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	11/06/2001		Update on Forest Lake License Center 15 year anniversary.	15	365
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	11/13/2001		Board members invited to PLACE North Program's Thanksgiving Open House on November 20, 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.	15	377
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	12/04/2001		Commissioner Hegberg asked to be reappointed to the HRA Board.	15	390
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	12/04/2001		Comm. Stafford requested early discussion about the County continuing to belong to the AMC.	15	391

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	08/14/2001		Submit the Preliminary Copy of the 2002-2003 CSSA Plan and various gant applications to the Dept. of Human Services.	15	245
	08/21/2001		Office of Economic Opportunity out of Children, Families & Learning Emergency Shelter Grant program funds and ESGP prevention funds being accessed by RAP.	15	250
	08/28/2001		Fraud prevention investigation plan and grant application for the time period of 7/1/01 - 6/30/03.	15	260
	08/28/2001		Certification of Case 23836, provide adult foster care services to a related person.	15	260
	08/28/2001		Contract w/REM Minnesota Community Services, Inc. for 2001-2002.	15	260
	08/28/2001		Susan Wardell, Chair of the Citizen Review Panel, updated the Board on the Panel's activities during the past two years.	15	261

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Community Services	09/11/2001		2001 contract w/REM MN Community Services, Inc. home and community-based services for persons w/developmental disabilities.	15	284
	09/11/2001		Three public meetings being held on September 18 and 19 to discuss long-term care in the County.	15	289
	09/18/2001		Workshop held to discuss transit issues affecting County residents.	15	300
	09/25/2001		MAAA to use part of the East Metro SAIL grant funds as part of the required match for federal Title III funds.	15	302
	09/25/2001		Contract w/Presbyterian Homes, assisted living plus services & Medicare certified home health services.	15	302
	10/02/2001		Contract amendment to add case mgmt. Services agreement w/Thomas Allen, Inc. and for cost of living adjustment.	15	310
	10/09/2001		Recognition to Darlene Johnson and Denise Pastorius as County Outstanding Child Care Providers for 2001.	15	317
	10/09/2001		Family Child Care Provider Week.	15	317
	10/09/2001		Submit the Senior Citizen Gaps Analysis Report to the Dept. of Human Services.	15	318
	11/06/2001		Reappoint Patrick Miller to the Ramsey Action Board of Directors to a two year term expiring 12/31/2003.	15	362
	11/13/2001		Contract w/Partners in Community Supports, home and community based services for persons with developmental disabilities.	15	368
	11/13/2001		CY2001 supplemental award for Children's Mental Health Collaborative agreement.	15	368
	11/13/2001		Recognition of Kristin Harvieux, Senior Social Worker, named Social Worker of the Year by the MN Foster Care Association.	15	369
	11/20/2001		Special project Community Services Division Manager through 12/31/02.	15	379
	11/27/2001		Common Bond Communities Inc. contract for financial case management services.	15	383
	12/04/2001		Child Care Resource and Referral/School-Age Care grant agreement w/MN Dept of Children, Families and Learning.	15	389
	12/18/2001		2002-2003 contract w/We Care Counseling, Inc. for primary outpatient chemical dependency treatment.	15	400
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Molly E. Korthals, Mental Health Advisory Council, 2nd and final term to 12/31/04.	15	401
	12/18/2001		Appt. John Rheinberger, Community Services Advisory, 1st term expiring 12/31/04.	15	402
	12/18/2001		Contract w/Mains'I Services, Inc., home and community based services.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Contract w/Oak Ridge Place, assisted living plus servies.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Gaylord Rous, Adult Mental Health Prof. Mental Health Advisory, to 2nd and final term expiring 12/31/04.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Lucy Hollinshead, Child Mental Health Professional Rep. Mental Health Advisory, to a 2nd and final term 12/31/04.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Appt. Deanna Storbakken, AML Rep., Mental Health Advisory, 1st term expiring 12/31/04.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Majel Carroll, Non-profit Rep. to Community Services Advisory, to 12/31/04.	15	403

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Community Services	12/18/2001		2002-2003 contract w/Human Services, Inc. for primary outpatient chemical dependency treatment.	15	403
	12/18/2001		2002-2003 contract w/Avalon Programs, LLC for primary outpatient chemical treatment.	15	404
	12/18/2001		2002-2003 contract w/Burkwood, Inc. for inpatient, halfway house and extended care chemical dependency treatment for adults.	15	404
	12/18/2001		2002-2003 contract w/Fairview Healthcare Services, dba Fairview Recovery Services, primary outpatient chemical dependency treatment.	15	404
	12/18/2001		2002-2003 contract w/On-Belay, Inc. for primary outpatient chemical dependency treatment for adolescents.	15	404
	12/18/2001		2002-2003 contract w/Kinnic Falls, Inc. for halfway house chemical dependency treatment for adults.	15	404
	12/18/2001		2002-2003 contract w/Cedar Ridge, Inc. for adult inpatient, extended care and sub-acute detoxification chemical dependency treatment.	15	404
	12/18/2001		Contract w/Elder Haven Homes, assisted living plus services and respite care.	15	404
	12/18/2001		Contract w/New Perspective of Minnesota, Inc. assisted living plus services and respite care.	15	404
	12/18/2001		Information only - Child foster care daily basic maintenance, initial clothing allowance and difficulty of care rate for 2002.	15	404
	12/18/2001		Continue a Special Project Office Tech. II through December 31, 2002, to assist in medical assistance programs.	15	405
	12/18/2001		2002-2003 contract w/Haven Chemical Heath Systems, LLC, dba The Haven in Woodbury, for primary outpatient chemical dependency treatment.	15	407
	12/18/2001		Submit the required Service Development Plan for Seniors for cy 2002 to the Department of Human Services.	15	409
Court Administration	08/07/2001		Chris Volkers named chair of the new CrimNet Task Force.	15	240
Court Services	08/21/2001		Grant agreement w/State of MN, DOC, Continuum of Care, Intensive Supervised Release and Juvenile Restitution.	15	249
	09/25/2001		Early hire on an Office Assistant position.	15	302
	11/06/2001		Restorative justice month in Washington County.	15	363
	12/04/2001		Appt. Adam Carlson to the Sentence to Service Advisory Committee to a first term expiring 12/31/04.	15	387
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Janet Robert, Community Corrections Advisory, 4th and final term expiring 12/31/03.	15	402
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Randall LaFoy, Community Corrections Advisory, 3rd term expiring 12/31/03.	15	402
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Chief Lindy Swanson, Law Enforcement Rep. Community Corrections Advisory to 12/31/03.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Pat Zenner, Public Defender Rep. Community Corrections Advisory, to 12/31/03.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Sheriff James Frank, WACO Law Enforcement Rep., Community Corrections Advisory, to 12/31/03.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Mary Waldkirch, Victims Rep. Community Corrections Advisory, to 12/31/03.	15	403

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Court Services	12/18/2001		Reappt. Sonnie Smith, Minority Rep. Community Corrections Advisory, to 12/31/03.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Renewal of ongoing Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant.	15	404
	12/18/2001		Workshop held to discuss Community Circles in WACO.	15	415
Financial Services	07/10/2001		2000 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.	15	216
	08/07/2001	2001-090	Providing for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2001A of the County.	15	236
	09/04/2001	2001-106	Awarding the sale of G.O. Refunding Bonds, Series 2001A. (Amended by Res. No. 2002-019 on 2/5/02).	15	269
	09/11/2001		Modify and renew a contract for services w/Born Inc., to improve and develop all JDEwards modules.	15	284
	10/02/2001		Correct Report of Unearned Revenue Reserve and Designations as adopted on 2/12/01 to authorize expenditure of grant dollars by the Dept. of PH&E specific to public health & nvironment programs from the Gen. Fund in the amount of \$111,429.	15	310
HRA	09/11/2001		Reappt. Bharat Tandan, Public Assistance Housing Representative, to the HRA Board to a term expiring 12/31/04.	15	283
	09/11/2001		Table request for first amendment to the Cooperation Agree. w/MHOP to September 25.	15	286
	09/25/2001	2001-122	First amendment to Cooperation agreement w/HRA for low-rent housing under the MN Housing Opportunities Program.	15	302
	10/09/2001		Set public hearing on modification to TIF plan for the Car-Mar Flood Control Proposal, for 10/23/01 at 10:30 a.m.	15	315
	10/23/2001		Public Hearing held to receive comments on a proposed Carnelian-Marine TIF Plan Amendment.	15	349
	10/23/2001	2001-136	Approving modification of the Housing and Redevelopment project plan and tax increment financing plan for the Carnelian-Marine area.	15	357
	12/04/2001		Res. No. 2001-144, authorizing the HRA employees to be covered by the WACO health insurance program.	15	389
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Dennis C. Hegberg, HRA Board, 1st full term to 12/31/04.	15	401
Human Resources	09/11/2001		Renew service agree. w/Frank Madden & Associates for labor relations consultant services through 9/30/02.	15	285
	10/16/2001		Executive Session held for negotiation strategy for 2002-2004 bargaining agreements.	15	323
	10/16/2001		Appt. Duane Elvin to the Personnel Board of Appeals to fill an unexpired term to 12/31/02.	15	325
	11/13/2001		Band/grading recommendations for revised Accountant I and Accountant II (no changes to band/grade); and new job description Principal Accountant w/band/grade of C4-4-1.	15	368
	12/04/2001	2001-144	Authozing the WACO HRA employees to be covered by the WACO health insurance program.	15	389
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Vincent Anderson, Personnel Board of Appeals, term expiring 12/31/04.	15	402
	12/18/2001		Amend the flexible benefits plan effective 1/1/02.	15	404

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Human Resources	12/18/2001		Create and substitute a supervisory position of Deputy Director of Department of Human Resources for the vacancy of an Administrative Aide I position.	15	404
	12/18/2001	2001-150	2002 salary for County Attorney and assistants.	15	409
	12/18/2001	2001-149	2002 salary for County Sheriff.	15	409
	12/18/2001	2001-152	Establishing County Commissioners' salaries and expenses for 2002.	15	410
	12/18/2001	2001-151	2002 salary for County Administrator.	15	410
Information Services	09/11/2001		Mary McCarthy introduced as new I.S. Director.	15	290
Internal Auditor	07/17/2001		County's response to State Auditor's findings.	15	223
Legislative	07/10/2001		Legislative update.	15	219
	08/28/2001		Contract w/John Kaul, for legislative services, 9/1/01 to 8/21/02.	15	263
	10/09/2001		Workshop held to discuss the 2002 legislative agenda.	15	321
Library	09/04/2001		Accept bequest from the Elizabeth Jordan estate, \$1,740.55, to be used at the Marine on St. Croix Library.	15	268
	11/06/2001		Workshop held to discuss the new library facility in Woodbury and other financial matters.	15	366
Minnesota Extension	09/25/2001		18 month renewal amendment of lease with Excell Realty Trust for offices at 1825 Curve Crest.	15	301
	11/13/2001		Joan Sprain, Extension Educator, presented with the Florence Hall Award from the National Association of Extension Family and Consumer Science; and the University of MN Extension Service's Dean and Director Award.	15	369
Public Health & Environment	07/10/2001		Reciprocal use agreement for household hazardous waste services with Chisago County.	15	214
	07/10/2001		Agree. w/City of Birchwood for distribution of curbside recycling funds.	15	214
	07/10/2001		New facility for household hazardous waste services in Chisago County is located in North Branch.	15	215
	07/10/2001	2001-079	Purchase of recycled content paint.	15	217
	07/10/2001		Workshop held to discuss the transition plan w/the U of M Extension Services and a report on the Extension Program Plan for 2002.	15	221
	07/17/2001	2001-082	Resource Recovery 2002 budget.	15	225
	07/17/2001	2001-083	Resource Recovery tipping fee.	15	226
	07/17/2001		Update on final report of the Citizens Jury who studied the issue of Metro Solid Waste.	15	229
	08/07/2001		Fill the .5 County Extension Educator position vacancy.	15	235
	08/14/2001		Accept donation of booster seats from the Ford Motor Company through the United Way.	15	243
	08/14/2001		Agree. w/City of Stillwater for distribution of curbside recycling funds.	15	243
	08/21/2001		Agreement w/MN Dept. of Administration for a cooperative purchasing for vaccine purchases through the MN Multistate Contracting Alliance.	15	249
	08/21/2001		Establishment of a Citizen Solid Waste Education Taskforce tabled until January 2002.	15	251
	08/28/2001		Agree. w/Onyx Environmental Services for household hazardous waste management services.	15	261

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Public Health & Environment	08/28/2001		Agree. w/Andersen Corporation for a household hazardous waste collection on 9/15/01.	15	261
	09/04/2001	2001-105	Establishing 2002 fee schedules for environmental health programs.	15	268
	09/11/2001	2001-111	Radiological emergency preparedness grant w/MN Dept. of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Mgmt.	15	284
	09/11/2001		Agree. w/City of Forest Lake, distribution of curbside recycling funds.	15	284
	09/11/2001	2001-112	Solicitation and acceptance of donations by the WACO Dept. of PH&E.	15	285
	09/11/2001		Update given on a liquid propane tanker that rolled over on I-94 and 494.	15	290
	09/18/2001	2001-118	Establishing a new tipping of \$34 per ton for haulers that deliver waste pursuant to a waste delivery agreement to the Resource Recovery Facility.	15	297
	10/09/2001	2001-128	2002-2003 Community Health Services Plan Update.	15	317
	10/09/2001	2001-129	Designation of agent.	15	318
	10/16/2001		Auth. a .15 FTE Dietetic Technician.	15	325
	10/23/2001		Agreement w/City of Cottage Grove, distribution of curbside recycling funds.	15	331
	10/23/2001		Early hire of a Public Health Nurse II for the Elderly Waiver Program.	15	331
	11/06/2001		Workshop w/Ramsey County Board of Commissioners held to discuss the study on public collection of solid waste.	15	366
	11/27/2001		Lease agreement with City of Oakdale for the household hazardous waste facility.	15	383
	12/11/2001	2001-145	Waste delivery agreements for delivery of waste to the Resource Recovery Facility.	15	394
	12/11/2001		Dan Schoepke presented with a Public Services Award from the Recycling Association of Minnesota for his innovative ideas and efforts to promote and increase recycling.	15	394
	12/11/2001		Workshop held to dicuss sustainable building designs.	15	399
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Glen Brown, Noxious Weed Appeal, 4th and final term expiring 12/31/03.	15	402
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Joni Polehna, Public Health Advisory, 3rd and final term expiring 12/31/03.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Kenneth W. Crabb, M.D., Public Health Advisory, 2nd and final term expiring 12/31/03.	15	403
	12/18/2001		Contract amend. w/MN Pollution Control Agency for the operation of a Household Hazardous Waste Mgmt. Program.	15	405
	12/18/2001		Agree. w/Xcel Energy for collection of fluorescent lamps.	15	405
Recorder	07/10/2001		Plat of Baird Estates, May Township.	15	214
	08/07/2001		Cindy Koosmann appointed to a three-year term on the Board of Directors, National Association of County Recorders, Election Officials and Clerks.	15	240
	10/23/2001		Plat of Belle Terre, New Scandia Township.	15	332
	11/06/2001		Plat of Otchipwe Trails, Stillwater Township.	15	362
	11/20/2001		Plat of Nottingham Hills, West Lakeland Township.	15	379
Regional Rail Authority	07/17/2001		Workshop w/Trans. & Physical Development to discuss draft final reports for the Red Rock Corridor Commuter Rail Feasibilty Study and the Rush Line Corridor Transit Study.	15	230

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Regional Rail Authority	10/16/2001		RRA meeting held to discuss corridor study updates, contract w/URS, Inc. for completion of the Forest Lake Transit Center location study; and RRA draft Property Management Plan.	15	323
Sheriff	07/17/2001		Contract w/MN Dept. of Corrections income contract/joint powers agreement in connection w/housing county inmates/detainees at the Oak Park Heights Correctional Facility.	15	224
	08/21/2001		Renew Juvenile Detention Services Subsidy Grant w/MN DOC, 7/1/01 - 6/30/03.	15	250
	08/21/2001		Two reimbursement grants with the MN Gang Strike Force.	15	250
	09/25/2001	2001-121	Auth. Execution of agreement for Criminal Gang Strike Force.	15	302
	09/25/2001		Contract w/City of Woodbury, radio antenna space on their water tower.	15	302
	10/09/2001	2001-126	Execution of Agree. for the East Metro Narcotics Task Force.	15	316
	12/18/2001		Radio antenna site lease agreement with the City of Stillwater.	15	405
	12/18/2001	2001-147	Annual Snowmobile Safety Enforcement Agreement.	15	405
	12/18/2001		Set public hearing for 1/8/02 for an ordinance relating to alcohol licensing and enforcement.	15	405
Transportation-Facilities	07/10/2001	2001-078	Final payment to George Siegfried Construction Co. for retaining wall project at the Historic Courthouse.	15	215
	07/10/2001		Update on construction of the new library in Woodbury.	15	216
	09/04/2001		Contract w/Wold Architects and Engineers of St. Paul, Courts expansion project.	15	269
	09/11/2001		Update given on construction progress for the Woodbury Library.	15	289
	10/02/2001		Appt. Donna Reynolds, Historic Courthouse Advisory, 1st term expiring 12/31/03.	15	309
	12/04/2001		Appt. Jean Brown, Historic Courthouse Advisory, 1st term, expiring 12/31/03.	15	387
	12/11/2001		Draft documents and selection of County Commissioner liaison to the Library Board and the County Administrator as representatives to the Library Park Association Board of Directors.	15	395
	12/11/2001		Update on Woodbury Library project.	15	395
	12/11/2001	2001-146	Establishing the R.H. Stafford Library as the name for the new Washington County Branch Library in Woodbury.	15	396
	12/11/2001		Signage to use on exterior wall library, example B with letter size of example C.	15	397
	12/11/2001		WACO logo on the monument sign to be placed to the left of the word "Library".	15	397
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Patrick Taylor, Historic Courthouse Advisory, 4th and final term to 12/31/03.	15	401
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Gayle Hudak, Historic Courthouse Advisory, 3rd term expiring 12/31/03.	15	402
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Richard Ulrich, Planning Advisory Commission, 2nd term expiring 12/31/04.	15	402
	12/18/2001		Commercial use fee schedule for the Historic Courthouse and the 2003 rental fees.	15	406
	12/18/2001		Contract w/Tennis Sanitation, for refuse pick up at County Facilities.	15	407

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Transportation-Facilities	12/18/2001		Contract w/Harris Air Systems for mechanical services to provide a new make-up handler and ductwork at the Govt. Center.	15	407
	12/18/2001		Contract amendment to No. 1160 w/Clean Sweep, Inc. for snow removal services at County facilities.	15	407
	12/18/2001		Extend contract w/R. Richard Gauger for professional project management for the Woodbury Library to December 21, 2002.	15	408
	12/18/2001		Issue of reimbursing professional liability insurance to Mr. Gauger for 2000 and 2001 and waiver of 2002 professional liability to be sent back to T&PD for further negotiations.	15	408
Transportation-General	08/21/2001		Reappt. Richard Damchik to Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed, to a term expiring 9/22/04.	15	249
	10/02/2001		Reappt. Craig Leiser and Karen Kilberg to the Brown's Creek Watershed District to terms expiring October 21, 2004.	15	309
	10/02/2001	2001-125	Declaring the official intent of WACO to reimburse certain expenditures from the proceeds to be issued by the County.	15	311
	10/23/2001		Reappt. Duane Johnson, Valley Branch Watershed District Board of Managers, to a 1st full term expiring 11/13/04.	15	331
	11/20/2001		Auth. to readvertise for the two vacancies on the Brown's Creek Watershed District Board of Managers.	15	381
	12/18/2001		Contract w/Real Estate Appraisal Advisors for provision of valuations on five properties along CSAH 38.	15	407
	12/18/2001		Appoint Timothy Freeman to the Brown's Creek Watershed District Board, to fill an unexpired term to 10/21/03.	15	411
	12/18/2001		Appoint Barbara Medinger to the Brown's Creek Watershed District Board to fill an unexpired term to 10/21/02.	15	411
Transportation-Parks	07/10/2001		Washington County Parks and Open Space Commissions 20-Year Vision.	15	216
	08/07/2001	2001-088	MN Trail Assistance Program.	15	235
	08/14/2001		Update on negotiations w/the Veterans' Rest Camp Board. Consensus not to pursue acquisition at this time.	15	245
	08/28/2001	2001-100	Final payment to Donahue Construction, Inc. for Reroofing Park Buildings at Lake Elmo Park Reserve.	15	261
	09/11/2001		Agree. w/Barr Engineering Company to complete a natural resources inventory for Denmark Twp.	15	285
	10/09/2001	2001-127	Award of lease for park farm land for 2002.	15	316
	10/16/2001	2001-131	Final payment to Shank Constructor, Inc. for the swim pond filtration system at Lake Elmo Park Reserve.	15	325
	10/23/2001		Contract w/Soil and Water Conservation District for St. Croix Valley Natural Resources inventory services.	15	332
	12/11/2001		Amended Commercial Use Policy and proposed 2002 parks fees and charges.	15	393
	12/18/2001		Appt. Christopher Ness, Parks and Open Space Commission, 1st term expiring 12/31/04.	15	402
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Don Arnold, Parks and Open Space, 1st full term expiring 12/31/04.	15	402
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Charles Burfeind, Parks and Open Space, 2nd term expiring 12/31/04.	15	402
Transportation-Roads	07/10/2001	2001-077	Award of contract for CSAH 13 road construction to Tower Asphalt, Inc.	15	214

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	07/10/2001		Cooperative construction agreements w/the Cities of Oakdale and Lake Elmo for the CSAH 13 road construction project.	15	215
	07/17/2001	2001-081	Cooperation Agree. No. 81945 w/MN Dept. of Transportation, construct a ramp improvement and traffic signal at TH 94 and CSAH 13 intersection.	15	224
	07/17/2001		Workshop held to discuss elimination of contract road maintenance services and its impact on local communities.	15	230
	08/07/2001	2001-089	State Trunk Highway 97 Traffic Study.	15	235
	08/07/2001		Workshop held to discuss road maintenance contracts with local communities.	15	242
	08/14/2001	2001-091	Award of contract for sign truck body, crane and air system to ABM Equipment & Supply, Inc.	15	243
	08/14/2001	2001-093	CSAH 15 railroad crossing signals and surface, SP82-00122.	15	244
	08/14/2001	2001-092	CSAH 15 railroad crossing surface, SP82-00123.	15	244
	08/14/2001	2001-094	CSAH 15 railroad crossing signals, SP82-00131.	15	245
	08/21/2001	2001-095	Award of contract for CR 61 road construction to Arnt Construction Co.	15	250
	08/21/2001		Agree. w/City of Cottage Grove for winter road maintenance on CSAH 39.	15	250
	08/21/2001	2001-096	Rejection of bids for road and signal construction on CSAH 13 and auth. to rebid as soon as possible.	15	251
	08/28/2001	2001-102	All way stop at the Inwood Ave. (CSAH 13) & I-94 north ramps intersection.	15	262
	08/28/2001	2001-101	All way stop installation at the Inwood Ave. (CSAH 13) and 4th St./Hudson Blvd. Intersection.	15	262
	09/04/2001		Agree. w/City of Lake Elmo for installation and maintenance of street lighting at CSAH 13 and 15th Street.	15	269
	09/18/2001	2001-116	Award of contract for turnlanes and signal revisions at the intersection of CSAH 13 and 16 to Jay Brothers, Inc.	15	295
	09/25/2001		Cooperation construction agree. w/City of Woodbury for turn lane construction and signal modifications on CSAH 13 and 16.	15	302
	10/02/2001	2001-124	Speed study on the following: Oakdale, CSAH 10; Woodbury, CSAH 19 and CSAH 13; Scandia, CSAH 3; and Stillwater, CSAH 5.	15	310
	10/09/2001		Workshop held to discuss status of County's involvement in the I-494/TH 61 Wakota Bridge Project.	15	320
	10/09/2001		Workshop held to discuss status of turnback of TH 120 from I-94 to I-494.	15	321
	10/16/2001	2001-132	Final payment to Daffinson Asphalt for 2001 cracksealing of County Roads.	15	325
	10/16/2001	2001-133	Final payment to Allied Blacktop Company for 2001 sealcoating of County Roads.	15	325
	10/16/2001	2001-134	Vacate unneeded right of way on CSAH 3.	15	326
	10/16/2001		Supplemental Agree. No. 1 for CR 61 road construction project.	15	326
	10/16/2001	2001-135	Conveyance of property on CSAH 3 to New Scandia Township.	15	327
	11/06/2001		Contract w/TKDA, Inc., environmental and design services for reconstruction of Anoka CSAH 14 and Washington CSAH 8.	15	363

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	11/13/2001	2001-139	Acquire Right of Way of CSAH 38.	15	368
	11/20/2001	2001-141	Request funding from MN/DOT through the Municipal Agreement Program for the CSAH 2 & I-35 freeway ramp lane addition, bridge restriping and median modifications.	15	379
	11/27/2001		Workshop held to discuss merits and hazards of routing snowmobile traffic through Mahtomedi and Willernie via the shoulders on CSAH 12.	15	385
	12/11/2001		Contract w/Rumpca Excavating, Inc., slope repairs on CSAH 16.	15	393
	12/18/2001	2001-156	Joint Powers Agreement for CSAH 12/T.H. 244 intersection modification traffic study.	15	405
	12/18/2001	2001-148	Bid award for year 2002 motor vehicle fuel supplies to Kath Brothers Fuel Oil Co.	15	406
	12/18/2001		Contract w/Westwood Professional Services, Inc., engineering services.	15	407
	08/21/2001		Sheila-Marie Untiedt, Stillwater Twp. Supervisor, addressed the Board on the open space easement consideration.	15	249
	08/21/2001	2001-097	Accepting conservation easements in open space design cluster housing development and adoption of policy and procedures.	15	252
Transportation-Surveyor	08/28/2001		Apply for a cooperating technical communities grant to provide funding to assist the county in defining unmapped areas and landlocked basins in the County.	15	261
	08/28/2001		Set public hearing date for 9/18/01, establishing a \$5,000 fee for accepting and monitoring conservation easements in open space developments.	15	261
	09/18/2001	2001-117	Establishing a fee for conservation easements in open space design cluster housing developments.	15	296
	09/25/2001		Grant agree. w/FEMA for funding of \$70,000 for floodplain mapping.	15	302
	10/02/2001		Set public hearing appeal of WACO PAC's approval of CUP of a communication tower in Stillwater Township for October 23 at 9:30 a.m.	15	312
	10/09/2001		Workshop held to discuss results of township meetings on planning and zoning items.	15	321
	10/23/2001		Public Hearing held to receive comments on the appeal of VoiceStream/APT, Minneapolis, Inc. Conditional Use Permit.	15	332
	10/23/2001		Deny Eileen Sexton and Duane Laabs appeal of the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission's granting of a Conditional Use Permit to VoiceStream and uphold the PAC's decision and conditions as outlined.	15	348
	11/06/2001		Accept conservation easement for outlot A and outlot B of Otchipwe Trail Plat.	15	362
	11/13/2001		Planning Advisory Commission directed to make a cursory review of the County ordinance relating to wireless communication facilities.	15	369
	11/27/2001		Public hearing set for December 11, 2001, 9:00 a.m. to consider an amendment to Washington County Development Code, Planning Advisory Commission membership.	15	384

DEPARTMENT	DATE	Resolution Number	ACTION	BOOK	PAGE
Transportation-Surveyor	12/04/2001		Reschedule public hearing originally scheduled for 12/11/01 to 1/8/02, amendment to WACO Development Code Planning Advisory Commission memberships.	15	389
	12/18/2001		Reappt. Arthur Potts, Board of Adjustment and Appeals, 3rd and final term expiring 12/31/04.	15	402
Veterans Service	08/28/2001	2001-099	County VSO operational improvement grant.	15	260
	11/06/2001		Recognition of November 11, 2001 as Veterans' Day.	15	361
Workforce Center	07/10/2001		School to work supplemental core expectations grant contract w/MN Dept. of Children, Families and Learning.	15	214
	07/17/2001		Extend a Special Project Office Employment Counselor and extend a Special Project Office Technician II through 12/31/01 to assist in the Dislocated Worker program.	15	224
	07/17/2001		Contract modification for the DiaSorin Dislocated Worker Project w/MN Dept. of Trade and Economic Development and subcontract w/Ramsey County for operating the DiaSorin Project, 8/00 - 9/30/01.	15	224
	09/11/2001		Appt. Donna Plumbo, Workforce Investment Board, term expiring 6/30/02.	15	283
	09/11/2001		School-to-Work Year 5 amendment no. 1 grant w/MN Dept. of Children, Families and Learning and the Community Services' Workforce Center Division.	15	284
	09/11/2001		Agree. for Welfare-to-Work Formula Allocation grant and Work Plan/Budget for 7/1/01 - 6/30/03.	15	284
	10/16/2001		Appt. Doris Karls, Education Rep. to the Workforce Investment Board, to 6/30/03.	15	324
	10/23/2001		Food Stamp Employment & Training Program Annual Plan, 7/1/01 to 6/30/02 w/MN Dept. of Economic Security.	15	331
	11/06/2001		Agree. w/Hennepin County Dept. of Training and Employment and Assistance for delivery of job preparation and training services, 10/16/01 - 06/30/02.	15	363
	11/13/2001		Local Service Unit Plan amendment for MN Family Investment Program Employment Services Programs, 7/1/01 to 6/30/02.	15	368
	12/11/2001		Workshop w/Workforce Investment Board held to discuss past year's activities.	15	399

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
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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, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Edison Vizuite, Financial Services Director; Kathy Trombly-Ferrin, Financial Services Supervisor; Tonya Weinert, Financial Services Accountant; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Richard Gauger, Project Manager; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Jim Luger, Parks Director; John Elholm, Parks Planner; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; Jeff Travis, Program Manager, Public Health and Environment; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; Jennifer Wagenius, Assistant County Recorder; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Jennifer Norton, 1745 Johnson Drive, addressed the Board about the three parcels of tax-forfeited property that will be discussed later in the Board meeting. She would like the rural character to be maintained in her neighborhood. She feels this is an opportunity for the County to add much needed green space without spending from the green space fund. She asked that this land be set aside as park space and that a ridge be built along County Road 5 and trees planted in this area to help cut down on traffic noise.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the June 19 and 26, 2001 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Approval to appoint Jeffrey C. Feist, Woodbury, to the Community Development Block Grant Citizens Advisory Committee representing the private sector to a term expiring December 31, 2002.
3. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-076** as follows:

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Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo from
the Scandia-Marine Lions

WHEREAS, on or about June 15, 2001, the Scandia-Marine Lions has made an application for authorization to conduct excluded Bingo on August 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 pursuant to the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved is located at the Washington County Fair Grounds, State Highway No. 5, Lake Elmo, Baytown Township, Washington County; and

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

4. Approval of grant application from Human Services, Inc. for chemical health support services for women and children and repetitive treatment users.
5. Approval of school to work supplemental core expectations grant contract between the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning and Washington County Community Services Workforce Center Division.
6. Approval and execution by Board Chair and Administrator of a reciprocal use agreement for household hazardous waste services between Chisago County and Washington County.
7. Approval and execution by Board Chair and Administrator of an agreement with the City of Birchwood for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$35,843.
8. Approval for plat of Baird Estates, May Township.
9. Bids were received for road construction on CSAH 13 as follows:

Tower Asphalt, Inc.	\$606,711.25
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Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-077** as follows:

Award of Contract for CSAH 13 Road Construction to
Tower Asphalt, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete road construction work on CSAH 13 in Lake Elmo and Oakdale, the County solicited bids for this project; and

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WHEREAS, bids were opened on June 28, 2001, with Tower Asphalt, Inc. being the only bidder; and

WHEREAS, the award of bid is contingent upon concurrence by the City of Lake Elmo and the City of Oakdale; 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.

Approval and execution of cooperative construction agreements with the City of Oakdale and the City of Lake Elmo for the CSAH 13 road construction project.

10. Approval and execution of road maintenance agreements with the following cities and towns: Afton, Grant, Hugo, Lakeland, Lakeland Shores, Lake St. Croix Beach, St. Mary's Point, Grey Cloud and West Lakeland.
11. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-078** as follows:

Final Payment to George Siegfried Construction Company for
Retaining Wall Project at the Historic Courthouse

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on April 25, 2000, approved the bid of George Siegfried Construction Company and signed the contract May 12, 2000 for demolition and reconstruction of the Retaining Wall at the Historic Courthouse in Stillwater; and

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

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

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Hegberg asked about Consent Calendar Item 6 the reciprocal use agreement for household hazardous waste services with Chisago County. He asked where that facility is located? Jeff Travis, Public Health and Environment, indicated that new facility is in North Branch, Minnesota.

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FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Edison Vizuite, Financial Services Director, presented the 2000 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Mr. Vizuite informed the Board that this report has been dedicated to John Devine who worked in the Financial Services Department for 21 years.

Commissioner Abrahamson questioned the County population figure given on the second page. He feels the figure of 192,979 is too low and should be higher. Mr. Vizuite stated that was information from the U.S. Census Bureau. Mr. Schug stated that the 2000 census showed that the County's population is over 201,000. He indicated that a correction would be made to future copies of the report.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the 2000 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT**Update on Construction of the New Library in Woodbury**

Richard Gauger, Project Manager, presented an update on the Woodbury Library Project. Items discussed included the following: A change order to the contract has been executed by the City and it has brought a credit to the County of \$21,000; Construction progress was hampered this spring by rain, but it is now dry enough so the progress is accelerating; As of this morning the excavation for the park side is pretty well complete, structural steel is on site and is being erected for the Library portion and the first load of pre-cast plank arrived; He will be meeting with County I.S. staff to discuss voice, data and cabling and moving ahead with finalization of the interior concept having to do with color and coordinating purchases; The exterior maintenance of the site has been agreed to with the County, City and YMCA each paying one-third; Criteria for the building structure itself and the building interiors are being worked on; The common interest or condominium agreements are being worked on by the attorneys; The contract calls for the construction to be completed by August 31, 2002 with an actual dedication sometime prior to Thanksgiving of 2002.

Commissioner Peterson suggested that First Lady Laura Bush, who is a librarian by trade, be invited to the dedication.

Washington County Parks and Open Space Commissions 20-Year Vision

James Luger, Parks Director, and John Elholm, Parks Planner, presented the County Parks and Open Space Twenty-Year vision.

