:

- a. Washington County currently has a relatively large number of water governance units of small size in comparison to other Metro Area counties. The large number of water management units in the County contributes to unnecessary duplication in services and costs, such as the creation of watershed plans for each unit. Enlargement and consolidation of units as proposed in the Water Governance Study will increase the efficiency of water governance by reducing unnecessary duplication of services.

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- b. Organizations and individuals that participated in the Water Governance Study indicated that some Joint Powers Water Management Organizations (JPWMO) have been ineffective in addressing water management issues and problems in the County. Study findings indicated that JPWMO's in the County have often been ineffective in adopting adequate plans, implementing plans, working with other organizations on water management issues and monitoring management actions. The JPWMO structure has encouraged parochial viewpoints, rather than a watershed-wide ethic, which has been an impediment to implementing projects that need a district-wide commitment. As the County grows, the need to address water management problems effectively on a comprehensive basis will increase. The watershed district structure has been more successful in addressing water management issues and implementing needed projects than the JPWMO structure, and was recommended by the Water Governance Study as the structure for all new and enlarged water units in the County.
- c. In addition to structural issues, the small size and limited tax capacity of some water management units in Washington County limits their ability to raise sufficient funds to address water management problems effectively. This has been a cause of the failure of some water management organizations in Washington County. The enlargement and consolidation of water units in the County, as proposed by the Water Governance Study, will provide each of the new units with sufficient tax capacity to provide the water governance services needed in the County, and to fund projects that manage water quantity and quality effectively.
- d. The JPWMO units in the County have not established offices that provide a clear point of communication for citizens or local units of government needing information about water management. The Water Governance Study recommended that the new units establish a clear point of contact and employ an administrator to work directly with citizens, local government units and others on water management issues. Enlargement of existing units will provide the taxing capacity needed to support this service on a district-wide basis. Providing this clear, reliable point of contact will improve the accountability of the water management unit to local units of government and citizens.
- e. Washington County has worked with representatives of each of the existing water management units to develop recommendations for key issues related to the enlargement of the Carnelian Marine Watershed District, such as financing policies, coordination of water management plans and board representation. Recommendations developed by the water management unit representatives and approved by the County include the following:
 - The enlarged watershed district will be guided and managed consistent with a watershed management plan as prepared and adopted and implemented in accordance with requirements in MINN. STAT. §§ 103B.205-.255.
 - The enlarged watershed district will adopt the existing water management plans of the water units as the interim plan for the new water unit, to be effective until the Board of Water and Soil Resources requires that the district complete a Third Generation Watershed Plan. The minor amendment process will be used, if needed, to make changes in the interim plan.
 - Administrative services and related general services that are provided throughout the district shall be funded using a district-wide ad valorem tax, collected by Washington County as part of property tax collection.

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- The full range of funding options available to the district under MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 103D and 103B should be considered to fund water quality and quantity projects or other services that are not provided on a district-wide basis. Funding should be determined on a project by project basis, based on project benefits, costs (including administrative costs of the financing options) and equity.
 - Where available and applicable, without compromising the watershed management plan, the district managers should seek any and all grants from any agency, governmental or private, as a funding source for projects within the district.
 - The "cost" of any project should be considered both on the direct and tangible amounts and with consideration of potential financial or environmental impacts over a subsequent 10 year period.
8. The name of the proposed enlarged watershed district should be the Carnelian Marine Watershed District.

WHEREFORE, Washington County requests that the Board of Water and Soil Resources, after setting a time and location for a hearing on the Petition and giving notice as required by law and conducting a hearing as required by law, issue its order granting the following relief.

1. That the boundaries of the Carnelian Marine Watershed District be enlarged to include the area set forth on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A.
2. That the number of managers of the enlarged watershed district be increased as proposed.
3. That the name of the enlarged watershed district shall be the Carnelian Marine Watershed District.
4. That the area proposed to be added be guided and managed consistent with the current management plans of the water management organization in accordance with MINN. STAT. §§ 103B.205-103.255.

Date: _____

DOUG JOHNSON, COUNTY ATTORNEY
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

By _____
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Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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Housing and Redevelopment Authority Appointment

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Commissioner Dennis C. Hegberg to the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board to fill an unexpired term to December 31, 2001. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Association of Minnesota Counties 2000 Achievement Award

James Schug, County Administrator, advised the Board that Washington County's Historic Courthouse video has received an Association of Minnesota Counties 2000 Achievement Award which will be presented at the AMC Annual Conference in December.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg reported that the Finance Committee met to discuss a Housing and Redevelopment issue and that item will be on next week's County Board Agenda for discussion.

Commissioner Peterson gave statistics on Metro Transit ridership.

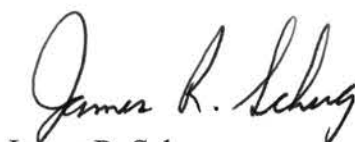
BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

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 Stafford and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
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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, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Dick Gauger, Woodbury Library Project Manager; Jim Wells, Library Director; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval to revision of Policy #2014, Petty Cash and Change Funds, to include a petty cash fund of \$25.00 at the Historic Courthouse.
2. Approval to ratify the following 2001 Meet and Confer Agreement with non-union employee groups including Department Heads, Confidential Supervisors and Confidential employees:
 1. Wages: 3% general adjustment effective January 7, 2001. (When it is determined that an employee's base salary is above the established salary range, that employee will receive the general increase as a non-base increase).
 2. Health Insurance Contribution: Full cost for single coverage and \$433.00/month for family coverage.
 3. Pay Equity adjustments consistent with changes in the bargaining agreements.
 4. Severance pay - increase by \$500 on retirement benefits (no change to severance pay for employees resigning from the County).
3. Approval of banding/grading recommendation of the Comparable Worth Committee: New Classifications and job descriptions of Management Analyst I at C41-1 and Management Analyst II at C43-1.
4. Approval of Plat of Oakgreen Meadows, Denmark Township.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

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TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Richard Gauger, Project Manager for the Woodbury Library and Indoor Park project, presented an update on the final draft of the Development Agreement between the County and the City of Woodbury. He also presented a revised construction cost estimate based on two independent outside consultants to the architects. He made a comparison of the 1996 bids for the Oakdale Library and the new estimated figures for the Woodbury Library. 1996 Oakdale Library bids: Construction costs—\$132.91 a square foot; Final project cost was \$168 a square foot. Woodbury Library estimates—\$149.76 a square foot estimated; Project costs—\$181.49 a square foot estimated. There is a 2 to 3% increase per year for construction which is consistent with recent construction costs. He is expecting the bids to come in close to what is estimated on the handout. He stated that the City of Woodbury will consider authorization to advertise for bids on the project this evening. There is the possibility of going out to bids immediately or going out for bids right after the first of the year with bids being received in February, 2001.

Mr. Gauger indicated that the Library will be pressurized so that the air flow will go from the Library to the Park and not from the Park to the Library. There is enough variation in the method of control of the HVAC system that this can be maintained in a positive way. Diagrams were displayed showing areas that are allocated to the Library, space allocated to the Park, space allocated to the ECFE which is an independent school function that will be part of the City space, and the alternate Library expansion space which will be bid as an alternate.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to authorize the advertizement of bids for the Woodbury Library and Indoor Park and that the bid date be established by the City of Woodbury. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to authorize the execution of the Development Agreement between Washington County and the City of Woodbury for the Woodbury Library and Indoor Park. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

County Policy of Interviewing Applicants to Certain Advisory Committees

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to amend Policy No. 1111, Guidelines for Advisory Committees, Boards, and Commissions, to extend the period of interviewing prospective candidates for appointment to certain commissions and boards to December 31, 2002, and that the Veterans Rest Camp Association and Watershed Districts be added as committees requiring candidates for appointment to be interviewed. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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Appointments to County Finance Committee and County Internal Audit Committee

Commissioner Hegberg moved to appoint Commissioner Stafford to replace Commissioner Hegberg as chair of the Finance Committee and that Commissioner Hegberg replace Commissioner Stafford as chair of the Internal Audit Committee. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Commissioner Peterson to the Finance Committee replacing Commissioner Hegberg. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Consent Agreement with the Housing and Redevelopment Authority and the City of Cottage Grove

James Schug, County Administrator, reviewed a proposed consent agreement with the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority and the City of Cottage Grove for settlement of supplemental service charges. Mr. Schug indicated that the HRA and the City of Cottage Grove have been negotiating for several months to get rid of what are called supplemental service charge agreements. These supplemental service charges call for payments in excess of the statutory required 5% PILOT payments to be made from the HRA to the City of Cottage Grove in recognition of supplementary services associated with the Woodland Park Project and also the Park Side Apartments. As the HRA has negotiated with the Vanguard Group concerning Woodland Park refinancing, these supplemental service agreements have been identified as an impediment to the restructuring of the debt because they constitute payment responsibilities for the HRA that make long-term financial self-sufficiency for the Woodland Park project unlikely.