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Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt the Washington County Park and Open Space Commissions 20-Year Vision for Washington County Parks. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-079** as follows:

Purchase of Recycled Content Paint

WHEREAS, the Washington County Waste Management Master Plan includes an outcome which states that Washington County will “increase the use of substitute products that do not contain toxic/hazardous materials and if appropriate will use reprocessed and recycled hazardous waste”; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board, at its April 25, 2001 meeting, passed a resolution that:

1. Encourages Minnesota counties, cities, states and other jurisdictions to begin using or increase the use of recycled content latex paint on government projects;
2. Asks each participating Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board county, the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency to identify, by June 27, 2001 meeting, at least one major construction or renovation project where recycled content paint will be used in the next 12 months and;
3. Asks each participating Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board county to incorporate into their contract specifications a requirement and waiver provision that recycled content paint be used rather than virgin paint on county construction and renovation projects; and

WHEREAS, recycled content paint is now available through a State contract and from at least two vendors and has been successfully tested on a number of demonstration projects.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners supports the use of recycled content paint to be used on the pole building at the north public works shop; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Washington County will incorporate into its building contract specifications a requirement and waiver provision that recycled content paint be used rather than virgin paint, when feasible, on county building construction and renovation projects.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections , presented an overview of the City of Stillwater's request to convey three tax-forfeited parcels to the City for an authorized public use. The attended authorized uses for these parcels are parks and open space and storm water retention.

Niles Kriesel, Administrator for the City of Stillwater, reviewed their request for the conveyance of tax-forfeited lands.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-080** as follows:

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

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

PID #20.030.20.14.0003
 #20.030.20.14.0010
 #28.030.20.33.0079

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Marcy Kilbourne addressed the County Board on these parcels. She stated that she has been unable to build a house in Stillwater since moving here. Her hope was to put two houses on these tax forfeiture properties for her kids. When she told the City that she was interested in doing this, within three days the City tried to remove it from the tax forfeiture sale. The City told her that an engineer's soil test would be required to determine structural stability. She paid for the tests and they found that a ton of fill had been added to the lot. The houses are still buildable but would need additional work. She is now out this money for the soil work. She believes that using two of these parcels for a park is dangerous. They are unreachable by most of Oak Glen unless by automobile or unless residents would be willing to let their children go down Highway 5 or 96 by bicycle. The only people who can access these lots would be the few houses in Johnson Court and Johnson Drive everyone else would have to take the highway to get there. The lots are located across the street from each other in the entrance to Johnson Court Addition to Oak Glen so the kids would have to cross the street to get across the lots to each other. She stated that Oak Glen is the top development for open space. She asked should the taxpayers suffer more open space, where taxes are not collected or the assessments on water and sewer? She could have gotten a petition with ten times more signatures against this action as Oak Glen got for the action to put pressure on decision making in this case.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Legislative Update

John Kaul and Bob McFarlin, Legislative Liaisons, updated the County Board on the 2001 Legislative Session and Special Session. Mr. Kaul reviewed Washington County's agenda: The drop listed was extended two years; The bill on tax forfeited land on water was approved; CrimNet was funded at \$27 million; Child welfare concurrent planning ended up at \$4.65 million per year; The motor vehicle fee went from \$3.50 to \$4.50 on the standard applications and from \$3.50 to \$7.00 on more complex applications; Newport will be able to get municipal state aides for the Wakota Bridge; In metro parks, the lottery in lieu of was raised from 80% to 87% but it was offset by a raid on the money by St. Paul; There was a match of \$500,000 for the White Bear Lake Trail; There is no reverse referendum; and in SCORE tax there was a \$5 per ton offset on the tipping fee of \$6 million and that is projected out for four years.

Mr. McFarlin updated the Board on the following transportation issues: There is no new money for roads and highways; No proposal for a constitutional amendment to dedicate motor vehicle excise tax to transportation; No provision for a metro-area sales tax referendum to pay for metro transportation and transit projects; No general fund cash for highways; No gas tax indexing or gas tax increase; and no bonding for trunk highway projects. In the area of transit there is approximately \$30 million in new funding for metro area transit over the biennium; The property tax levied for metro transit was eliminated and replaced with a 20.5% dedication of the motor vehicle excise tax; The legislature placed severe restrictions on MnDot and the Metropolitan Council on the expenditure of funds for studying light rail transit and commuter rail projects—neither of those agencies can spend money to study projects unless the money is specifically appropriated by the legislature for a specific corridor; No funding for the North Star Commuter Rail corridor; and restrictions were also placed on MnDot on expending trunk highway funds for transit services related to construction projects. Specific items of interest for Washington County: \$823 million appropriated for county state aide highway funds; \$116 million appropriated for the municipal state aide system; \$136 million appropriated from the general fund for metropolitan transit. The Stillwater Bridge will remain in the State's transportation improvement program for several years due to legislation that restricts the Commissioner from removing that project from the program; Newport received approximately \$1.5 million over the next 10 years in supplemental local government aides that is intended to help Newport pay for its local share of the Wakota Bridge project; The only change in the aggregate tax for counties is the authority to levy the tax was extended to counties throughout the State and previously it was extended only to counties that were named in the law; The legislature prohibits MnDot or the Met Council from withholding transportation funding or project approval based on a community not following what those agencies believe are smart growth initiatives; Project eligibility for the transportation revolving loan fund was expanded; and the Transportation Advisory Board was totally restructured—some of the authority to appoint members to

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the TAB was taken away from the Metropolitan Council and MnDot and put in the hands of counties and municipalities to appoint their own members to the TAB.

Mr. Schug reviewed other parts of the legislative session: The property tax levy for school district general levy has been eliminated and will be funded through a state wide property tax; Classification rates were changed which greatly reduces the tax rates for commercial and industrial property, apartments and others; For 2001 only, counties are not required to hold a truth-in-taxation hearing because of the lateness of the session and the complicated nature of putting out the parcel specific notices; Counties are permitted to hold one and Washington County has already scheduled a preliminary truth-in-taxation type hearing for September 4; Legislation was passed which completes the State takeover of the court costs. District 10 takeover will occur in 2005; There are levy limits in the next two years, but preliminary review indicates that those will not be a significant problem for the County; and the Legislature did pass a .35% increase in the employer and employee rates for PERA which will impact the County's budget by \$125,000 to \$130,000.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford stated he is working on a response to an editorial that was in the Pioneer Press that told the citizens they were going to enjoy a healthy property tax reduction, but they better watch out because local governments will probably try to take that away from them. He is working on a response to that with help from MICA and Administrative staff. He feels that traditionally, cities and counties have done a far better job percentage wise of controlling budgets than the State.

Commissioner Stafford reported that he is working with staff on establishing a Solid Waste Management Committee with a specific starting and ending date and a specific charge. He has had a number of citizens asking to help in any way they can.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that citizens questioned the fairness of the valuation process during the Board of Equalization hearings. He asked that the Assessor's Division do an internal audit of themselves and take a look at other districts to see if valuations are being done in a fair manner and assessments are adjusted accordingly.

Commissioner Abrahamson thanked John Kaul and Bob McFarlin for the good job they did at the Capitol.

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 Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:55 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 transition plan with the University of Minnesota Extension Services and a report on the Extension Program Plan for 2002. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Mary McGlothlin, Lowell Johnson, Sue Hedlund, Liz Templin, Joan Sprain, Bob Olson, Don Scheel, Sheila Barbeta, East Central District Director, University of Minnesota Extension, John Klun, Stillwater Gazette, and Muriel Tan, Pioneer Press.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss Two Rivers Community Land Trust's application for Community Housing Development Organization determination. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Martina Johntz, Robert Lockyear, Theresa vanderBent, Executive Director of Two River Community Land Trust, Pam Neary, Board of Two River Community Land Trust, Michael Brown, Burlington Associates, John Klun, Stillwater Gazette, and Muriel Tan, Pioneer Press.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



Myra Peterson, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
JULY 17, 2001

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, Peterson, and Stafford. Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Community Services Deputy Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Suzanne Pollack, Community Services Supervisor; Lowell Johnson, Senior Program Manager; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Sandy Cullen, Transportation Manager; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Dennis Robinson, 8675 Scandia Trail North, Forest Lake, addressed a letter written by Kenneth A. Tolzmann to Bruce Munneke dated June 21, 2001. The letter stated that his and Mr. Tschida's "declarations of serious equalization problems in Forest Lake were totally false, overall misleading, and in no manner supportive of their claims." Mr. Robinson spoke against that letter and would stand by what was said at the meeting. He asked the County Board to look into this matter.

Commissioner Stafford informed Mr. Robinson that staff will be advised of this letter and if he has other documentation to give it directly to staff and they will investigate and report back to him.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the County's response to State Auditor's findings and recommendations contained in the draft report on the internal control structure and compliance for the year ended December 31, 2000.
2. Approval of five day on sale 3.2 percent malt liquor license for Greeder Hinds Comfort VFW 323 to be used August 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, 2001 at the Washington County Fairgrounds.

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3. Approval to authorize the County Board Chair and County Administrator to execute the Minnesota Department of Corrections Income contract/joint powers agreement in connection with housing county inmates/detainees at the Oak Park Heights Correctional Facility.
4. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-081** as follows:

Authorizing the Execution of Cooperation Agreement No. 81945
with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation to Construct
a Ramp Improvement and Traffic Signal at Trunk
Highway 94 and CSAH 13 Intersection

IT IS RESOLVED, that Washington County enter into Mn/DOT Agreement No. 81945 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide for a lump sum payment of \$135,000.00 by the State to the County as the State's share of the costs of the ramp improvement and traffic signal construction and associated construction engineering to be performed at the intersection of Trunk Highway No. 94 and County State Aid Highway No. 13 (Radio Drive and Inwood Avenue North) within the corporate limits of the Cities of Lake Elmo, Oakdale and Woodbury under State Project No. 8282-97 (T.H. 92=392) and State Aid Project No. 82-613-13.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board Chair and the County Administrator are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Dislocated Worker Project

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve a contract modification for the DiaSorin Dislocated Worker Project between Washington County and the Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development and the subcontract between Washington County and Ramsey County for operating the DiaSorin Project for the period of August, 2000 through September 30, 2001. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent.

Special Project Positions for the Dislocated Worker Program

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to extend a Special Project Office Employment Counselor through December 31, 2001 and to extend a Special Project Office Technician II position in Community

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Services through December 31, 2001 to assist in the Dislocated Worker program. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent.

Child Care Resource and Referral Program

Commissioner Stafford moved to approve a contract with the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning for the Washington County Community Services/Child Care Resource program to receive \$344,095 in state and federal funds over two years beginning July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2003. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project 2002 Operating Budget

Commissioner Stafford moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-082** as follows:

Resource Recovery 2002 Budget

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

WHEREAS, the Project Board Budget Committee met on June 20, 2001 to review and make recommendations on the 2002 Project Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Project Board met on June 28, 2002, and acted on the recommendations 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 2002, 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 28, 2001 meeting the Project Board acted to recommend that the Ramsey and Washington County Boards reduce the tipping fee for Ramsey and Washington County waste delivered under contract, using the new State processing payment; and

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WHEREAS, the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board recommends that the Ramsey and Washington County Boards approve the 2002 Operating Budget:

Appropriations

140101 Administration	\$ 736,693.00
140102 Service Fee	<u>\$17,213,029.00</u>
	\$17,949,722.00

Financing Sources

Washington County Participation	\$ 4,238,925.00
Ramsey County Participation	\$11,460,797.00
Interest Income	\$ 200,000.00
State of Minnesota	<u>\$ 2,050,00.00</u>
	\$17,949,722.00

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the 2002 Operating Budget as recommended by the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Project Board.

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

Tipping Fee, Waste Delivery Agreements and Analyze Hauler-Collected Service Charge

Commissioner Stafford moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-083** as follows:

Resource Recovery Tipping Fee

WHEREAS, in 1996, Ramsey and Washington Counties (Counties) first entered into waste delivery agreements with waste haulers to ensure that waste was managed properly by delivery to the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Facility; and

WHEREAS, the waste delivery agreements have been renewed with haulers in 1998 and 1999, and the current agreements will expire at the end of 2002 unless either the haulers or Counties decide to not renew; and

WHEREAS, two types of waste delivery agreements are in place: the haulers agree to either delivery all waste collected in the counties or agree to deliver a monthly and annual total amount of waste to the Facility; and

WHEREAS, the current waste delivery agreements contain a "Minimum Price" provision, which provides that all haulers currently under contract will be provided with the lowest price available to any other hauler; and

WHEREAS, the Counties have a policy goal to optimize the delivery of waste to the Resource Recovery Facility, and believe that the Facility should be fully utilized for environmental and energy benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Counties want to ensure that waste is managed properly by delivery to the Facility; and

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WHEREAS, because of lower than expected deliveries in 2001, the Resource Recovery project will have unused funds available to pay for tipping fee reductions; and

WHEREAS, the Service Agreement with NRG provides that the Counties set the tipping fee at the Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Powers Agreement that establishes the Resource Recovery Project (Project) provides that it is the County Boards that set the tipping fee and enter into waste delivery agreements; and

WHEREAS, the use of a hauler collected service charge may provide a more efficient funding mechanism for resource recovery services.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby states its intent to reduce the tipping fee for all haulers under contract in the current year, using State funds to pay for the tipping fee reduction, and directs staff to return with a specific tipping fee after the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance has developed guidelines for the payment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board hereby directs staff to enter negotiations with waste haulers to develop meaningful waste delivery agreements, commencing immediately, with a goal of having completed agreements for County consideration by September 30, 2001; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board directs staff that in those negotiations the Counties offer to all haulers the same reduced tipping fee established during the latter half of 2001, and, in addition, offer to all haulers that, if they will commit to deliver all of the waste they collect in the two counties in 2002, an additional tipping fee reduction, using surplus funds from 2001 to reduce the tipping fee for those agreements in 2002; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board hereby requests the Project Board to analyze and recommend whether the Counties should develop and implement a hauler-collected service charge beginning in 2003 for the purpose of funding resource recovery tipping fees.

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

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

City of Cottage Grove Request for Waiver of 30-Day Notification on TIF District No. 12

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-084** as follows:

Resolution Waiving the Thirty-Day Notification Period
Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.175, Subdivision 2

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WHEREAS, the City Council of the Cottage Grove Economic Development Authority (the "City") is considering the establishment of Tax Increment Financing District No. 12 (the "District"); and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.175, subd. 2 requires that the County Board be provided notice of the establishment of District No. 12 and the estimate of fiscal and economic implications of the proposed establishment of District No. 12 at least thirty days before the public hearing required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.175, subd. 3; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Washington County is in receipt of the Fiscal and Economic Implications for District No. 12 proposed to be established by the Cottage Grove Economic Development Authority; and

WHEREAS the City Council has requested a waiver of the County's thirty-day comment period provided by Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.175, subd. 2; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board desires to waive the thirty-day notification requirement in order to expedite the City's creation of the Tax Increment Financing District; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board has reviewed the fiscal impacts of the projects.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners waives its thirty-day requirement.

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

Commissioner Stafford asked that staff's comments state that the County objects to the way the City of Cottage Grove is handling the fiscal disparities contribution.

Commissioner Stafford moved to authorize staff to prepare and submit comments to the City of Cottage Grove on their proposed establishment of Tax Increment Financing District No. 12 for their July 26, 2001 public hearing, in accordance with established County criteria. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Announcements

Mr. Schug reported that the State Auditors have completed their audit of the County for year ended December 31, 2000. He stated the audit was very clean with only one management practice that was commented on regarding allocating interest to special funds. The Audit Committee was pleased when it received the report last week.

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Mr. Schug announced that on October 29 the County will hold its League of Local Governments meeting. The speakers that evening will be Hazel Rheinhardt, Media Management Center Market, and John Brandl, Dean of Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, who will discuss the 2000 census figures and how the County and local communities are incorporating those results for future planning.

Mr. Schug reported that the Minnesota Department of Housing and Urban Development has notified the County that its portion of the Consolidated Plan 2000-2004 has been approved. He thanked Martina Johntz and the Housing and Redevelopment Authority for getting the issues resolved that were preventing the approval of the plan.

Mr. Schug informed the Board that the workshop scheduled for 2:00 p.m. this afternoon to discuss the jail security system at the Law Enforcement Center has been postponed. It was felt that this should be discussed when all five Commissioners were present.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford asked Judy Hunter to give a brief overview on the findings of the Citizens Jury who studied the issue of Metro Solid Waste during the week of June 18-22, 2001. Ms. Hunter stated that 18 citizens from around the region spent 5 days learning about the solid waste management system. Items discussed in the report were values and priorities; Order of preference of waste management practices; and Recommended solid waste management strategies. Ms. Hunter indicated that this report will be used to help Counties and the Coordinating Board look at how citizens have ranked different priorities and different issues after being thoroughly educated on these items.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported that last Saturday the traffic on Highway 36 was two lanes wide going into Stillwater from Main and Chestnut to 400 feet west of Osgood and Fourth Streets all trying to cross the Stillwater Bridge.

Commissioner Peterson informed the Board that during the last legislative session there were changes made to the Metropolitan Transportation Advisory Board regarding how appointments are made. She asked the Board if they would reappoint her to this Board.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Commissioner Myra Peterson to the Metropolitan Transportation Advisory Board. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent.

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Commissioner Peterson stated that the Minnesota Association of Community Corrections conference will be held September 5 to September 7 at the Grand View Lodge in Nisswa, Minnesota. She will attend the conference if Commissioner Pulkrabek will not be attending.

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; Commissioners Hegberg and Pulkrabek absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Board met in workshop session with the Community Services Department to discuss child support services. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Abrahamson, Peterson and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Dan Papin, Pat Singel, Linda Bixby, J. Alan Midgett, Linda Krafthefer, John Klun, Stillwater Gazette, Muriel Tan, Pioneer Press, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY WORKSHOP WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Regional Rail Authority met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss draft final reports for the Red Rock Corridor Commuter Rail Feasibility Study and the Rush Line Corridor Transit Study. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Abrahamson, Peterson and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Sandy Cullen, Mike Rogers, John Klun, Stillwater Gazette, Muriel Tan, Pioneer Press, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.


BOARD WORKSHOP WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss elimination of contract road maintenance services and its impact on local communities. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Abrahamson, Peterson and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke,

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Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Joyce Welander, City of Grant, Art Welander, City of Grant, Rick Vanzwol, City of Grant, John McPherson, West Lakeland Township, Gerald Peterson, West Lakeland Township, Mike Ericson, City of Hugo, Chris Petree, City of Hugo, Larry Whittaker, City of Afton, John Anderson, City of Afton, Dennis Hanna, Grey Cloud Island Township, Dawn Beedle, City of Lake St. Croix Beach, John Jansen, City of Lake St. Croix Beach, Jim Gilles, City of Lakeland, Judy Savage, City of Lakeland Shores, Steve Popovich, City of St. Mary's Point John Klun, Stillwater Gazette, Muriel Tan, Pioneer Press, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin,

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 7, 2001

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 4:05 p.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Edison Vizuite, Financial Services Director; Kathy Trombly-Ferrin, Financial Services; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the July 10 and 17, 2001 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-085** as follows:

Resolution Designating Two Rivers Community Land Trust
as a Community Housing Development Organization for the
HUD HOME Investment Partnership Program

WHEREAS, Washington County is entitled to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) HOME Investment Partnership Program funds through its participation, with Anoka, Dakota and suburban Ramsey Counties, in the Dakota County Consortium; and

WHEREAS, HUD requires that at least 15 percent of HOME Program funds be set aside for specific activities, including acquisition, rehabilitation, and new construction of affordable housing, to be undertaken by a special type of non-profit called a Community Housing Development Organization; and

WHEREAS, Two Rivers Community Land Trust has requested designation as a Community Housing Development Organization for Washington County; and

WHEREAS, Two Rivers Community Land Trust meets the requirements for consideration as a Community Housing Development Organization; and

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WHEREAS, designation as a Community Housing Development organization will enable Two Rivers Community Land Trust to utilize HOME Program set-aside funds for activities to increase affordable housing opportunities within Washington County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners designates Two Rivers Community Land Trust as a Community Housing Development Organization for Washington County for the HOME Investment Partnership Program.

3. Approval of four projects recommended by the Department Head Group for funding through the 2000 Budget Savings Pool in the amount of up to \$124,500 as follows: 1) Upgrade Telephone Console at the Information workstation - \$3,500; 2) Gravel Tax Audit - \$4,000; 3) Children's Justice Initiative (CJI) - \$10,000; and 4) Replace LEC backup AS/400 - \$107,000.
4. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-086** as follows:

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

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

PID#29.030.21.24.0124

5. Approval to accept grant funds from the Minnesota Center for Crime Victim Services for salary/fringe benefits of an assistant Victim/Witness Coordinator.
6. Approval of Policy No. 2019, Investment Policy and adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-087** as follows:

Wire Transfer Procedure for County Funds
Policy No. 2012

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute Chapter 204, 1985 Session Laws, authorizes the use of an Electronic Wire Transfer Procedure for the transfer of County funds subject to the approval of policy by the Washington County Board;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the County Board hereby authorizes the Washington County Financial Services Department to use the Electronic Wire Transfer method of transferring County funds where deemed appropriate, expeditious and in the best interests of Washington County;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this policy becomes a part of the existing Washington County Fiscal Policy as stated in Board Resolution 85-98 dated September 24, 1985.

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7. Approval to fill the .5 County Extension Educator position vacancy.

8. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-088** as follows:

Minnesota Trail Assistance Program

WHEREAS, Washington County has developed trail systems in Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park, Pine Point Park and Lake Elmo Park Reserve; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that any State grants and aids for the described trail be directed to Washington County and application made therefore by said County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that participation in the Minnesota Trail Assistance Programs be authorized and the Grant in Aid Agreement executed by the Chair of the Washington County Board of Commissioners and the County Administrator per the guidelines of Minnesota Statutes, Section 84-43.

9. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-089** as follows:

State Trunk Highway 97 Traffic Study

WHEREAS, State Trunk Highway 97 traverses through the easterly edge of Anoka County and the northerly edge of Washington County, through Columbus Township, Anoka County, Minnesota, the City of Forest Lake, Washington County, Minnesota and New Scandia Township, Washington County, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, current and projected traffic generated from existing and proposed future development will create congestion and safety conflicts unless managed in a responsible manner; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental units through which Trunk Highway 97 transverse desire to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota for the purpose of engaging a consultant to perform a traffic management study; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has reviewed the Joint Powers Agreement and approves the terms and conditions thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Washington enter into the Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota and the other named municipalities for the preparation of the traffic management study for State Trunk Highway 97; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Washington County Board of Commissioners be and they hereby are authorized to execute such agreement.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

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FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-090** as follows:

Resolution Providing for the Issuance and Sale of General
Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2001A, of the County

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

1. It is hereby determined that:

(a) the County is authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, as amended, (the "Act") and Section 475.67, Subdivision 3, of the Act to issue and sell its general obligation bonds to refund obligations and the interest thereon before the due date of the obligations, if consistent with covenants made with the holders thereof, when determined by the Board of Commissioners to be necessary or desirable for the reduction of debt service cost to the County or for the extension or adjustment of maturities in relation to the resources available for their payment; and

(b) Section 475.67, subdivision 4, of the Act permits the sale of refunding obligations during the six month period prior to the date on which the obligations to be refunded may be called for redemption; and

(c) it is necessary and desirable to reduce debt service costs that the County issue General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2001A (the "Bonds"), in the original aggregate principal amount of \$14,680,000 (subject to the right of the County to increase or decrease the principal amount of the Bonds to be issued in \$5,000 increments in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$300,000) to refund certain outstanding general obligation bonds of the County; and

(d) the outstanding bonds to be refunded (the "Refunded Bonds") consist of the principal amount of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 1992A, dated October 1, 1992, maturing in the years 2002 through 2010, inclusive.

2. To provide money to refund the Refunded Bonds, the County will issue and sell Bonds in the amount of \$14,562,560. To provide in part the additional interest required to market the Bonds at this time, additional Bonds will be issued in the amount of \$117,440. The excess of the purchase price of the Bonds over the sum of \$14,562,560 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:

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

TERMS OF PROPOSAL

\$14,680,000*¹
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2001A
(BOOK ENTRY ONLY)

¹*The County reserves the right, after proposals are opened and prior to award, to increase or reduce the principal amount of the Bonds offered for sale. Any such increase or reduction will be in a total amount not to exceed \$300,000 and will be made in multiples of \$5,000 in any of the maturities.

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Proposals for the Bonds will be received on Tuesday, September 4, 2001, until 11:00 A.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 at 4:30 P.M., Central Time, of the same day.

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.

(b) **Electronic Bidding.** Electronic Bids may be submitted to Bidcomp/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.

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:

Bidcomp/Parity, 395 Hudson Street, New York County, New York 10014, Customer Support, (212) 806-8304

DETAILS OF THE BONDS

The Bonds will be dated November 1, 2001, as the date of original issue, and will bear interest payable on February 1 and August 1 of each year, commencing August 1, 2002. 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:

<u>Maturity (February 1)</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Maturity (February 1)</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>
2003	\$1,425,000	2007	\$1,870,000
2004	\$1,615,000	2008	\$1,970,000
2005	\$1,700,000	2009	\$2,080,000
2006	\$1,790,000	2010	\$2,230,000

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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 Bonds will not be subject to payment in advance of their respective stated maturity dates.

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 refund the 2002 through 2010 maturities of the County's \$19,325,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 1992A, dated October 1, 1992.

TYPE OF PROPOSALS

Proposals shall be for not less than \$14,562,560 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 \$146,800, 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 pre-approved 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.

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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.

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

On or about November 6, 2001, 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

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

Dated August 7, 2001

BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY BOARD

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

3. Springsted Incorporated is authorized and directed to negotiate the Bonds in accordance with the foregoing Terms of Proposal. The Board of Commissioners will meet at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 4, 2001, to consider proposals on the Bonds and take any other appropriate action with respect to the Bonds.

Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

James Schug, County Administrator, announced that the Board meeting was preceded by budget hearings which were televised. He indicated that over the next three weeks departmental budget reviews will continue prior to a September 4 meeting at which time staff will provide an overview to interested members of the public.

Mr. Schug announced that the State of Minnesota has appointed a Chair and Vice Chair to the new CriMNet Task Force, which is an integrated criminal justice information system. Chris Volkers, the County Court Administrator, has been named Chair of that committee.

Mr. Schug also announced that Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder, has been appointed to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of the National Association of County Recorders, Election Officials and Clerks. This is a professional organization of elected and appointed County Administrative officials that develop continuing education and bring forward the latest technologies for their members.

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Peterson asked that Judy Spooner, South Washington County Bulletin, come to the podium and explain an award they have recently won. Ms. Spooner indicated that the South Washington County Bulletin was named "Best in the Nation". They were up against 49 other newspapers that were voted the best newspaper in their state.

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on the PDR Program he attended yesterday. He thanked Bev Hagen and Jane Harper for their efforts.

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on two recent newspaper articles from the Pioneer Press related to public information campaigns. The first article stated that the number of young people smoking in Wisconsin has hit its highest point since 1984, even though there was a lawsuit that barred tobacco companies from advertising to minors three years ago, and the Wisconsin Tobacco Control Board has spent \$6.5 million in a campaign to reduce the number of smokers in the state. The other article has to do with bike helmets and reports that half of the kids riding bikes wear bike helmets and 19 state legislatures have passed mandatory helmet laws. It goes on to say that even though the number of kids wearing helmets has increased and the number of riders has declined, the number of injuries has increased. The speculation of the risk analysis specialist is that since kids are wearing these helmets they have a false sense of security and are riding more recklessly. Commissioner Pulkrabek brought these two articles up because Washington County, along with the State, spends astronomical amounts of dollars on such programs as "Eat Out, Eat Right" and the tobacco endowment settlement. He is not a big believer in public education campaigns coming from the government because he feels they don't work or have unintended consequences as described in the last article.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust voted to increase dividends slightly and he is not sure how that will affect Washington County. They have also discontinued the health insurance program and voted to put dollars in that to shore up the subsidy losses that the program did have.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported on the damage that was done at Square Lake Park to buildings that were spray painted by vandals.

Commissioner Peterson informed the Board that at a recent Cottage Grove City Council meeting a question was asked whether there was gravel tax available that could be used for some of the damage done to the Grey Cloud Island Trail Bridge. They will be asking the County to contribute to that road improvement.

Commissioner Peterson reported that tonight is Night Out and encouraged participation in this event.

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Commissioner Peterson asked for an update on the Veterans Camp issue and asked that a workshop be scheduled soon. Commissioner Abrahamson reported he drove by the Veterans Rest Camp yesterday and there is a sign that says "Not For Sale".

Commissioner Peterson reported that on August 16, the Tree Trust will be having their annual picnic to celebrate the success of another program. All the Commissioners are invited.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT

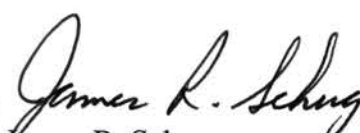
There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously. The board meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Office of Administration to discuss the proposed 2002 budget. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were James Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Chris Eitemiller, Cindy Koosmann, Dan Papin, Mary McGlothlin, Judy Honmyhr, Edison Vizuite, Kevin Corbid, Judy Spooner, South Washington Bulletin, John Klun, Stillwater Gazette and Muriel Tan, Pioneer Press.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss road maintenance contracts with local communities. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were James Schug, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Judy Spooner, South Washington Bulletin, and John Klun, Stillwater Gazette.

Attest: 
James R. Schug
County Administrator


Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 14, 2001

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:10 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Pat Singel, Community Services Deputy Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Manager; Jon Larson, Veterans Service Officer; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Jim Luger, Parks Director; Doug K. Johnson, Property Manager; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Marc Hugunin, Metropolitan Council, addressed the Board on the following items: Transit funding was not cut and all transit services on the street today will be kept throughout the coming biennium. Transit service is funded three ways, one of which is through property taxes. That portion has been changed and is now funded by the motor vehicle excise tax, which allows more communities, such as Forest Lake, to receive regional transit services. He also advised that they are looking at reallocating daytime service in the St. Croix Valley area. Mr. Hugunin invited the County Board, and anyone else who is interested, to attend a workshop on Metropolitan Council's Rural Area Policies to be held on September 20 at Hooley Hall at the Washington County Fairgrounds in Baytown Township.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

1. Approval and execution by Board Chair and County Administrator of an agreement with the City of Stillwater for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$61,544.
2. Approval for the Department of Public Health and Environment to accept a donation of booster seats from the Ford Motor Company through the United Way.
3. Bids were received for sign truck body, crane and air system as follows:

Crysteel Truck Equipment	\$55,802.41
ABM Equipment & Supply, Inc.	55,959.00
Aspen Equipment Co.	62,774.00

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Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-091** as follows:

Award of Contract for Sign Truck Body, Crane and
Air System to ABM Equipment & Supply, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to traffic sign maintenance activities on County roads, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on July 23, 2001, with ABM Equipment & Supply, Inc. being the bid awardee as the only bidder meeting critical specification aspects for provision and installation of a fiberglass sign truck body, crane and air system; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a contract for the fiberglass sign truck body, crane and air system be awarded to ABM Equipment & Supply, Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such contract shall include all of the provisions of the specifications as stipulated by Washington County and as agreed to by ABM Equipment & Supply, Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and ABM Equipment & Supply, Inc. be executed through the signature of the Chairman of the Washington County Board of Commissioners and the Washington County Administrator without further action of the County Board and conditioned upon contract execution by the vendors and approval as to form by the Washington County Attorney's Office.

4. Adoption of the following Resolutions related to improvements on CSAH 15 (Manning Avenue):

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-092

CSAH 15 Railroad Crossing Surface
SP82-00123
Minn. Project: STPX 8201(156)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Washington enter into an agreement with the Wisconsin Central Ltd. and the Commissioner of Transportation for the installation and maintenance of said railroad crossing surface at the intersection of Manning Trail N. (CSAH 15) with the tracks of the Wisconsin Central Ltd. in May Township, Minnesota, and appointing the Commissioner of Transportation agent for the County to supervise said project and administer available Federal Funds in accordance with Minnesota Statute, Section 161.36.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chair and County Administrator be and they are hereby authorized to execute said agreement for and on behalf of the County.

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-093

CSAH 15 Railroad Crossing Signals and Surface
SP82-00122
Minn. Project: STPX 8201(156)

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Washington enter into an agreement with the Wisconsin Central Ltd. and the Commissioner of Transportation for the installation and maintenance of railroad crossing signals and crossing surface at the intersection of Manning Trail N. (CSAH 15) with the tracks of the Wisconsin Central Ltd. in May Township, Minnesota, and appointing the Commissioner of Transportation agent for the County to supervise said project and administer available Federal Funds in accordance with Minnesota Statute, Section 161.36. The County's share of the cost shall be 10 percent of the total signal cost.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chair and County Administrator be and they are hereby authorized to execute said agreement for and on behalf of the County.

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-094

CSAH 15 Rail Railroad Crossing Signals
SP82-00131
Minn. Project: STPX 8201(156)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Washington enter into an agreement with the Wisconsin Central Ltd. and the Commissioner of Transportation for the installation and maintenance of railroad crossing signals at the intersection of Manning Trail N. (CSAH 15) with the tracks of the Wisconsin Central Ltd. in May Township, Minnesota, and appointing the Commissioner of Transportation agent for the County to supervise said project and administer available Federal Funds in accordance with Minnesota Statute, Section 161.36. The County's share of the cost shall be 10 percent of the total signal cost.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chair and County Administrator be and they are hereby authorized to execute said agreement for and on behalf of the County.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to approve and submit the Preliminary Copy of the 2002-2003 Community Social Services Act (CSSA) Plan and various Grant Applications to the Department of Human Services. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Update on Negotiations with the Veterans' Rest Camp Board

Jim Luger, Parks Director, updated the Board on options that were presented to the Veterans' Rest Camp Board at several meetings, starting last year and ending in July of this year, to discuss the possibility of acquiring all or part of the Rest Camp as part of the development of the Big Marine Regional Park. Options included keeping the Veterans' Rest Camp core area and developing the Park around the

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Veterans' Rest Camp; Acquiring the Veterans' Rest Camp and they could either use that money however they saw fit or the County would assist the Veterans in finding another location; Another option would have been to acquire a portion of the Veterans' Rest Camp, they would maintain their current camping, and the County would adjust its development. He indicated that an item that had been stressed at all the meetings with the Veterans' Rest Camp is that this Park would be a destination for not only veterans but also the handicapped. Mr. Luger informed the Board that the Veterans' Rest Camp, in a letter dated August 3, 2001, declined to sell any of the land. He asked for direction from the County Board on how staff should proceed.

Jim Schug, County Administrator, indicated that the Veterans' Rest Camp letter did indicate that they were not interested in selling any portion of their land holding at this time, but Mr. Thein ends the letter by saying that the County is encouraged to contact them again at anytime to discuss the matter further.

It was Board consensus to not pursue acquisition of the Veterans' Rest Camp at this time.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford asked for more information on the tree memorial sponsored by the County and that an article on this program be printed in the Staying in Touch Newsletter.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated that an interesting article ran in the Pioneer Press this past Sunday entitled "Smoking Prevention Ignored". The article reported that several studies have been conducted on how the tobacco settlement monies have been utilized by the States that have received it. These studies have found that approximately 5% of the total money collected in the tobacco settlement is actually being used for smoking prevention. The article indicated how the rest of the money is being used and gave an example that North Dakota used 45% of their money to bond for a water allocation and flood project.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated that he received a lot of telephone calls on a Stillwater tower article that ran in the Stillwater Gazette and how it was inaccurate.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that he visited the St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park recently and talked to some of the residents on the beach. He indicated that he would talk to the Parks Department on some of the issues he heard about. He also asked if littering tickets could be issued to individuals who abandon their cars on highways.

Commissioner Peterson announced that the Tree Trust will hold a luncheon at the St. Croix Bluffs Park on Thursday, August 16 at 11:30 a.m.

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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 Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the proposed 2002 budget. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were James Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Chris Eitemiller, Mary McGlothlin, Lowell Johnson, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Marv Erickson, Jim Luger and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



Myra Peterson, Chair

County Board

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 21, 2001

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, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Meredith Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Planner; Larry Nybeck, County Surveyor; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Manager; Robert Lockyear, Director of Administrative Services; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Sheila-Marie Untiedt, Stillwater Township Supervisor, addressed the Board on the open space easement consideration. Ms. Untiedt stated that the Township is involved in an open space consideration and they are having a hard time finding a holder for an open space easement. The Township is asking the County Board to consider the following two items: 1) The Township would request a review period, should an appropriate agency surface in two, three or eight years, that it would be possible to then transfer the easement to an appropriate disinterested third party; and 2) If there are changes made to the easement being held, both the participating township and County would have a chance to review that together and both vote, and any changes would require a unanimous vote.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the August 7, 2001 Board Meeting.
2. Approval to reappoint Richard Damchik to the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District Board of Managers to a three-year term expiring September 22, 2004.
3. Approval to renew grant agreements with the State of Minnesota, Department of Corrections, Community and Juvenile Services Division, for fiscal year 2002-2003 for the Continuum of Care, Intensive Supervised Release and Juvenile Restitution grants.
4. Approval for the County Board Chair and County Administrator to execute an agreement with the State of Minnesota, Department of Administration for a cooperative purchasing agreement for vaccine purchases through the Minnesota Multistate Contracting Alliance.

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5. Approval to renew the Juvenile Detention Services Subsidy Grant from the Minnesota Department of Corrections effective July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2003.
6. Approval to accept and execute two reimbursement grants with the Minnesota Gang Strike Force.
7. Approval of agreement with the City of Cottage Grove for winter road maintenance on CSAH 39.
8. Bids were received for road construction project on County Road 61 as follows:

Arnt Construction Co., Inc.	\$1,573,271.28
Tower Asphalt, Inc.	1,793,643.33
Forest Lake Contracting, Inc.	1,925,535.91

Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-095** as follows:

Award of Contract for County Road 61 Road Construction to
Arnt Construction Company
Project CP01-236102

WHEREAS, in order to complete road construction work on County Road 61, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on August 8, 2001, with Arnt Construction Company Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract between the County and Arnt Construction Company, Inc. be executed through the signatures of the Chair of the Washington County Board of Commissioners and the Washington County Administrator without further action of the County Board conditioned upon compliance with all bid specification requirements and approval as to form by the Washington County Attorney's Office.

9. Approval to accept Office of Economic Opportunity out of Children, Families and Learning Emergency Shelter Grant Program funds and ESGP prevention funds being accessed by Ramsey Action Programs, Inc.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

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PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager, presented an overview of a proposal to establish a Citizen Solid Waste Education Taskforce. The Citizen Taskforce would provide input to the County Board on ways to implement the County's Solid Waste Management Master Plan and recommendations of the recently completed Citizen's Jury on solid waste.

Commissioner Hegberg stated he is opposed to the establishment of a taskforce at this time because the County will soon be reviewing the community collection item. He would like to see this delayed.

Commissioner Stafford stated he has gotten several calls from citizens in his district about government's involvement in the management of waste. He believes the establishment of this taskforce will get citizen input and reduce concerns or suspicions they have on government involvement in waste management. He would be willing to stipulate that if this taskforce was approved that it would not address the public collection issue until a later date.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he is okay with the establishment of this taskforce, but does not feel that a consultant is necessary.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he agrees with Commissioner Hegberg and feels the establishment of the taskforce should wait until the collection process has been worked out.

Commissioner Hegberg asked when staff is looking at having hearings on public collections? Ms. Hunter indicated that the County Boards should receive the findings in January or February of next year.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to table the establishment of a Citizen Solid Waste Education Taskforce until January 2002. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT**Rejection of Bids for Road and Signal Construction on CSAH 13 at the I-94 North Ramps Intersection**

Doug Fischer, Deputy Director, reviewed the single bid received for road and signal construction on CSAH 13 and I-94. The budgeted amount for this project was \$230,544.40. The bid received from Tower Asphalt, Inc. was \$487,002.75. Staff is requesting that the Board reject this bid and authorize staff to rebid at a later date.

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The Commissioners stated that CSAH 13 from CSAH 10 to I-94 is a very dangerous stretch of road. The sooner this project is completed the better. Mr. Fischer indicated that they will be discussing a plan for CSAH 13 at next week's Board meeting.

Commissioner Stafford moved to adopt the resolution with the following amendment, last paragraph, remove the following words "at a later date" and replace with "as soon as possible." Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and **Resolution No. 2001-096** was adopted unanimously as follows:

Rejection of Bids Received for SAP 82-613-13

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate road and signal construction on CSAH 13 at I94 north ramps the County solicited bids for the project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on July 23, 2001 with bids being received only from Tower Asphalt, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the bids received were in excess of available budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid from Tower Asphalt, Inc. made on July 23, 2001 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 as soon as possible.

Conservation Easement in Open Space Development

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-097** as follows:

Resolution Accepting Conservation Easements in Open Space Design Cluster Housing Developments

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 394 authorizes Washington County to carry on planning and zoning activities in the unincorporated areas of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Comprehensive Plan 2015 was adopted by the Washington County Board of Commissioners on April 22, 1997 and became effective October 1, 1997, as Washington County Ordinance 124; and

WHEREAS, in order to implement their Comprehensive Plans, MINN. STAT. § 473.865, requires counties to adopt the official controls described in their Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Development Code was adopted by the Washington County Board of Commissioners and became effective on October 20, 1997 as Washington County Ordinance 127; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has declared through its Comprehensive Plan 2015 its support for and encouragement of open space design developments/cluster housing in order to preserve open space, natural features and agricultural lands; and

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WHEREAS, Washington County has adopted the Washington County Development Code which provides for a property owner to subdivide parcels into lots smaller than conventional subdivisions, subject to compliance with certain design standards and open space requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Development Code requires that a developer who wishes to utilize an open space development option grant a permanent conservation easement for the open space; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Development Code requires that such conservation easement be dedicated to an acceptable land trustee or other similar organization (as set forth in MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 84C) approved by the County; and

WHEREAS, upon documented proof that the developer is unable to procure a land trustee, other similar organization and governmental agency from accepting a conservation easement dedication, Washington County may accept the dedication of the conservation easement for open space developments as provided for by the Washington County Development Code; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Zoning Administrator shall manage the conservation easements; and

WHEREAS, technical assistance may be required in managing certain conservation easements; and

WHEREAS, there is a cost to the County associated with administering, managing and monitoring conservation easements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the attached policy which sets forth the conditions under which Washington County may accept a dedication of a conservation easement in an open space design cluster housing development, said policy to comport with MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 84C and Washington County Development Code Chapter Two, Part 3 Section 4.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing be set to establish a fee for the administration, management and monitoring of those conservation easements the County holds.

WASHINGTON COUNTY
CONSERVATION EASEMENTS
IN
OPEN SPACE DEVELOPMENTS
POLICY AND PROCEDURES DOCUMENT

SECTION 1. Conservation Easement Dedication guidelines

Washington County has created program guidelines to establish consistency in the processing of requests for the dedication of Conservation Easements in Open Space Cluster Developments as provided for in the Washington County Development Code, to the County.

Although conservation easements can be dedicated to a variety of statutorily authorized entities, these guidelines will address only those open space cluster developments under the jurisdiction of the Washington County Development Code where the applicant is unable to procure a holder for the dedication of the an open space conservation easement.

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All Conservation Easements dedicated to Washington County will be conditioned upon the open space owner(s) as defined in Chapter Two, Part 3, section 4.6, of the Washington County Development Code, agreement that the owner(s), heirs, successors or assigns, as the case may be, will be responsible for ensuring that the terms and conditions of the conservation easement are upheld and enforced.

Nature of Conservation Easement Restrictions

The fee title to the designated open space property remains in private ownership and the County's responsibility under the Conservation Easement is for monitoring the easement for purposes of enforcing the non-development clause. Washington County's interest in the real property is only that of limitations and affirmative obligations, as stated in the conservation easement and Washington County shall not be responsible for the maintenance of the property, payment of taxes, or enforcement of restrictive covenants of the homeowners association.

The following land use restrictions will be part of all conservation easements:

- (1) The applicant must designate any areas to be set aside for residential development at the time of application. Any further development on the parcel will be extinguished under the terms of the conservation easement and density agreement.
- (2) Non-agricultural commercial or industrial development is not permitted within the designated conservation easement. The applicant must designate any areas to be set aside for the uses allowed in the designated open space as stated in the Washington County Development Code Chapter Two, Zoning Regulations, Part 3, Performance Standards Section 4. Open Space Development 4.5, Uses (2) Open Space.

SECTION 2. Source

MINN. STAT. § 84C.01	Provides that a governmental agency empowered to hold an interest in real property under law of this state of the United States qualifies to be a holder of a conservation easement.
MINN. STAT. § 375.18	Authorizes a county board of commissioners to acquire real property within the county for public purpose.
MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 394	Authorizes a county to carry on county planning and zoning activities for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the county, which includes a comprehensive plan and official controls to carry out the general objectives of the comprehensive plan.

Washington County Development Code Chapter 2, Part 3 Section 4

Requires that with the exception of open space development in the transition zone, the minimum open space required per Section 4.10(4)(A) shall be subject to a conservation easement and shall be dedicated to an acceptable land trustee or other similar organization as approved by the County.

SECTION 3. Purpose

The purpose of accepting dedication of conservation easements is to preserve open space, including natural and scenic areas and productive agricultural land. The concept of Open

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Space Cluster Development is established to encourage development of rural housing clusters as provided in the Washington County 2015 Comprehensive Plan.

SECTION 4. Definitions

For the purpose of this Program, certain words and phrases are defined as follows:

- (1) Agricultural Land: Land whose use is devoted to the production of crops, livestock, and vegetables, as well as to dairy, poultry and horticultural products, equestrian activities and alternative products of the land.
- (2) Baseline Documentation: Prior to the recording of the conservation easement, baseline data will be compiled to document the condition of the property the natural values of the parcel. Baseline data preparation and monitoring activities should comply with the current standards of the Land Trust Alliance, the national standard-setting organization for land trusts, or similar accepted standards.
- (3) Conservation Easement: Is the definition given in MINN. STAT. § 84C.01(1). A nonpossessory interest of a holder in real property imposing limitations or affirmative obligations, the purpose of which includes retaining or protecting natural, scenic, or open space values of real property, assuring its availability for agricultural, forest, recreational, or open space use, protecting natural resources, maintaining or enhancing air or water quality, or preserving the historical, architectural, archaeological, or cultural aspects of real property.
- (4) County Board: The Washington County Board of Commissioners.
- (5) County Staff: Washington County employees within the Washington County Department of Transportation and Physical Development, under the direction of the Zoning Administrator
- (6) Development: An activity which materially alters or affects the existing conditions or use of any land.
- (7) Development Rights: An interest in and the right to use and subdivide land for any and all residential, commercial and industrial purposes and activities which are not incidental to agriculture and open space.
- (8) Encroachment: Any physical construction of structure or use not allowed by the terms of the conservation easement.
- (9) Homeowners Association: A formally constituted, nonprofit association or corporation comprised of the property owners and/or residents of the development for the purpose of owning, operating and maintaining the common open space and facilities.
- (10) Open Space: Land used for agriculture, natural habitat, pedestrian and/or scenic views, that is undivided and permanently protected from future development.
- (11) Open Space Development: A grouping of residential structures on lots smaller than are allowed in the specific zoning district, leaving some land dedicated as open space.
- (12) Open Space Owner: As defined in Chapter Two Part 3, Section 4.6, of the Washington County Development Code.

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- (13) Plat Commission: An appointed advisory board which makes recommendations to the County Board on the platting and subdivision of land in the unincorporated areas of the County.
- (14) Resource Inventory: The conditions of the open space under which the easement will be dedicated. This includes but is not limited to: topography, soils, hydrologic characteristics, vegetation, current land use and land cover, visual resources and cultural resources.
- (15) Resource Values: The values that a conservation easement is intended to protect, as defined and recorded in the baseline documentation. Values may include but are not limited to natural habitat, productive agricultural land, scenic views and open space.
- (16) Protective or Restrictive Covenant: A contract entered into between private parties which constitutes a restriction of the use of a particular parcel of property.
- (17) Washington County Development Code: Pursuant to MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 394, Washington County has adopted official controls for the purposes of regulating the physical development of land in the unincorporated areas of the County. These official controls are compiled into and are hereafter known as the Washington County Development Code.
- (18) Zoning Administrator: The Department of Transportation and Physical Development shall be designated as the Zoning Administrator

SECTION 5. Procedure

Each proposed dedicated conservation easement will have an application process conducted by County staff and reviewed by the Plat Commission. Qualifying dedications of conservation easements will be presented to the County Board at the time of the presentation of the final plat and recorded at the time of the recording of the final plat in the Washington County Recorder/Registrar of Titles Office.

(1) Application

Prior to submitting an application for the dedication of a conservation easement to Washington County, the applicant must have submitted an application for Plat Review by the Washington County Plat Commission for an Open Space Cluster Development and an application for a conditional use permit with the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission.

Applicants shall submit their applications for the dedication of a conservation easement on the form provided by the Zoning Administrator.

Required documents to accompany the application shall include:

- (A) Written documentation from the Minnesota land trust or a similar organization stating that the organization will not accept a dedication of the proposed conservation easement;
- (B) Written documentation from the township in which the development is located that states that the township will not accept a dedication of the proposed conservation easement;

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- (C) If a Homeowners Association will own the real property on which the open space lies, all documentation as required by the Section 4.8 Part 3, of Chapter Two of the Washington County Development Code concerning Homeowners Associations must be submitted;
- (D) Cashier's check in the amount established by the County Board for the administration, management and monitoring of the Conservation Easement.
- (E) Upon approval for acceptance of the dedication of the conservation easement by the County Board, the applicant shall submit and pay all recording fees of the conservation easement to the County Recorder/Registrar of Titles.

(2) Timing of submission of application

The application shall be submitted to County Staff early in the review process and prior to Final Plat before the Plat Commission. Submission may not occur until after the Plat Commission has conducted a Concept Review of the Open Space Design Cluster Housing Development in accordance with the Subdivision Regulations of the Washington County Development Code.

(3) Zoning Administrator's Responsibility

- (A) Date the application when received and determine within five working days that the application is complete.
- (B) If the application is deemed not complete by County Staff, County Staff shall notify the applicant in writing of the deficiencies of the application. Until a completed application has been received, the Final Plat will not be scheduled, unless the applicant submits in writing that they are no longer requesting that the County receive dedication of the Conservation Easement.
- (C) Establish baseline documentation for monitoring program and seek technical assistance from the Washington County Soil and Water Conservation District to inventory the property.
- (D) Establish monitoring program -- periodic site visits or contacts with landowners -- annual monitoring of sites.
- (E) Zoning Administrator shall draft the conditions of the conservation easement.
- (F) Upon the completion and approval by the Plat Commission at the Final Plat review hearing, County Staff shall submit the conservation easement document to the County Board, with a letter of recommendation to the County Board to accept the Conservation Easement.
- (G) A yearly inspection of each parcel will occur and be documented. Periodic updates of the baseline data by County staff will also be done to keep an ongoing record of the natural values.

SECTION 6. Enforcement

If terms of the Conservation Easement are breached, the County will give the owner written notice of the breach and demand action to cure the breach. If the owners do not cure the breach within 30 days of notice, the County may pursue any other remedy available to law or equity, including but not limited to restoring the protected land and charging back the owners for the cost of restoration; seeking specific performance of the easement; and or seeking an injunction against an activity.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford informed the Board that he will be speaking at the Afton City Council meeting this evening to address a number of concerns.

Commissioner Pulkrabek distributed an article from the Pioneer Press regarding the City of St. Paul budget and highlights the great job Mayor Norm Coleman has done during his eight years in office.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

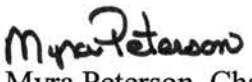
Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT

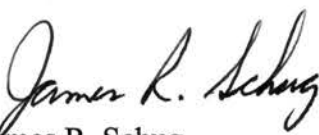
There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Stafford and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the proposed 2002 budget. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were James Schug, Chris Eitemiller, Doug Johnson, Russ Reetz, Jim Frank, Christina Volkers, Craig Leiser and Ned Gordon, Brown's Creek Watershed District, Byron Anderson, Agriculture Society, John Bower, Dick Caldecott and Mike White, Carnelian-Marine Watershed and Dennis Larson and Paul Haik, Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed.


Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

Attest:


James R. Schug
County Administrator

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 28, 2001

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, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; Jeff Travis, Program Manager; Anne Gelbmann, Environmental Coordinator; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Linda Dyer, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Patrick Singel, Deputy Community Services Director; Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Jon Larson, Veterans Service Officer; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Wayne Sandberg, Transportation Engineer; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Robert Lockyear, Director of Administrative Services; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the August 14 and 21, 2001 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to enter into a five-year contract with IKON Office Solutions to supply copy equipment and operate the Washington County Copy Center.
3. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-098** as follows:

10-Year Repurchase Contract for
Brad and Laura Brigham, Former Owners

WHEREAS, Brad & Laura Brigham 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 Statute 1945, Section 282.241, of amended, which land is situated in the County of Washington, Minnesota and described as follows, to-wit:

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PID# 16.027.21.11.0035
Lot 74 Block 1
Thompson Grove Est. 12th Addition
Cottage Grove

;and WHEREAS, said applicant has set forth in his application that

They fell behind on the property taxes and due to a Chapter 13 and 7 they were not able to refinance at this time. This is why the 10 year Repurchase Contract with the county will work for them at this time.

They keep the property looking good and will in the future stay current with the taxes and continue to be good residents of Washington County.

;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 Brad & Laura Brigham 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. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-099** as follows:

County Veterans Service Office
Operational Improvement Grant

BE IT RESOLVED that Jon D. Larson act as the legal sponsor for project(s) contained in the County Veterans Service Officers Grant Application submitted on August 15, 2001 and that the County Veterans Service Officer is hereby authorized to receive grant funds from the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs for funding of this project on behalf of Washington County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jon D. Larson has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance, and the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure adequate construction, operation, maintenance and replacement of the proposed project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Washington County has not violated any Federal, State, or local laws pertaining to fraud, bribery, graft, kickbacks, collusion, conflict of interest or other unlawful or corrupt practices.

5. Approval of fraud prevention investigation plan and grant application for the time period of July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2003.
6. Approval of County certification of Community Services Case 23836 to provide adult foster care services to a related person.
7. Approval of contract with REM Minnesota Community Services, Inc. for 2001-2002.

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8. Approval and execution by Board Chair and County Administrator of an agreement with Andersen Corporation for a household hazardous waste collection on September 15, 2001.
9. Approval to apply for a Cooperating Technical Communities Grant of \$70,000 to provide funding to assist the county in defining unmapped areas and landlocked basins in Washington County.
10. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-100** as follows:

Final Payment to Donahue Construction, Inc. for
Reroofing Park Buildings at Lake Elmo Park Reserve

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on February 23, 2001, signed a contract with Donahue Construction, Inc. for the reroofing of buildings at Lake Elmo Park Reserve; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Donahue Construction, 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.

11. Approval to set a public hearing date for September 18, 2001 for establishing a fee of \$5,000 for accepting and monitoring conservation easements in open space developments.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve, and authorize execution by the Board Chair and County Administrator, an agreement between Washington County and Onyx Environmental Services for Household Hazardous Waste Management Services. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson congratulated Jeff Travis, Public Health and Environment Program Manager, for being awarded the Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Manager 2001 Champions of Excellence.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Susan Wardell, Chair of the Washington County Citizen Review Panel updated the Board on the Panel's activities during the past two years. Ms. Wardell indicated that Washington County was one of three

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pilot counties in the State. The purpose of the Panel is to insure that all children in the County are safe and protected.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-101** as follows:

All Way Stop Installation at the Inwood Avenue (CSAH 13) &
4th Street/Hudson Boulevard Intersection

WHEREAS, due to increasing traffic volumes, and a subsequent increase in both delay and accidents at this intersection, a traffic signal is urgently needed; and

WHEREAS, this traffic signal will be installed in 2002 as part of a cooperative effort between Washington County, Mn/DOT, Lake Elmo and Oakdale; and

WHEREAS, additional traffic control devices should be installed in the interim in an effort to reduce the number and severity of crashes experienced at this intersection; and

WHEREAS, an all way stop is such a device; and

WHEREAS, the intersection does meet the Minnesota Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD) warrants for all way stop control.

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 Inwood Avenue (CSAH 13) & 4th Street/Hudson Blvd. These stop signs will be installed as an interim measure and will be replaced with a traffic control signal as soon as possible.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-102** as follows:

All Way Stop Installation at the Inwood Avenue (CSAH 13) &
I-94 North Ramps Intersection

WHEREAS, due to increasing traffic volumes and a subsequent increase in both delay and accidents at this intersection, a traffic signal is urgently needed; and

WHEREAS, a traffic signal was originally scheduled to be installed in 2001; and

WHEREAS, the bids for this work were rejected by the Board with Mn/DOT's concurrence due to the bid being 111% over the estimate and deemed unreasonable; and

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WHEREAS, all way stop control is being considered for the intersection of CSAH 13 and 4th Street/Hudson Blvd; and

WHEREAS, due to its close proximity to CSAH 13 & 4th, this intersection will not operate well if it too is not controlled by an all way stop; and

WHEREAS, the all way stop will also help to reduce delay and accident severity; and

WHEREAS, the intersection does meet the Minnesota Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD) warrants for all way stop control; and

WHEREAS, the all way stop will be an interim measure until a traffic signal is constructed.

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 Inwood Avenue (CSAH 13) & I-94 North Ramps. These stop signs will be installed as an interim measure and will be replaced with a traffic control signal as soon as possible.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Contract with John Kaul for Legislative Liaison Services

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to approve a contract with John Kaul, d.b.a., Capitol Gains, for legislative services for the period September 1, 2001 to August 21, 2002 in the amount of \$40,200. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Courts Planning Advisory Committee

Jim Schug, County Administrator, presented an overview of a proposed citizen advisory committee to provide community input into the planning process of the Courts expansion.

Commissioner Stafford moved to approve the establishment of a Courts Planning Advisory Committee to help represent the broader interests of the community in development of a plan for expansion of the 10th Judicial courts in the County. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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2002 Budget

Mr. Schug advised the Board that they will be finishing up budget hearings this morning, with the exception of four watershed district hearings that are scheduled for next week. There will also be a public meeting next week immediately following the 4:30 p.m. County Board meeting to receive citizen input on the budget before the preliminary levy is certified on September 11.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford advised the Board that he and Commissioner Peterson will be meeting with District 833 regarding excess levy referendum on Wednesday. On Thursday he will be working at the State Fair in the emergency medical care booth. He will also meet with the Waste Management people on Wednesday afternoon for lunch.

Commissioner Pulkrabek distributed a newspaper article from the Star Tribune this past Sunday related to Minnesota Extension and how Counties throughout the State and the University of Minnesota are looking at how to adapt to changing times.

Commissioner Hegberg reported that the County will receive a dividend from the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust of \$514,000.

Commissioner Abrahamson acknowledged the "Trash Today" newsletter that just came out and stated it was an excellent piece. He thanked Bob McFarlin and Clarence Malick for their support of the Stillwater Bridge this morning in the Pioneer Press Editorial section.

Commissioner Peterson indicated that the Board has been invited to attend the County Attorney's picnic this afternoon at the Lake Elmo Park. She also indicated that the legislators from District 56A and 56B have asked that South Washington County have a governmental review committee meeting to discuss budgets. On Thursday morning a legislative committee on local road improvement will hold its first meeting and she suggested that staff should attend.

Mr. Schug advised the Board that in the last "Staying in Touch" newsletter there was an article on the merger of the Washington County Extension Office with the Department of Public Health and Environment. He indicated that the Association of Minnesota Counties has requested permission to reprint that article in their monthly newspaper because it is of some interest to other Counties.

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 Hegberg moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Stafford and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the proposed 2002 budget with various departments and agencies. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Chris Eitemiller, Barbara Dacy, Housing and Redevelopment Authority, Konrad Koosmann, Soil and Water Conservation District, George Rydeen, Soil and Water Conservation District, Jim Wells, Don Wujcik, Library Board, JoAnn Bailey, Library Board, Chris Georgacas, Library Board, and Nancy Remakel, Library Board.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



Myra Peterson, Chair

County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 4, 2001**

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, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Linda Dyer, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; Jennifer Wagenius, Assistant County Recorder; Edison Vizuite, Financial Services Director; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Lowell Johnson, Senior Program Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Pat Singel, Deputy Community Services Director; and Robert Lockyear, Director of Administrative Services.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Vincent J. Anderson, 1815 Hillside Court, West Lakeland Township, addressed the Board on the amendment to the Carnelian-Marine Tax Increment Financing District. He indicated he has researched how that TIF money has been spent and feels that it does not meet the direction the County Board gave in 1993: 1) That the expenditures had to be within the Carnelian-Marine Watershed District; and 2) They had to be public improvements directly related to or growing out of the Carnelian-Marine proposal dated September 30, 1983. He asked if the County was interested in validating his research in auditing the expenditures and in recovering the misspent money.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval to appoint James Wolcott, Cottage Grove, to the Courts Planning Advisory Committee representing Commissioner District No. 4.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-103** as follows:

Conveyance of Tax Forfeited Land by
Marine on St. Croix

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

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PID #07.031.19.34.0020
 Lot 15
 Butternut Falls
 Marine on St. Croix

2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-104** as follows:

Repurchase of Tax Forfeited Land by
 Gary R. Williams, Former Owner

WHEREAS, Gary R. Williams 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:

PID # 32.030.21.12.0023
 Outlot A
 Pheasant Cove
 City of Mahtomedi

; and WHEREAS, said applicant has set forth in his application that

Property was sold by Gary R. Williams to Thomas Snell in 1996, but no deed was recorded at Washington County by either party. The repurchase will allow Mr. Williams to properly convey the parcel to Mr. Snell and he will have the documents filed with the Washington County Records office. The repurchase will return the parcel to the Washington County 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 Gary R. Williams 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 to accept a bequest from the Elizabeth Jordan estate in the amount of \$1,740.55 to be used at the Marine on St. Croix Library.
4. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-105** as follows:

Resolution Establishing 2002 Fee Schedules for
 Environmental Health Programs within the
 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

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

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health and Environment has prepared the recommended fee schedules for the year 2002, which are consistent with County Board policy.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts 2002 fee schedules for Hazardous Waste generators; Solid Waste facilities, Food, Beverage and Lodging establishments; and Individual Sewage Treatment Systems.

5. Approval and execution of a preliminary design contract with Wold Architects and Engineers of St. Paul to include needs analysis, community involvement, programming and schematic concepts for the Washington County Courts expansion project.
6. Approval of an agreement with the City of Lake Elmo for installation and maintenance of street lighting at the intersection of CSAH 13 (Ideal Avenue) and 15th Street in Lake Elmo.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Cindy Koosmann as Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics effective September 10, 2001 and that the headquarters for Vital Statistics will reside in the Washington County Government Center. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Stafford moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-106** as follows:

A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2001A; 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. It is hereby determined that:

(a) the County is authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, as amended (the "Act"), and Section 475.67, Subdivision 3, of the Act to issue and sell its general obligation bonds to refund obligations of the County, and the interest thereon, before the due date of such

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obligations, if consistent with covenants made with the holders thereof, when determined by the Board of Commissioners to be necessary or desirable for the reduction of debt service cost to the County or for the extension or adjustment of maturities in relation to the resources available for their payment;

(b) Section 475.67, subdivision 4, of the Act permits the sale of refunding obligations during the six month period prior to the date on which the obligations to be refunded may be called for redemption;

(c) it is necessary and desirable, in order to reduce its debt service costs, that the County issue its General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2001A (the "Bonds"), in the original aggregate principal amount of \$14,680,000 to refund certain outstanding general obligation bonds of the County; and

(d) the outstanding bonds to be refunded (the "Refunded Bonds") consist of the principal amount of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 1992A, dated October 1, 1992, maturing in the years 2002 through 2010, inclusive.

1.02. Pursuant to the terms of a resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the County, Adopted on August 7, 2001 (the "Preliminary Resolution"), Springsted Incorporated was authorized to negotiate the sale of the Bonds in the original aggregate principal amount of \$14,680,000 in accordance with the Terms of Proposal set forth in the Preliminary Resolution. The proposal of US Bancorp Piper Jaffray Inc. (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 \$14,540,852.89 plus accrued interest to date of delivery, for Bonds bearing interest as follows:

<u>Year of</u> <u>Maturity</u>	<u>Interest</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>Year of</u> <u>Maturity</u>	<u>Interest</u> <u>Rate</u>
2003	3.50%	2007	4.00%
2004	4.00	2008	4.00
2005	4.00	2009	5.00
2006	4.00	2010	5.00

True interest cost: 3.7218%

1.03. The sum of \$543,732.89 being the amount proposed by the Purchaser in excess of \$13,997,120 is credited to the Debt Service Fund hereinafter created. The County Administrator 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 Administrator (or any officer designated by the County Administrator) are directed to execute a contract with the Purchaser on behalf of the County.

1.04. The County shall forthwith issue and sell the Bonds pursuant to the Act, in the total principal amount of \$14,110,000, originally dated November 1, 2001, in the denomination of \$5,000 each or any integral multiple thereof, numbered No. R-1, upward, bearing interest as set forth above, and which mature serially on February 1 in the years and in the 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	\$1,425,000	2007	\$1,820,000
2004	1,565,000	2008	1,920,000
2005	1,650,000	2009	1,925,000
2006	1,740,000	2010	2,065,000

The Bonds will not be subject to payment in advance of their respective stated maturity dates.

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Section 2. Registration and Payment.

2.01. Registered Form. The Bonds shall be issued only in fully registered form. The interest thereon and, upon surrender of each Bond, the principal amount thereof, is 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 shall 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 shall 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, 2002, to the registered owners of record as of the close of business on the fifteenth day of the immediately preceding month, whether or not that day is a business day.

2.03. Registration. The County shall appoint, and shall maintain, 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 must 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 a like 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 a like 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 cancelled 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.

(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.

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(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.

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 Administrator 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 30 days' notice and upon the appointment of a successor Registrar, in which event the predecessor Registrar must deliver all cash and Bonds in its possession to the successor Registrar and must 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 Administrator must transmit to the Registrar money sufficient for the payment of all principal and interest then due.

2.05. Execution, Authentication and Delivery. The Bonds shall be prepared under the direction of the County Administrator and executed on behalf of the County by the signatures of the Chair and the County Administrator (or such other officer of the County designated by the County Administrator), 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 Administrator 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 shall be printed or typewritten in substantially the following form:

No. R-____

\$_____

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF MINNESOTA

September 4, 2001

COUNTY OF WASHINGTON
GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BOND
SERIES 2001A

Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Date of Original Issue	CUSIP
	February 1, 20__	November 1, 2001	

Registered Owner: Cede & Co.

Principal Amount: _____ DOLLARS

Washington County, Minnesota, a duly organized and existing municipal corporation (the "County"), acknowledges itself to be indebted and for value received promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above or registered assigns, the principal amount specified above, on the maturity date specified above, without option of prior payment, 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, 2002, 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.

This Bond is one of an issue in the aggregate principal amount of \$14,105,000 all of like original issue date and tenor, except as to number, maturity date, and interest rate, all issued pursuant to a resolution adopted by the County Board on September 4, 2001 (the "Resolution"), for the purpose of providing money to refund the outstanding principal amount of certain general obligation bonds of the County, pursuant to and in full conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota, including Minnesota Statutes, Sections 475.67, as amended. The principal of and interest on this Bond 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 in taxes pledged, 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 shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

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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.

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.

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.

WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Chair

County Administrator

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This is one of the Bonds delivered pursuant to the Resolution mentioned within.

By _____
Authorized Representative

ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of this Bond, shall be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM — as tenants in common

TEN ENT — as tenants by entireties

JT TEN — as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common

UNIF GIFT MIN ACT —

(Cust) Custodian (Minor)
under Uniform Gifts or Transfers to
Minors Act, State of _____

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, STAMP, 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 the Registrar</u>
	Cede & Co. Federal ID # 13-2555119	

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3.02. The County Administrator is authorized and directed to obtain a copy of the proposed approving legal opinion of Kennedy & Graven, Chartered, Minneapolis, Minnesota, which is to be complete except as to dating thereof and cause the opinion to be printed on or accompany each Bond.

Section 4. Payment; Security; Pledges and Covenants.

4.01. The Bonds are payable from the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2001A Debt Service Fund (the "Debt Service Fund") hereby created, and the proceeds of ad valorem taxes hereinafter levied to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds (the "Taxes") are hereby pledged to the Debt Service Fund. The debt service fund, if any, heretofore established for the Refunded Bonds as defined in the resolution providing for the issuance and sale of the Refunded Bonds, is terminated, and all money therein is hereby transferred 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 Administrator shall pay such principal or interest from the general fund of the County, and the general fund shall be reimbursed for those advances out of the proceeds of the Taxes levied by this resolution when collected. There is hereby 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 hereby levied a direct annual irrevocable ad valorem tax upon all of the taxable property in the County, which shall be spread upon the tax rolls and collected with and as part of other general taxes of the County. Such tax shall be credited to the Debt Service Fund above provided and shall be in the years and amounts set forth in EXHIBIT B to this resolution.

4.03. The County Administrator is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution in the Auditor's office and to supply the certificate required by Section 475.63 of the Act.

4.04. It is hereby determined that upon the receipt of proceeds of the Bonds (the "Proceeds") for payment of the Refunded Bonds that an irrevocable appropriation to the debt service fund for the Refunded Bonds shall have been made, within the meaning of Section 475.61, Subdivision 3, of the Act and the County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to certify such fact and to cancel any and all tax levies made by the resolution authorizing and approving the Refunded Bonds.

4.05. It is hereby 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 the amount available in the Debt Service Fund to pay principal and interest due during the ensuing year, and the County Administrator shall thereupon reduce the levy collectible during such year by the amount so certified.

Section 5. Refunding; Findings; Redemption of Refunded Bonds.

5.01. The Refunded Bonds are callable on February 1, 2002. It is hereby found and determined that based upon information presently available from the County's financial advisers, the issuance of the Bonds is consistent with covenants made with the holders thereof and is necessary and desirable for the reduction of debt service cost to the municipality.

5.02. It is hereby found and determined that the Proceeds will be sufficient to pay all of the principal of, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the Refunded Bonds due on February 1, 2002, the date of the optional redemption and prepayment of the Refunded Bonds.

5.03. The Refunded Bonds maturing on February 1, 2003 and thereafter shall be redeemed and prepaid on February 1, 2002. The Refunded Bonds shall be redeemed and prepaid in accordance with their terms and in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the forms of Notice of Call for Redemption attached hereto as EXHIBIT C which terms and conditions are hereby approved and

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incorporated herein by reference. The Registrar for the Refunded Bonds is authorized and directed to send a copy of the Notice of Redemption to each registered holder of the Refunded Bonds.