Mr. Schug stated that the HRA and the City of Cottage Grove have negotiated a tentative settlement that would call for a payment of \$250,000 from the HRA to the City in lieu of any future litigation. He indicated state statutes says that any supplementary service charges have to be paid to the County which then settles them to all the taxing jurisdictions including the County. The City of Cottage Grove requests that the \$250,000 not be distributed to other taxing jurisdictions and instead would like to be able to keep the entire amount in lieu of future payments and also to avoid litigation. The Finance Committee has reviewed these issues and felt in order to get the restructuring of the debt of Woodland Park to move forward, it has recommended that the County sign a consent agreement at the same time that the other agreement is negotiated with the City for voiding of these contracts. The County would forgo any claim that it would have on future service charge payments or on the \$250,000 settlement. The County's share would be approximately \$57,500, but this amount has not been budgeted, it's not anything that shows up in the County budget as a receivable or an expected source of income and it was not money that the County had expected to get.

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Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the consent agreement with the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority and the City of Cottage Grove for settlement of supplemental service charges, and authorize the Board Chair and County Administrator to sign this consent agreement in conjunction with an overall settlement between the Housing and Redevelopment Authority and the City of Cottage Grove to void the supplemental service charges. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-0; Commissioner Hegberg abstaining.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on the Canvass Board he attended on Monday. He indicated that everything went smoothly and took approximately 45 minutes.

Mr. Schug reported that the turnout for the election in Washington County was 77%, which is not the largest percentage turnout, but it was the largest number of voters that have been handled during an election. He complimented the elections staff and indicated that this was the first major test of the new elections equipment and the equipment performed very well.

Commissioner Peterson reported on the Social Service Conference sponsored by NACo and came back with interesting ideas such as a Senior Mentoring program where senior citizens are asked to mentor the soft skills needed for MFIP clients. She stated that as the County looks at the aging of its communities, it may be helpful to look at joining the National Association of County Aging Programs.

Commissioner Hegberg stated that in Texas they use seniors to help out in the schools which is improving the scores of individual students. He feels that the nation should start tapping into the senior population for those kind of things.

Commissioner Hegberg asked that staff review the letter from Denmark Township regarding outbuildings. He thought that had been resolved to allow barns and other outbuildings to exist. He would like more information on where the County stands. Commissioner Stafford indicated that those letters will be addressed. Mr. Schug stated that part of that was addressed in the County ordinance revision, but there were limits on the number and square footage of remaining barn buildings. That will be reviewed by staff and be brought back to the Board for discussion on whether or not it wishes to consider amending the ordinance.

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the open space referendum that was defeated last week. He thinks it raises the issue of cluster housing, the green spaces and the bonuses that are available. If the County wants

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to maintain that green space, he feels the Board should look at the bonuses that it is offering and allowing clustering to take place with a much more softer attitude towards the landowner.

Commissioner Hegberg reported he will be attending an energy meeting on Friday with an environmental group who does not endorse waste-to-energy as a renewable resource, which he supports, and he will also bring up the fact that nuclear power is a viable option as the oil and coal supplies diminish.

Commissioner Hegberg requested a video copy of Channel 11's recent series on housing.

Commissioner Abrahamson thanked the elections staff for the hard work they did last Tuesday night.

Commissioner Stafford noted there was an article in this morning's Pioneer Press about how society is gearing up for medical problems anticipated with seniors as the baby boomers age. He has also been getting calls from individuals who are telling him that seniors in the southern end of the County have little activities to choose from. These individuals asked if senior attractions could be incorporated in the new Woodbury Library. He discussed this issue with the Mayor of Woodbury. The Mayor asked that these individuals contact him with their ideas.

Commissioner Stafford distributed a copy of an article that was in the Pioneer Press this morning regarding IBM who will be collecting old computers from small businesses and individuals for a fee of \$29 to properly dispose of them. He asked that this article be forwarded to the Public Health and Environment Department.

Commissioner Pulkrabek congratulated Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson and Stafford on their re-election.

Commissioner Hegberg informed the Board that the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust has been receiving more and more requests from Housing and Redevelopment Authorities throughout the state asking for insurance coverage. They presently are not covered, but they will be looking at that issue.

Commissioner Stafford reported that he has received phone calls and e-mails on the open space referendum stating they didn't like the way the reference to property tax was worded on the ballot. They thought that led to its demise.

Commissioner Peterson believes the Board should sit down and revisit the whole issue, see where the no votes and yes votes were and analyze the whole question to see how the Board may maximize and utilize the State programs that are out there for creating green corridors.

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BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Stafford and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

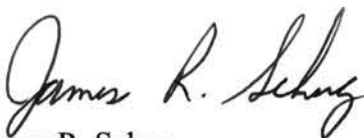
BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss allocation of the Community Development Block Grant and composition of the citizen advisory committee. 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, Robert Lockyear, Martina Johntz, Ryan Schroeder, Administrator, City of Cottage Grove, John Jansen, Councilperson, City of Lake St. Croix Beach, Dawn Beedle, City Councilperson, Lake St. Croix Beach, Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin, and John Klun, Stillwater Gazette.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Financial Services Department to discuss collection efforts 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, Edison Vizuite, Dan Papin, Russ Reetz, Chris Volkers, Doug Johnson, Judy Honmyhr, Jay Brunner, Rick Backman, Pat Singel, Kathy Trombly-Ferrin, Michele Abrahamsen, and Chris Eitemiller.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
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NOVEMBER 21, 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; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Sandy Cullen, Transportation Manager; Jim Luger, Parks Director; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; and Robert Lockyear, Administrative Services Director. 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 9:30 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; Sandy Cullen, Transportation Manager; Jim Luger, Parks Director; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; and Robert Lockyear, Administrative Services Director.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

David C. Junker, 1001 North Fourth Street, Stillwater - Mr. Junker asked who needs metro transit worse, Minneapolis and St. Paul or Washington and Chisago Counties? Commissioner Peterson responded that there is congestion on Highway 35 of people traveling from outside of the metropolitan urban service area to get to and from their jobs in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area. She believes the businesses who produce products in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area and the suburban area within the seven county metropolitan area need those workers who reside outside of the metropolitan urban service area.

Mr. Junker asked if citizens have lost the authority to control the power companies from raising rates? He is concerned about his gas and light bill which went up \$50 and asked if the citizens didn't have any control over these increases? Commissioner Stafford responded that the Public Utilities Commission control those rates.

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Mr. Junker asked for the County's tax levies for the past three years and what it will get next year. He stated every time he turns around the County wants to raise his taxes. When is the County Board going to say it will not raise taxes this year, it will lower them? The jail is in trouble, it is \$3 to \$5 million dollars short there. He feels that was a bad mistake by the County, it's a 200 bed jail that is over staffed. The green acres vote was a mistake, the garbage dump in Newport has never worked right. He asked if the Board has set its salaries for next year? He hopes the Board does not raise its salaries.