5.04. When all Bonds and all interest thereon have been discharged as provided in this section, all pledges, covenants and other rights granted by this resolution to the holders of the Bonds shall cease, except that the pledge of the full faith and credit of the County for the prompt and full payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds shall remain in full force and effect. The County may discharge all Bonds which are due on any date by depositing with the Registrar on or before that date a sum sufficient for the payment thereof in full. If any Bond should not be paid when due, it may nevertheless be discharged by depositing with the Registrar a sum sufficient for the payment thereof in full with interest accrued to the date of such deposit.

Section 6. Authentication of Transcript.

6.01. The Administrator of the County (and such officers and employees designated by the Administrator) 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, shall be deemed representations of the County as to the facts stated therein.

6.02. The Chair and County Administrator are hereby 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 7. Tax Covenants.

7.01. 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 that 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 "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 subject to taxation under the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations, as presently existing or as hereafter amended and made applicable to the Bonds.

7.02. The County shall 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 materially higher than the yield on the Bonds.

7.03. 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," "federally guaranteed bonds," "advance refunding bonds," or "hedge bonds" within the meaning of Sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations.

7.04. The County shall use its best efforts to comply with any federal procedural requirements which may apply in order to effectuate the covenants made by this section.

Section 8. Book-Entry System; Limited Obligation of County.

8.01. The Bonds shall 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 shall be registered in the registration books kept by the Bond Registrar in

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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 shall be registered in the registration books kept by the Bond Registrar in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC.

8.02. 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 shall 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 shall 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, shall receive a certificated Bond evidencing the obligation of this resolution. Upon delivery by DTC to the County Administrator of a written notice to the effect that DTC has determined to substitute a 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 Administrator shall promptly deliver a copy of the same to the Bond Registrar and Paying Agent.

8.03. Representation Letter. The County has heretofore executed and delivered to DTC a Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations (the "Representation Letter") which shall govern payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds and notices with respect to the Bonds. 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.

8.04. 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 shall notify DTC, whereupon DTC shall notify the Participants, of the availability through DTC of Bond certificates. In such event the County shall 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.

8.05. 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 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 9. Continuing Disclosure.

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9.01. The County hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution, failure of the County to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall not 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 County to comply with its obligations under this section.

9.02. "Continuing Disclosure Certificate" means that certain Continuing Disclosure Certificate executed by the Chair and County Administrator 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.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

James Schug, County Administrator, reminded the viewers that following the Board meeting at 6:30 this evening there will be a public meeting to review the County's 2002 budget proposal.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford reported that he and Commissioner Peterson will meet with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development at the St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park at 8:30 tomorrow morning. He will also be attending the annual Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board meetings on Thursday and Friday.

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the AMC Policy Board meeting on environment. They discussed the Resource Recovery Plant and are reconsidering garbage as a renewable resource for generating electricity. He also reported that the Governor's Office will be holding a meeting on Resource Recovery plants next Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. He will probably attend that meeting and not the County Board meeting.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported on a letter he received regarding a veteran's memorial and the location of that memorial. The Stillwater City Council will discuss this matter at tonight's council meeting.

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported on an item he read in the Pioneer Press about a person who was arrested and convicted of DWI 29 times, 23 times in Minnesota and 7 additional times in North Dakota. What he finds appalling is that the last time he was arrested and convicted he received a sentence of one year in jail and served only four months, because nobody ever serves the full time, at least not in Minnesota. He served four months and was on work release and skipped town, he was a fugitive and was consequently arrested. Commissioner Pulkrabek stated it is beyond his comprehension what some judges are thinking to allow a person back out in the community after being convicted 29 times for

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DWI. He believes this person should be serving more time in jail. There is a myth that all the prisons in Minnesota are full, that's why they have to let everybody go, unless they commit a very serious crime. The point he is making is that the jail in Stillwater is not full and believes this person deserves to be in prison here before he kills people, which he believes is inevitable with this person.

Commissioner Peterson asked that Fred Luden be appointed to the Courts Planning Advisory Committee as a business representative at next week's Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

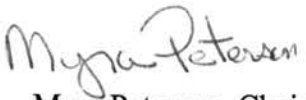
There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Stafford moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hegberg and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION


The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Office of Administration to continue 2002 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, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were James Schug, Molly O'Rourke and representatives from the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District, South Washington Watershed District, Lower St. Croix Valley Watershed District, and the Rice Creek Watershed District.

PROPOSED 2002 BUDGET AND OVERVIEW BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

The County Board of Commissioners met to discuss and receive public comments on the proposed 2002 budget. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were James Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Kevin Corbid Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections, Dan Papin, Community Services Director, Chris Volkers, Court Administrator, Russ Reetz, Court Services Director, Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment, Doug Johnson, County Attorney, Jim Frank, County Sheriff, Jim Wells, Library Director, Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development and Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder.


Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

Attest:


James R. Schug
County Administrator

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 11, 2001**

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, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Edison Vizuete, Financial Services Director; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Richard Gauger, Project Manager; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Jim Luger, Parks Director; Jim Wells, Library Director; Mary McCarthy, I.S. Director; Barbara Dacy, Executive Director, Housing and Redevelopment Authority; Robert Lockyear, Director of Administrative Services; and David Brierley, Public Information Coordinator.

The Board Chair asked for a moment of silence to pay respect to those who lost their lives in this morning's attack on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington D.C.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to amend today's agenda by moving Agenda Item 6, General Administration, in front of the Consent Calendar. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Pulkrabek addressed the County Board and staff present regarding an article he wrote and was published in the local newspapers. He indicated that the point of the article was to discuss the spending of local governments. Unfortunately, due to his zeal for fiscal prudence and conservatism he went too far. It was not his intent to question, criticize or offend his fellow Commissioners or staff. After much input, he realizes he has done just that and is deeply saddened and sorry. He feels this is a great Board of Commissioners and a highly professional staff and for him to question the integrity or motives of either was wrong.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Resolution – Proposed Budget for Payable 2002

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-107** as follows:

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Resolution Adopting the Washington County
Proposed Budget for Payable 2002

<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	\$71,334,900	\$36,027,100	(\$1,490,500)	\$33,817,300	5,488,631	\$28,328,670
Social Services	32,340,000	19,804,500	0	12,535,500	1,672,441	10,863,059
Public Works - Road & Bridge	21,068,200	15,739,300	(350,000)	4,978,900	664,267	4,314,633
Public Works - Parks	1,809,800	1,191,000	205,700	824,500	110,002	714,498
Regional Rail Authority	279,100	0	(68,400)	**210,700	0	210,700
Library	4,732,600	157,000	0	4,575,600	610,460	3,965,140
Debt Service - County Wide	7,094,800	298,500	614,800	7,411,100	0	7,411,100
Debt Service - Library District	149,600	500	(149,100)	0	0	0
Subtotal:	\$138,809,000	\$73,217,900	(\$1,237,500)	\$64,353,600	\$8,545,800	\$55,807,800
<u>CAPITAL FUNDS</u>						
CIP Bond Projects	6,322,000	0	*(6,322,000)	0	0	0
Historic Courthouse Restoration	12,000	17,300	5,300	0	0	0
Capital Repair Fund	691,200	250,000	(441,200)	0	0	0
Subtotal:	\$7,025,200	\$267,200	(\$6,757,900)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total 2002 Budget:	\$145,834,200	\$73,485,200	(\$7,995,400)	\$64,353,600	\$8,545,800	\$55,807,800
* Planned use of Bond Proceeds						
**RRA is a separate taxing authority						
<u>OTHER LEVY PAYMENT</u>						
HRA Landfall				200,000	0	200,000
Total Washington County 2002 Levy (Operating minus RRA plus HRA Landfall):				\$64,342,900	\$8,545,800	\$55,797,100

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

Certifying Proposed Property Tax Levy for Payable 2002 for Washington County and Special
Levy for Washington County Housing & Redevelopment Authority and Regional Rail Authority

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-108** as follows:

Resolution Certifying Proposed Property Tax Levies for
Washington County Payable 2002

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington
County Auditor-Treasurer the following proposed tax levies for payable 2002:

Washington County	\$55,797,100
Which includes the Washington County Special Levy for the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority	\$200,000
Regional Rail Authority	\$210,700

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Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Certifying Proposed Property Tax Levy for Payable 2002 for Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-109** as follows:

Resolution Certifying Proposed Property Tax Levies for
Washington County Payable 2002

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following proposed tax levies for payable 2002:

Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority \$1,784,951

Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the August 28, 2001 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to appoint Donna Plumbo, Stillwater, to the Workforce Investment Board to a term expiring June 30, 2002.
3. Approval to appoint Fred Luden, Sr., Cottage Grove, to the Courts Planning Advisory Committee representing the Business Community.
4. Approval to reappoint Bharat Tandan, Public Assistance Housing Representative, to the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority to a term expiring December 31, 2004.
5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-110** as follows:

Approval of Abatements Over \$10,000

BE IT RESOLVED, that the application for abatements on the following parcels be approved pursuant to County Policy #4001:

PID# 03.029.20.41.0010 (Croixdale)
29.030.21.42.0001 (Gunnars Holding Company)

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05.029.20.11.0042 (Sigstad)
31.029.21.22.0084 (Allan)

6. Approval of a special project Senior I.T. Analyst position for a period of one year to complete the Washington County Attorney's Office integrated case management system.
7. Approval of 2001 contract with REM Minnesota Community Services, Inc. to provide home and community-based services for persons with developmental disabilities.
8. Approval of School-to-Work Year 5 Amendment No. 1 grant with the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning and the Washington County Community Services' Workforce Center Division.
9. Approval of agreement for Welfare-to-Work Formula Allocation grant and Work Plan/Budget for the period of July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2003.
10. Approval to modify and renew a contract for services with Born Inc., to allow the County to improve and develop all JDEdwards modules.
11. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-111** as follows:

Authorization to Enter into Radiological Emergency
Preparedness Grant with the Minnesota Department of
Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management

WHEREAS, the Radiological Emergency Preparedness Program is administered by the State of Minnesota, through its Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has applied for and entered into an agreement for financial assistance related to training, equipment and personnel expenses related to preparing for and/or responding to a radiological emergency; and

WHEREAS, Myra Peterson, Board Chair and Jim Schug, County Administrator are authorized to execute the terms of the contract and thereby act on behalf of Washington County for all contractual obligations contained therein.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Washington County fully agrees to the terms of the contract and with the passage of this resolution, officially requests the Division of Emergency Management to enforce the contract in accordance with the applicable rules and regulations.

12. Approval and execution by Board Chair and County Administrator of an agreement with the City of Forest Lake for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$73,017.

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13. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-112** as follows:

Solicitation and Acceptance of Donations by the
Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment

WHEREAS, the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment will periodically receive unsolicited donations from the community to be used for the benefit of clients of Washington County; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of such donations requires County Board approval; and

WHEREAS, the County Board can delegate the responsibility for accepting these donations to the County Administrator and/or the Department of Public Health and Environment; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health and Environment has developed a departmental policy to manage the acceptance of these donations as attached.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the Department of Public Health and Environment's Policy on Solicitation and Acceptance of Donations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board delegates to the Director of the Department of Public Health and Environment the authority to accept donations which are less than \$500.00 in value and further delegates to the County Administrator the ability to accept donations which are between \$500.00 and \$1000.00 in value. The County Board retains the responsibility to accept donations which exceed \$1000.00 in value.

14. Approval of agreement with Barr Engineering Company to complete a natural resources inventory for Denmark Township.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Pulkrabek requested historical information on Washington County's settlements of lawsuits and union negotiations compared to other counties.

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to renew the service agreement with Frank Madden & Associates for labor relations consultant services through September 30, 2002. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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WASHINGTON COUNTY HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Barbara Dacy, Executive Director of the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA), presented an overview of their request to the County Board to amend its cooperation agreement with the HRA regarding the scattered site public housing program in the County by the following two ways: 1) Add the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA) as a party to the agreement; and 2) Increase the number of units in the County from 60 to 80 (the City of Woodbury is requesting 10 additional units and the City of Stillwater is requesting up to 15 units). Ms. Dacy indicated that the HRA would take ownership of the units effective April 1, 2002. The amendment to the cooperation agreement is only a temporary measure to complete the acquisition of these units to meet the deadline of the consent decree as well as to allow herself and the HRA to wrap up a few administrative issues.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked why the County Board is being asked to approve this amended agreement when the HRA Board is still evaluating the cash flow and will not vote on this until September 18? Ms. Dacy stated that the HRA Board did indicate in August that they wanted to accept additional units in the City of Woodbury. The additional units in Stillwater, however, they were concerned that there hadn't been a cash flow analysis on the impact of those homes at this time. The concern lies in the fact that HUD has certain procedures and terms of reimbursement, certain definitions of what they will reimburse as an operating expense as opposed to a development expense.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked why this couldn't come back in two weeks after the HRA Board has looked at it on September 18? Ms. Dacy stated she wanted to at least initiate the process. If the County Board chooses not to approve it today, that's fine, it would give them time to take in any concerns or issues that the County Board would like to see addressed. They also wanted to complete the paper work process now, so that MPHA can go out and acquire the units and town homes so they can get established prior to their consent decree deadline of the end of April 2002.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked that of the units that have been built and exist in Washington County and the ones that are coming in now, what is the makeup of the residents that are currently there and that will be coming in the future? He does not see the point of putting more affordable housing units in Washington County if they are not going to be constructed and utilized for existing Washington County residents. He asked for data showing where the existing folks who live in these units came from and where the next 20 will come from? Ms. Dacy stated that the folks who were located in the existing units were not taken from the MPHA list because the list was not available in 1999 so the tenants were placed from the Metro HRA list. That list included folks from the Washington County area and it included folks from the rest of the metropolitan area. She does not have a breakdown of where every tenant came from originally, but she can track that down.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek feels that is a critical piece of information. If the number of people obtaining this housing are not current Washington County residents, he sees no point in approving this. Ms. Dacy stated that they are required for the new units to implement the requirements of the consent decree which will require that 70% of the tenants must come from the MPHA list and 30% can be from a local list.

Commissioner Pulkrabek would also like to receive the following information on the residents in the existing units: 1) How many are on public assistance; and , 2) Criminal records. Ms. Dacy stated she does have the public assistance information. She indicated that 32 of the 45 are employed, 10 of these 32 also have some type of assistance, and 13 of the 45 have assistance only.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he would like to see this tabled for two weeks until that information can be obtained.

Commissioner Stafford asked if former employees of the HRA, who are now connected with MPHA, will not be allowed to interfere in this process? He would like to see the agreement definitely say MPHA is out of the picture on a date certain.

Commissioner Stafford asked if the City of Woodbury is happy with this request? Barry Johnson, Administrator for the City of Woodbury, indicated that the City does support this request. This program has the advantage of distributing units throughout the community so they don't stand out, they blend in with the rest of the community. Their experience to date has been positive with the program and they would like to continue that. The City is also happy that the Washington County HRA is involved in this program.

(Commissioner Hegberg left the Board meeting at 9:40 a.m.)

Steve Russell, City of Stillwater, indicated that the Mayor prepared a letter to the HRA requesting 15 additional units in Stillwater. The City feels they have a good range of income and household types in their older neighborhoods and feel this program is a key to preserving that.

Commissioner Peterson asked if the City Council approved this request? Mr. Russell stated it was written by the Mayor, he does not believe the City Council took action to request the letter.

Commissioner Peterson stated she would feel more comfortable having the Stillwater City Council vote and request this action, so there is a consensus from the local community. She assumes the City of Woodbury took action of this item.

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Mr. Johnson indicated that the City Council directed him through a discussion, not an actual vote, to send a letter to the County HRA requesting the 10 additional units. There was no action at a Council meeting to do that. He asked if the Board would like that returned to the Council for its formal approval?

It was Board consensus to request from both the City of Stillwater and City of Woodbury formal action approving the request for additional units.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked what are the units renting for? Ms. Dacy indicated they range from zero to \$500. She will put together for the next meeting a matrix of the rental costs by unit.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked about utilities, is that a separate issue? Ms. Dacy stated that the tenants are responsible for the utilities.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked what happens if a tenant moves out and the utilities have not been paid, who picks up that cost, the taxpayer? Ms. Dacy stated that in the two years of this program there was only one vacancy at this point and they did have to take on a water bill of \$30 to \$50. They do use the revenue-recapturing program extensively throughout their portfolio. To date, things have been going very well.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked the person from the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority about people who move out and do not pay their utility bills and the average rent.

Dean Carlson, Housing Director for MPHA, stated that the residents pay 30% of their income for rent, so each unit will be different. There is a minimum rent of \$50 a month and it can go to \$500. They also have to pay utilities, if they don't they go after them. Their average tenancy in their scattered sites in Minneapolis is about seven, eight or nine years, they do not have a lot of turnover. The vast majority do pay their bills but occasionally someone will not pay.

Mr. Carlson responded to the 70-30 split—that's in the decent decree, that's a federal requirement they have to abide by. However, the people that would come out here have chosen Washington County as a place they would want to live, sometimes they have family here. Obviously it's someone from their Minneapolis list that would be coming out here, but they do contribute to the community, they work at Target, Tires Plus and so on. The question about MPHA being out of the picture at a date certain, they certainly want to do that. It doesn't make sense for them to own units in Woodbury. This is just a means to acquire the units then all the units at once will be turned over to the HRA.

Commissioner Stafford stated that his comfort level would include some statement that there will be no former Washington County HRA employees or Board members involved in this enterprise.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek requested that the information he has asked for on people moving from Washington County to Washington County units and non-Washington County residents he would like to see, in addition to public assistance and criminal records, he would like those to be sorted out as far as Washington County to Washington County and non-Washington County.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to table the request for a first amendment to the Cooperation Agreement with the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority for low-rent housing under the Metropolitan Housing Opportunities Program to September 25, 2001. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Jim Schug, County Administrator, announced that in addition to the Pentagon being bombed, a number of Federal buildings are being shut down. The State Capitol has been closed to the public and the State Management Planning Team is meeting right now to discuss things they may need to do at the State level. The State Office Building is also locked down. Local units of government have not taken any action, but in fact the Sheriff has asked to meet with him after the Board meeting to discuss any action the County may need to take. The Minneapolis-St. Paul Airport has been shutdown and is only receiving incoming traffic. He also stated that one of the World Trade Center Towers has collapsed as a result of the plane going into it and there may be many casualties as a result of that.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager, informed the Board that Community Services and Public Health will host three public meetings on September 18 and 19, 2001, to discuss long term care in the County. These meetings will inform the community of several changes occurring in the long-term care area and will gain information from senior citizens about redesigning Community Long Term Care. This planning process is being funded by Aging Initiative funds from the Minnesota Department of Human Services.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Richard Gauger, Project Manager, updated the Board on a number of items related to the construction of the Woodbury Library: The Development and Land Acquisition agreements have been executed; The site acquisition costs is \$5,000 less than what was budgeted; The various declaration documents are in process; The draft of the management agreement has been reviewed by the City and County, the cost to the County for site maintenance will be 1/3, the City 1/3 and the YMCA 1/3; Building maintenance—the County will be responsible for the maintenance of the Library cube and a portion of the shared space; The County can opt out of their share at any time if they find the services aren't being provided

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or the costs are not what they expect; Construction remains on schedule; There have been 30 or 40 change orders thus far and the County's share of the construction cost additions are well under 1%; The furniture and fixtures are in process of being developed for purchase; Design work for voice/data systems is proceeding; There has been a request by Library staff to use the smaller expansion space for storage of items that are now in paid storage; A theme was displayed for the children's area that includes hot air balloons and a St. Croix theme. Mr. Gauger did note that all the steel used in this construction project is American steel.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jim Schug announced that Russ Reetz, Court Services Director, was given the Jack Young Award for Excellence in Corrections by the Minnesota Association of Community Corrections Act Counties. This award is given for notable achievements either through a career or special action. In his nomination, Russ was noted for his innovation in restorative justice and the use of the various risk assessments to both provide appropriate levels of supervision to offenders and also to protect the community.

Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator, introduced Mary McCarthy as the new Information Services Director. Ms. McCarthy has been a consultant to dot com's for the last year, she was with American Express for 15 years and before that she worked for Minnesota Extension at the University for four years. Ms. McCarthy stated she is impressed with the caliber of staff at the County and is very excited to be here.

Mr. Schug informed the Board that both towers of the World Trade Center have now collapsed, both Federal and State emergency management organizations have been activated. The IDS Tower in Minneapolis has been shut down as a precautionary action and also the Governor's doing a press conference in the near future to update the State on action that is being taken. He plans to meet with the Sheriff in a couple of minutes to see if there is any action that the County needs to consider.

Lowell Johnson, Senior Program Manager, updated the Board on a tanker containing liquid propane that rolled over on I-94 and 494 this morning. All the emergency services were on site and the situation is stable. There was no release of product, but a precautionary evacuation took place in that area. There is a traffic tie up at this time and they are working to upright the tanker and when that is removed from the scene then things should return back to normal. It will take time and they are being very cautious with the product that is on board. From a public health and safety threat it seems to be under control.

Mr. Schug announced that the Governor has just given a press conference and is encouraging all government employees to remain on the job unless instructed to do otherwise by the employer and there is not a hint of any type of disaster or incident in Minnesota.

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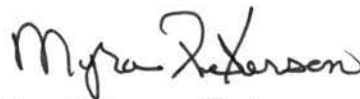
Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

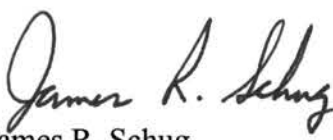
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections to discuss redistricting of political boundaries following the 2000 census. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Molly O'Rourke, Kevin Corbid, Tom Ferber, Cindy Koosmann, Carol Peterson and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.


Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

Attest: 
James R. Schug
County Administrator

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 18, 2001

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, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Jon Larson, Veterans Service Officer; Robert Crawford, Workforce Division Manager; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Linda Dyer, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Community Services Deputy Director; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

The Board Chair asked for a moment of silence for those public employees and citizens who lost their lives last week in the terrorist attack on New York City and Washington D.C.

Jon Larson, Veterans Service Officer, passed out flays courtesy of the Veterans Organization.

Commissioner Abrahamson led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the September 4, 2001 Board meeting minutes.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-113** as follows:

2001 AMC Achievement Award Applications

WHEREAS, the Association of Minnesota Counties Board of Directors has recognized the many valuable innovations and improvements taking place in Minnesota county government through the Minnesota County Awards program; and

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WHEREAS, the Minnesota County Achievement Awards are granted annually to those counties that have initiated efforts resulting in one or more determines accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, counties seeking achievement awards for 2001 must submit a formal application that has been approved by the County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the following applications for the 2001 AMC Achievement Award:

Washington County Cellular Phone Policy

Lake Links Trail Network Master Plan

2-Foot Contour and Digital Orthophotography Project

Parcel, Aerial and Contour Plotting Interface

Operations Integration and Program Partnership between the University of Minnesota Service - Washington County and the Washington County Public Health and Environment

3. Approval to appoint Thomas Matthews, Woodbury, to the Courts Planning Advisory Committee representing Commissioner District No. 5.
4. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-114** as follows:

Premises Permit Renewal Application for
Hastings Lions Club

WHEREAS, on or about August 30, 2001, the Hastings Lions Club has made application pursuant to the statutes of the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved is The Point, located at 12378 Point Douglas Dr. South, Denmark Township, Washington County; and

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 the Township of Denmark.

5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-115** as follows:

Repurchase of Tax Forfeited Property on a
10-Year Installment Plan by Johnny Heurung

WHEREAS, Johnny Heurung 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:

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PID # 19.028.21.12.0059
 Lot 13 Block 8
 Wind Wood
 City of Woodbury

;and WHEREAS, said applicant has set forth in his application that Mr. Heurung states

- 1) He received bad advice from his attorney
- 2) Had problems with divorce
- 3) Has medical reasons because of disability
- 4) Has a set income from government
- 5) Not able to go back to work as said by doctors

;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 Johnny Heurung 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. Bids were received for road and signal construction on CSAH 13 and 16 as follows:

Jay Brothers, Inc.	\$188,091.31
Tower Asphalt, Inc.	\$223,912.00
Danner, Inc.	\$240,554.85

Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-116** as follows:

Award of Contract for Turnlanes & Signal Revisions
 at the Intersection of CSAH 13 & 16 to Jay Brothers, Inc.

WHEREAS, in order to complete road construction and signal modifications at the intersection of CSAH 13 and 16 in the City of Woodbury, the County solicited bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on September 10, 2001, with Jay Brothers, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid of Jay Brothers, Inc. be accepted and the County enter into a contract with Jay Brothers, 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 Jay Brothers, 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.

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PUBLIC HEARING – TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT**Establishment of a Fee to Hold Conservation Easements in Open Space Developments**

Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner, presented an overview of a request to establish a fee of \$5,000 to hold conservation easements in open space developments.

The Board Chair opened the public hearing at 9:15 a.m. She asked for comments from the public; none were heard.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-117** as follows:

Resolution Establishing a Fee for Conservation Easements in Open
Space Design Cluster Housing Developments

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 394 authorizes Washington County to carry on planning and zoning activities in the unincorporated areas of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Comprehensive Plan 2015 was adopted by the Washington County Board of Commissioners on April 22, 1997 and became effective October 1, 1997, as Washington County Ordinance 124; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Development Code was adopted by the Washington County Board of Commissioners and became effective on October 20, 1997, as Washington County Ordinance 127; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has declared through its Comprehensive Plan 2015 its support for and encouragement of the concept of open space design developments/cluster housing in order to preserve open space, natural features and agricultural lands; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Development Code requires that a developer who wishes to utilize an open space development option grant a permanent conservation easement for the open space; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Development Code requires that such conservation easement be dedicated to an acceptable land trustee or other similar organization (as set forth in MINN STAT. CHAPT. 84C) approved by the County; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners adopted a policy whereby Washington County would accept dedications of conservation easements in an open space design cluster housing development; and

WHEREAS, there are costs associated with the administration and management of conservation easements, to-wit:

- Initial inspection of the site
- Review environmental assessment if necessary
- Establish the initial baseline documentation

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Establish a resource inventory of the conservation easement open space property
 Seek technical assistance from the Washington County Soil and Water Conservation District
 Review Resource Values and Management Plan with the property owner
 Establish a monitoring program
 Draft conservation easements
 Schedule Preliminary Plat hearing when requested by applicant
 Schedule Washington County Planning Advisory Commission conditional use permit hearing when requested by applicant
 Upon receipt of documented approval from all underlying permitting boards and entities, County staff shall submit the conservation easement to the Washington County Board of Commissioners with staff recommendation
 Conduct on-going open space monitoring
 Conduct enforcement when deemed necessary by the Washington County Board of Commissioners

WHEREAS, MINN. STAT. § 373.41 allows the County to charge a reasonable fee for services provided by any county office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Zoning Administrator is delegated the authority to accept dedications of conservation easements on behalf of Washington County for open space design cluster housing developments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accepting conservation easements on behalf of Washington County, the Zoning Administrator shall follow the dictates of MINN. STAT. CHAPT. 84C, the Washington County Development Code, Chapter Two, Part 3, Section 4 and the Washington County policy on accepting conservation easements as set forth in Resolution No. 2001-097.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that to cover its costs of administering and managing conservation easements, Washington County shall charge a fee of \$5,000 for holding conservation easements.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-118** as follows:

Establishing a New Tipping Fee of \$34.00 Per Ton for Haulers
 That Deliver Waste Pursuant to a Waste Delivery Agreement
 to the Resource Recovery Facility

WHEREAS, in 1996 Ramsey and Washington Counties (Counties) first entered into waste delivery agreements with waste haulers to ensure that waste was managed properly by delivery to the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Facility; and

WHEREAS, the current waste delivery agreement with waste haulers will expire at the end of 2001, and the Board has previously directed staff to negotiate agreements for 2002; and

WHEREAS, two types of waste delivery agreements are currently in place in which the haulers agree to either deliver all waste collected in the counties or agree to deliver a monthly and annual total amount of waste to the Facility; and

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WHEREAS, the all current waste delivery agreements contain a "Minimum Price" provision, which provides that all haulers currently under contract will be provided with the lowest price available to any other hauler; and

WHEREAS, the Counties have a policy goal to optimize the delivery of waste to the Resource Recovery Facility, and believe that the Facility should be fully utilized for the environmental and energy benefits; and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has created a processing payment, to reimburse counties for waste that is processed; and

WHEREAS, it is Washington County's policy to ensure that waste is managed in an environmentally sound manner by delivery to the Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Service Agreement with NRG provides that the Counties set the tipping fee at the Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Powers Agreement that establishes the Resource Recovery Project (Project) provides that it is the County Boards that set the tipping fee and enter into waste delivery agreements; and

WHEREAS, on July 17, 2001 the Washington County Board adopted resolution 2001-083 in which the Board stated its intent to use the funds collected from the State processing payment to reduce the tipping fee at the Resource Recovery Facility.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes the tipping fee for waste delivered to the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Facility pursuant waste to existing waste delivery agreements at \$34.00 per ton, effective October 1, 2001 and directs staff to notify the Facility Vendor of that reduced tipping fee.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Stafford asked that the County look at this again when the hauler contracts come up and consider a rebate to haulers rather than a reduction in tipping fees.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-119** as follows:

Condemning Terrorists Actions and Encouraging Citizens to Support Relief Efforts

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, the United States was suddenly and brutally attacked by foreign terrorists, and;

WHEREAS, these terrorists hijacked and destroyed four civilian aircraft, crashing two of them into the towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, and a third into the Pentagon outside Washington, DC, and;

WHEREAS, thousands of innocent Americans were killed and injured as a result of these attacks, including the passengers and crew of the four aircraft, workers in the World Trade Center and in the Pentagon, rescue workers, and bystanders, and;

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WHEREAS, these cowardly acts were by far the deadliest terrorist attacks ever launched against the United States, and, by targeting symbols of American strength and success, clearly were intended to intimidate our nation and weaken its resolve, and;

WHEREAS, these horrific events have affected all Americans. It is important that we carry on with the regular activities of our lives. Terrorism cannot be allowed to break the spirit of the American people, and the best way to show these cowards that they have truly failed is for the people of the United States and their counties to stand tall and proud,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing board of Washington County condemns the cowardly and deadly actions of these terrorists, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing board of Washington County supports the President of the United States, as he works with his national security team to defend against additional attacks, and find the perpetrators to bring them to justice, and;

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing board of Washington County recommends to its citizens to support relief efforts through financial assistance and by giving blood at the nearest available blood donation center.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford asked that people not take retribution on somebody that looks like an enemy. He believes these terrorists will be brought to justice and we need to have a little patience. There is no need to stereotype a whole group of people and label them as bad.

Commissioner Peterson announced that Board members will be attending the funeral of one of the County's long-time employees, John Devine, following the Board meeting this morning. Tomorrow there is another funeral of a County employee, Tim Schroeder of Transportation and Physical Development.

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the energy meeting he attended last week to discuss garbage as a renewable resource. He also attended the Minnesota Association of Governments Investing for Counties (MAGIC) Board yesterday. Interest rates appear to be going down below 3% and that will have an effect on the Counties investments and will reduce interest income further.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he has received a few calls on what happened last week in New York on September 11. He is very thankful that the President is handling this in a thoughtful way. He admires the political parties in America for coming together the way they have.

Commissioner Peterson reminded the audience that there will be long-term care meetings today in Stillwater at 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. and tomorrow at Forest Lake from 9:00 to Noon and Cottage Grove from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

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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 9:45 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Community Services to discuss transit issues affecting County residents. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Molly O'Rourke, Dan Papin, Richard Backman, Mary McGlothlin, Michelle Kemper, Cathy Ellis, Rob McDonough, Human Services Inc., Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin and Mark Brouwer, Stillwater Gazette.

Attest:



Molly O'Rourke
Deputy Administrator



Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 25, 2001**

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, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Linda Dyer, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Community Services Deputy Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; Jane Harper, Principal Planner; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

Commissioner Abrahamson lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the September 11, 2001 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Approval to enter into an 18 month renewal amendment of a lease with Excel Realty Trust for Minnesota Extension Services offices at 1825 Curve Crest Boulevard, Stillwater, Minnesota.
3. Approval to appoint Marguerite Rheinberger, Stillwater, to the Courts Planning Advisory Committee, representing Commissioner District No. 3.
4. Approval of staff comments on the City of Lake Elmo 2000-2020 Comprehensive Plan.
5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-120** as follows:

Conveyance of Tax Forfeited Land by the City
of Forest Lake and the City of Oakdale

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

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<u>City</u>	<u>PID#</u>
City of Forest Lake	12.032.21.22.0004
City of Oakdale	30.029.21.31.0013
City of Oakdale	17.029.21.22.0005
City of Oakdale	17.029.21.22.0006

6. Approval of a request by the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging to use part of the East Metro SAIL Grant funds as part of the required match for federal Title III funds.
7. Approval of contract with Presbyterian Homes to provide assisted living plus services and Medicare certified home health services to eligible Washington County residents.
8. Approval of an early hire of an Office Assistant position in the Court Services Department.
9. Approval of contract with the City of Woodbury for radio antenna space on their water tower.
10. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-121** as follows:

Authorizing Execution of Agreement for the
Criminal Gang Strike Force

BE IT RESOLVED, that Washington County enters into two grant agreements with the Office of Drug Policy and Violence Prevention, Department of Public Safety, State of Minnesota for the Criminal Gang Strike Force.

County Board Chair Myra Peterson, County Administrator James Schug and Sheriff James Frank are authorized to execute and sign such grant contracts, and amendments thereto, as are necessary to implement the program on behalf of Washington County.

11. Approval and execution of cooperation construction agreement with the City of Woodbury on turn lane construction and signal modifications on CSAH 13 and 16 in the City of Woodbury.
12. Approval to execute the terms of the grant agreement with FEMA for the funding of \$70,000 for floodplain mapping.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

WASHINGTON COUNTY HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Barbara Dacy, Executive Director, presented an update on the first amendment to the Cooperation Agreement with Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority for low-rent housing under the Metropolitan Housing Opportunities Program. She stated that since this matter was discussed two weeks ago, the City of Woodbury has taken action and has enclosed a letter from the Administrator

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confirming that Woodbury is requesting 10 additional units. The City of Stillwater met on the 18th of September and they postponed action. They will consider that issue on the 2nd of October. The HRA Board approved the resolution to amend the cooperation agreement, but only with the Woodbury units. The HRA is requesting that the Cooperation Agreement be amended to add the 10 additional scattered site public housing homes in the City of Woodbury only.

Commissioner Stafford moved to raise from table the request to authorize a first amendment to Cooperation Agreement with Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority for low-rent housing under the Metropolitan Housing Opportunities Program. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated of the ten additional units in Woodbury, at least seven have to be given to people who come from Minneapolis and Washington County residents would utilize three. He stated he will not be supporting this request for the following reasons: This is not housing for Washington County residents; and, He believes the majority of the financial burden will fall on Washington County in the form of welfare or some sort of public assistance.