Ronald Schaefer, Woodbury, read a letter he wrote to County Attorney Douglas Johnson and First Assistant County Attorney Jay Brunner on October 27 regarding the alleged unlawful and unauthorized release of Mr. Schaefer's Social Security number, the attorney conflict of interest with HSI, and alleged assault and battery resulting in criminal activity. He asked that this matter be taken care of. It has been 12 weeks since the last time he was before the Board, plus an additional 10 weeks on top of that.

Commissioner Stafford advised Mr. Schaefer, as he has in the past, that this Board would not get involved in these matters because they involve accusations of criminal activities involving the Courts and the jail system. He stated that this matter was turned over to the County Attorney's Office for handling and that there is nothing the County Board can do to address his concerns while this matter is under investigation. Commissioner Stafford stated that the Board's position stands, it is in the hands of the County Attorney, a letter will be coming from them and a meeting has been scheduled with them for December 6.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the November 7, 2000 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Approval to modify County Personnel Rules and Regulations as follows: Sections 18, (Employee Development), new language regarding a department head's ability to request reimbursement of County funds for conferences, workshops or college course work when an employee separates from the County; and 19 (Reimbursement of Travel and Related Expenses) allows the rounding of tips up to the nearest dollar.
3. Approval of 13-month Special Project Social Worker I position in the Department of Community Services.
4. Approval of use contract for access to the Washington County Recorder's Office Internet Site.

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- 5. Approval and execution of operations grant to the Washington County Historic Society.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

James Luger, Parks Director, informed the Board that precautions taken to protect the Hardwood Creek Trail from damage caused by snowmobiles with metal traction devices (carbide studs) have failed. He indicated that during the 1999 and 2000 winter snowmobile season, signage was placed along barricades to direct snowmobiles along the corridor and to protect the paved trail. Staff expects further damage to occur this winter unless the County Board considers prohibiting snowmobiles with metal traction devices from using the Hardwood Creek Trail Corridor. He stated that Chisago County has recently taken this action on the Prairie Sunrise Trail. To proceed with this action the County Board needs to set a public hearing to consider amending Ordinance No. 129.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to set a public hearing for December 12, 2000, 9:00 a.m. to consider an amendment to Ordinance No. 129 that would prohibit the operation of a snowmobile with metal traction devices, including carbide studs, on any paved Washington County or Washington County Regional Railroad Authority tract (Hardwood Creek Trail) and, prohibit any snowmobile from operating on the paved portion of the Hardwood Creek Trail. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the new department head classification and salary plan as follows:

2001 Salaries

Level I:
\$68,186 - \$81,782
County Recorder

Level II:
\$77,103 - \$93,295
Human Resources Director
Information Services Director
Director of Assessment, Taxpayer
Services, and Elections
Court Administrator
Court Services Director
Financial Services Director

Level III:
\$87,859 - \$106,310
Director of Public Health
and Environment
Community Services Director
Director of Transportation and
Physical Development
Deputy Administrator

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg reported that he attended a meeting regarding the Highway 97 corridor last evening and that the State of Minnesota recommended a study and indicated they would fund a portion of that. He asked Commissioner Peterson if the Metropolitan Transportation Advisory Board (T.A.B.) ever funds those types of studies? Commissioner Peterson stated that T.A.B. doesn't fund those but Metropolitan Transit does. She suggested a contact person who helped with the South Washington Transit Study.

Commissioner Hegberg reported on a Mental Health Advisory meeting he attended last week which discussed housing.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked when the County Board was going to discuss Commissioner salaries? Mr. Schug indicated that will be discussed at the December 12, 2000 meeting.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated that as a two-tour veteran of Korea, he believes the military who sent in absentee ballots in Florida with no postmark should have those votes counted.

Commissioner Peterson stated at last week's meeting that the Board should discuss the Green Corridor vote. She still believes the Board needs to talk about it because there may be grants that come before the Board and it does not have matching dollars to go after those. Mr. Schug indicated that on Tuesday, December 12, the Board will discuss the pilot program that the County is still participating in through the LCMR funding. Ten applications have been taken and reviewed for the acquisition and development rights of certain land from owners who are interested in selling them. He stated at that point there can be discussion about the future of the program and whether or not any additional activity is directed to staff.

Commissioner Stafford asked staff to schedule a time to have the Commissioners' ID photos taken.

Commissioner Stafford reminded the Board that there will be a joint meeting with Ramsey County Commissioners on Friday, December 1 at the Oak Marsh Country Club at 8:30 a.m. Mr. Schug stated that the current agenda consists of discussion about the emergency medical services arrangement they share with Ramsey County, update on the 800 Megahertz Radio Board activity, discussion on the joint commuter rail issues and other items of joint interest.

Commissioner Stafford announced that Merry Beckman, Association of Minnesota Counties, is leaving to become the Director of the Grand Avenue Business Association. He asked that staff send a letter on behalf of the Board. Commissioner Peterson suggested that a resolution be prepared thanking her since she is a resident of Washington County.

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Commissioner Stafford announced the death of Burton Baker this past weekend. He was a good friend of the County and served on numerous committees. He was one of the founders of Human Services, Inc. and served on the Board of Directors from 1969 through 1987.

Commissioner Stafford requested that the Board consider a tour of the cluster housing development in Marine on St. Croix that was featured in this past Sunday's Pioneer Press.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

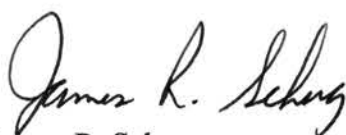
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Peterson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Stafford and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the 2001 Legislative Agenda. 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, Robert Lockyear, John Kaul, Legislative Liaison, Bob McFarlan, Marc Hugunin, Metropolitan Council, Dan Papin, Pat Singel, Don Wisniewski, Jim Luger, Molly O'Rourke, Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin, Mary Divine, Pioneer Press, and John Klun, Stillwater Gazette.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair
County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
NOVEMBER 28, 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, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; James Luger, Parks Director; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Pat Singel, Deputy Community Services Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Kathy Trombly-Ferrin, Financial Services; Melinda Kirk, Financial Services; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the November 14, 2000 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-163** as follows:

Final Payment to Schreiber Mullaney Construction Co., Inc. for
Remodeling of the Stillwater License Center

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on April 4, 2000, approved a contract with Schreiber Mullaney Construction Co., Inc. for the Remodel Stillwater License Center project in the River Heights Plaza; and

WHEREAS, Schreiber Mullaney Construction Co., Inc. has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Schreiber Mullaney Construction Co., 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.

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COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Doug Johnson, County Attorney, presented a request for two special project positions to enhance the collections of County debt. The two positions are a Paralegal to start more aggressive legal action before accounts age and a Collections Officer to process pending accounts and implement changes in the collection practices for child placements.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve two special project position, Paralegal and Collections Officer, to enhance collections of County debt. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Parks Update**

James Luger, Parks Director, reviewed items discussed at the Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission meeting held on Monday, November 27. Items discussed were:

- Request by the Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission that the County undertake a master plan study for the St. Croix Regional Trail which would run along or near the St. Croix River from Hastings north to the City of Afton. Staff asked the Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission to consider adding the proposed trail to the regional trail system. This request was approved and funding could be available at some future point.
- Staff requested that the Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission reconsider giving regional designation to the County's portion, 208 acres, of the St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park. If regional designation were given, the County could be reimbursed for the original acquisition costs. The Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission has asked the County to amend the St. Croix Bluff's Regional Park Master Plan. This item will be discussed at the Washington County Parks and Open Space Commission on December 7.
- A property owner north of the St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park has indicated that he is interested in discussing the potential of selling a portion of his property to the County. The 114 acres being discussed is directly adjacent to the park and contains an ideal beach setting along the St. Croix River. Staff asked the Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission if they would be willing to

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make this potential 114 acres a part of the Park. The Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission indicated they would, but the Master Plan would need to be amended to reflect that change. This item will also be discussed at the Washington County Parks and Open Space Commission on December 7.

Mr. Luger indicated that the Metropolitan Park and Open Space Commission is in the process of doing the 2002 through 2007 CIP. They will be looking at developing a \$6 million fund that would be used for acquisition. These funds would be available for emergency acquisitions and could be used in Grey Cloud and Big Marine.

Commissioner Peterson suggested that a workshop be held to discuss the Green Corridor issue and to review the entire park plan. Commissioner Stafford supports the Board's interest in reviewing the whole plan and encouraged staff to go ahead.

Mr. Luger informed the Board that the Historic Courthouse will receive an award from the Association of Minnesota Counties at its annual conference next week for its effort in preserving the Historic Courthouse.

Upcoming Meetings

James Schug, County Administrator, reminded the Board that it will not be meeting next Tuesday, December 5. That meeting has been moved to Thursday, December 7 at 4:30 p.m. and will be followed by the Truth-in-Taxation hearing at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Schug stated that the public should have received their Truth-in-Taxation notices this past week. He indicated that the County portion of those statements represents approximately 20 to 25% of the total.

Mr. Schug announced that he and Jane Harper, Principal Planner, testified before the Board of Water and Soil Resources regarding the petition to enlarge the Brown's Creek Watershed District. Another hearing will be held on Wednesday on the County's petition to enlarge the Valley Branch Watershed District.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on the Library Board meeting he attended and the big item of discussion and concern was the bids for the Woodbury Library. The other item discussed was filtering of pornographic material on library computers. He stated that according to studies the filtering programs do not work very well. Even if 90% of the sites were filtered, there would still be hundreds of thousands of sites out there.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek noted that on his Truth-in-Taxation notice he will be paying more in taxes to the Special Taxing Districts, school district and the City of Oakdale. The County is the only entity on the statement that he will actually be paying less in taxes, even though it is only 10 cents.

Commissioner Peterson has asked that an item be added to the agenda for the joint meeting with Ramsey County. That item is Metropolitan Council's 100 Points of Livable Communities which they are looking at to use as a criteria for judging applications for A-minor arterial.

Commissioner Stafford announced that following today's meetings, the Board has been scheduled to have photo ID's taken at the Law Enforcement Center.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated that when he watches what is going on nationwide, Washington County should be commended for getting the proper voting machines. He noted there was criticism at the time about spending that much money, but he feels that this was a good investment.

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 9:55 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

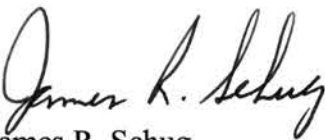
The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Health and Environment to discuss the EMS Radio Communications Board. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek. Also present were James Schug, Virginia Erdahl, Mary McGlothlin, Lowell Johnson, Stuart Glaser and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

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BOARD WORKSHOP WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development and the Lake Elmo City Council to discuss proposed highway improvements. 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, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Sandy Cullen, Mayor Lee Hunt, Councilwoman Rosemary Armstrong, Administrator Mary Kueffner, Tom Prew, City Engineer, Mary Divine, Pioneer Press and John Klun, Stillwater Gazette.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
DECEMBER 7, 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; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Sue Fennern, Human Resources Associate; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Gudrun Nordby, Historic Courthouse; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; James Luger, Parks Director; Cindy Koosmann, Recorder; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Marc Hugunin, Metropolitan Council, presented a report from the Mayors Regional Affordable Housing Task Force. He asked that the Board review this report and hoped it can support it. The Board Chair thanked Mr. Hugunin and requested that a workshop be scheduled after the first of the year to go through this report.

Ronald Schaefer, Woodbury, addressed the Board on alleged unlawful and unauthorized release of his Social Security number, an alleged attorney conflict of interest with HSI, and alleged assault and battery resulting in criminal activity. The Board Chair read from a letter from the County Attorney's Office to Mr. Schaefer, "We have answered all of your concerns and as far as I am concerned this matter is concluded". He advised Mr. Schaefer that the Board has nothing more to say or do in this matter.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the November 21, 2000 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval of revisions to the Washington County Data Practices Manual, Policy #1300.
3. Approval to appoint Gary Kriesel, Stillwater, to the Community Social Services Advisory Committee, to a first term beginning January 1, 2001 and ending December 31, 2003.

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4. Approval for plat of Pinewood Ridge, Stillwater Township.
5. Approval for plat of Langer Addition, May Township.
6. Approval for plat of Eagles Watch, Denmark Township.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Commissioner Stafford announced that County Attorney Doug Johnson has been elected President of the Minnesota County Attorney's Association.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Gudrun Nordby, Historic Courthouse, presented the Board Chair with the Association of Minnesota Counties County Achievement Award for the Washington County Historic Courthouse Video Documentary.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director, advised the Board that the County is required to submit a pay equity compliance report to the State of Minnesota. She found in preparing this report that a number of female-dominated classifications need to be adjusted to the salary trend line and she is asking for those adjustments.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve pay equity salary adjustments, effective December 10, 2000, for the following classifications: Account Clerk II, Account Clerk III, Accounting Technician, Sr. Accounting Technician, Account, Accountant II, Accounting Supervisor, Administrative Aide I, Legal Secretary, Legal Secretary Specialist, Paralegal Assistant, Principal Planner, Administrative Supervisor, Environmental Health Coordinator, Public Health Nurse, Workforce Center Program Manager, Administration/Human Resources Specialist, Human Resource Associate, Human Resource Coordinator, County Risk Manager, Court Specialist and Assistant GAL Program Manager. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Capital Improvement Program**

Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator, presented two proposed changes to the draft Capital Improvement Program. The first is a change in the amount for the Woodbury Library. The current amount is \$6.75 million and the most recent information received from the architects is \$8.5 million. The second change is to reinstate the Green Corridor pilot project which is using \$150,000 of the old bonds and it was scheduled for 2000. The pilot project is underway and will not be completed until next year. They would like to reinstate that in the CIP. Ms. Erdahl recommended that the draft CIP 2001-2005 with the changes as recommended be set for public hearing on January 9, 2001 at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to set the public hearing for the 2001-2005 Capital Improvement Program, with the two changes as indicated, for January 9, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Groundwater Advisory Committee Applications

James Schug, County Administrator, announced that numerous applications have been received for the Groundwater Advisory Committee. He asked the Board for its input on interviewing these applicants.

It was Board consensus that all applicants be interviewed for the Groundwater Advisory Committee and that the interviews be held in the evening where possible.

Truth-in-Taxation Hearing

Mr. Schug reminded the viewing audience that the Truth-in-Taxation hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. this evening.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioners Hegberg, Peterson and Pulkrabek reported on the AMC Conference they attended in Rochester, Minnesota, the first part of this week.

Commissioners Abrahamson and Stafford took time to remember the 59th anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor and paid honor to all the individuals who were killed.

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Commissioner Abrahamson discussed the issue of redistricting and how important it is to get the information out on what is happening.

Commissioner Stafford distributed copies of proposals by PERA to the Pension Commission on the actuarial problems they are facing.

Commissioner Peterson reported on a meeting she attended at the St. Rita Church with various social justice committees, churches and the Human Rights Commission from Cottage Grove. The topic of discussion was affordable housing. She believes the County might want to consider first time home buyer money to help with down payments.

Commissioner Peterson indicated that the Red Rock Corridor Task Force met with Canadian Pacific Railroad representatives last week.

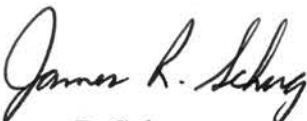
BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

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 5:30 p.m.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
TRUTH-IN-TAXATION PUBLIC HEARING
DECEMBER 7, 2000

The Washington County Board of Commissioner convened at 7:00 p.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room, to conduct a Truth-in-Taxation public hearing for the purposes of review of the proposed 2001 County Budget. 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; Chris Eitemiller, Budget and Policy Analyst; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Patrick Singel, Deputy Community Services Director; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Jim Wells, Library Director; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; Scott Hovet, Assessor; Joanne Helm, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; James Frank, County Sheriff; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Molly O'Rourke, Director of Assessment and Taxpayer Services; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

Board Chair Stafford opened the hearing with a welcome to those in attendance.