Commissioner Stafford moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-122** as follows:

First Amendment to Cooperation Agreement with
Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority
for Low-Rent Housing Under the
Metropolitan Housing Opportunities Program

WHEREAS, the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority ("Authority") and Washington County are parties to a Cooperation Agreement dated April 9, 1997 ("Cooperation Agreement"), for a program of up to sixty units of scattered site, low-rent housing located throughout the County ("Project") acquired or developed and administered by the Authority under the Metropolitan Housing Opportunities Program ("MHOP Units"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority has been requested by local governments in the County to acquire or develop additional MHOP Units in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Authority will enter into an agreement with the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority ("MPHA") pursuant to which the MPHA will acquire such additional MHOP Units on behalf of, and will subsequently convey them to, the Authority as part of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has requested Washington County to amend the Cooperation Agreement by entering into a First Amendment to the Cooperation Agreement which will, among other things, add the MPHA as a party and provide for a total of up to sixty-five MHOP Units in the Project, and Washington County is willing to do so.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners agrees to enter into a First Amendment to the Cooperation Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board of Commissioners and the County Administrator are hereby authorized to execute the First Amendment to the Cooperation Agreement on behalf of Washington County conditioned upon approval as to form by the County Attorney's Office.

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

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Court of Appeals Ruling on Brown's Creek and Valley Branch Watershed District Enlargements

Jane Harper, Principal Planner, reviewed the recent ruling of the Minnesota Court of Appeals on a petition and order by the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) to enlarge the Brown's Creek Watershed District and the Valley Branch Watershed District. The Court of Appeals ruled that BWSR did not have the authority to enlarge a watershed district to include territory governed by a joint powers water management organization.

Ms. Harper presented the following implementation options:

Petition the Supreme Court to review the Court of Appeals decision – BWSR does not intend to appeal for further review.

BWSR declares the joint powers organizations nonimplementing and the County refiles petitions – This might be possible in the case of the Lower St. Croix WMO because they do not have a current plan and they do not have a viable organization at this time; With the Middle St. Croix WMO and the Marine WMO, BWSR stated it is highly unlikely they would be able to do that because they have annual budgets and are conducting studies, they meet and they have organizations that are in operation.

Seek special legislation – The Board discussed this earlier to enlarge all the watershed districts through special legislation.

Work with the water management organizations to voluntarily disband so that the County could refile the petitions – One action that the County was planning to take this fall if the petitions were successful would be to also discuss with Brown's Creek and Carnelian-Marine Watershed Districts a consolidation.

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Do nothing and wait for future opportunities to enlarge the watershed districts – The County would then follow the more passive option where it uses the plan that is in place as a blueprint, so that when and if WMO's are declared nonimplementing, the watershed districts could be enlarged.

Commissioner Stafford feels that if the Lower St. Croix WMO could be decertified due to lack of activity, he would support proceeding with that. He feels special legislation would be tough. He asked what is the likelihood of convincing the other two water management organizations to voluntarily disband? Ms. Harper stated that the Middle St. Croix WMO would not be likely to do that. The Lower St. Croix WMO, she's not even sure who they would be discussing the subject with down there. She does not believe they have met in a number of years. There maybe some opportunity there. The Marine WMO has been very active in the last two or three years with studies and trying to do work there. They have been working in concert with Carnelian-Marine Watershed District, and some of their studies have been partially funded by the Watershed District. When she discussed this with the Marine WMO she believes it was a 50-50 split on their Board going along with the County or opposing it.

Commissioner Stafford feels the County should proceed in every area it thinks it can get results, with the Lower St. Croix WMO, and having BWSR declare organizations nonimplementing. He believes, with a few exceptions, that WMO's do not work and that watersheds are more effective.

Commissioner Peterson stated that the County Soil and Water Conservation District should charge WMO's the same dollar amount as they charge watershed districts for the same service. Also, she would like to see if there are incentives to offer the water management organizations such as office space, to show them how economy of scale could work.

James Schug, County Administrator, reported that if the Board is interested in moving forward, one of the things the County could do is look at the possibility of providing space or provide administrative support that is already being provided and that Ms. Harper will get into later. Hopefully the watersheds and WMO's are finding that service to be valuable. Maybe there are ways to be more specific and offer incentives to those who are willing to work with the County to implement the final objectives of the Water Governance Plan.

Ms. Harper reviewed the Washington County Water Consortium activities. This group consists of mostly professionals, but several managers from the districts have attended. Currently, Administration is providing the leadership for these meetings, but at the end of the year this will be transitioned to the Department of Public Health and Environment. The group has reviewed new topics, project recommendations, and to surface ideas for people to work on in smaller work groups. The first topic was the land-locked basin study. That came to a conclusion in June and the consortium reviewed the recommendations, methodology options and provided direction to that study. They also worked on the chart of accounts and used the group to do a final review and recommendations. Brown's Creek

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Watershed District is currently doing a three-month test of the chart of accounts. In October they will be ready to let the group know how it is working and by the end of the year CD's and hardcopies will be sent to all watershed districts to use the following year. They are working on the watershed district boundary cleanup project, developing decision rules and set priorities on where in the County they will start, what districts are most eager to get going on that project. In October, they will start to look at doing a joint watershed district web site in cooperation with the County. In GIS mapping needs, the County is looking to the Soil and Water Conservation District to be a clearing house, to provide basic mapping and GIS application services to the watershed districts. They are now getting that information from consultants. By the end of the year they will review the Groundwater Plan and the recommendations that are coming out of that advisory committee. In 2002 they will look at the permitting process that the watershed districts are using, looking at regulations at best management practices and working on the regulations that make sense to have similar regulations from one watershed district to another where possible.

Commissioner Hegberg stated the reason the County got into this was the failing of the WMO in Brown's Creek and the water problems they had in that area. He feels the time isn't ripe to proceed and they should let the legislature watch this situation.

Commissioner Abrahamson agrees with Commissioner Hegberg and Commissioner Stafford. He feels a workshop with all the watersheds and WMO's would be helpful. If the Board does anything, it should have a workshop with all the parties in the evening.

Commissioner Stafford would like to find a happy medium between doing nothing and charging blindly into the fray. He feels the County should keep its initiative in the areas where it can and have the workshop. All of his decisions on future appointments to watersheds will be based on their attitude about consolidation.

The Board consensus was to schedule a workshop with the watershed districts and WMO's, continue to work on the Lower St. Croix Water Management Organization and combining the East Mississippi WMO and South Washington Watershed district.

Ms. Harper indicated that the Water Consortium is having a speaker at their October 3 meeting come in and discuss the subshed taxing authority. She will forward information to the Board so it can discuss that at its next legislative agenda workshop.

Ms. Harper informed the Board that because of the ruling of the Court of Appeals, Jerry Turnquist will be submitting his resignation from the Brown's Creek Watershed District. He was appointed to represent the area that was part of the Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization. There are now two vacancies on that watershed district. There was also a petition to enlarge the Carnelian-Marine

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Watershed District to include the Marine WMO. Hearings were held and BWSR was delaying action on that petition until the ruling. At its October meeting BWSR will be voting to not act on that petition because they do not have the authority.

Konrad Koosmann, Soil and Water Conservation District, informed the Board they do charge WMO's the same rate as anyone else. They have 18 contracts with watershed districts and WMO's all at the same fee.

Michael White, Carnelian-Marine Watershed District Board of Managers, stated their merger with Marine WMO would probably be more effective with option no. 4, convince them to voluntarily disband so the County could refile the petitions. They have held meetings with Marine WMO, with the townships and all the joint powers and they are split 50-50, but right now it just takes two of the entities to say they are not going to sign the next year's agreement and that is the end of Marine WMO. He feels both entities are willing partners.

Appeal from the Planning Advisory Commission

Mr. Schug reported that the County has received two letters of appeal on a decision made by the Planning Advisory Commission to approve a conditional use permit for siting a cell tower in Stillwater Township. Those letters have been referred to the Transportation and Physical Development Department/ Land Management Division. Staff is looking to schedule this hearing on October 16 and believes it will be a lengthy meeting. Commissioner Hegberg reported that he needs to catch a plane at 1:00 p.m. that day and will have to be there two and one-half hours early.

It was Board consensus to schedule the Public Hearing for October 23 with the option of holding a special meeting on October 30 if need be.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS- COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford stated he has been and will be attending meetings this week on solid waste management issues. He reported that the Governor has created a blue ribbon panel to study solid waste between now and January with the goal to provide a report to the legislature. He has been asked to serve on the panel. It starts on October 11 with two meetings a month until January. There is also speculation that the economy is developing about a \$2 billion shortfall and if the State has to go into some cutback management, one of the things they are allegedly looking at is the SCORE tax.

Commissioner Pulkrabek reported that he will be attending a meeting next week on education and health care conducted by the DFL caucus. The meeting is on Tuesday, October 2 at Skyview School in

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Oakdale. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. and he requested that next week's Board meeting be kept short.

Commissioner Hegberg stated he attended AMC's policy meetings last week and drainage and resource recovery were the primary issues. He will be attending a meeting in Hugo next week regarding highway and water issues. He will meet with the Stillwater School District superintendent this afternoon concerning cooperation between them and the County regarding the library situation.

Commissioner Abrahamson reported on the Metropolitan Counties meeting he attended last week at Hooley Hall regarding rural issues.

Commissioner Peterson reported on the Transportation and Ag Policy Committee meeting at AMC last week. She asked that staff talk to John Stein, DNR, about BWSR and the County's water programming. He was quite interested in that and he is a Washington County resident. She also would like a discussion on the local road improvement program that is being proposed by Transportation Alliance and how that would affect Washington County. She encouraged Board members to attend the Transportation Alliance Annual meeting on October 3 and 4 in Rochester.

Commissioner Peterson stated she and Commissioner Stafford will not be able to attend the MICA meeting in Duluth. She asked if another Commissioner would be interested in attending. Commissioner Abrahamson stated he is thinking of going.

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 meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.


Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
OCTOBER 2, 2001**

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, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Pat Singel, Community Services Deputy Director; Mary McCarthy, I.S. Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Planner; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

Commissioner Pulkrabek led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin, informed the Board that her blood tests came back normal and there is less than a 10% chance of her breast cancer reoccurring.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the September 18, 2001 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Approval to appoint Commissioner Myra Peterson to the Executive Committee of the 911 Board.
3. Approval to appoint Richard Ilkka, City of Oakdale Attorney, to the Courts Planning Advisory Committee representing Commissioner District No. 2.
4. Approval to reappoint Craig Leiser, Grant, and Karen Kilberg, May Township, to the Brown's Creek Watershed District to three-year terms expiring October 21, 2004.
5. Approval to appoint Donna Reynolds, Grey Cloud Island Township, to the Historic Courthouse Advisory Council, to a first term expiring December 31, 2003.
6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-123** as follows:

Application to Conduct Excluding Bingo from
Scandia-Marine Lions Club

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WHEREAS, on or about September 18, 2001, the Scandia-Marine Lions Club has made application for Authorization to Conduct Excluding Bingo on November 03, 2001 pursuant to the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises is located at the Scandia Senior Community Center, 14727 209th Street North, Scandia, New Scandia Township, Washington County; and

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

- 7 Approval of contract amendment to add case management services to agreement with Thomas Allen, Inc. and for cost of living adjustment.
8. Approval to correct Report of Unearned Revenue Reserves and Designations as adopted by the County Board on February 12, 2001 to authorize expenditure of grant dollars by the Department of Public Health and Environment specific to public health and environment programs from the General Fund in the amount of \$111,429.
9. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-124** as follows:

Request to Authorize the Commissioner of Transportation to Perform a
Speed Study to Determine the Reasonable and Safe Speed Limit at the
Following Locations:

OAKDALE

1. CSAH 10 (10th Street) between CSAH 13 (Inwood Avenue) & TH 120

WOODBURY

2. CSAH 19 (Woodbury Drive) between I-94 & CSAH 18 (Bailey Road)
- 3 CSAH 13 (Radio Drive) between CSAH 16 (Valley Creek Road) &
CSAH 18 (Bailey Road)

SCANDIA

4. CSAH 3 (Olinda Trail North) between TH 97 & Parrish Road North

STILLWATER

5. CSAH 5 (Stillwater Blvd N) between TH 36 & Pine Street

WHEREAS, the authority to determine the safe and reasonable speed on a County Highway resides with the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, changes in traffic and or geometry have affected all of the above referenced locations; and

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

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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 request that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Transportation perform a speed survey to determine the reasonable and safe speed limit at the above referenced locations.

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.

10. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-125** 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 Government Center.
- 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 \$117,000.00
- 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.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

AMC DELEGATE LIST

Commissioner Peterson asked that a staff member be appointed to the AMC Human Services Committee.

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to approve the following AMC delegate list for 2001: Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford; James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; and Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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METROPOLITAN INTER-COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Keith Carlson, MICA Executive Director, presented a report on the 2001 legislative session regarding the 2001/02 tax reform and the estimated impact on Washington County. Claudia Brewington presented an overview of the Health and Human Services portion of the 2001 legislative session. Bob Vanasek, presented an overview of the transportation portion of the 2001 legislative session.

WILDER RESEARCH CENTER

Laura McLain, Research Associate, Wilder Research Center, presented findings from a recent survey of 1600 residents of the St. Croix Valley. Residents from Washington and Chisago Counties in Minnesota and Pierce, Polk and St. Croix Counties in Wisconsin were surveyed. The survey covered the following areas: Population growth, quality of life, housing, formal and informal support, child care, elder care, youth activities, family stress, transportation, commuting, employment and entertainment and recreation.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to set a public hearing for the appeal of the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission's approval of a conditional use permit to Voicestream Wireless/APT, Inc. for a communication tower in Stillwater Township for October 23, 2001 at 9:30 a.m.. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Truth in Taxation Public Hearing**

Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator, presented options for setting a public meeting to discuss the 2002 budget and proposed levy. Because of the many tax changes made during the 2001 legislative session, the County has to work with the taxation system vendor to have the tax system reprogrammed. At this point, the law states that parcel specific notifications must be mailed to taxpayers by December 14. The Vendor says they can meet this date, but they do not think they will be able to get it to the County any earlier. The State strike may affect this even further if the vendors need interpretation of legislation from the State. Normally, the Truth in Taxation notices are mailed in the middle of November, and the hearings are scheduled for the end of November and early December. If the County holds its meeting on December 6, it will be held before the taxpayers get their parcel specific notices. Additional notification and publicity will need to be done for that date.

Ms. O'Rourke suggested that the dates of December 6 and 18 be scheduled, that way if the notices can be mailed by the 14th or before, they would have the opportunity to hear from the citizens on the 18th.

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Commissioner Stafford moved to send the parcel specific notices out to residents as soon as possible prior to December 14, set a public budget meeting for December 18 in the evening, and in the interim, the County should apply for a waiver from the Minnesota Department of Revenue to receive permission to send a generic notice rather than the parcel specific notice. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

League of Local Governments Meeting

Mr. Schug reminded the Board that the County will host the League of Local Governments meeting on October 29 at the Prom Center in Oakdale. The program will include John Brandl, Dean of Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, and Hazel Reinhardt, a private consultant who will discuss the 2000 census data and how that data can be used in helping local governments plan for services in the coming years.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford announced he will be attending the radio board meeting on Friday.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he will be attending a meeting hosted by Representative Nora Slawik in Oakdale at 7:00 p.m. this evening to talk about education and health care issues within Ramsey and Washington Counties.

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the solid waste meeting he attended where they discussed lists of dumpsites and legal descriptions on the GIS. They showed the Metro area where they are concerned about sites in terms of groundwater. He wants to make sure that the County GIS system has that information included.

Commissioner Stafford asked staff to prepare a report on how the audit is coming on the gravel tax. Commissioner Peterson indicated that Aggregate Industries sent the County a letter stating they are willing to open their financial records to the County.

(Commissioner Pulkrabek left the meeting at 6:30 p.m.)

Commissioner Peterson stated she will be attending the Transportation Alliance Annual meeting in Rochester for the next two days.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

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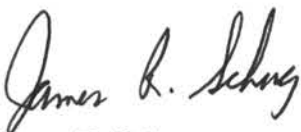
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hegberg and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 6:35 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 public information work plan. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were James Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Robert Lockyear and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator

Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
OCTOBER 9, 2001**

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Washington Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Suzanne Pollack, Community Services Supervisor; Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Lowell Johnson, Senior Program Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Doug Fischer, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Larry Nybeck, County Surveyor; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Vincent Anderson, 1816 Hillside Court, West Lakeland Township, addressed the issue of the Carnelian-Marine Watershed Tax Increment Financing District public hearing. He advised the Board that he has attended an HRA Board meeting and he's discussed the audit that's been done on their finances with the Auditor. Notwithstanding the issues of past misspent money, he believes that the upcoming proposal that the Board will hear on the 23rd is wrong. He urges the County to have knowledgeable counsel at the meeting, he believes Minnesota law is clear on what TIF money can be spent on, and he would like to have open discussion with the County before this public hearing.

Paul Bischoff, Soil and Water Conservation District Board Supervisor, thanked the County Board for its past support and hopes that it will continue. He believes they provide essential work.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the September 25, 2001 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Approval to set a public hearing to consider adoption of a resolution approving a modification to the Tax Increment Plan for the Carnelian-Marine Flood Control Proposal, for October 23, 2001 at 10:30 a.m.
3. Approval to appoint four citizen members to the Washington County Child Protection Citizen Review Panel: Lisa Salazar, Forest Lake; Jennifer Brookins-King, Woodbury; Cheryl Anderson, Birchwood; and Debra Gese, Hugo.

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4. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-126** as follows:

Authorizing Execution of Agreement for
the East Metro Narcotics Task Force

BE IT RESOLVED that Washington County desires to enter into a grant agreement with the Office of Drug Policy and Violence Prevention Department of Public Safety, State of Minnesota for the East Metro Narcotics Task Force.

County Board Chair Myra Peterson, County Administrator James Schug and Sheriff James Frank are authorized to execute and sign such grant contracts, and amendments thereto, as are necessary to implement the program on behalf of Washington County.

5. Bids were received for lease of agricultural land as follows:

	<u>Pine Point</u>	<u>Big Marine</u>	<u>Cottage Grove</u>	<u>St. Croix</u>	<u>Lake Elmo</u>
Ken Berwald	\$47.50				
Gordon Herman					\$86.10
Jerry Lepinski	\$30.00	\$62.00			
Craig Mayer				\$90.00	
Gary Swanson				\$112.00	
Gordon & Myron Tank			\$65.00	\$115.60	\$55.00

Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-127** as follows:

Award of Lease of Park Farm Land for 2002

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the leasing of agricultural land in County parks, the County solicited bids for the use of this land; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on September 24, 2001 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, Gordon & Myron Tank for Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park and St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the bids of Kenneth Berwald (Pine Point Park), Gordon Herman (Lake Elmo Park Reserve), Jerry Lepinski (Big Marine Park Reserve), Gordon & Myron Tank (Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park and 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, Gordon Herman, Jerry Lepinski, Gordon & Myron Tank be executed through the signatures of the Chairperson 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.

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The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Hegberg moved to approve the following proclamation:

Family Child Care Provider Week

WHEREAS, there are approximately 6,610 children in Washington County in 623 licensed family child care homes; and

WHEREAS, these children are Washington County's most valuable asset and resource; and

WHEREAS, no occupation is more important than caring for 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 professionals devoted to achieving and maintaining the highest level of quality care; and

WHEREAS, the licensed family child caregivers are highly competent, dedicated, caring, concerned individuals.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Myra Peterson, Chair of Washington County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim the week of October 7, 2001

Family Child Care Provider Week

in Washington County.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Certificates of recognition were given to Darlene Johnson and Denise Pastorius as Washington County Outstanding Child Care Providers for 2001.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-128** as follows:

2002-2003 Community Health Services Plan Update

WHEREAS, Washington County, in compliance with Minnesota Statute Chapter 145A., has developed its 2002-2003 Community Health Services Plan Update; and

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WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Health through its Public Health Advisory Committee held a public meeting on the recommended plan on September 18, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Health has received the final recommended plan from its Public Health Advisory Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2002-2003 Community Health Services Plan Update is today adopted in its final form.

Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Stafford moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-129** as follows:

Designation of Agent

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 145A.04, Subd. 2, requires that "a board of health must appoint, employ, or contract with a person or persons to act on its behalf"; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 145A.04, Subd. 2 further requires that "the Board shall notify the commissioner (of health) of the agent's name, address, and phone number where the agent may be reached between board meetings and submit a copy of the resolution authorizing the agent to act on the board's behalf."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington County Board of Health designates Mary McGlothlin, Director of the Department of Public Health and Environment, 14949 62nd Street North, P.O. Box 3803, Stillwater, MN 55082-3803, (651) 430-6655 as its duly appointed agent and gives to her the duties and authorities described in Minnesota Statute Chapter 145A.

Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager, presented an overview of the Senior Citizen "Gaps Analysis" report. Three meetings were held last month asking for input from senior citizens and others on long term care for seniors. The report focuses on the following needs: Housing; Assessment of need for long term care skilled nursing facilities beds; Information and referral; Caregiver support; Home care services; and Transportation needs.

(Board meeting was delayed due to a power outage at 9:40 a.m.)

Commissioner Hegberg moved approval to submit the Senior Citizen Gaps Analysis Report to the Department of Human Services. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**Final Draft of the 2002-2006 Capital Improvement Program**

Chris Eitemiller, Budget and Policy Analyst, presented the following changes to the final draft of the 2002-2006 Capital Improvement Program since the Board reviewed this document in August: Project 1081 – Government Center Remodeling – This was originally programmed for 2002 it has been moved out to 2003; Project 1079 – Public Safety Training Facility – This was originally programmed for 2007, it has tentatively been moved up to 2003 after discussions between Ramsey and Washington Counties; and Project 1078 – South Shop Wash Water Removal System – Is still in the 2002 budget, as well as in the CIP document, but Transportation and Physical Development is going to hold off on this and will try to get this resolved with the State of Minnesota.

Commissioner Pulkrabek approved the final draft of the 2002-2006 Capital Improvement Program and authorized that it be sent to Washington County communities for their review and comment. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

The Board requested a workshop with Springsted, Inc. to discuss taking advantage of the current low interest rates and bond for some of the future projects in the CIP.

Update on Light Outage

Mr. Schug advised the Board that a power line was hit in the South Hill area of Stillwater and that Xcel Energy was working to restore power to the Government Center as well as other parts of Stillwater.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg asked staff to look at micro turbine or a natural gas alternative for heating the new courts expansion building. Also, Hennepin County is filing to generate up to two megawatts at their plant. He asked that staff keep on top of this issue so the County will have the alternative to burn garbage as a renewable resource fuel near its plant. He also reported on a meeting he had in Forest Lake looking at a location for the Library and the northern service center. He suggested a meeting between the City, County Administrator and himself to see what kind of time lines they are looking at.

Commissioner Stafford reported that Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections, informed him that Commissioner Smith, Minnesota Department of Revenue, is acknowledging the possibility that some waivers will be granted for notice of property taxes. ATSE is preparing a generic notice in case the County is granted a waiver. Commissioner Stafford will meet with Commissioner Smith after the State strike ends.

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Commissioner Stafford stated he was concerned about Mr. Anderson's comments earlier and just because somebody says that happened doesn't make it so. Commissioner Stafford indicated he has been advised that preliminary research by County staff indicates that is not the case and this will come out at the public hearing.

Mr. Schug stated that was a good point. Staff met with HRA last week and went through all the records of the Car-Mar TIF district in preparation for the public hearing. They looked at how the funds were directed to the HRA for projects. Mr. Anderson was before the Board a couple of weeks ago and he was given a response to his comments in writing. He informed Mr. Anderson that staff was researching it and external auditors were also looking at it. He believes they have good information to present to the County Board at the public hearing and to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Stafford advised the Board that after the September 11 terrorist attacks, he asked Lowell Johnson, Senior Program Manager in the Department of Public Health and Environment, if the State was taking any precautions in certain areas. Mr. Johnson informed him this morning that the King Plant in Oak Park Heights indicated that they did have a plan in place but were not going to talk about it.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he has in the past criticized judges in Minnesota for being too liberal in sentencing. Today he wishes to compliment Washington County Judge Armstrong on handing out a sentence that was triple the state recommended sentence. The individual was charged as a car theft ringleader.

Commissioner Peterson advised the Board that her Mother will be having surgery next week and she may not be able to attend the Red Rock Corridor tour in Vancouver, British Columbia.

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 10:20 p.m.

BOARD WORKSHOPS WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Status of County's Involvement in the I-494/TH 61 Wakota Bridge Project

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The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss the status of the County's involvement in the I-494/TH 61 Wakota Bridge project. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Sandy Cullen, Bob McFarlin, John Kaul, Rick Arnebeck, MN Department of Transportation, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

Status of the Turnback of Trunk Highway 120 from I-94 to I-494

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss the status of the turnback of Trunk Highway 120 from I-94 to I-494. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Don Wisniewski, Doug Fischer, Sandy Cullen, Bob McFarlin, John Kaul, Rick Arnebeck, MN Department of Transportation, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

Results of Township Meetings on Planning and Zoning Items

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss the results of township meetings on planning and zoning items. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Don Wisniewski, Larry Nybeck, Dennis O'Donnell, Ann Pung-Terwedo, Bob McFarlin, John Kaul, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

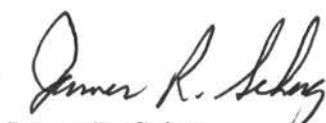
BOARD WORKSHOP WITH OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the 2002 legislative agenda. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Robert Lockyear, Jane Harper, Judy Honmyhr, Don Wisniewski, Dan Papin, Kevin Corbid, Doug Johnson, Jay Brunner, John Kaul, Bob McFarlin, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.



Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
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The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 8:15 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; and Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to recess into executive session with the Department of Human Resources for negotiation strategy for 2002, 2003 and 2004 with all bargaining units. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; the time being 8:15 a.m. Present for the executive session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were James Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Doug Johnson, Judy Honmyhr, Frank Madden and Patricia Raddatz.

The Washington County Board of Commissioners reconvened at 9:25 a.m.

RECESS TO WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to recess and convene as the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously. The Regional Railroad Authority met at 9:25 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. RRA Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Mike Rogers, Planner/Regional Rail Authority; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Pat Singel, Community Services Deputy Director; Judy Hunter, Public Health and Environment Senior Program Manager; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator. Official Proceedings of the Regional Railroad Authority are available in the Office of Administration.

Commissioner Hegberg left the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECONVENES

The Washington County Board of Commissioners reconvened at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Hegberg absent; Board Chair Peterson presided.

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COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the October 2, 2001 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-130** as follows:

Resolution Authorizing Execution of the
Community Development Block Grant Funding Agreement
and Designation of a Labor Standards Officer

WHEREAS, Washington County is an entitlement community for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has submitted to HUD a Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan detailing the proposed uses of 2001 Community Development Block Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, HUD has approved the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan and proposed CDBG projects for 2001; and

WHEREAS, HUD requires the designation of a Labor Standards Officer for the administration and enforcement of Federal labor standards requirements under the CDBG Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approves execution of the FY2001 CDBG Funding Agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and authorizes the County Board Chair and County Administrator to execute and sign the Funding Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners designates Martina Johntz, Associate Planner, as the Labor Standards Officer for the CDBG Program.

2. Approval to appoint Doris Karls, Education Representative, to the Workforce Investment Board to a term expiring June 30, 2003.
3. Approval to appoint Susan Olson, Court Services Consumer, Bill Jensen, Oak Park Heights Neighborhood Representative, and Melinda Elledge, Commissioner District 1 Representative to the Courts Planning Advisory Committee to three-year terms.

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4. Approval to appoint Duane Elvin, May Township, to the Personnel Board of Appeals to fill an unexpired term to December 31, 2002.
5. Approval to appoint Dan Papin, Community Services Director, to the Association of Minnesota Counties Health and Human Services Policy Committee, replacing Commissioner Pulkrabek.
6. Approval to authorize a .15 FTE Dietetic Technician in the Department of Public Health and Environment.
7. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-131** as follows:

Final Payment to Shank Constructor, Inc. for the Swim
Pond Filtration System at Lake Elmo Park Reserve

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on June 28, 2000, signed a contract with Shank Constructors, Inc. for the replacement of the swim pond filtration system at Lake Elmo Park Reserve; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLED, that Shank Constructors, 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.

8. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-132** as follows:

Final Payment to Daffinson Asphalt for 2001
Cracksealing of County Roads

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on June 5, 2001 authorized the bid of Daffinson Asphalt and entered into a contract for Cracksealing various County roads with the County; and

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

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

9. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-133** as follows:

Final Payment to Allied Blacktop Company for
2001 Sealcoating of County Roads

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WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, on June 5, 2001 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 is hereby a part of this resolution.

10. Approval of Supplemental Agreement No. 1 for CR 61 road construction project and execution by the County Administrator.
11. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-134** as follows:

Resolution to Vacate Unneeded Right of Way on CSAH 3

WHEREAS, a portion of County State Aid Highway 3 within the SW¼ of the NE¼ and Government Lot 7 of Section 27, Township 32 North, Range 20 West was realigned to the northwest as part of the reconstruction of CSAH 3 in 1998; and

WHEREAS, the existing right of way on the old alignment is 50 feet wide on either side of the old centerline as acquired in highway easements recorded in Book 258, Page 121 and Book 258, Page 159 in the Washington County Recorder's Office; and

WHEREAS, the old and new right of way were platted in Washington County Highway Right of Way Plat Nos. 114 and 115, which are recorded as document nos. 951683 and 951684, respectively, in the Recorder's Office of Washington County; and

WHEREAS, the right of way of the old alignment of CSAH 3 is no longer needed for road purposes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Minn. Stat. 163.11, Subd. 4, the Washington County Board of Commissioners vacate the following described right of way along County State Aid Highway 3 in New Scandia Township:

Parcel Nos. 12 and 13 of Washington County Highway Right Of Way Plat No. 114 – CSAH 3. Said parcels are within the SW¼ of the NE¼ of Section 27, Township 32 North, Range 20 West, Washington County, Minnesota. Washington County Highway Right of Way Plat No. 114 is recorded as document no 951683 in the Recorder's Office of Washington County, Minnesota.

AND

Parcel No. 1 of Washington County Highway Right of Way Plat No. 115-CSAH 3. Said parcel is within Government Lot 7 of Section 27, Township 32 North, Range 20 West, Washington County, Minnesota.

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Washington County Highway Right of Way Plat No. 115 is recorded as document no. 951684 in the Recorder's Office of Washington County, Minnesota.

Subject to existing utilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be personally served on all occupants of land through which the vacated portion of CSAH 3 passes and that a copy of this resolution be posted for at least 10 days in the Washington County Government Center and the town hall of New Scandia Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washington County Board Chairperson and Administrator are authorized to execute on behalf of the County, all legal documents necessary to implement this resolution.

12. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-135** as follows:

Conveyance of Property on CSAH 3 to New Scandia Township

WHEREAS, in January 1999 Washington County acquired a 4.70 acre property adjacent to CSAH 3 in New Scandia Township as part of a condemnation settlement associated with the reconstruction of CSAH 3; and

WHEREAS, this parcel was considered a non-economic remnant of land since it was located between the old alignment of CSAH 3 and the new alignment of CSAH 3 and was to be used for contractor storage of equipment and materials during the reconstruction and a possible mitigation pond; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of this parcel was via Quit Claim Deed which is recorded as document no. 3032415 in the Recorder's Office of Washington County, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, mitigation ponding is no longer required on this parcel and the property is no longer needed by Washington County; and

WHEREAS, New Scandia Township has requested that the County convey the property to the township for use in their park system; and

WHEREAS, the presence of the Hay Lake School to the south of this property will require that the Township have their plans for this property reviewed by the State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO) and receive necessary approval or permits.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Washington County convey the following described property to New Scandia Township:

Parcel Nos. 11 and 12 of Washington County Highway Right of Way Plat No. 114-CSAH 3. Said parcels are within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 27, Township 32 North, Range 20 West, Washington County, Minnesota. Washington County Highway Right of Way Plat No. 114 is recorded as document no. 951683 in the Recorder's Office of Washington County, Minnesota.

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Access control (the right of ingress and egress) is reserved to Washington County along the CSAH 3 frontage on the above described property.

Subject to existing utilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washington County Board Chairperson and Administrator are authorized to execute on behalf of the County all legal documents necessary to implement this resolution.

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

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator, presented the Board Chair with the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association for the 2001 budget document. Virginia Erdahl, former Deputy Administrator, thanked the Board, the Department Heads, Marilyn Akey, Edison Vizuete and Chris Eitemiller for their help in the budget process.

Meetings with Local City Councils

Jim Schug, County Administrator, announced that tonight the Director of Transportation and Physical Development will be meeting with the Lake Elmo City Council to talk about transportation projects that have been reviewed with the Board over the last couple of months. Following that meeting they will meet at the Woodbury City Council to participate in discussion regarding the Hinton Tower decision. Judy Hunter will also be at the Woodbury City Council meeting to provide them with an update on the public collection research project that is underway.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford reported that the first meeting of the Blue Ribbon Panel on waste has met. He has asked to tour the tower site that will be discussed at next week's public hearing. Other Commissioners are welcome to come along. He reminded the Board that there will be a Finance Committee meeting at 10:45 today to discuss the Carnelian-Marine TIF.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked whether the Community Development Block Grant Citizens Advisory Committee will meet before the end of the year? Mr. Schug indicated he did not know the exact date, but would find out today.

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Commissioner Abrahamson announced that Commissioner Hegberg left the meeting to attend a national insurance trust meeting in New Orleans.

Commissioner Peterson reported that Commissioners Pulkrabek and Stafford will be attending a tour of commuter rail in Vancouver, British Columbia. This tour is for Red Rock Rail Commissioners who will study governance, land use issues around the commuter rail station and reviewing how the rail works.

Commissioner Stafford asked if the County is looking at self-insuring for health insurance? Mr. Schug indicated that the County's consultant on health insurance indicated that the County is of a size where it should be looking at the possibility of self-insurance. The consultants will meet with the Finance Committee in the near future.

Commissioner Peterson asked that staff display food shelf locations in Washington County to help the many individuals who are on layoff.

Commissioner Peterson indicated that Representative Dave Jennings made a report at the Wakota Bridge Coalition and outlined interesting recommendations to the major projects commission.


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; Commissioner Hegberg absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
OCTOBER 23, 2001**

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, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Commissioner Peterson absent. Board Vice Chair Pulkrabek presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Meredith Magers, Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Larry Nybeck, Surveyor; Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Planner; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner; Jim Luger, Parks Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Lowell Johnson, Senior Program Manager; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; Jennifer Wagenius, Deputy Recorder; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

Commissioner Hegberg lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the October 9 and 16, 2001 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to reappoint Duane Johnson, West Lakeland Township, to the Valley Branch Watershed District Board of Managers to a first full term expiring November 13, 2004.
3. Approval of contract with Goldstein's Inc. for printing and mailing the notices of proposed property taxes for taxes payable 2002.
4. Approval of the Food Stamp Employment and Training Program Annual Plan for July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002 with the Minnesota Department of Economic Security.
5. Approval of early hire of a Public Health Nurse II position for the Elderly Waiver Program.
6. Approval and execution by Board Chair and Administrator of an agreement with the City of Cottage Grove for distribution of curbside recycling funds in the amount of \$44,868.