James Schug, County Administrator, gave a brief overview of the budget process to date.

Virginia Erdahl, Deputy Administrator, and Chris Eitemiller, Budget and Policy Analyst, presented an overview of the proposed 2001 budget.

The Board Chair opened the meeting for comments from the audience.

Elizabeth Wolfe, 1001 3rd Avenue South, Stillwater - Ms. Wolfe stated she is new to Minnesota and had a few general questions. She asked if the Department of Assessment assessed each property's value and if so how often is that assessment done? The Board Chair indicated that the law requires an onsite inspection every four years.

Ms. Wolfe asked the difference between the total of County, city, school levy and the total that is paid, does that go to the State? The Board Chair indicated that the statement she receives in March will be for city, county, school district and other metropolitan entities such as Metropolitan County, Metropolitan Mosquito Control and Metropolitan Transit, things of that nature. He pointed out a staff member in the audience where she can get further information.

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David C. Junker, Stillwater, addressed the Board on the following issues: He asked if homeowners along County roads are assessed when repairs are made to them? Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development, indicated they do not get assessed, it is taken out of County levy or County State Aid money.

Mr. Junker asked if the license bureau makes money? Molly O'Rourke, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections Director, indicated they used about \$200,000 in tax levy for the 2000 budget. Mr. Junker asked why is the County using tax levy when licenses cost so much? Ms. O'Rourke indicated that under state law, the County can only collect \$3.50 for each transaction. All the other money that is collected for license tabs and plates is routed on to the State of Minnesota.

Mr. Junker stated that since 1965 his house has gone up in value by \$75,000 and he cannot understand it. He feels the tax assessor is raising the house's value so the County can raise his taxes.

Mr. Junker stated there are 48,000 children in Minnesota, 35,000 people in Ramsey County alone, who have no health insurance, and the County is concerned about having a green space.

Mr. Junker stated that the Forest Lake School Board is foregoing a salary for 2001. He asked if the County Commissioners were going to do that or are they going to ask for a salary increase? The Board Chair indicated that will be discussed at next week's Board meeting.

Mr. Junker asked where he can send his money to help defeat the elected officials in Washington County?

Rebecca Pahr, Cottage Grove, thanked the Board for including funding for Minnesota Extension in the 2001 budget. She read a letter from the Country Cousins 4-H Club thanking the County Board members.

Cheryl Palmer, stated she has lived in Washington County since 1977 and in Grant for 13 years. She believes a lot of homeowners' incomes are not increasing at the rate of their property values and is afraid they will be forced out of their homes. She fought her increased market value back in 1995 but it didn't do any good. She has quit coming back to fight the increases because she is frustrated. She feels there are a lot of people in Washington County who are stuck, they do not have tremendous incomes, they want to live here but will not be able to afford it.

The Board Chair stated that the property tax is called ad valorem. The process is set by state law, it is not a County process. The County has said that a tax that is based strictly on value gives no consideration to a person's ability to pay. The Board would like to see something like that in place.

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

Commissioner Abrahamson stated that property taxes in the State of Minnesota are complex and are unfair. He believes the County road system is very important to every city and feels taxing everybody in the County for roads is fair. He feels the State of Minnesota surplus should be used to fund improvements to the highway system and other needs of the State.

Commissioner Hegberg stated that this Board and previous Boards have worked hard to maintain a budget that is reasonable and still provide the services necessary for the County. The Board tries not to raise taxes just because a house went up in value. This is a growing County where people want to move to, so the values go up. He believes that all citizens receive benefits from the County including police protection, court system, recording documents and licenses. The County maintains a staff that will be adequate so people do not have to stand in line for long periods of time. Commissioner Hegberg noted that a big part of the budget in the County deals with social services for seniors, children and the mentally handicapped. As far as wages go, he has voted to increase his salary, and has run on the position to increase his salary. He feels to attract good people to this position a reasonable salary needs to be paid.

Commissioner Peterson stated that some issues on property taxes are totally out of the County's control. She feels that a growth policy established by the Metropolitan Council that contains a very tight MUSA only escalates the property value within that urban service area. She believes the houses that have been affordable and that are affordable have been increasing at a much higher rate because people are clamoring to buy those affordable houses. She noted that homes on large parcels are highly sought after and become more expensive. She feels that until policies are changed at the state and region the County's properties will continue to escalate at a very great rate.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated that Minnesota has an unfair tax and classification system, which is beyond the County's control. He feels what is more unfair are the property taxes on commercial and industrial classifications which pay more than homeowners do and get a minimal level of service for what they put in from the school district, the county and the city. Also the multi-rental dwellings pay about two and a half times more than what homeowners pay. He does believe, however, that the County's budget could be reduced. He feels there are County programs that are not worthwhile, are obsolete, or are not core functions of government. He stated that schools get almost half of the property taxes paid and half of the money taken in from the state in sales tax, income tax and excise tax. The argument made about not using County roads, but having to pay for them could be used on the schools. People without kids or who did not grow up in the school district still have to pay school district taxes. Commissioner Pulkrabek feels that the County's budget isn't the greatest budget in the world, it's decent, but believes there is room for improvement.

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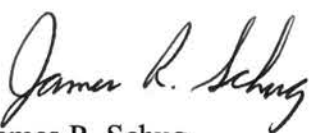
Commissioner Stafford stated that he will not apologize for the system, the budget or this process. He believes this Board has been very responsible in what it has done. He feels this budget is reasonable and fair. With a growing County there may not be any tax cuts in the foreseeable future because roads, bridges, squad cars and libraries need to be funded. He did encourage the citizens to come to the budget process in late summer. They do discuss core functions and what could be cut or reduced. There are programs that are on a reduction program and in 10 years they will be unfunded, they are being cut 10% a year.

Board Chair Stafford thanked everyone for coming and expressing their concerns.

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 Truth-in-Taxation hearing adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator


R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
DECEMBER 12, 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, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Deputy Community Services Director; Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; James Luger, Parks Director; Mike Polehna, Parks Manager; Scott Hovet, Assessment; Jane Harper, Principal Planner; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ronald Schaefer, Woodbury, addressed the Board and read from a letter from him to Doug Johnson, County Attorney and Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney on alleged unlawful and unauthorized release of his Social Security number, an alleged attorney conflict of interest with HSI, and alleged assault and battery resulting in criminal activity.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the November 28, 2000 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Approval of staff comments on Brown's Creek Second Generation Watershed Management Plan.
3. Approval to appoint Jaclyn Ulrich, Stillwater, to the Parks and Open Space Commission to a first term beginning January 1, 2001 and expiring December 31, 2003.
4. Approval to raise the assessment year 2000 Assessment Service Charges that are contracted to the Washington County Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections Appraisal Division by 2% as determined in setting the department's 2000 revenue projection.
5. Approval of Social Services parental fee schedule for Calendar Year 2001.

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6. Approval to raise the program fee charged to jail inmates in the following areas: Work Release/Home Detention Daily Fee from \$12 to \$15; Drug Testing Fee Per Test from \$15 to 20; and Out of County Work Release Daily Fee from \$35 to \$40.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING - TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Amendment to Ordinance No. 129, Use of Snowmobiles on County Trails

The Board Chair presented an overview of today's proceeding to consider an amendment to the Washington County Park Ordinance which, if enacted, would specifically include carbide studs on snowmobiles as a form of metal traction device; prohibit the use of snowmobiles with metal traction devices from paved and unpaved portions of the Washington County Regional Rail Authority's Hardwood Creek Trail Corridor; and prohibit all snowmobile use on the paved portion of the Washington County Regional Rail Authority's Hardwood Creek Trail Corridor.

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

James Luger, Parks Director, informed the Board that the paved portion of the Hardwood Creek Trail, which runs from Hugo to Forest Lake, was completed in late fall of 1999. He indicated that Parks staff had met with local snowmobile groups in an effort to prevent damage to the newly completed trail. The trails were signed directing snowmobiles away from the paved portion of the trail. Fences were placed across the paved portion of the trail at various intervals and signed to further warn snowmobiles with studs to stay off the trail. Mr. Luger stated that the fences and signage were not heeded by all snowmobilers and damage has occurred on the paved portion of the Hardwood Creek Trail.

Mr. Luger stated that the County is currently working on two potential paved trail areas, the Lake Links Network which runs around White Bear Lake connecting points in Ramsey County with the Gateway Trail in the City of Stillwater and the St. Croix River Trail which runs from the City of Afton to Hastings. The cost of constructing new paved trails range from \$62,000 to \$73,000 per mile and do not include bridges. Normal maintenance costs include sealcoating every eight years at approximately \$2,900 to \$3,500 per mile. Overlayment of trails every 20 years at approximately \$21,000 to \$26,000 per mile. Washington County spent over \$650,000 in Federal and County money to construct the multipurpose Hardwood Creek Trail.

Mr. Luger showed examples of the damage caused on the paved portion of the Hardwood Creek Trail. To resealcoat the County's portion of this trail it would cost \$33,250. To overlay the County's portion of the

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trail it would cost \$247,000. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has \$300,000 for maintenance of all trails in Minnesota. Normally, this trail would be recoated in eight to ten years. With this damage it would need to be done in three to five years. For the overlay, instead of twenty years it would probably need to be done in ten to fifteen years to correct this type of damage. In addition to increased maintenance there is a potential risk to other users of the trail such as hikers, bikers and roller bladders because of the uneven and damaged trails.

Mr. Luger indicated that the proposed change to Ordinance No. 129 would include the following: 1) Clarification that carbide studs are metal traction devices and are prohibited on any Washington County paved trail; 2) Include language prohibiting snowmobiles with studs from using the Hardwood Creek Trail Corridor; and 3) Prohibit all snowmobiles from operating on the paved surface of the Hardwood Creek Trail.

Jyneen Thatcher, 12999 Keller Avenue North, May Township - Ms. Thatcher stated she was representing the Ride & Glide, Bike & Ski Club. They were out there this spring after the first winter and were concerned with the damage that was done to the trail. The damage done to this trail does cause a hazard to younger people who are just learning their sport. She supports the proposed ordinance.

Tim Gardner, Bayport - Mr. Gardner indicated he represents the Washington County Star Trail Association and they maintain and mark the 250 miles of groomed trails in the County. He indicated they also noticed the damage that was done. Their association spent several days marking that trail indicating that no one can go on the paved portion. He feels that more enforcement would help the situation. He was told by the Sheriff's department last year that there wasn't any money in the budget. Mr. Gardner stated that this year they have hired someone to plow that trail bare so snowmobilers with studs stay off of the paved portion of the trail.

Chuck Knodt, 180 Interlachen Lake Court, Stillwater - Mr. Knodt stated his snowmobiles are not studded. He tried it one year but it tore up his trailer and driveway. He did ride that trail last winter and had a hard time identifying where the blacktop was at times. At times he couldn't tell if he was on the paved portion or not. He supports the idea of plowing the trail.

Irv Kopren, 9735 Miller Road South, Cottage Grove - Mr. Kopren stated he is with the Star Trail Association also. He stated that 50% of snowmobilers run studs and feels they are good for safety, especially on ice. They support banning studs from paved trails because they will claw and dig up that pavement. They support paying someone to plow the paved trail this year to keep snowmobiles off of the trails. He and his friends are against banning them from the dirt portion of that corridor. He believes that a big problem is enforcement and more should be done about that.

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

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked about the issue of enforcement. Is there a commitment from the Sheriff's Office that this ordinance will be enforced? Mr. Luger stated that one of the problems with the current ordinance is that the Deputies couldn't tell if the snowmobiles with studs had been on the paved portion of the trail or on the dirt portion. They feel the amended ordinance would be easier to enforce because no snowmobiles with studs would be allowed in the corridor.

Commissioner Peterson asked if the communities along this corridor will enforce this ordinance? Mr. Luger indicated that both Hugo and Forest Lake support the amended ordinance. The police officers from the City of Forest Lake indicated this amended ordinance would give them more teeth to enforce the use on that trail.

Commissioner Peterson asked if part of the license fee snowmobiles pay isn't suppose to be used for damage that is done to the trail? Mr. Luger stated that the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has only \$300,000 to repair damaged trails for the entire State of Minnesota.

Commissioner Peterson believes that if the State of Minnesota has so many snowmobile trails that they cannot maintain them by this fee, then they should reevaluate putting in new trails. New trails should not be planned if there is not a funding source for the maintenance. Commissioner Peterson asked for the total number of trails in the State of Minnesota and the dollar amount the State allows for maintenance of those trails. She does not want the County to undertake any new trails unless she has a clear understanding of where the funding is for its maintenance.

Commissioner Abrahamson is in support of the amended ordinance. Something has to be done to protect the County trail system and if it means no studs he is in support of that.

Commissioner Hegberg has had numerous phone calls from his constituents that feel snowmobiles should be banned altogether. A few snowmobilers are spoiling it for everybody. They should be more respectful for other peoples property. He will be supporting the ordinance.

Commissioner Stafford mentioned that in water patrol and in some other areas, the Sheriff uses something comparable to a citizen posse. These individuals are not deputized, and do not have arresting power but can keep an eye out and report to the Sheriff. Has anyone considered working with the Star Trail Association to help in the enforcement? Mr. Luger stated that the Star Trail Association has placed signage along the

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trail, but as far as enforcement the Sheriff would have to answer that. There is a park patrol made up of citizen volunteers, but they have no enforcement authority.

Mike Polehna, Parks Manager, explained that the County has four or five snowmobiles to cover the entire County. The Sheriff uses a reserve unit which has to go out with a licensed police officer. They patrol all the lakes which have problems with speeding and they are just spread too thin. They used law enforcement game wardens last year and did County stings on this trail. The problem they had was trying to define whether they were on the paved portion or not.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-164** as follows:

Resolution Adopting an Ordinance
Prohibiting the Use of Metal Traction Devices
on County Paved Trails

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. 398.31-398.36 empowers the County to create, maintain, and regulate the use of County parks; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. 84.87, Subd. 3 allows the County to regulate the operation of snowmobiles on the public lands and water under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Washington County entered into an Agreement with the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority whereby the Regional Railroad Authority conveyed a property interest to Washington County in order for the County to build and maintain paved trails upon this property; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has determined that proscription of the use of paved trails or anywhere within the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority Corridor (Hardwood Creek Trail) by snowmobiles with metal traction devices, including , but not limited to, carbide studs, is in the best interests of the residents of Washington County; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has determined at a public hearing that operation of a snowmobile on the bituminous paved surface of the Hardwood Creek Trail, except at bridge crossing, is proscriptive; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners realize the necessity of law enforcement within the Washington County Regional Rail Railroad Authority Corridor, and it shall be permissible for law enforcement officers to use such devices in the performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has conducted a public hearing on prohibiting the use of metal traction devices to include carbide studs on paved trails, and within the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority Corridor, and in addition, prohibits snowmobiles from travel on the paved portion of the Hardwood Creek Trail.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based on the recommendations of the Transportation and Physical Development Department and the testimony received at the public hearing and for the reasons set forth therein, the Washington County Parks Ordinance

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No. 93 and 129 are amended by changing the language in Chapter VI, Section 9 subsection g. of said Ordinance and by adding subsections h. and i. to Section 9, Chapter VI of said ordinance, which shall read as follows:

Section 9. Snowmobiling

It shall be unlawful for any person to:

- g. Operate a snowmobile with metal traction devices, including, but not limited to, carbide studs, on any paved Washington County trail or on any paved or unpaved portion of the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority Corridor (Hardwood Creek Trail).
- h. Operate a snowmobile on the bituminous paved surface of the trail, excepting bridge crossings, within the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority Corridor (Hardwood Creek Trail).
- i. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary it shall be permissible for law enforcement officers in the performance of their duties to use metal traction devices on all Washington County trails.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that unless specifically amended herein, all other provisions set forth in the Washington County Parks Ordinance No. 93 and No. 129 shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication according to law.