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7. Approval for Plat of Belle Terre, New Scandia Township.
8. Approval and execution of contract with Washington Soil and Water Conservation District for St. Croix Valley Natural Resources inventory services.

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

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

James Schug, County Administrator, reminded the Board that this evening there will be an employee recognition dinner at the Oak Glen Country Club in Stillwater at 5:30. Next week, the County will hold its League of Local Governments meeting at the Prom Center in Oakdale. The topic for that evening will be the 2000 census data and how it can be used in planning for local government services.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the insurance trust meeting he attended in New Orleans last week. He attended the three sessions on governance and would recommend that those speakers be invited to the AMC Leadership Conference. He also reported that it might be difficult to get reinsures on government buildings due to several losses over the past three years.

Commissioner Stafford reported on a trip he, Commissioner Pulkrabek, the County Engineer and others from the Red Rock Corridor Commission, took to Vancouver, British Columbia to look at commuter rail. They learned a lot of good information that will help when they proceed with developing the different corridors here. He indicated they would give a more detailed report at a future Regional Rail Authority meeting.

Commissioner Stafford stated he will be attending the Blue Ribbon Panel on waste this Thursday and he will also attend the Employee Recognition dinner this evening and the League of Local Governments meeting next Monday.

The Board recessed until 9:30 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Appeal of VoiceStream/APT, Minneapolis, Inc. Conditional Use Permit

The Board Vice Chair presented a brief overview of procedures to be followed in today's public hearing to consider the appeals of Eileen B. Sexton and Duane Laabs, who appealed the Washington County

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Planning Advisory Commission's granting of a Conditional Use Permit. The appeal concerns the decision by the Planning Advisory Commission to grant the request of VoiceStream/APT Minneapolis, Inc. to construct a telecommunication tower.

The Board Secretary read the Notice of Public Hearing and verified for the record that the file contains the required Affidavit of Publication and Mailing. The Board Chair opened the Public hearing at 9:40 a.m.

Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Planner, presented a brief overview of today's public hearing. He indicated that the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission met on September 11, 2001 and granted a conditional use permit subject to numerous conditions to VoiceStream Wireless/APT, Inc. for a 130-foot telecommunication tower. The tower is proposed on the George Rydeen property in Stillwater Township. The motion to approve the request passed on a 6-4 vote. Mr. O'Donnell indicated that the entire record of what was presented to the Planning Advisory Commission was forwarded to the County Board previously. The minutes of the three meetings at which the Planning Advisory Commission considered the application were also enclosed.

Mr. O'Donnell reviewed his report dated October 15, 2001, which was included in the Board Agenda Packet and is now a part of the official record. This report covered the following items:

Application Review: The Rydeen's own approximately 74 acres of land in Stillwater Township and the property has frontage on both Arcola Trail North and 110th Street North. The property is in agricultural use at this time and is improved with a home and several accessory buildings. VoiceStream proposes to lease a 75 by 75 foot area to construct a 130-foot monopole style tower and to house the base equipment. Telecommunications are allowed in A-4 Agricultural subject to a conditional use permit.

Locational Standards: The Washington County Ordinance requires a ¼ mile setback from areas or items felt to be important such as the St. Croix River, scenic roads, DNR protected lakes and rivers and County and State parks. The proposed tower meets the required ¼ mile setback from both the river and Highway 95. The applicant has also met other locational standards of the ordinance. There are no other towers or tall structures close by on which to locate a new antenna. The closest tower in Washington County is in May Township, which is four miles away to the northwest. There may be a closer tower across the river in Somerset Township, Wisconsin.

Screening/General Aesthetics: Aesthetic impact is a common objection, and altering scenic views and cluttering the landscape are concerns. This tower is located in a more sensitive area than others the Planning Commission has looked at in the past. On August 14, 2001, the applicant was required to conduct a crane test on the property. This test occurred when all the leaves were on the trees, and the tower could not be seen from the Arcola Mills Historic site, the Historic Courthouse in Stillwater or

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from downtown Stillwater. The tower could be seen from Arcola Trail, surrounding property owners, and some areas along Highway 95. The County Ordinance does contain provisions that give the Planning Commission authority to require the towers to be camouflaged if it deems necessary as well as locating them elsewhere on the property. To reduce the impact somewhat the tower could be moved to a different location where there are existing silos, but that was rejected by the Planning Commission because it would bring it closer to the river and ultimately it may be visible from the river and more visible to a neighboring home. The Planning Commission discussed camouflaging the tower to look like a silo or tree. Given the location where it would be out there by itself, the Planning Commission thought that would be more obtrusive than the tower that is proposed. The use of a micropole was discussed, but the applicant indicated there would be no co-location opportunities on that. The County Ordinance also requires the tower to be painted to minimize visibility and it will be painted off-white.

Health and Safety: Air traffic issues were explored and it was found there would not be a threat to aviation, the tower is only 130 feet high and does not require FAA review. Falling and blowing ice from the tower was a concern and it was determined that the area is large enough to handle those two activities. The Telecommunications Act prohibits the issue of radio frequency emitted radiation as a reason to deny a request for a facility.

Neighborhood Compatibility: There are a number of homesites in the area and it will be visible from some in the area.

Environmental Assessment: The applicant submitted information in regard to the environmental review for this project. The National Environment Policy Act requires an environmental assessment where there may be a significant environmental effect on historic sites or wetlands. It was determined that there would not be an environmental effect as outlined under that Act. No other factual evidence was submitted to the Planning Commission indicating there would be a potential for a significant environmental effect as a result of this tower.

Review Standard: If the Board determines that the proposed use would not be detrimental to the health safety and welfare of the County nor cause serious traffic congestion nor depreciates surrounding property values or scenic views and the use is in harmony with the County's ordinance and comprehensive plan, the Board may grant the permit. Some of the key issues out of the Telecommunications Act are the County cannot discriminate among wireless telecommunications providers that compete against one another; and, the Ordinance may not prohibit or have the effect of prohibiting the provision of wireless services.

Mr. O'Donnell informed the Board that it will need to review the underlying record and decide to uphold or reverse the Planning Advisory Commission's decision. The Board must determine if there was sufficient evidence to support the Planning Commission's decision and whether these facts are

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legally sufficient. If the Board feels the request should be approved, he suggested that the same sixteen conditions as requested by the Planning Commission also be made a part of the Board's approval.

Mr. O'Donnell indicated that a letter was received from Clarence Nelson, Taylors Falls, Minnesota. Mr. Schug informed the Board that a letter was received this morning from Bill Voedisch, Chair of the May Town Board, and that will also be placed on the record.

Eileen Sexton, Stillwater Township, raised the following issues in support of her appeal:

- The Planning Advisory Commission's decision was inappropriate because it was not based on the criteria for granting conditional use permits as outlined in the Washington County Development Code.
- The public submitted substantial and compelling evidence to the issue of whether or not harmony existed between this request and the zoning documents. Members of the public provided an abundance of information regarding companies devoted to making wireless technology less conspicuous.
- Co-location of up to three or four antennas on cell towers is inappropriate in such close proximity to the protected National Wild and Scenic St. Croix River.
- The applicant stated their goal was to cover a one-mile gap in service for Highway 95. The Telecommunications Act does not require local government officials to provide seamless service for every vendor.
- The applicant used the U.S. District Court litigation that occurred in Stillwater Township to convince the Planning Advisory Commission members that the judge made a decision based on the merits of the case, and that the data submitted by the members of the public was inadequate. The judge's decision was not based on the merits of the case, no evidence from the people of Stillwater Township was permitted. That case was based on a procedural issue, the issue being the denial of a proposal while implementing a moratorium, which is a violation of the Telecommunications Act.
- The Planning Advisory Commission focused their attention on performance standards and not the substantial data suggesting that the standards and criteria outlined in the County's Development Codes and Comprehensive Plan were not satisfied. She feels this will have an adverse impact in the following areas: General welfare of residents of surrounding lands both in Minnesota and Wisconsin; Impact on property values and scenic views; and Impact of values expressed in the Comprehensive plan.
- Failure to protect an outstanding natural resource of nature-dominated landscape and a failure to maintain a high standard of environmental quality by means of viewshed degradation.
- The proposed structure will result in environmental pollution of viewshed degradation of the St. Croix River Valley as well as causing a hazard to wildlife, specifically birds.

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- A viewshed study by the St. Croix Valley Wireless Service Communications group, modeled on one done in the Appalachian Trail and meant to identify priority views in an objective way, studied Stillwater Township and the view was found to be outstanding. This area has an idealized landscape, there is no pollution, nothing goes above the tree lines even the homes do not go higher than the tree lines, and electric wires are not seen. She believes there are an abundance of stealth options which can permit towers to go anywhere in that given area and to be more protective.
- Evidence from the American Bird Conservancy stated that communication towers are deadly hazards to birds and data showed that the St. Croix River is a flight path for migrating birds and the river is designated as a Natural Wild and Scenic River.
- Development Code Section 1.1(13) calls to preserve and protect the rural character, natural landscape and natural and scenic beauty of the County. She asked why a cell phone tower has to go there.
- Allows property to be transferred from agricultural to commercial use, which is contrary to the rural character of the proposed tower location. The proposed structure is an industrial/commercial structure, which is inconsistent with the rural character of the area.
- The Comprehensive Plan, Goal 4 of the Land Use Plan allows local residents around this area to have a commercial enterprise as long as they meet the requirement to minimize the risk to natural resources. Neighborhood commercial enterprises are being held to a higher standard than a large for profit commercial enterprise requesting a CUP in an agriculturally zoned area. She feels this is discriminatory against the people who live here, the standards should be the same.
- Permitting a tower in the proposed location would result in a failure to protect the remarkable historic and nature dominated landscapes of the St. Croix scenic corridor, resulting in interruption and fragmentation of the existing 30 mile stretch of nature dominated landscape from Taylors Falls to Stillwater between Highway 95 and the St. Croix River and all the way to Afton.
- The proposed structure would seriously depreciate scenic views of residents and visitors to the area. Technology exists to provide service, which is more in character with rural areas, and the applicant has rejected all of the options suggested for use of stealth technology. The Planning Advisory Commission members failed to exercise their local government authority to require stealth.
- 100 local residents signed a petition opposing this tower based on the degradation to the St. Croix River Valley. More than 500 local residents voted two new members on to the Stillwater Township Board, and the primary issue these members ran on is protecting scenic views while providing wireless service. These residents believe these views should be protected.
- The following municipalities have changed their ordinances or have placed a moratorium on towers: May Township, Marine on St. Croix, Afton and St. Croix County in Wisconsin.
- The St. Croix Valley Wireless Service Communication Group, made up of planners, government officials and residents, created a model ordinance and master plan and collected data suggesting it is possible to provide service without the polluting impact of the usual and customary towers.

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- The Board received a letter from Clarence Nelson of Taylors Falls. His letter mentions a long-established public policy both state and federal legislation calling for distinctive and special treatment of the St. Croix River Valley viewshed.
- Four acts came into place in the 20th Century to protect the environment—The Organic Act of 1916, The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and the Redwood Act of 1970. People on the Planning Advisory Commission got carried away with the value of the Telecommunications Act over these four environmental acts. She thought it sad that no one on the Planning Advisory Commission had read the Telecommunications Act.
- Property devaluations—the applicant submitted a 1998 appraisal study showing no property devaluation resulting from cell phone towers. Members of the public submitted written statements from local real estate managers citing up to 20% property devaluation. She asked the Board if it does not use the data from the public on this issue that it does not use the data from the applicant.

Board Vice Chair Pulkrabek informed Ms. Sexton that she has been speaking for almost a half hour and there are at least five other individuals who wish to speak after her and asked if she could wrap up her presentation.

Ms. Sexton stated the presentation she is making today may seem lengthy, but she is saying more today because she believed at the other meetings that her written material would be sufficient, but it seems like the Planning Advisory Commission members didn't read what was in writing or forgot it.

Ms. Sexton continued with the following issues:

- She referred the Board to Carol Zellie's Washington County Historic Context, which makes seven recommendations in her report, one being to prioritize the conservation of historic and scenic vistas.
- There is potential for degradation of views in Minnesota and Wisconsin.
- The purpose of the wireless communication performance standards are to accommodate needs of businesses and to minimize adverse visual affects of towers through careful siting and design. She believes there was a failure on the part of the applicant to use stealth and a failure on the part of the Planning Advisory Commission to require it so careful siting and design has not occurred. The proposed location is in the middle of a field where it will have absolutely the most impact possible.
- Best efforts are not being made to improve screening. More time was spent in the meeting attempting to screen the bottom of the tower, which has never been an issue between the public and the applicant.
- She believes the applicant has not shown that their equipment cannot be accommodated on an existing tower. A Board Supervisor in May Township informed her that no company has made application to co-locate on the May Township tower bordering Stillwater Township.

Ms. Sexton wrapped up by saying that the Planning Advisory Commission members who voted to approve the request failed to address the adverse impact on general welfare of occupants of surrounding

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lands in Minnesota and Wisconsin; failed to address property values and scenic views in Minnesota and Wisconsin; failed to comply with the values of the community as stated in the Comprehensive Plan; and failed to meet the Performance Standards as outlined in the code. She asked the Board is it worth compromising all of this to fill a one mile gap in coverage? She believes there is service in this area, members of the public have proven it, and she would ask that the Board act on the values of this community in making its decision today.

Board Vice Chair Pulkrabek asked Mr. Laabs to be succinct in his comments and to please not be redundant of issues raised by Ms. Sexton.

Duane Laabs, Stillwater Township, addressed the following issues:

- Nextel in their effort to put in a tower in Scandia Township, worked with the community to come in and move their site. This applicant has not done that. There is a tower at the Loch Ness Bar across the river by the same applicant.
- This location is in the middle of a bluff-to-bluff region and is a migratory area.
- He feels the following statements were made incorrectly or were misleading: This will be a 130 foot tower, it's actually going to be 138 feet because the antenna are extended beyond that and it's in the documentation: Cost differences in silos—American Tower who is a competitor with APT stated they are concerned about the numbers with respect to the stealth and antenna. He also called Sollenberger and asked them about the estimates and they thought they were quite high:
- A memo states there will be coverage inside the City of Stillwater, then at the County hearings the applicant states this is an error, that their engineer had made a mistake. He contends that when they put the tower up by Brian's, they decided that this memo was no longer needed because the Brian's tower is covering the north end of Stillwater.
- Another misleading fact is where the actual site of the crane test took place, there was confusion.
- A statement was made that this is the only location for them to be. This is untrue because they went to all the neighbors in that area and asked whether or not they could put the tower there. The Rydeens is not the only location that would work for them.
- VoiceStream has stated that there is no co-location with respect to the micropoles. He believes that is not true. He called TeleStructures and there are co-location possibilities on a micropole. The University of Minnesota is doing research on new technology and antennas and they can double or quadruple the density of the antennas which means the antennas themselves can be placed inside the micropole and could be four times the density as antennas outside on a monopole.
- Mr. Welsh, DNR, stated that the information handed in to him by the applicant was just a pole, nothing hanging off of it. He felt he was somewhat duped by not knowing there might be some other potential impact with respect to things hanging off of it. Because guy wires and antennas hanging off of a structure like this are the things that are obtrusive to wildlife and migratory birds.

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- Gary Wegie, United States Department of Interior, stated that he too was unaware that there would be antennas hanging off this particular pole. He also did not know that this was in the middle of a bluff-to-bluff region of a flyway.
- The following was included in a letter from the United States Department of the Interior dated October 11, 2000: "Avoid siting towers in or near (within 3-5 miles) of large wetlands, known bird concentration areas, nesting area refuges, critical habitat or bird migratory corridors".
- Property valuation—The public submitted information from local area real estate managers and believes their objectivity with respect to this area should be considered.
- The applicant has not met the County's ordinance by maximization for offsite screening. The applicant to date has not handed in any plan to lessen the impact. When plausible plans were presented, either silos or micropoles, they found reasons for not using them.
- The County's ordinance has some ambiguity in it. It states you must maximize for offsite screening for local residents, at the same time right next to it, it states the applicant must have co-location. If the applicant is required to have co-location, the applicant is saying they can't meet part of the ordinance for maximizing for offsite views.
- Suggested the Board deny or overturn the vote by the Planning Commission and deny this application because it does not meet the ordinance and there is ambiguity in the ordinance, in which case the Board must go back to the Comprehensive Plan at that point and deny it on that basis.
- Maps show that they currently have service in this area. There is service in this area by multiple vendors. The Telecommunications Act does not guarantee any applicant to have full coverage in any area, nor does it state that every vendor must have full coverage. It says that a municipality must provide service in that area, the Board has done that. The Board has not discriminated from this vendor because the closest structure to this area is their own structure in Wisconsin.

Nancy Nelson, 2344 Delong Road, Somerset Township, Wisconsin, raised the following issues:

- The boom site was conducted and studied sites west but not east.
- Believes this is an issue that affects everyone that uses the St. Croix River, and this area is considered wild and scenic.
- Urged the Board to take the time to read the evidence and hear the testimony. Once the tower is built it will be there forever.
- Asked the Board to look at its ordinance, other communities along the St. Croix are re-examining their ordinances.
- Somerset looked at this issue and a tower would be visible from the St. Croix River. Residents from Marine on St. Croix, Afton and Stillwater Township showed up and talked about the importance of a regional plan. Her community denied the application which was an APT application. Somerset looked very carefully at what options there are in this area and there are several.

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- The Park Service has repeatedly asked the applicants to come in and discuss it. The Appalachian Trail model happened when everybody cooperated together to get more towers, but shorter towers, towers that did not rise above the tree level. APT has not come in to discuss this issue as others have.
- Technology exists to get this done and the County ordinance requires that if it exists it can be done. She feels that the conditional use permit was granted in error and not in conformance with the County's own ordinance.
- Communities in California do not permit tall towers for antennas. There are communities in Minnesota that do not permit tall towers for antennas, but who have worked with the companies to get short towers that are invisible.
- The birds discussed are migratory eagles that are protected in addition to the river way.

Ms. Nelson asked that the Board not support what's happened in granting the conditional use permit.

Bill Neuman, 18835 Osceola Road, Shafer, Minnesota, presented the following issues:

- For the last year and a half he has been the Chisago County representative to the Regional Wireless Communication Services Group, he is also a member of a County appointed task force in Chisago County. This group has looked at transmission and essential service ordinance in light of the viewshed impacts and its relationship to the St. Croix River.
- In August, they got their ordinance adopted, a new set of application procedures for the County and for the first time they have embedded within that process a consideration of views from the Wisconsin side of the river.
- Another charge is to lay down specific criteria for the protection of the river way itself, four miles back from the river. They hope to have that completed by the end of the calendar year or very nearly.
- Another charge is to develop brand new siting procedures for wireless communication services. These procedures set viewshed standards and it goes to the more towers but less visible standard. It is heading in the direction of requiring stealth so that they are not responsible in their area of jurisdiction for exporting a degradation of viewshed to a neighboring community whether on the Minnesota side of the river or on the Wisconsin.

Mr. Neuman urged the Board's consideration of those arguments that have already been made.

Jill Medland, National Park Service St. Croix National Scenic Way, St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin, presented the following items:

- The National Park Service's position on the proposed 130 foot tower in Stillwater Township is well documented. They are concerned about the visual impact of this and other proposed towers along the St. Croix National Riverway. They manage the river and approximately a ¼ mile of land on

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either side of the river to protect its scenic and recreational value. Congress set this area aside to be a retreat from the pressures of urban life and they are trying to keep it that way.

- She asked in the face of growing development pressures, will the scenic integrity of the St. Croix River Valley be maintained? The decisions made today will affect the appearance of the valley for years to come.
- They are an active member of the St. Croix Valley Wireless Communication Service Group. They are a major land holder and public land manager in the valley, they therefore recommend the use of stealth and camouflage antenna facilities within two miles of the riverway.
- This is one of the strategies outlined in the document called "Protecting Scenic Resources While Providing for Wireless Communication Facilities – A Master Plan for the St. Croix Valley" and has been entered into the record previously.
- They asked that the Board require the applicant to take a more comprehensive look at alternative sites and alternative designs that would provide wireless communication facilities while protecting the scenic beauty of the area.

Peter Coyle, attorney for the applicant VoiceStream Wireless, presented the following items:

- Advised the Board that the applicant has completed the process required by the County's ordinance and a site was chosen that complied with both the Township and County ordinances.
- Voicestream respectfully urges the County Board to reject the appeals that have been made today by the two residents of Stillwater Township and sustain the decision by the Planning Commission which voted to approve the 130 foot monopole for VoiceStream.
- Documents were presented showing the current gap in coverage and the area that will be covered if the County Board approves VoiceStream's site location. This location not only satisfies the County's ¼ mile spacing requirement, but also the ½ mile spacing requirement by Stillwater Township. The two maps were made part of the County Board record.
- It is the County's discretion to enact zoning regulations. That has been tempered somewhat by the Telecommunications Act. That Act has been construed by Minnesota District Courts to the effect that local governments may not regulate wireless facilities in a manner that prohibits or has the effect of prohibiting the provision of personal wireless services.
- An applicant does not bear the burden of providing substantial evidence to support the denial. Also, the local jurisdiction has the burden of proof on the question of whether there are alternate sites which were available to the applicant and which were not considered.
- County staff has already indicated to the Board that the closest site is over four miles away north of the proposed site.
- The Court has also stated that general aesthetic considerations do not comprise substantial evidence for the purposes of considering an application of this sort. Also, the opposition or hostility in some cases of residents to a particular site does not constitute objective, substantial evidence to be part of the basis for denial.
- It's undisputed that the Rydeen property is zoned properly for the use that is before the Board today;

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- It's been suggested that the applicants have not been cooperative in pursuing alternative locations. He spoke in front of the Stillwater Township body several times and offered to consider an alternative location if the Township and County could come back to them and show them a site they would be willing to approve, they declined to do that.
- VoiceStream has submitted radio frequency coverage maps which were placed on the record, documenting the gap in services along Highway 95, which gap would be closed by virtue of the approval that is sought today.
- VoiceStream was unable to identify any existing structure in the vicinity of the Rydeen property which could serve as an acceptable substitute to the monopole that's been the basis of the application and that has been confirmed by County staff.
- The proposed wireless facility will be at least ¼ mile from Highway 95 and designated parks in the St. Croix River; Also the site before the Board today is outside of the regulatory jurisdiction of the National Park Service.
- The proposed monopole will be erected to a height of 130 feet, but the County's code allows it to be installed to a height of 300 feet.
- The structure that's been proposed has been designed to fulfill their obligations under federal law to provide E-911 service capabilities.
- VoiceStream did complete the environmental analysis required under federal law and under the County ordinance, that documentation has been submitted to the County previously. All of the agencies that were consulted as part of that process concluded that there would be no negative impact associated with the proposed structure.
- The Planning Commission, exercising its own independent deliberative authority, rejected the use of stealth design requirements given the incapability of a 130 foot silo or tree in an area that didn't have surrounding topography or structures that would make that a larger visual intrusion, instead affirmed the 130 foot monopole proposed.
- The evidence as has been discussed supported the conclusion that to require a silo design would more than double the structural cost associated with installing the equipment at this site.
- While the monopole will be visible to some extent from Highway 95, it is necessary for the proper operation of this system.
- The evidence on the record supports the finding that the monopole will not be visible from nor have any adverse impact on the St. Croix River Corridor.

Mr. Coyle stated that on the basis of the objective facts that are on the record today, and on the basis of the material provided to the Board, he asked that the County Board approve the application of VoiceStream and to reject the appeals that have been filed by residents of Stillwater Township.

Commissioner Hegberg asked if, as suggested by previous speakers, a lower tower were used that it could be done with more towers, would that be possible with setbacks of a ¼ mile or a ½ mile? Mr. Coyle stated that would not be possible. They picked the site that fell within the setback zone that the

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Township and County ordinances required, but in order to compensate for that setback requirement, they had to have a tower that was at least 130 feet in height.

Commissioner Hegberg stated that some speakers indicated that this would only cover a mile of Highway 95, is that true? Mr. Coyle, stated that is not the case. The documentation speaks for itself, but he believes the information they submitted to the Planning Commission that the coverage objective they have extends between three and five miles up along Highway 95 where it comes out of Stillwater and works its way north.

Commissioner Hegberg asked when they first made application for this tower? Mr. Coyle stated this process started with Stillwater Township early in the summer of 2000. They only submitted their application to the County late this spring or early summer of 2001.

Commissioner Hegberg asked about co-location. Mr. Coyle stated that the structure proposed would accommodate co-location for up to three other carriers. He guesses that two other carriers would be able to make use of the pole that's been proposed. He believes the record reflects already that Nextel Wireless would be a co-locator in lieu of pursuing its own stand alone facility should the County Board reject the appeals. The micro cell device is not structurally able to withstand the wind loads and the structural weight loads associated with the co-location.

Commissioner Stafford stated that a comment was made that VoiceStream consistently refused to negotiate with the citizens, have there ever been any attempts to have a dialogue with the citizens, have they been reluctant to do that? Mr. Coyle indicated he has represented VoiceStream on this application from the beginning and he stated that he has never once been called by any of the residents directly to ask for a meeting. Also, he participated personally in three Planning Commission hearings at which the residents who have spoken today spoke up and voiced their opposition to the application and not once did any of them come up to him after the meeting and say can they sit down and reason this together. The minutes of those meeting show that he offered to try to move the structure to a site that would be mutually acceptable to them and to VoiceStream, as well as to the Township and that was rejected. VoiceStream's only proviso was that the County and Township have very strict setback requirements and they didn't want to be put in a position where they would have to ask for a variance. That was their only condition and nobody ever came back and said lets talk.

Commissioner Stafford stated there is a huge tower on the Wisconsin side of the river, was there any effort made to co-exist on that tower as well as the King stack? Mr. Coyle, stated that the County's ordinance requires that they document the existing structures that they are currently using as a way of documenting why they need this further additional site. They did submit that documentation where existing coverage is located. Notwithstanding the existence of those existing facilities that they own and manage, they still have a gap in coverage in the area reflected in the coverage maps provided. The

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existing structures that they own and manage don't provide the ability to cover the varying topographical areas that are typical of the vicinity of the Rydeen property as Highway 95 works its way out of Stillwater and begins to work its way north. In addition, to rely on the tower across the river in Wisconsin, which is relatively high compared to the relatively low tower proposed for Rydeen, creates two problems, first of all the Wisconsin tower generates a signal that basically shoots over the top and therefore is useless to them in the relatively lower topographical area of the Rydeen property. The second problem is with what's called signal reuse. The fundamental challenge they have is to maximize their signal power and their signal strength so there is just enough signal coverage to an area to ensure there is broad coverage. You don't want to duplicate. Their system has been designed to make sure there is just enough signal to get them to a point which is reflected in the coverage maps and this next structure they are proposing incrementally fills up one more gap they need to get covered to serve their customers.

Commissioner Stafford stated the King stack is already being utilized by some cell companies. If it works for them why wouldn't it work for VoiceStream? Mr. Coyle stated in general it's too far south and because it's too far south the signal they would need to get off of that stack to achieve the coverage can't be engineered properly because of conflict issues he discussed a few minutes ago. Michael O'Rourke, Director of Engineering for VoiceStream, stated that the King stack is south of Stillwater and it's too far away. The cellular technology is such that you don't want to put a big tower on the IDS or one big site on the thousand footer in Somerset to cover huge amounts of territory because it reuses the channels. They have a site north of the King stack in Holton and that doesn't cover all the way up to there.

Commissioner Stafford noted that the Planning Commission gave VoiceStream 16 conditions, he asked if they had any trouble with those? Mr. Coyle stated they will accept the conditions approved by the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Stafford asked if they would be amenable to some type of stealth tower? Mr. Coyle indicated that the Planning Commission considered the feasibility of using a deciduous or coniferous tree structure, as well as a silo structure, but the reality is there are no similar aesthetic characteristics around the Rydeen property, or in this area of Minnesota that would mimic a 130-foot deciduous tree. He feels the Planning Commission exercising its judgment considered that the notion of using a stealth tree doesn't make any sense given what's there and secondly there are no 130-foot silos around this area so that the silo would blend in.

Robert Bilyk, Stillwater Township, presented the following items:

- APT isn't interested in completing a vital link for VoiceStream, it is interested in putting in a tower that it could lease to other tenants for maximum revenue.

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- There are a number of structures that VoiceStream can co-locate with. He believes the ordinance hasn't been met, hasn't been satisfied if there are lingering questions of can VoiceStream's service be co-located.
- Does the provision of service related to VoiceStream require a 130-foot tower, does it require anything other than a micropole?
- He believes their end objective is to put up a tower and have tenants on that tower in order to secure revenue.
- There has never been an overture on the part of the representatives for APT to the residents to somehow settle this or reason this thing through.
- He asked that the conditional use permit to be withheld and for there to be an opportunity to clearly look at what it would require to fulfill the VoiceStream service.
- The crane test was done in the middle of August when there was heavy foliage. It should be done again. The impact of that tower was not fairly assessed.
- Everything was related to can the tower be seen from a historical building.
- The Planning Commission didn't consider any environmental impact outside of the impact on historical buildings.
- The ordinance requires camouflage, that has not been addressed.
- The Planning Committee did not adequately explore alternative structures.
- Stillwater Township is appealing this case to the Federal court.
- Evidence was presented to the Planning Commission on health impacts, environmental impacts, the citizens were eloquent, detailed and took the trouble to prepare and give well-articulated arguments.
- The Planning Commission adjourned to deliberate if it satisfied the ordinance and the Federal Communications Act and the members hadn't even read the Federal Communications Act.
- They made judgments without adequate information.
- When the final decision was made to grant the conditional use permit, two members who had never been present at any of the public hearings showed up. The scuttlebutt among the residents was that one of the members of the Planning Commission, allegedly, has a contract with APT VoiceStream, and showed up at the very last minute and granted APT the permit.
- He asked that this Board investigate that matter, because that individual should have recused himself from that particular decision.

Mr. Bilyk asked that the Board overturn the Planning Commission's conditional use grant.

Commissioner Hegberg asked about the timelines that need to be met in the case? Meredith Magers, Assistant County Attorney, informed the Commissioners that a land use decision has to be made within 60 days unless there is a written request to continue that for an additional 60 days. That request has been made and the 120 days expires next week.

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Commissioner Hegberg stated he hasn't read the Federal Communications Act and he doesn't intend to, does this comply with the Federal Telecommunications Act? Ms. Magers stated that the County ordinance does comply with the Federal Telecommunications Act.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated that both he and Commissioner Hegberg have sat on the Planning Advisory Commission and he recalls that the Attorney's Office went through the Federal Telecommunications Act when this ordinance was discussed back in 1996. It was also discussed at a Planning Commission meeting in 1997. The testimony that he is hearing that nobody on the Planning Commission understood or read the Telecommunications Act, he is sure that it was explained to the vast majority of them.

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

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Peterson absent. The public hearing was closed at 11:40 a.m.

Commissioner Stafford stated that as he considered this he had five key points in mind. He is concerned about public safety, the comments about the tax base, compliance with the County ordinance, the issue of aesthetics and a challenge of authority believes has been sorted out by continuing to read these documents. He does not believe there is any disagreement on the Board's authority to act on this matter. The health and safety of citizens, in spite of the emotions of this, is the government's primary role. He has spent many years on the river and there are locations near Marine where the radio does not work. He believes cell phones work better in that regard and he considers that a safety feature. He feels that nothing can be seen from that valley. He can tell you where the eagles' nests are, but you can't see a farm. He seriously doubts the allegations, and is surprised that the Park Service would make the comment that this is a visual pollution.

Commissioner Stafford stated he does not buy the argument about tax base. There was a debate about whose appraiser was right. They should have gone to the source, the County establishes values and those are the people they should have talked to. In his 30 years of experience in government, he has seldom ever seen projects of this type have a negative impact on property values. Regarding compliance, he heard the Planning Commission say yes they must deal with the issue based on the facts before it, it does comply with the existing ordinance but they will be coming back to the Board at a later date and making some changes.

Commissioner Stafford's concerns about aesthetics were partially answered and he directs the Board's attention to Stipulation 3 of the Planning Commission's recommendation. He would be concerned also

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if they put an antenna up there and a couple years later they want to add 15 sticks to it because they have 15 new customers. Stipulation 3 says "The addition of any new antennas to the tower will require a certificate of compliance." His question to the staff at a later date would be what are the restrictions, is the County violating their rights if they can't have 15, does the County have the authority to say they can only have three or four? He needs to know how deep the authority runs.

Commissioner Stafford believes the accusation of voting impropriety should have been made at the time that it was discovered or suspected and not to wait till today to bring that up where these people cannot respond. He asked that the charge be made in writing so they can explore that for future events. Commissioner Stafford stated his last comment is about towers killing birds. A comment was made that if the towers were moved somewhere else it would be okay. He feels the tower would still kill birds no matter where it is put. Clean glass kills birds, it's not a happy event but it does happen. He wouldn't base his vote on a tower based on the unfortunate demise of some birds.

Commissioner Hegberg asked what the final vote was of the Planning Advisory Commission? Commissioner Abrahamson stated it was 6-4.

Commissioner Hegberg believes the County Board's primary concern is public health of the community. They sit on many different committees that have conflicts of issues. He believes that cell telephones have become a necessary part of public safety and it is also for the safety of the police force. Many times there are not good communications, they don't know how much of an emergency it is unless they have the information available. He hit a deer on Highway 97 and he had to drive another half mile up the road to make a connection on his cell phone because it was in a low, dead spot. There was a motorcycle accident in Scandia on Highway 97 that provided difficulty in communicating. There was also a train crash on County Road 15. He believes those issues have to be looked at when the Board considers the safety and well being of the community as a whole.

Commissioner Hegberg stated that the value documents provided indicated an appraiser had looked at many different incidences in Maplewood, Woodbury, etcetera and they indicated there was no change in the values of the properties.

Commissioner Hegberg noted that when the Board developed this ordinance, it felt that co-location was better than having a bunch of towers everywhere. The $\frac{1}{4}$ mile and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile was considered because if a mile was used it would be impossible to place a tower in the northern half of the County because of the water and lakes in that area.

Commissioner Hegberg stated that the Planning Commission has reviewed and upheld its obligation and believes they have done an admirable job. There is a stack of material that was available to the Board for review and it was reviewed by the Planning Commission.