ORDINANCE NO. 155

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON AMENDING
ORDINANCE NO. 93 AND NO. 129
THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PARK ORDINANCE

The Board of Commissioners of Washington County do hereby ordain:

Section I. The Washington County Park Ordinance, Ordinance No's. 93 and 129, is hereby amended by changing the language in subsection g., and adding subsection h. and i. to Section 9, Chapter VI, as follows:

It shall be unlawful for any person to:

- g. Operate a snowmobile with metal traction devices, including, but not limited to, carbide studs, on any paved Washington County trail or on any paved or unpaved portion of the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority Corridor (Hardwood Creek Trail).
- h. Operate a snowmobile on the bituminous paved surface of the trail, excepting bridge crossings, within the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority Corridor (Hardwood Creek Trail).
- i. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary it shall be permissible for law enforcement officers in the performance of their duties to use metal traction devices on all Washington County trails.

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Section II. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication according to law.

Passed by the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Minnesota this 12th day of December, 2000.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson asked that this ordinance be revisited at the end of the snowmobile season to see if it prevented further damage to the trail.

Review of 2000 Construction CIP and Change Orders and Supplemental Agreements for Cold Inplace Recycling Program

Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development, presented a review of the 2000 construction program. He indicated that these were the single largest County programs let and delivered in Washington County for highway projects. Over \$10 million dollars in reconstruction, pavement preservation and rehabilitation, bridge and safety programs were conducted. Also, there were some projects carried over from 1999. Some of the major projects included County State Aid Highway 19 which was upgraded from a two-lane rural roadway to a four-lane divided roadway and included five signals with a revision to a sixth signal. The cost for this project was over \$6 million. The second major construction project involved the Trout Brook Bridge and Dodges Corner on the border of Afton and Denmark Township. This project cost approximately \$700,000.

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve Supplemental Agreements No. 1 and No. 2 with Tower Asphalt, Inc. for the cold in-place recycling program. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Review Trunk Highway 36 Subarea Study

Sandy Cullen, Transportation Manager, and Otto Schmid, Minnesota Department of Transportation, reviewed the Trunk Highway 36 Subarea Study information and current alternatives under consideration. The option being considered would be a mix of interchanges and signals. Currently there are five traffic signals along 36, from I-694 to Stillwater, and the new proposal would reduce that to two. Several local issues remain on this study including: Hilton Trail, CSAH 12/Mahtomedi Schools, Jamaca extension to TH 36 and Manning Avenue improvements.

The Board asked that this issue be discussed further at a workshop to go into this a little more.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**2001 Salaries for County Sheriff and Deputy**

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-165** as follows:

2001 Salary for the County Sheriff

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute §387.20 requires the County Board of Commissioners to set by resolution the salary of the County Sheriff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2001 salary for the Washington County Sheriff shall be as follows, effective January 1, 2001.

Sheriff	\$97,822
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2001 salary for the Chief Deputy shall be as follows, effective January 1, 2001:

Chief Deputy	\$88,040
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Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

2001 Salary for County Attorney and Assistants

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-166** as follows:

2001 Salary for the County Attorney

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute §388.18 requires the County Board of Commissioners to set by resolution the salary of the County Attorney.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2001 salary for the Washington County Attorney shall be as follows, effective January 1, 2001:

Attorney	\$101,920
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2001 salaries for the First Assistant Attorney and Executive Assistant shall be as follows, effective January 1, 2001:

First Assistant Attorney	\$91,728
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Executive Assistant	\$38,500
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Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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2001 Salary for County Administrator

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-167** as follows:

2001 Salary for the County Administrator

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute §375.06, Subdivision 1 authorizes the County Board of Commissioners to appoint and employ an Administrator upon such terms and conditions as it deems advisable and directs the County Board to set the Administrator's salary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2001 salary for the Washington County Administrator shall be as follows, effective January 7, 2001.

Administrator	\$111,384
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Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

2001 County Commissioners' Salaries, Expenses and Benefits

Commissioner Stafford moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-168** as follows:

Resolution Establishing County Commissioners'
Salaries and Expenses for 2001

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 375.055, Subdivision 1, requires the County Board of Commissioners to set salaries, per diem payments, and expense reimbursement for its members prior to January 1 of the effective year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the salary rate for Washington County Commissioners be \$41,933/year for Commissioners and \$44,695/year for the Chair, effective January 1, 2001.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the expense reimbursement for County Commissioners be for actual expenses plus mileage in accordance with County policy with no County per diem payments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that each of the County Commissioners receive the same County paid medical insurance premium and flexible medical expense account as received by the elected department heads.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Stafford, Peterson and Pulkrabek; No, Commissioner Abrahamson.

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Legislative Reception

James Schug, County Administrator, advised the Board that a reception with Legislators has been scheduled for January 9, 2001, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Oak Marsh Golf Club, to review the 2001 Legislative Agenda.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

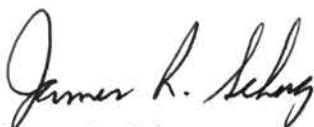
ADJOURNMENT

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 12:15 p.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the purchase of development rights parcel review. 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, Jane Harper, Ann Pung-Terwedo, Jeff Berg, Soil and Water Conservation District, Matt Moore, South Washington Watershed District, Bob Klatt, City of Woodbury and Al Singer, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Metro Greenways.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
DECEMBER 19, 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, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Transportation and Physical Development Director; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Land Use Specialist; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Land Use Specialist; Meredith Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Deputy Community Services Director; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Specialist.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ronald Schaefer, Woodbury, addressed the Board on alleged unlawful and unauthorized release of his Social Security number, an alleged attorney conflict of interest with HSI, and alleged assault and battery resulting in criminal activity. Commissioner Stafford informed Mr. Schaefer that under comments from the public, citizens are asked not to be redundant. He stated that Mr. Schaefer has been before this Board on numerous occasions discussing the same subjects. Unless he has something new to discuss he will not be permitted to discuss this issue week after week. Commissioner Stafford also pointed out that the County Attorney is the County Board's attorney. This matter was turned over to the County Attorney for investigation and the County Attorney has given Mr. Schaefer his answer.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the December 7, 2000 Board Meeting minutes and the Truth-in-Taxation hearing minutes from December 7, 2000.
2. Approval of the following appointments: Craig Pederson, Cottage Grove, Community Services Advisory Committee, to a first term beginning January 1, 2001 and expiring December 31, 2003; John Colbert, Cottage Grove, Community Services Advisory Committee, to a first term beginning January 1, 2001 and expiring December 31, 2003; and Sheila Colbert, Cottage Grove, Public Health Advisory Committee, to a first term beginning January 1, 2001 and expiring December 31, 2002.