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Commissioner Abrahamson stated that the Planning Advisory Commission members are from the five Commissioner districts in the County and they have a hard job with long meetings. These people are dedicating their time. In his district, these vacancies are advertised in the newspapers and he has not received one application from Stillwater Township during the past ten years.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to deny Eileen Sexton and Duane Laabs appeal of the Washington County Planning Advisory Commission's granting of a Conditional Use Permit and to uphold the Planning Advisory Commission's decision and conditions as follows:

- 1) This permit allows for the construction of a 130-foot high telecommunication tower and associated base equipment as shown on the submitted plan.
- 2) The tower shall be located in accordance with the submitted site plan and be of the design submitted.
- 3) The addition of any new antennas to the tower shall require a certificate of compliance. The construction or addition of any base equipment for other providers shall also require a certificate of compliance.
- 4) The conditional use permit shall remain in effect as long as the conditions of the permit are met. The grounds for revocation of this permit shall be based on a finding that: (i) the permittee has failed to comply with conditions of approval imposed; or (ii) the facility has not been properly maintained; or (iii) the facility is no longer in use and has not been in use for the previous twelve (12) months.
- 5) All rules and regulations of the FCC and FAA must be met and complied with.
- 6) In the event of revocation of a permit, the tower and all accessory structures must be removed and the site restored to its original condition within 120 days.
- 7) Permanent platforms of structures, exclusive of antennas, other than those necessary for safety purposes or for tower maintenance are prohibited.
- 8) No advertising or identification signs shall be placed on the tower or antennas.
- 9) Structural design, mounting and installation of the antenna and tower shall be in compliance with manufacturer's specifications. The plans shall be approved and certified by a registered professional engineer.
- 10) Associated base equipment must be located within a structure. The tower accessory structures shall be constructed of materials designed to minimize visibility to the neighborhood and as approved by the Zoning Administrator.
- 11) The tower owner shall, in good faith, lease space to others so long as there is no disruption in the existing service provided by the tower's existing users or no negative structural impact upon the tower.
- 12) The bottom of the tower from ground level to 12 feet above ground shall be designed in a manner to preclude unauthorized climbing or shall be enclosed by a six foot high chain link fence with a locked gate.

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- 13) Antenna and tower owners shall be required to conduct an annual inspection of their facilities to insure continuing compliance with this permit. A copy of the annual inspection report shall be provided to the County.
- 14) Any other restrictions or regulations contained in the Washington County Ordinance must be adhered to.
- 15) The tower shall be painted an off-white color. Color sample must be submitted prior to erection of the tower.
- 16) Twenty-five foot evergreens shall be planted around the base of the tower compound to provide immediate screening twelve months out of the year from the adjacent property owners and any traffic on nearby roads.

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

The Board took a five minute recess.

PUBLIC HEARING – HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Carnelian Marine TIF Plan Amendment

The Board Vice Chair presented an overview of the procedures to be followed in today's public hearing to consider an amendment to the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment's Carnelian-Marine Tax Increment Financing District Plan.

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

Barbara Dacy, HRA Executive Director, presented a brief overview of today's public hearing. She stated that the Tax Increment Financing District and project area was created in 1983. One of the many purposes of the redevelopment plan was to install a gravity drain pipe for improvement of the drainage area in the Big Carnelian Lake system. In the TIF Plan budget, there was an allocation of \$1.4 million of tax increment to help pay for the installation of the drain pipe. In 1988, two amendments were made to increase spending authority for payment of interest costs on the debt service at two senior housing developments owned by the HRA. In 1993, an amendment was made to the TIF Plan to increase spending authority by \$3.5 million for public improvements within the Carnelian-Marine watershed area. Currently the TIF Plan budget has a total of \$6.2 million.

Ms. Dacy indicated that the amendment requested today will do the following: The District will terminate at the end of this year; An increase in spending authority is being proposed from \$6.2 million to approximately \$8 million or an increase of \$1.8 million. That amount of increment represents the

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amount of increment that has been collected to date by the authority through the year 2001. The spending authority is being increased due to the necessity to amend the original budget for housekeeping amendments which took away from that \$3.5 million for TIF Advisory Board approved projects and secondly, they are asking for additional increment that would pay for two years worth of debt service costs for the same developments.

Ms. Dacy informed the Board that State guidelines require that the category of tax increment expenditures are allocated to the right line item in the budget. In 1983, the budget in that year did not allocate or have a line item for administrative expenses and it under budgeted the amount of interest cost for the gravity drainpipe. Because of those housekeeping issues the increment was expended and that takes away from the total \$6.2 million. The second part is for housing expenditures. In 1988 the Board amended the plan and found that these expenditures were legitimate tax increment expenditures in order to provide affordable housing. They are suggesting in this amendment that approximately \$630,000 of tax increment be used to pay for the interest and principal payment for 2001 and 2002 and then after that point in time that particular use of increment is done.

Ms. Dacy stated that they are required by State law to notify the schools and individual County commissioners. They have done that. This amendment has been reviewed on several occasions with the TIF Advisory Board, some of the representatives are here today in the audience to act as resources. She understands that the Board has been contacted by Vincent Anderson and she has also reviewed this with him on a couple of occasions. Ms. Dacy stated that in order to address some concerns raised by Mr. Anderson, on every TIF Board project there will be a funding agreement, similar to a development contract. They will assure that proper documentation is maintained for each type of project and also to ensure it's consistent with the 1993 amendment that the County Board passed and with State law. Ms. Dacy stated that the Finance Committee last week asked her to analyze where the HRA was at in terms of documenting the administrative expenses that have been incurred since 1983. She reported that they've reviewed their files and they are able to provide hard documentation for approximately \$60,000 to \$80,000 of administrative expenses, the remaining part of which is going to be allocated on a salary allocation of past employees since the inception of the district. They feel they have a good file of documentation to prove the purposes for which those expenses were made.

Ms. Dacy and the TIF Advisory Board request that the County Board approve the amendment as presented. It terminates the district at the end of this year, which is consistent with the desires of the County Board; It will finish and accomplish the projects that were originally intended by virtue of the 1993 amendment; and Finally, the allocation of increment for debt service cost for two of the HRA properties will provide an affordable purpose and enable them to hold down the cost of housing.

The Board Vice Chair opened the hearing for public comment.

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Vince Parker, 38 Moonlight Bay on Lake Carnelian, discussed the \$140,000 earmarked for an extension pipe on Moonlight Bay that would connect 16 or 17 properties to the Carnelian Hills sewer system. He feels there has been little or no information given to these individuals, no informative meetings. He believes out of these 16 or 17 properties, only 3 or 4 would benefit. He feels that given the choice, it is doubtful that the majority would come on board. The properties have large homes, fully developed lots and excellent on-site septic systems. They are concerned about intrusive road construction, increased taxes, large annual utility bills and a connection to a public sewer system with a history of problems. Mr. Parker offered the following solution: There's property across the street from those who would benefit. That property owner would be willing to sell that land or make it available. If that does not materialize there are other ways to get the job done. They could always appeal to the Washington County Board of Appeals for a variance. He was told by the County's Senior Code Enforcement Officer that their soil is such that an on-site drain system could be fixed right on top of the old one and would last for another 30 to 40 years. He requested that the County Board deny the use of TIF money for this project until other options have been examined.

Bob Jensen, Scandia, stated he was very interested in the sewer in the area and the environment. He worked many years in Scandia and in Washington County relative to these projects. He remembers begging people to hook on to that 201. He believes it is the greatest thing in the world for their homes and Big Marine Lake.

Michael White, Carnelian-Marine Watershed District, stated this is not a project that is under the TIF, it's something they are thinking about, looking at in major depth. There is new technology, so the cost of \$140,000 may be half of that. The homeowners would be assessed like they are along 188th Street in New Scandia Township.

Commissioner Hegberg asked if this is a project that is being looked at and reviewed, but it is part of the TIF amendment being considered? Mr. White stated not as of yet. It hasn't been finalized.

James Schug, County Administrator, announced that in the previous public hearing the Board received a letter from Bill Voedisch, Chair of the May Town Board, and in his letter Mr. Voedisch also talks about the proposed TIF Plan modification and submits comments on the very issues being discussed. He would like this added to the testimony as written testimony.

Vince Anderson, 1815 Hillside Court, West Lakeland Township, stated he has met with Barb Dacy multiple times, he's attended TIF Board meetings and he's discussed what was quoted as an audit with Tautges Redpath. He feels strongly about these issues. He believes he knows the Board's intent at the 1993 amendment, as he spoke on it at that time. The 1993 TIF amendment was for public improvements directly related to the flood control proposal. The 1988 amendment was for interest reduction on public housing.

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Mr. Anderson reviewed the proposed use of the funds: Some of these are located some distance away from contributing properties, and outside of the original district; They don't alleviate blight; The proposed projects are within the power of the appropriate political subdivision to accomplish, funding and construction; Some of the proposed projects are an inappropriate use of capital funds. He reviewed the lack of increase in property value: TIF is based on property value increase as a result of alleviation of blight; He believes the housing project may not have met the test, neither in 1988 or now; Some proposed projects will not increase property values in certain parts of the district.

Mr. Anderson stated the initial plan was for TIF paying off \$1.45 million, the initial budget now is for \$8,780,000 including \$870,000 worth of interest. This is over six times what the original TIF district was going to fund and he feels enough is enough. The amendment the Board is looking at today suggests an additional \$631,000 of interest and principal for the senior housing—this is not a new project, it is not new development, it's not blight and it's not new money. He believes the TIF statutes require that expenditures not be made when the development would occur without it, this development occurred 12 year ago. Today's amendment asks for an additional \$122,000 of administrative costs. He believes the previous amendments put limits on spending. He submits it's inappropriate to add administrative costs on top of those limits. Contrary to what the Board heard, he believes the original plan did address administrative costs in the amount of 4.75%. The original plan required the Authority to file an annual disclosure report with the school, county and state and publish a statement in the paper. He never recalls seeing these annual statements and School District 834 does not have record of receiving these reports. Today's amendment says it will close the project in 2001 versus 2002 as was in the original plan. The original plan said the Authority expects to terminate the TIF redevelopment district in 1998.

Mr. Anderson stated that the HRA proposed to collapse the TIF District with certain caveats. He believes collapsing the TIF should mean account for the money, stop the spending and not hold funds to future years. Today's amendment shows planned 2002 and 2003 expenditures including \$1.4 million from the TIF Board.

Mr. Anderson asked this Board in October if the County wanted to meet with him, they haven't met yet. He asked the Board in September if the County had interest in validating his research in auditing the expenditures and recovering misspent money. The County's letter of September 9 asked him to wait. It said the Board wanted to review the HRA report before making a determination of amendments. The Board hasn't seen a report, the accounting firm told him it was not an audit and the County said they expected to see the report today. The Board said after it received the report and had the opportunity to review it the Board would then make a determination as to the approval of the amendments. He's taking the County at its word—wait.

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Mr. Anderson stated that the HRA, and he believes the watershed, can collapse the district on its own without board action. He has reviewed this with Ms. Dacy last week, pointed it out in an opinion that they have prepared by their council. He believes it is inappropriate for the HRA to request modification and amendment coupled with a promise to collapse. He requests that the County Board not approve the amendment, that there is a cap already in place on expenditures and he requests a review and audit of the expenditures against the 1993 amendment and the 1988 amendment as appropriate and he asks that the County request that the district be collapsed.

Dan Bever, 12610-182 Street North, Marine on St. Croix, stated they always felt in their watershed district that the TIF district got too big and it really wasn't helping them that the Manor was built here and supported by their monies, nor would the school district benefit.

Ken Motzko, 13010 Panorama Avenue, stated there is water running through a neighbor's property into his property, which has caused a lot of erosion problems. Bill Voedisch, May Town Board Chair, indicated to him that money has been approved for this fund and he's been after him for two years to get some money to do something because this water is running through his property so bad that six inches of it sits in front of his garage all the time. He is asking that some sort of funding be brought up before next year.

Richard Caldecott, Moonlight Bay, and member of the Carnelian-Marine Watershed Board, stated he does not want the County Board to go away with the view that there are no monies set aside in the planned amendment for changes to be taken on Moonlight Bay. It is the intention of Bill Voedisch that the problem just raised before you would be taken care of with TIF monies. It is also his intention that the pipe that goes up to feed into the Carnelian Hills distribution system, that the pipe would be increased in size and that also a new pump would be put in half way up the hill in order to increase the pressure on the pipe and take the pressure off the system in times of over use. There are monies set aside for May Township to do those two projects.

Commissioner Stafford asked if those dollars deal with both of the citizen problems that were voiced today? Mr. Caldecott indicated they would, and they might also deal with the issue of running the pipe down the west side of Moonlight Bay to ultimately hook into the whole system. Those things are all on the table, but they haven't been specifically defined.

Ronald Gavelek, 39 Moonlight Bay, stated he is a neighbor of Vince Parkers. He has one concern that was stated here so there isn't any misunderstanding of what was going on in the community. He feels bad about what was stated here that there was no public information given to the community relative to this proposed pipe that they are talking about. He advised the Board that there was a public meeting in May Township and they brought up all of the data they had at the time, costs were not hard fixed and are

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not hard fixed now. Also, the property across the road contains a wetland and no system could be placed there.

Commissioner Hegberg asked Ms. Dacy if the pipe on Moonlight Bay is still a part of the \$6,200,000, or is that a part of the amendment? Ms. Dacy stated that any of the TIF Board projects, which that area is going to be evaluated by the TIF Board, is part of that original \$3.5 million which is part of the original \$6.2 million. Part of the amendment is to allocate additional spending authority to put back increment that was lost because of the administrative and interest costs.

Commissioner Hegberg asked Peter Cooper, HRA Attorney, about the legality of the expenditures as raised by Mr. Anderson, specifically regarding the expenditure for development which would occur without TIF? Mr. Cooper stated the statute permits expenditures from TIF funds by a Housing and Redevelopment Authority for what are called public redevelopment's costs. In this case what they are proposed to expend funds on are costs that are still outstanding; namely the debt that was incurred originally to construct and acquire the projects.

Commissioner Hegberg asked about Mr. Anderson's comments on an additional \$122,000 for administrative costs, was this legal? Mr. Cooper stated the State law permits administrative expenditures in an amount not to exceed 10% of the total TIF budget. All they are doing here is seeking to amend the budget itself to reflect actual history. They believe that the actual history is in compliance with State law and that they do not exceed 10% of administrative costs.

Commissioner Hegberg asked about Mr. Anderson's comment on the closing of the TIF plan, was 1998 the date that thing was suppose to close? Mr. Cooper indicated he referred back to the original plan, and something like Mr. Anderson put in here, that sentence does appear as far as what the expectation was. However, if you read a little further, there is further discussion about a statutorily permitted length, and that issue was addressed in subsequent amendments of the plan to extend the district out as far as 2008. He does not think that this expectation alluded to in the original plan, 1998, really has any legal force to it.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked about the lack of notice? Ms. Dacy verified the notifications to the schools and the County, but she does recall seeing a published notice for the year 2000 and they've submitted all of their required reports. She needs to do some file checking on the notices.

Commissioner Stafford asked for clarification, when a TIF is collapsed there's a formula in the agreements for distributing any money that's left over. He believes the last thing if there is any money left over it goes to the County. If the TIF is collapsed, how can money be carried over for projects? Ms. Dacy indicated that by collapsing, what they are saying is that after the year 2001, the HRA will not collect tax increment; however, up through 2001 they have committed projects identified in their budget,

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the TIF Board projects, the debt service for the housing, they have committed agreements or documents that say they are obligated to complete the funding of those. They will use the increment up through the end of the year of 2001 and yes, some of them will not be completed until 2002. However, they will have all agreements and documents established prior to the end of this year which commit expenditure of those funds. They need to continue to pay on those, and they will have a legal agreement that says that they must. January 1, 2002, they will not be collecting any increment.

Commissioner Stafford asked in item three of the proposed amendment, "Complete originally planned projects recommended by the TIF Board..." that would be viewed legally as encumbered funds, in other words committed, promised to spend. So when they go through the sifting process of what money is left, that might have to be returned to the County Auditor, those things will all be excluded because they're encumbered.

Mr. Anderson stated in response to Ms. Dacy's comments as to whether or not the proposed 201 was part of the \$3.5 million. He understood her to say that it would be part of the \$3.5 million if the amendments approved to take the admin costs out of the \$3.5 million and then incorporate this in it. He has an issue with 201 expenditures throughout this. He has carefully read the copy of the plan and amendments. He claims that the 1993 amendment, he stood before the Board at that time and worked with Commissioner Stafford on that, does not include 201 expenditures. This TIF was a flood control project. The issue of administrative fees, State law may say 10%, but the initial document took pride in saying 4.75%, hold admin costs down. The other issue of expenditures are for routine maintenance, they've been categorized as routine maintenance by the TIF Board, and routine maintenance is not development, not a valid TIF expenditure. Keep in mind that the pipe line was installed around 1983 and 1984. The amendment took place in 1993 and in the interim period the only additional expenditures beyond the pipe line was the interest rate reduction. So maintenance took place in that watershed district for 10 years without TIF. That goes back to his issue that these issues are capable of being handled by local jurisdictions under their authority without TIF and that maintenance would have occurred without TIF and based on it occurring without TIF he believes the law states that you don't use TIF money for it.

Ms. Dacy commented that in 1988 and 1993, the HRA and the County Board had to evaluate several factors in order to amend the plan. The redevelopment plan and the tax increment plan has changed over the course of time. At each time, the Board and the HRA Board made determinations as to the findings for each of those amendments in 1988 for the housing expenditures and in 1993 for the public improvements within the watershed district. In terms of the administrative expenses, reality is that the costs they have been incurring—the HRA was assigned the responsibility of administering this plan and projects, and the costs they are proposing are within State guidelines and reflect what actually has occurred to date. She does not think that the HRA is being extraordinary in its requests regarding the administrative expenses. They intend to comply with the statutory requirements of the law for the

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housing and the public improvements for the 1993 amendment and the 1988 amendment. Funding agreements will also be in place on the projects and will administer the district appropriately.

Commissioner Hegberg asked if the Board approves the amendments that are before the Board, and the Moonlight Bay sewer system did not get done, what happens to those funds that were allocated to that? Ms. Dacy stated the TIF Board has a number of projects on its list to evaluate and either the funds would not be used or the TIF Board would make a determination to look at the status of other identified projects to determine if they can be adequately funded. The TIF Board is still evaluating this particular case that was brought to their attention by the residents and the focus here today is to get the budget and plan corrected and to close things up, to get it done.

Mr. Bever stated that in the opinion of a lot of people, his neighbors and others, anything that will kill the TIF at a legislative level or local level will be this kind of expansion that has taken place from a \$1.75 million project to where they are today, what the Board is hearing in numbers from the HRA. If HRA was managing us, they put us far beyond where they would have been had they done this on their own. The reasons why there was extra money in 1988 was that people paid up front and did not pay using the interest payment plan that they had. So the cash was there, the project should have been paid off but it was expanded.

The Board Vice Chair asked if all documentary evidence has been received? The Board Secretary indicated that is has.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Peterson absent. The public hearing was closed at 12:15 p.m.

Commissioner Hegberg commented that he has attended a number of TIF amendment meetings in Scandia Township in which May Township, Scandia and also the watershed had a number of projects they would like to have included in this. All the projects are very worthwhile, but they can be funded in other ways. The TIF has been an extremely successful event, with \$1.8 being spent on the flooding and about \$7 million on the rest of it. So it's an item that needs to be collapsed because it's a wish list of many groups.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated that the TIF generally has been abused over the past ten years. He would love to see the State of Minnesota cut the throat on all the TIF money and forget about it. The taxpayers are getting hurt on this situation. He would like to wait on this issue.

Commissioner Stafford moved, seconded by Commissioner Abrahamson to adopt the following Resolution:

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Resolution No. 2001-136

Resolution Approving Modification of the
Housing and Redevelopment Project Plan and Tax Increment
Financing Plan for the Carnelian-Marine Area

WHEREAS, the County, together with the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") has previously established its Housing and Redevelopment Project ("Project") and Tax Increment Financing District ("TIF District") for the Carnelian-Marine Flood Control Proposal, and approved a Housing and Redevelopment Project Plan ("Project Plan") for the Project and a Tax Increment Financing Plan ("TIF Plan") for the TIF District, all pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.001 to 469.047 and Sections 469.174 to 469.179 inclusive, as amended (collectively, the "Acts"); and

WHEREAS, the Board approved the Project Plan and TIF Plan on September 30, 1983 and approved modifications of those plans on April 5, 1988, October 18, 1988, and June 22, 1993; and

WHEREAS the Authority approved a further modification of the Project Plan and the TIF Plan on April 17, 2001; and

WHEREAS the Authority has proposed further to modify the Project Plan and the TIF Plan in order to authorize additional public expenditures within the Project and to terminate the TIF District on December 31, 2001; and

WHEREAS the Authority has investigated the facts and has caused to be prepared a document titled "Modification to the Housing and Redevelopment Project Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Carnelian-Marine Flood Control Proposal," dated October 23, 2001; and

WHEREAS by resolution dated August 21, 2001, the Authority approved the modification to the Project Plan and TIF Plan and requested that this Board hold the required public hearing and approve the modified plans; and

WHEREAS the Board has on October 23, 2001, held a public hearing regarding the proposed modification of the Project Plan and TIF Plan at which the views of all interested persons were heard.

The Washington County Board of Commissioners makes the following Findings of Fact with regards to the Redevelopment Plan:

1. The Board reaffirms all findings made at the time of creation of the Project.
2. It is further specifically found and determined that:
 - a) the land within the Project would not be made available for development without the public intervention and financial assistance described in the Project Plan;
 - b) the Project Plan as modified will afford maximum opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the County as a whole, for the development of the Project by private enterprise; and
 - c) the Project Plan as modified conforms to the general plan for development of the County as set forth in the comprehensive plan.

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The Washington County Board of Commissioners makes the following Findings of Fact with regards to the TIF Plan:

The Board hereby finds, determines and declares as follows:

3. It is necessary and desirable for the sound and orderly development of the Project and the County as a whole, and for the protection and preservation of the public health, safety, and general welfare, that the authority of the Acts be exercised by the County to provide public financial assistance to the TIF District and the Project.
4. It is the reasoned opinion of the County, that the development proposed in the TIF plan as modified could not reasonably be expected to occur solely through private investment within the reasonably foreseeable future and that therefore the use of tax increment financing is necessary.
5. The proposed public costs to be financed in part through tax increment financing are necessary to permit the County to realize the full potential of the TIF District and the Project in terms of development intensity, employment opportunities and tax base.
6. The Plan for the TIF District conforms to the general plan of development of the County as a whole.
7. The Plan for the TIF District will afford maximum opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the County as a whole, for the development of the TIF District and the Project by private enterprise.
8. The modification of the TIF Plan does not change the classification or boundaries of the TIF District.
9. Approval of the modified TIF Plan is intended, and in the Board's judgment its effect will be, to promote the public purposes and accomplish the objectives specified in the TIF Plan and the Project Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board having considered the reports and recommendations of its staff, the Authority and the Authority's staff, and being otherwise advised in the premises hereby approves the amendment to the Project Plan and TIF Plan as proposed by the authority dated as of October 23, 2001.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Administrator is authorized and directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Authority for its record.

Approved by the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Minnesota, this 23rd day of October, 2001.

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

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 Stafford and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Peterson absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.



Bill Pulkrabek Vice Chair
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
NOVEMBER 6, 2001

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, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Commissioner Peterson absent. Board Vice Chair Pulkrabek presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Deputy Community Services Director; Sheila Cunningham, Workforce Center; Jon Larson, Veterans Service Officer; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; Jennifer Wagenius, Assistant County Recorder; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

Members from County Veterans Posts and Barracks lead the County Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMUNITY SERVICES – VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE

Jon Larson introduced members from the various County Veterans Organizations and Jeff Olson, Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt the following Proclamation:

Recognition of November 11, 2001 as Veterans' Day

WHEREAS, Veterans' Day was established as Armistice Day to commemorate world peace and the signing of the Armistice that ended World War I on November 11, 1918, and in the United States it was proclaimed an annual day of mourning by President Woodrow Wilson in 1919; and

WHEREAS, the name "Armistice Day" was changed in 1954 when President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the legislation designating November 11 as Veterans' Day through which "a grateful nation, on a day dedicated to world peace, may pay proper homage to all its veterans who have contributed so much to world peace and the preservation of our way of life"; and

WHEREAS, this Veterans' Day, November 11, 2001, we, the American people, will gather all over the nation, only 60 days after tragedy struck in New York City and Washington, D.C. to recognize the contributions of our nation's military veterans, those who served in both war and peace, and to honor both men and women who have made the supreme sacrifice for their country;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners recognizes Sunday, November 11, 2001 as Veterans' Day and extends its appreciation to all veterans for their service to our country.

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

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COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval to reappoint Patrick Miller to the Ramsey Action Programs, Inc. Board of Directors to a two year term expiring December 31, 2003.
2. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-137** as follows:

Repurchase of Tax Forfeited Parcel by
Elizabeth Stearns DeLeon, et al, Former Owner

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Stearns DeLeon, et al 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:

PID# 18.030.21.44.0003
Lot 001 Block 001
Dellwood Heights

City of Dellwood

;and, WHEREAS, said applicant has set forth in his application that hardship and injustice has resulted because of the forfeiture of said land, for the following reasons; 1) Due to financial hardship-medical bills and lay offs at work; 2) This land has been in the family since about 1900 and would like to keep it; 3) Land is vacant and cannot be built on, but a repurchase will return it to the 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 Elizabeth Stearns De Leon, et al 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 Plat of Otchipwe Trails, Stillwater Township.
4. Approval to accept conservation easement for Outlot A and Outlot B of Otchipwe Trails Plat.

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5. Approval of contract with TKDA, Inc. for the environmental and design services for reconstruction of Anoka County State Aid Highway 14 and Washington County State Aid Highway 8 (CSAH 8/14) for a cost not to exceed \$437,397.

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

COURT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt the following Proclamation:

Restorative Justice Month in Washington County

WHEREAS, Washington County is recognized nationally as a leader in promoting the philosophy of Restorative Justice that emphasizes responding to the needs of crime victims, ensuring that offenders take responsibility for their actions and involving the community in responding to the problems associated with crime; and

WHEREAS, Washington County agencies and partners involved in promoting restorative justice include Community Circles of Washington County, Family Services – East Communities, Forest Lake Youth Service Bureau, Washington County Department of Court Services, White Bear Lake Community Counseling Center, Woodbury Police Department's Restorative Justice Program and Youth Service Bureau, Incorporated; and

WHEREAS, during 2000, 147 community volunteers were actively involved in restorative justice programs that included meetings between victims and offenders, community peacemaking circles and community advocate panels that help offenders realize the impact of their actions on the community; and

WHEREAS, the efforts of community volunteers and partner agencies resulted in services to 1,230 offenders and 810 crime victims, 8,410 hours of community work service and \$51,553 in financial restitution to crime victims; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners proclaims November 2001 as Restorative Justice Month in Washington County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners recognizes and expresses its gratitude to community volunteers and partner agencies for their contributions to promoting community safety in Washington County.

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

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Sheila Cunningham, Workforce Center Program Coordinator, reviewed a proposed agreement for delivery of job preparation and training services. This is a metro-wide contract for services for workers laid off related to the economic problems being experienced in the airline industries. The Workforce Center is part of a consortium of 32 service providers in the metro area who are certified to provide

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dislocated worker services. The agreement will provide program services including identification of workers, pre-enrollment services, orientation, introductory assessment, testing for math and reading levels and enrollment. The County will receive \$300 for each participant and they will be able to serve 33 customers. There is a \$10,000 total budget authority. Ms. Cunningham indicated that out of the 33 slots, 26 have already been allocated and they anticipate that by the end of next week they will all be allocated.

Commissioner Stafford moved to approve the agreement for the delivery of job preparation and training services between the Washington County Workforce Center and Hennepin County Department of Training and Employment and Assistance for programming from October 16, 2001 through June 30, 2002. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Peterson absent.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Voting Delegate and Alternate to the Annual MCIT Meeting

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Commissioner Dennis C. Hegberg as the 2001 delegate and Commissioner Myra Peterson as alternate to the Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust on Monday, December 3, 2001. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Peterson absent.

Express Bus Route from Cottage Grove to Minneapolis

Board Vice Chair Pulkrabek announced that the request for an express bus route from Cottage Grove to Minneapolis will be pulled this evening. Commissioner Peterson expressed an interest in being here for this discussion. This item will be discussed at next week's Board meeting.

Earlier Meetings

James Schug, County Administrator, announced that the Board met earlier this afternoon in a joint session with the Ramsey County Commissioners to talk about the status of the study on public collection of solid waste. There was also another workshop with the County Library Board to discuss financial matters and some facility needs.

Mr. Schug informed the Board that he and Commissioners Hegberg and Stafford met with Mayor Ray Daninger, City of Forest Lake and Chip Robinson, Forest Lake City Administrator, to discuss the possible site acquisition for a Northern County Service Center. They will work with the County to

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identify locations for what someday will probably be a library and a service center and perhaps regional transportation depot or station.

Mr. Schug reported on a question asked by the Board regarding low interest rates and whether or not there would be an opportunity to refund the bonds for the LEC or to consider the possibility of early bonding for some of the capital improvement projects that are in the CIP. The LEC was refunded once already and the earliest call date for those bonds is November of 2003. Staff is working with Springsted to see if there would be a possibility of a bond issuance in 2002 that could then be handled in the County's budget constraints.

Commissioner Hegberg wondered if the County could do an advance funding of the LEC and look at the cash flow for the next bond issue to take care of those capital needs. Mr. Schug stated he will add that to the discussion.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg reported that while they were in Forest Lake meeting with the City officials, they stopped at the License Center which is celebrating its 15 Year Anniversary. He attended an Extension meeting that discussed funding. He also attended the Metropolitan Mosquito Control meeting and the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board on October 28.

Commissioner Abrahamson praised the Stillwater License Center staff on their fast, friendly and efficient service. The staff appreciates the remodeling in that area.

Commissioner Abrahamson noted in recent articles from the St. Paul paper, Minneapolis paper and some papers in Wisconsin that they are running into the same problems that Washington County has—too much jail space and not enough inmates. He stated it wasn't long ago that there was standing room only.

Commissioner Stafford reported on the Forest Lake License Center 15 Year Anniversary. Everything that Commissioner Abrahamson said about the Stillwater License Center would apply up there. He recalls that was quite a battle to get that up there, Chisago County and some legislators didn't want it.

Commissioner Stafford informed the Board that last Friday he and a group from Met Council, toured the lower Mississippi River. They are looking at long-range development along the Mississippi River from St. Paul to Prescott. He was disappointed that more elected officials didn't attend.

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Commissioner Stafford stated that he and Commissioner Peterson will meet with the supervisors from Denmark Township. He indicated that he has library construction photos and will pass those along to the Commissioners. He also took photos of the Commuter Rail from his Vancouver trip.

Commissioner Pulkrabek noted that there are several municipal elections, school board elections and school levies on the ballot today. Polls are open until 8:00 p.m., so if the viewing audience has not voted he asked that they go out and do so.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT

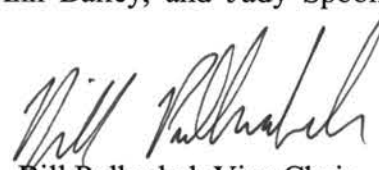
There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Stafford and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Peterson absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

WORKSHOP WITH RAMSEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Board meeting was preceded by a Board workshop with the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners to discuss the study on public collection of solid waste. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Washington County Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Ramsey County Commissioners Bennett, Haigh, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman and Wiessner. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Judy Hunter, Paul Kirkwold, and Zack Hansen and others.

WORKSHOP WITH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Washington County Library Board to discuss the new library facility in Woodbury and financial matters. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Jim Wells, Library Board members Chris Georgacas, Margaret Grilley, Nancy Remakel and JoAnn Bailey, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.


Bill Pulkrabek Vice Chair
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
NOVEMBER 13, 2001**

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, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Pat Singel, Deputy Community Services Director; Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Kristin Harvieux, Community Services Senior Social Worker; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Joan Sprain, Minnesota Extension; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resource Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Don Theisen, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

Kristin Harvieux lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Gloria Knoblauch, Lake Elmo, addressed the following items: She favors a 4% increase in the County budget which goes along with the current inflation rate. She believes the 8% proposed increase is too much. She has heard that the health insurance has increased by 16%, what health insurance company does the County have? She also asked why are grants being given to cities for environment and solid waste management? Lake Elmo has one for about \$31,000, what other cities have it, and what are they doing with it? She feels this would be a place to cost cut, but she understands this is a pass through grant from the State.

James Schug, County Administrator, indicated that staff will provide the information requested by Ms. Knoblauch. She will also have the opportunity to talk with the person who manages the recycling grants to the local units of government.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-138** as follows;

Gambling License Renewal from Lakes Area
Recreation Association

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WHEREAS, on or about October 30, 2001, the Lakes Area Recreation Association has made application pursuant to the statutes of the State of Minnesota authorizing lawful gambling; and

WHEREAS, the premises involved is Trail's End, located at 16297 Scandia Trail North, New Scandia Township, Washington County; and

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

2. Approval of Local Service Unit Plan amendment for Minnesota Family Investment Program Employment Services Programs for program year operating July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002.
3. Approval to accept CY2001 Supplemental Award for Children's Mental Health Collaborative agreement.
4. Approval of contract with Partners in Community Supports to provide home and community based services for persons with developmental disabilities.
5. Approval of band/grading recommendations of the Comparable Worth meeting of November 2, 2001: Revised job descriptions for Accountant I and Accountant II with no changes to band/grade; and approval of a new job description of Principal Accountant with a band/grade of C4-4-1.
6. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-139** as follows:

Resolution to Acquire Right of Way on
County State Aid Highway 38

BE IT RESOLVED, that Washington County in association with the Minnesota Department of Transportation proceed to improve and reconstruct County State Aid Highway 38 between 17th Street and the railroad crossing on Maxwell Avenue within the City of Newport.

And that the officers of said County, including the County Highway Engineer, the County Administrator and the County Attorney, shall proceed and are hereby authorized to proceed to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, right of way to establish said highway plus sight corners and the necessary drainage or slope easements. And such officers are specifically authorized to take such action and execute such instruments if any be necessary, to acquire said right of way and associated easements.

7. Approval of snow removal contracts with Daily Co., Inc. for the cities of Lakeland, Lakeland Shores, St. Mary's Point, Lake St. Croix Beach and Grey Cloud Township and with Kieger Enterprises, Inc. for the City of Hugo and execution of the Kieger contract.

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The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Kristin Harvieux, Senior Social Worker, was recognized for her outstanding contributions in the field of foster/adoptive services by the Minnesota Foster Care Association and was named Social Worker of the Year. The Washington County Treatment Providers' Support Group nominated her.

The Board congratulated and thanked Kris for the work she does in Washington County.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Joan Sprain, Extension Educator, was recognized for her work in the development and implementation of the University of Minnesota's Positive Parenting program. In September, the National Association of Extension Family and Consumer Science presented her with their Florence Hall Award. In October, the University of Minnesota Extension Service's Dean and Director Award for the Distinguished Extension Team 2001 was presented to Ms. Sprain and her Positive Parenting Team.

The Board Chair thanked Ms. Sprain for her efforts and recognized that she works with a lot of volunteer groups throughout the County.

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Dennis O'Donnell, Senior Planner, presented an overview of a request by the Planning Advisory Commission that it be directed to review the existing County ordinance relating to wireless communication facilities and suggest changes to the ordinance if deemed appropriate. Mr. O'Donnell stated when the County first drafted this ordinance, there was not much information out there about telecommunication towers. The County wanted to protect the river, scenic highways and the lakes. They also identified areas where they would encourage towers to be located such as in close proximity to high power transmission lines, or in commercial/industrial areas. Performance standards were also developed that must be met for construction of any new tower. Ultimately, a number of communities within Washington County and outside of Washington County adopted a similar ordinance based on the County's ordinance.