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3. Approval of the following appointments to the Workforce Investment Board to terms expiring June 30, 2002: Rebecca Tholen, representing Small Business and Cyndi Camarillo, representing Large Business.
4. Approval to reappoint County Surveyor, Larry Nybeck, to a new four-year term beginning January 1, 2001 and ending December 31, 2004.
5. Approval to amend policy #1012, Mileage Reimbursement, to increase mileage for individuals using personal vehicles on County business and establish the new mileage rate at 34.5 cents per mile, effective pay period beginning January 7, 2001.
6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-169** as follows:

Resolution Authorizing Expenditure of Funds
To Acquire a Conservation Easement on the Hackman Property

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 is 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 1999 Minnesota Legislature through, the Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources, has provided Washington County with a \$150,000 cost-sharing grant to acquire property interests in fee or 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 to acquire property interests in fee or 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 solicited, evaluated and ranked land protection proposals according to an adopted Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance and an approved Policies and Procedures Document; and

WHEREAS, the Hackman property was the number one ranked parcel to be protected; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners authorizes the expenditure of \$135,600 to acquire a conservation easement on the Hackman property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chair and the County Administrator be authorized to execute all necessary documents related to this expenditure; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners authorizes the co-holding of the conservation easement with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

7. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2000-170** as follows:

Repurchase of Tax Forfeited by Former Owner
Donald H. Haas and Mary Agnes Haas

WHEREAS, Donald H. Haas and Mary Agnes Haas the former owner, has made and filed an application with the County Auditor for the repurchase of the hereinafter described parcel of tax forfeited land, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, of amended, which land is situated in the County of Washington, Minnesota, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lake St. Croix Beach Sec 3

Lots 2912-2923 Parcel #11.028.20.12.0014

Lot 2924 Parcel #11.028.20.12.0015

Lot 2925 Parcel #11.028.20.12.0016

Lot 2926-2932 Parcel #11.028.20.12.0017

City of Lakeland

;and WHEREAS, said applicant has set forth in his application that

The property is adjoined with their other property and home and that complete package is what the value of the land comes from; that the repurchase of said land will promote and best serve the public interest, because all the delinquent and current taxes are paid and this will put the property back on the tax role

;and WHEREAS, this Board is of the opinion that said application should be granted for such reasons.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the application of Donald H. Haas and Mary Agnes Haas for the purchase of the above described parcel of tax forfeited land be and the same is hereby granted and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to permit such repurchase according to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, as amended.

8. Approval to authorize the execution of a lease with Andrew Urbanski by the signatures of the County Board Chairman and County Administrator and to direct the payment of rent to the County until such time the property is repurchased or sold.
9. Approval of amendment to the service agreement with Motorola, Inc. for radio maintenance and service to extend the contract through December 31, 2001.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

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HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director, informed the Board that results from the Department of Labor audit at the State of Minnesota regarding exempt/non-exempt status of employees caused Washington County to conduct a review of its exempt classifications. Based on that review, staff recommends that certain classifications be changed from exempt to non-exempt status.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the changes as recommended by Human Resources, to classifications from exempt to non-exempt status effective January 7, 2001. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Board of Adjustment and Appeals Recognition**

The Board Chair presented Mary Senkus with a Certificate of Recognition for her 18 years as a citizen member to the Board of Adjustment and appeals.

Rice Creek Watershed District Appointment

Commissioner Hegberg moved to appoint James Leroux , Hugo, to a three year term on the Rice Creek Watershed District Board of Managers expiring January 17, 2004. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Data Distribution Agreement with Metropolitan Council

Commissioner Hegberg moved to authorize the County Administrator and Board Chair to execute the Data Distribution Agreement for the Limited Attribute Regional Parcel Dataset with the Metropolitan Council contingent on County Attorney approval as to form. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson moved to establish a fee of \$.05 per parcel for Washington County's parcel dataset, which is part of the Limited Attribute Regional Parcel Dataset. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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County Budget for Payable 2001

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-171** as follows:

**Resolution Adopting the Washington County
Budget for Payable 2001**

<u>OPERATING FUNDS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE OTHER THAN LEVY</u>	<u>FUND BALANCE INC/(DEC)</u>	<u>GROSS LEVY</u>	<u>HACA</u>	<u>CERTIFIED LEVY</u>
General Government	\$66,457,200	\$35,152,600	(\$498,800)	\$30,805,800	5,145,789	\$25,660,012
Social Services	30,461,900	17,722,200	(225,900)	12,513,800	2,071,815	10,441,985
Public Works - Road & Bridge	17,331,600	12,504,600	(225,000)	4,602,000	767,118	3,834,882
Public Works - Parks	1,688,500	1,102,500	220,200	806,200	134,449	671,751
Regional Rail Authority	420,000	0	(214,000)	206,000	0	206,000
Library	4,623,100	154,000	0	4,469,100	745,029	3,724,071
Debt Service - County Wide	6,505,600	744,500	1,398,900	7,160,000	0	7,160,000
Debt Service - Library District	158,800	24,500	(134,300)	0	0	0
Subtotal:	\$127,646,700	\$67,404,900	\$321,100	\$60,562,900	\$8,864,200	\$51,698,700
<u>CAPITAL FUNDS</u>						
CIP Bond Projects	8,030,500	0	(8,030,500)	0	0	0
Capital Projects Fund	150,000	0	(150,000)	0	0	0
Historic Courthouse Restoration	30,000	17,200	(12,800)	0	0	0
Capital Repair Fund	225,000	250,000	25,000	0	0	0
Subtotal:	\$8,435,500	\$267,200	(\$8,168,300)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total 2001 Budget:	\$136,082,200	\$67,672,100	(\$7,847,200)	\$60,562,900	\$8,864,200	\$51,698,700

Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek.

Property Tax Levies for 2001

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-172** as follows:

**Resolution Certifying Property Tax Levies for
Washington County Payable 2001**

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following tax levies for payable 2001:

Washington County	\$51,698,700
Washington County Special Levy for the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority	\$ 200,000

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Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek.

Property Tax Levy for Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-173** as follows:

Resolution Certifying Property Tax Levy for
Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority
Payable 2001

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following tax levy for payable 2001:

Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority \$1,499,017

Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson; No, Commissioner Pulkrabek; Commissioner Hegberg Abstain.

Board Meeting for December 26, 2000

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to cancel the December 26, 2000 Board meeting. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg stated he believes when a person commits a crime their Social Security number should be disclosed so they would be easier to track if judgments or fines are made against them. He believes the County should ask the legislature to change the law.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that the Rush Line Corridor met and they are going to ask the legislature for \$6 million which would include funds for park and rides along the corridor and a bus lane on Highway 61.

Commissioner Peterson announced that the Red Rock Corridor will not be meeting on December 28. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and peace and prosperity for the new year.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek reported that one of the projects he did for a class he is taking was to compare and contrast two recent reports on affordable housing. The first one he looked at was from the Minnesota Association of County Social Service Administrators, June of 2000. The other report was from the Metropolitan Council Building Strong Communities Report from the Mayors Regional Housing Task Force, November 2000. He indicated that he would make copies of his findings available to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Stafford reported that at a recent meeting with Ramsey County affordable housing was discussed. He has an idea of taking revenues from tax forfeited land sales and dedicate the proceeds towards some type of program involving affordable housing. He had suggested that this could possibly be a joint effort with Ramsey County. He is still working on the details and will report back to the Board.

Commissioner Stafford reported that Jeff Olson has just been appointed as Commissioner of Veterans Affairs for the State of Minnesota. Mr. Olson is the former Washington County Veterans Officer and a resident of Stillwater.

Commissioner Stafford wished the staff and the viewing audience a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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 10:07 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Health and Environment to discuss the Metropolitan Counties Energy Task Force. 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, Judy Hunter, Lowell Johnson, John Klun, Stillwater Gazette, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

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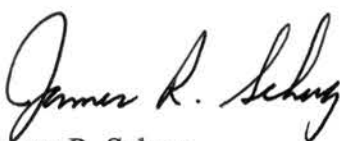
BOARD WORKSHOP WITH ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES & ELECTIONS

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections to review tax forfeited property that may need legislative authority to sell. 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, Bev Hagen, Molly O'Rourke, Joanne Helm, John Klun, Stillwater Gazette, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the Commissioners' committee appointments for 2001. 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 and Patricia Raddatz.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



R.H. Stafford, Chair

County Board