Mr. O'Donnell stated it has been five years since that ordinance was adopted and many towers have been approved and they have issued many permits for antennas to be placed on both new and existing towers throughout the County. Several of the proposed towers have been contentious and others less so depending on exactly where they were located and the efforts of a particular provider to locate in an area

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where they would be less of an impact. He displayed photos of tower locations and some have become more visible than he thought they would ever be, while others blend in more with the surrounding area.

Mr. O'Donnell indicated that staff agrees with the Planning Commission that after utilizing the ordinance for the past several years, there is a need to review the ordinance and suggest changes if they feel it appropriate. Some items the Planning Commission felt should be looked at are as follows: Overall height of the towers, current language is 300 feet; Possibility of using more stealth design in certain areas; Methods for preserving certain scenic views; and Possibility of requiring bonding, so if these towers were no longer in use the County would be assured that they would come down.

Mr. O'Donnell reviewed a document entitled "Protecting Scenic Resources While Providing for Wireless Communication Facilities – A Master Plan for the St. Croix Riverway." This document was designed to provide information and guidance to local decision makers who are dealing with the telecommunication issue and looking at the towers that are proposed in their communities. The Minnesota-Wisconsin Boundary Area Commission organized a group of representatives from all the communities on both sides of the river, county governments, National Park Service, concerned valley residents and industry representatives to provide input into this document. Mr. O'Donnell indicated he represented Washington County on this committee. They thoroughly researched telecommunication towers throughout the country and found there was a lot of good information out there that wasn't available in 1996. The premise the group started with was how to strike a balance between providing needed communication services and preserving the scenic, ecological and historic values of the area. They also emphasized the need to work together amongst communities on both sides of the river. The appendix contains procedures for determining priority views in a community and a model overlay ordinance that was proposed and contained in the document. Key items in that model ordinance are: Limit wireless facilities to no more than 10 to 15 feet above the average height of trees or structures in a particular area of scenic value; Use stealth and camouflage facilities when any tower would be visible from the river or riverway boundaries; and also to require a crane test for these towers.

Mr. O'Donnell concluded by stating the Planning Commission passed a resolution recommending that the County Board direct the Planning Commission to review the County ordinance and asked the Board for its direction on the Planning Commission letter.

Commissioner Peterson asked that as this ordinance is reviewed that staff would take into consideration that most of the EMS providers are using cell phones, they are not using radio communication. Since September 11 she believes that there is national security that has to be considered as the County looks at these towers. She would like that to be an element within the review of the ordinance. She feels the public safety issue is important. There are decisions being made that she believes increases the dependency on cell phone towers.

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Commissioner Abrahamson stated he agreed with Commissioner Peterson. He asked who paid for the study? Mr. O'Donnell indicated that the only cost was for typing and editing, approximately \$3,000. A couple of local communities donated to this effort. Washington County did not pay anything for this study, it donated staff time for the project.

Commissioner Abrahamson asked if they were going to do this study it wouldn't start until next year? Mr. O'Donnell indicated it would be a few months before they came back to the Board with any recommendations.

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he went to Duluth yesterday, and on Highway 35 all the way up there are towers. He feels it is important for the very reasons Commissioner Peterson has indicated. This country has become a cell phone society.

Commissioner Hegberg stated townships can be more restrictive than the County and most of them are. In some cases he feels they are too restrictive. Representing the County, he does not want to be the one being the most restrictive. He looks at this issue as a public safety issue. He agrees that the tower in Scandia is obtrusive, but on the other hand when he saw the motorcycle accident, that tower was probably the one he connected on to call the Sheriff's Office in Stillwater. As he looked at the list of people who were involved with this study, there are township and cities. The County has no authority over cities, they are going to do what they want anyway. He feels the townships are more restrictive than he would be. He asked why is the County looking at this?

Mr. O'Donnell stated that one of the things that was brought home in the ordinance is that impact does cross community lines. Unless there is a consistent ordinance that would cover a larger area you really can't accomplish the goals they want to. They are not trying to restrict towers or restrict communication, the idea is to provide for the needed communication facilities but reduce the impact of these towers.

Commissioner Hegberg noted that most of the applications he saw in this material were from Wisconsin, and they won't have any impact on them. This study will have an impact on them because they'll look at this and their own communities will look at it. As far as what the County will do to Wisconsin, he didn't see any cell tower applications on this side of the river. Are there any at this time other than the one we just heard in Stillwater? Mr. O'Donnell stated a couple were recently approved, but there are none pending right at this time.

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to direct the Planning Advisory Commission and staff to study the County ordinance relating to wireless communication facilities. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion.

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Commissioner Stafford noted that the ordinance states that the maximum height of a tower could be 300 feet, that doesn't mean that the height couldn't be restricted? Mr. O'Donnell indicated that would make it more difficult when it is allowed in the ordinance if they were to take the County to court on that issue. If the ordinance does allow something the County has to show there is a real public health, safety and welfare issue to deny it. It would be more difficult to restrict it when the ordinance does allow for it.

Commissioner Stafford asked isn't stealth already provided for in the ordinance? Mr. O'Donnell stated it is.

Commissioner Stafford stated he wouldn't be opposed to getting third party "expert" testimony at the applicant's cost, because he believes they get a different view.

Commissioner Stafford asked what is the status of multi-use towers? He stated this is a big money item. At one time the East Metro Communications had tower space on the King stack for free, now ~~they are~~ (amended on 11/27/01) the Metro Radio Board is paying \$70,000 a year to use that site. He believes it's ludicrous for each phone company to build a tower. Can the County require that tower owners make sites available to competitors? Mr. O'Donnell stated that provision is in the ordinance, they can require that.

Commissioner Stafford asked where was the scenic protection when that tower was built in Wisconsin, have the laws changed so much since that time? Mr. O'Donnell stated back at that time the local community granted approval for the tower, and he feels they didn't realize the impact it was going to have.

Commissioner Stafford asked how can a County ordinance provide consistency when the townships have the authority to make their regulations stricter than the County's? Mr. O'Donnell stated if the County sets the minimum amount necessary that the Board felt appropriate, that would be in effect throughout the unincorporated areas of the County and there would be that much consistency. Staff feels there needs to be some improvement to the ordinance.

Commissioner Stafford stated he is reluctant to have staff spend a lot of time and money on this because he does not believe there is a whole lot broken. A minimal review of the situation he could live with, but he wouldn't want anybody to spend a lot of time on this ordinance. Mr. O'Donnell stated he agreed. There just needs to be some tweaking. He is not anticipating a major rewrite.

Mr. Schug suggested the Board may wish to limit the scope of the Planning Advisory Commission's review. The motion could be rephrased to prescribe what the Board would like the Planning Advisory Commission to look at. Another issue that hasn't been discussed is the possible need for bonding for the eventual removal of these towers.

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Commissioner Pulkrabek stated that since he made the motion he would be open to that and take that as a friendly amendment.

Commissioner Hegberg would go the other way and ask how can they increase the availability of towers. He agrees with the bonding issue.

Commissioner Stafford asked, with the maker's approval, that the motion be "to direct the Planning Advisory Commission and staff to make a cursory review of the County ordinance relating to wireless communication facilities."

Commissioner Pulkrabek restated the motion to read as follows: "Moved to direct the Planning Advisory Commission and staff to make a cursory review of the County ordinance relating to wireless communication facilities. Commissioner Peterson seconded the restated motion and it was adopted 4-1 with the vote as follows: Yes, Commissioners Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford; No, Commissioner Hegberg.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Comments on Forest Lake Tax Increment Financing District No. 4

Commissioner Hegberg moved to approve County comments on the proposed establishment of Tax Increment Financing District No. 4 by the City of Forest Lake. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Schug noted that last week staff met with the other seven metropolitan counties and discussed TIF. The meeting was convened to discuss what impact the new tax laws are having on the TIF districts. The discussion turned to whether or not they should initiate a legislative position to get the legislators to either abolish TIF and replace it with tax abatement or have County concurrence before a TIF district could be created. The general feeling of the lobbyists there was that it would be unlikely that the legislature would take up that kind of an issue during this session. It was also pointed out that there are a lot more cities than there are counties so when the conversation occurs at the legislature, cities tend to come out fairly strong against any county efforts to control TIF. They will continue to educate the legislators on the impact of TIF and how it's being used and perhaps abused with respect to the "but for" clause.

Request to Establish an Express Bus Route from Cottage Grove to Minneapolis

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-140** as follows:

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Request the Establishment of an Express Bus Route
from Cottage Grove to Minneapolis

WHEREAS, residents of south Washington County and northern Dakota County, use the Express Bus from Woodbury to Minneapolis, and

WHEREAS, the improvement to T.H. 61 and the Wakota Bridge will begin in 2002, and

WHEREAS, the improvements to connect Tower Drive and Hinton Avenue will not be completed in 2002, and

WHEREAS, delays and congestion are anticipated as a result of the reconstruction improvements on T.H. 61, and

WHEREAS, other connecting roadways to I-94 and I-494 have increasing traffic volumes, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners supports and requests establishment of an Express Bus route from Cottage Grove to Minneapolis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be submitted to the Metro Transit, the Washington County Legislative Delegation and the Cities of Woodbury, Cottage Grove, Hastings, Newport and St. Paul Park.

Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Peterson asked that a copy of this resolution also be sent to Dakota County.

Homeland Security Meeting

Mr. Schug advised the Board that he attended a community meeting sponsored by Congresswoman Betty McCollum on homeland security. A short report will be presented to the Board at a future meeting. A theme that ran through the meeting was a requirement for very close communication of all local, state and federal levels of government and particularly public health and law enforcement, which is a new combination. They also talked a lot about the communication systems and what was learned during the September 11 event and what that might mean in terms of improved public safety radio communications.

AMC Annual Conference

Mr. Schug stated that the AMC Annual Conference is being held on December 3 and 4 in downtown St. Paul. They are looking for a volunteer for the opening County roll call. Commissioner Peterson stated she would volunteer for that.

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Mr. Schug advised the Board that meetings were tentatively scheduled with townships and the watershed districts for December 4. If not all the Commissioners were going to be at that Board meeting or coming in late from the AMC Conference, he suggested moving those meetings into January.

Commissioners Peterson and Hegberg indicated they would both be attending the AMC Conference.

It was Board consensus to reschedule the workshop with the townships to discuss planning and zoning issues and the meeting with County watershed districts to an evening meeting on either January 15 or 22, 2002.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he had a lot of calls on the 834 School Board elections held last week. There were four polling places, the lines were horrible and there was much confusion. As he was going in, friends of his were coming out very upset because they could not vote. They could not stand in line because they were handicapped and the voting place was up on a stage. He hoped that somehow the County would get involved. He does not feel it is right to eliminate a lot of people from voting because of where they decide to hold the vote. He did express his thoughts to a school board member about how stupid that election was. He does not feel it is right to go down from eleven precincts to four in an election where a lot of people wanted to vote, but they couldn't do it because they had reduced the opportunity. Some people in his district could not vote because they had no transportation to go vote. He stated the County has to look at what's going on when the rights of people to vote are being eliminated. He thinks it's wrong, we should be doing something about it, he does not know what we can do, but he thinks we should be investigating it. If the County Board would decide to go down to five precincts, one in each district they would be crucified.

Commissioner Pulkrabek stated he agrees with Commissioner Abrahamson's comments. In his school district there was a levy question and a school board race. His school district is North St. Paul, Oakdale, and Maplewood. Maplewood and Ramsey County, because they had municipal elections, their returns were done by 9:15 p.m. Oakdale, Woodbury, Lake Elmo and North St. Paul did hand counts and it was 12:30 a.m. and the results still weren't in. He voted at Eagle Point, and he normally votes at Skyview. They decreased the number of polling vacations, which makes some sense because there aren't as many people voting, but when a change is made and you don't advertise it or market it well, people will show up at the wrong place or not go. His main concern was when he went into vote, you're given two ballots, one for the levy and one for the school board candidates, there are old ballot boxes, they give you pencils to fill them out. It was unclear where to put the ballots once you were done. Some of the instructions weren't accurate. He heard about the long lines from people in 834. He thinks, because the County spent a lot of money to have the best machines, the best equipment the most up-to-date machines and not to utilize it and to have this archaic method that has not worked very well in Florida and other

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places, seems strange. He has talked with staff and believes it wouldn't cost any more or about the same to have the option of working with school districts, since the County has the better equipment and machines we do this more often with more people it might be the time to look at that before the next election cycle, especially if they want to have elections in the off years. He feels the County should look at that.

Commissioner Stafford stated the County will be told it's none of their business and to keep its nose out of it. He suggested that the Board ask the election department to review this situation and give the Board recommendations on what should be done. It might require special legislation or cooperative agreements with the school districts. He asked if District 833 borrowed the County's equipment for the last election?

Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator, stated that under state law the school boards administer their own elections. If the County wanted to work with them they would have to negotiate a contract to take over their elections. She knows there is at least one school district within Washington County that would be interested in pursuing that option. The County would look at contracting for just the true cost to the County. The County cannot mandate that they use our equipment. Some school districts in the past election chose to use the equipment and they either borrowed some of the machines that the County has as backup or they used them from the various cities. Some chose not to use that equipment because of the cost of printing the ballot. It makes use of the County machines a little more costly than going to a local copy company that can pop them out.

Commissioner Stafford asked if the Board would be comfortable directing the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections to give the Board a summary and recommendation?

Commissioner Peterson stated she was comfortable with that suggestion.

Commissioner Stafford reported that the Bulletin ran an article regarding the County's legislative agenda related to school boundaries. The article was written as the Board stated it, but there was an opportunity for misinterpretation. He received a phone call asking if the County intended to get involved in boundaries between schools within districts. He told that caller absolutely not, this is a housekeeping type legislation that would benefit the County Auditor/Treasurer's office in calculating and setting up the tax program. The County Administrator got a similar call that wasn't easily satisfied with the answers as his caller. He's let some school board members know that the Board's intent was not to try and tell school districts what schools to send kids to.

Commissioner Stafford asked the County Administrator to let Denmark Township know when the date for the workshop with townships on planning and zoning issues will be held.

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Commissioner Stafford stated that the Port Authority in St. Paul has approved a bond issue of \$50 million to reclaim and remodel the Union Depot, the purpose stated was for commuter rail, light rail and the high-speed rail they are talking about to Chicago. Unfortunately, Amtrak has apparently burned up its 30-year test period to become self-sustaining. They still operate in the red and the federal government has told them to draft a plan that will deal with their own demise.

Commissioner Peterson heard that the Senator from Alaska, who is chair of some transportation committee, increased the bonding for Amtrak from \$17 billion to \$55 billion after September 11.

Commissioner Peterson reported that the MICA legislative meeting will be in Rochester on Wednesday, she stated she will not be going.

Commissioner Peterson read a letter from Matt W., PLACE North Program, inviting the Commissioners to their Thanksgiving Open House on Tuesday, November 20, between 12:00 and 2:00 p.m. She encouraged Board members to attend.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

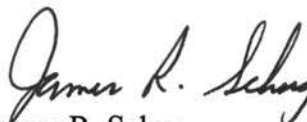
Board correspondence was received and placed on file.


ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Pulkrabek and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the status of the 2002 budget prior to the December public hearing. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Chris Eitemiller, Mary McGlothlin, Lowell Johnson, Cindy Koosmann, Don Wisniewski, and Kevin Corbid.

Attest: 
James R. Schug
County Administrator


Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
NOVEMBER 20, 2001**

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, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Robert Crawford, Workforce Center Division Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Julie Sorrem, Risk Manager; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Cindy Koosmann, County Recorder; Jennifer Wagenius, Assistant County Recorder; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

Cari Fernandez, Stillwater Area Home School, and students lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Fernandez informed the Board that this group began in 1994 with 6 families and it has grown to 100 families today. They consider it an honor and privilege to home school their children. One benefit of home schooling is they are able to take the kids on field trips such as the one today to the Government Center.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the October 23 and November 6, 2001 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval of an amendment to the retention schedule of the Department of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections.
3. Approval of a special project Community Services Division Manager position in Community Services through December 31, 2002.
4. Approval for plat of Nottingham Hills, West Lakeland Township.
5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-141** as follows:

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Request Funding from the Minnesota Department of Transportation
Through the Municipal Agreement Program for the CSAH 2 & I-35
Freeway Ramp Lane Addition, Bridge Restriping and Median Modifications

WHEREAS, Washington County wishes improve traffic flow on CSAH 2 (Broadway Avenue) in Forest Lake; and

WHEREAS, as part of that effort, and in lieu of constructing a new bridge, the County is proposing certain roadway striping and geometric changes to CSAH 2 and I-35 exit ramps; 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 2003 Municipal Agreement Program; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is committed to competing if selected and funding is provided as part of the FY 2003 Municipal Agreement Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Washington County is requesting funding from the Minnesota Department of Transportation for the CSAH 2 and I-35 Freeway Ramp Lane Addition, Bridge Restriping and Median Modifications project and is committed to completing such project and providing the local share of funding.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

MINNESOTA COUNTIES INSURANCE TRUST

John Bower, Meadowbrook Account Executive, presented the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust Risk Management Report. The report provides an overview of MCIT activities during the past year, future projects, issues they are examining for members, contribution levels, and accomplishments. Mr. Bower informed the Board that Washington County will receive dividends this year in the amount of \$514,818.

Commissioner Pulkrabek left the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections, reported that in 2000, the County commissioned a study to analyze its appraisal service billing structure. In January 2001, the Board approved moving to the new fee schedule recommended by the study for the 2002 billing cycle. The base structure has been modified to incorporate all classifications of property and the fees will

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recoup 70% of the County's actual costs. The County will no longer bill for the cost of tax petitions to contract communities, but locally appraised areas will continue to be billed for tax petitions. The recommended 2002 rates are increased by 4% and the market value tiers are estimated to rise by 5%.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the assessment billing fees for 2001 and 2002 as presented. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Jim Schug, County Administrator, updated the Board on the meeting with townships to discuss zoning and planning issues and a meeting with the watershed districts and water management organizations to discuss the status of the lawsuit and the County's plans for implementing the recommendations of the Water Governance Report. He suggested that since some of the same people are involved with both the townships and watershed districts, that both workshops be scheduled for an evening meeting on January 15, 2002.

Commissioner Pulkrabek returned to the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to authorize staff to readvertise for the two vacancies on the Brown's Creek Watershed District Board of Managers. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Stafford informed the Board that he learned at the last Emergency Medical Service Regulatory Board that a few of the recent disasters they've had has created some communication problems. He will ask the East Metro Communications Board to rethink its decision to disband. The reason they are disbanding is because nobody wants to pay for it. He found out during the disaster of September 11 that the cellular phone system was totally useless. If the Board decides that they want to reconsider this, he feels they should vigorously pursue some 911 money to help bear the cost.

Commissioner Peterson reminded the Board of the Thanksgiving luncheon today at PLACE II from 12:00 to 2:00. Tomorrow the South PLACE Program will hold its open house from 11:00 to 1:00. Commissioner Peterson suggested that Commissioner Hegberg attend the Red Rock Corridor meeting on December 4.

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BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

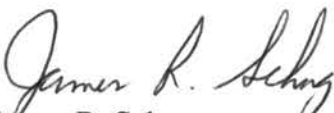
ADJOURNMENT

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 10:05 a.m.

BOARD 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 EZ-Gov system. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Kevin Corbid, Stephanie Iverson, and Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin.

Attest:


James R. Schug

County Administrator



Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
NOVEMBER 27, 2001**

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 Stafford. Commissioner Pulkrabek absent. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Tom Ferber, ATSE Administrative Services Division Manager; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Don Theisen, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner; Larry Nybeck, County Surveyor; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Jeff Travis, Program Manager; Ann Gelbmann, Environmental Coordinator; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Mary McCarthy, I.S. Director; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

Tom Ferber, Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections Division Manager, lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the November 13, 2001 Board meeting minutes with the following amendment on Page 372, fourth paragraph, third sentence: At one time the East Metro Communications had tower space on the King stack for free, now ~~they are~~ the Metro Radio Board is paying \$70,000 a year to use that site.
2. Approval of the CommonBond Communities Inc. contract for financial case management services.

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

ASSESSMENT, TAXPAYER SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-142** as follows:

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Resolution Authorizing and Pledging Support for
Voting Equipment Grant Application

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Washington County Board:

1. Thomas P. Ferber, Administrative Services Manager, is authorized to submit an application for a voting equipment grant on behalf of Washington County.
2. This application must be completed in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 204B.48, and submitted in accordance with the instructions provided by the Secretary of State and the Department of Administration.
3. Washington County Board pledges to act to appropriate and expend funds in an amount sufficient to match any grant awarded as a result of this application and in a timely manner to implement the election administrator training and voter education schedule set forth in the application.

Adopted, this the 27th day of November, 2001.

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

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to set a public hearing for December 11, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. to consider an amendment to the Washington County Development Code, Chapter One Administration, Planning Advisory Commission – 8.2 Commission Membership and Meetings. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner Stafford moved to approve and execute a lease agreement between Washington County and the City of Oakdale for the Washington County Household Hazardous Waste Facility. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent.

Commissioner Stafford asked staff to investigate the feasibility of having a curbside collection of hazardous waste once a year by a hauler or group of haulers, who would then take that hazardous waste to the facility in Oakdale or any other hazardous waste facilities.

Commissioner Peterson suggested that staff create a video showing what types of materials are brought to the Oakdale household hazardous waste facility as well as some of the products that can be gotten for free at this facility.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Jim Schug, County Administrator, informed the Board that he has received communications from State agencies that the Department of Finance will be conducting a moratorium on grants that have not yet been issued. Staff is watching this matter closely as the County has a number of grant programs that it participates in. Most of those are fully executed and not subject to the moratorium. Grants that are currently in process or haven't been completed may be withheld by the State until it is determined what the State revenue shortfall will be.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg informed the Board that dispatchers and some probation officers want to be part of the police/fire retirement plan through PERA, which will be quite expensive to the County. Mr. Schug indicated that this issue was raised at the end of the last legislative session and the County Board was opposed to it. A letter was sent to Representative Harry Mares, who chairs that committee, this fall sharing information with him that it would cost the County about \$108,000 a year in new contributions to that enhanced pension fund.

Commissioner Peterson announced that Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin is in the hospital and asked that a card be sent to her from the Board.

Commissioner Peterson reported that she would be attending an all day seminar on Thursday, November 29. The seminar will be conducted by the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging. Two more all day seminars will be held, one in January and one in February.

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; Commissioner Pulkrabek absent. The Board meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

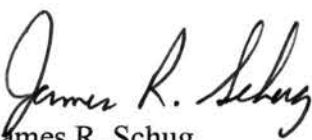
BOARD WORKSHOP WITH TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Transportation and Physical Development to discuss the merits and hazards of routing snowmobile traffic through Mahtomedi and Willernie via

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the shoulders of CSAH 12. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson and Stafford. Also present were Don Wisniewski, Don Theisen, Wayne Sandberg, Joe Lux, Jon Hohenstein, City of Mahtomedi Administrator, and Mary Divine, Pioneer Press.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



Myra Peterson, Chair

County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
DECEMBER 4, 2001**

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, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Ann Pung-Terwedo, Senior Planner; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

Commissioner Stafford lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Bob Zick, 1880 East Shore Drive, Maplewood, addressed the Board regarding irregularities in the recent School Board District 622 election. Mr. Zick was advised that County staff is currently reviewing several issues surrounding the school district elections. The Board will hold a workshop early next year to discuss their findings and options for addressing these issues.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the November 20, 2001 Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to appoint Adam Carlson, Cottage Grove, to the Sentence to Service Advisory Committee to a first term expiring December 31, 2004.
3. Approval to appoint Jean Brown to the Courts Planning Advisory Commission, representing Commissioner District No. 5 and to the Historic Courthouse Advisory Council to a first term expiring December 31, 2003.
4. Approval of the following Proclamation:

Proclamation Honoring Matailua and Lupepau of Tonga
on Their Engagement to be Married

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners strives to be good ambassadors and representatives of the County; and

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WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners currently has the opportunity to extend good will to friends in the South Pacific Country of Tonga.

NOW, THEREFORE, we the Washington County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim our most sincere wishes and heartfelt congratulations to Matailua and Lupepau of Tonga on the event of their engagement and upcoming marriage; and

We extend our greatest hope to Matailua and Lupepau for a lifetime of love, joy, and dreams come true.

5. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-143** as follows:

Classifying Tax-Forfeited Land

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners of the County of Washington, State of Minnesota, desires to offer for sale or conveyance of 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 the 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 and 282.018, and other statutes that require 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.

Classification List
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<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Parcel Number</u>
New Scandia Township	31.032.20.11.0047
New Scandia Township	31.032.20.11.0048
New Scandia Township	31.032.20.14.0041
Cottage Grove	12.027.21.22.0005
Cottage Grove	15.027.21.22.0061
Forest Lake	04.032.21.22.0007
Forest Lake	10.032.21.12.0014
Forest Lake	20.032.21.11.0008
Grant	06.030.21.13.0001
Grant	06.030.21.42.0002
Grant	10.030.21.21.0001
Grant	14.030.21.32.0002
Hugo	20.031.21.33.0003
Lakeland	11.028.20.12.0024
Lake St. Croix Beach	11.028.20.13.0047
St. Paul Park	12.027.22.44.0031
Stillwater	28.030.20.12.0005
Woodbury	03.028.21.32.0003

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<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Parcel Number</u>
Woodbury	04.028.21.41.0001
Woodbury	07.028.21.12.0014
Woodbury	11.028.21.21.0008
Woodbury	11.028.21.21.0037
Woodbury	15.028.21.22.0085
Woodbury	20.028.21.23.0005
Oakdale	07.029.21.24.0007
Oakdale	08.029.21.32.0004
Oakdale	08.029.21.32.0029
Oakdale	08.029.21.32.0054
Oakdale	08.029.21.32.0055
Oakdale	15.027.21.22.0061
Oakdale	19.029.21.24.0065
Oakdale	19.029.21.24.0066
Oakdale	20.029.21.24.0038
Oakdale	30.029.21.31.0057

6. Approval of Child Care Resource and Referral/School-Age Care grant agreement with Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning for \$42,840.
7. Approval to reschedule the public hearing originally scheduled for December 11, 2001 to January 8, 2002 for an amendment to the Washington County Development Code, Chapter One Administration, Planning Advisory Commission 8.2(1) Commission membership and meetings.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

METROPOLITAN MOSQUITO CONTROL BOARD

Joe Sanzone, Director of the Metropolitan Mosquito Control Board, and Jim Stark, Public Affairs Coordinator, presented an update of the 2001 programs and an overview of the 2002 budget.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Commissioner Stafford moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-144** as follows:

Resolution Authorizing the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment
Authority Employees to be Covered by the Washington County
Health Insurance Program

WHEREAS, the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority is an independent body politic incorporate; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has, in the past, authorized other independent political subdivisions to participate in the County's employee groups health insurance plan; and

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WHEREAS, the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority has requested that the County Board of Commissioners authorize HRA employees to participate in the County's health plan effective January 1, 2002 subject to the following conditions:

1. The Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority is responsible for direct billing, payment, and reconciling of their employees' accounts with the health plan.
2. The Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority will manage its employee annual open enrollment.
3. The Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority will manage any state and federal requirements, such as COBRA, or IRS reporting requirements.
4. The Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority understands that there would be no opportunity for input into plan design, because the plan is the County's and is negotiated with its bargaining units, not those of the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority employees to participate in the County's group health insurance plan via a Joint Powers Agreement incorporating the above conditions.

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-0; Commissioner Hegberg abstained.

Commissioner Committee Appointments for 2002

James Schug, County Administrator, asked the Board members to review their current committee assignments and advise the Board Secretary about any changes prior to the January 8, 2002 Board meeting.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hegberg reported that he sits on the United Way Board of the Greater Twin Cities. Next year the 211, first call for help, phone system will be in service. They believe this will help the 911 phone system receive less non-emergency calls.

Commissioner Hegberg indicated he would like to be reappointed to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board. His goal is to wrap up the Woodland Park situation and then resign from the Board.

Commissioner Hegberg reported on the AMC Conference, MCIT and the Minnesota Association of Governments Investing for Counties (MAGIC) meetings. The MAGIC fund is now well over \$400

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million. Bids were received for reinsurance and they are looking at premiums tripling for this insurance. They went from about an \$800,000 premium to well over \$3.5 million.

Commissioner Abrahamson commented on the economy in the State of Minnesota. He hopes that both parties start looking at the big problems. Welfare is one of them, infrastructure needs, the homeless situation and joblessness.

Commissioner Stafford reported he will be attending the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board subcommittee on Friday. Commissioner Stafford stated he has done his committee assignments and indicated he would like to keep what he had last year. He would also be interested in helping out on the 911 Board if it's needed.

Commissioner Stafford stated the only reason he has agreed to stay with AMC is for the insurance trust. He's not very happy with them. He would like to discuss whether or not they stay with AMC well before the next budget hearings begin.

Commissioner Peterson stated at the AMC conference there was discussion going on that Dakota, Anoka and perhaps Washington County might have a subcaucus to talk about their unhappiness with AMC and what they might be able to do to put metropolitan issues on the table.

Commissioner Peterson reported that she attended the AMC conference yesterday and attended the Central Corridor meeting today. The issue before the Central Corridor Committee is whether the Central Corridor will be a commuter corridor or a light rail corridor. Ramsey County has essentially taken away all options and the option they have not officially favored, but is still is on the table, is making it a light rail corridor.

Commissioner Peterson announced that Metro Engagement on Shelter and Housing is having a tour on Wednesday, December 12 from 9:00 to 2:00 and they will be looking at housing opportunities in Hennepin, Dakota, Washington and Ramsey Counties. She will not be able to attend, but would recommend anyone interested to go.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

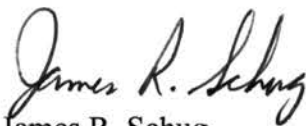
Board correspondence was received and placed on file

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hegberg and it was adopted unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Attest:



James R. Schug

County Administrator



Myra Peterson, Chair

County Board

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
DECEMBER 11, 2001**

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:08 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Commissioner Hegberg absent. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Jeff Travis, Program Manager; Judy Hunter, Senior Program Manager; Lowell Johnson, Senior Program Manager; Kevin Corbid, Assessment, Taxpayer Services & Elections Director; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Don Theisen, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Jim Luger, Parks Director; Mike Polehna, Parks Manager; Marv Erickson, Facilities Manager; Jim Wells, Library Director; Richard Gauger, Project Manager; Julie Sorrem, Risk Manager; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Commissioner Stafford introduced Craig Solberg and Dave Pieczynski from Motorola who gave a demonstration of the new 800-megahertz radio frequency currently being installed in several counties. The plan is to connect the entire metro area emergency systems with this frequency. Long range plans call for connection with outstate areas.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of revisions to the Washington County Data Practices Manual, Policy #1300.
2. Approval of off/on sale and Sunday liquor license and off sale 3.2 percent malt liquor license for Meister's Bar & Grill of Scandia, Inc.
3. Approval to adopt the Parks Division amended Commercial Use Policy and approval of the proposed 2002 parks fees and charges.
4. Approval and execution of contract with Rumpca Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$34,896 for slope repairs on CSAH 16.

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

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PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Certificate of Recognition to Dan Schoepke

Jeff Travis, Program Manager, gave an overview of Senior Environmental Specialist Dan Schoepke's, role in the department and his contributions towards recycling. Dan was recently awarded a Public Service Award from the Recycling Association of Minnesota for his efforts in developing recycled product kits as educational tools. He also was responsible in creating a public-private partnership group called the Recycled Products Education Kit Team.

Board Chair Myra Peterson presented Dan with a Certificate of Recognition for his innovative ideas and efforts to promote and increase recycling.

Waste Delivery Agreements

Judy Hunter gave an overview of the status of the waste facility contracts currently being negotiated with 57 haulers in the County.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-145** as follows:

Waste Delivery Agreements for Delivery of Waste to the Resource Recovery Facility

WHEREAS, in 1996 Ramsey and Washington Counties first entered into waste delivery agreements with waste haulers to ensure that waste was managed properly by delivery to the Ramsey/Washington County Resource Recovery Facility at a tipping fee of \$38.00 per ton; and

WHEREAS, Waste delivery agreements have been renewed and renegotiated several times since 1996; and

WHEREAS, the current waste delivery agreements went into effect in 2000, and contain renewal provisions so that the contracts would be renewed unless either party gave 90 days advance written notice of the intent not to renew; and

WHEREAS, the Counties want to ensure that waste is managed properly by delivery to the Facility; and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has created a processing payment, in which it will pay counties up to \$5.00 per ton for each ton of mixed municipal solid waste that is processed, to be used to reduce the tipping fee; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board adopted Resolution No. 2001-083 on July 17, 2001, which directed that new agreements be developed; and

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WHEREAS, in September 2001 written notice was served on all haulers under contract that the County does not intend to renew the existing agreements; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2001-083 also provided that the new waste delivery agreements should contain enforceable penalty provisions, and should offer a differential tipping fee, so that haulers that agree to deliver all of the waste they collect in the county would receive a reduced tipping fee; and

WHEREAS, staff from Ramsey and Washington Counties have developed and offered two types of waste delivery agreements, whereby the haulers agree to either deliver all waste collected in the counties at a tipping fee of \$32.00 per ton, or agree to deliver a specified amount of waste at tipping fee of \$34.00 per ton, to the Facility.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby approves and authorizes the Public Health and Environment Department Director, or her designee, to execute the waste delivery agreements with haulers on behalf of the County contingent on approval as to form by the County Attorney's Office, for the term of January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2002, at a tipping fee of \$32.00 per ton for haulers that agree to deliver all waste, and a tipping fee of \$34.00 per ton for haulers that agree to deliver a specified tonnage.

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

TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Update on Woodbury Library/Park Project

Project Manager Dick Gauger reported to the Board that the project is on schedule and on budget. He gave a photo presentation showing construction progress on the library to date and also presented a financial report showing the status of the budget.

Review of Draft Documents for Woodbury Library/Park Condominium

Selection of Washington Directors for the Library Park Association

Mr. Gauger discussed project documents required to establish a common interest community to be known as the Woodbury Library/Park Condominium. These include: a Declaration that legally describes the units, addressed responsibilities, and establishes an association for management and operation of the condominium; Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws; and a Maintenance Agreement between the city of Woodbury and the County for the maintenance of the library.

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Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the draft documents and to select the County Commissioner liaison to the Library Board and County Administrator Jim Schug as Washington County representatives to the Library Park Association Board of Directors. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

Establishing Name for the New Washington County Branch Library in Woodbury

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-146** as follows:

Proclamation Establishing the "R.H. Stafford Library"
as the Name for the
New Washington County Branch Library in Woodbury

WHEREAS, visits to the Woodbury branch library have increased significantly in recent years; and

WHEREAS, in response to this growth, Washington County is currently constructing a new branch library facility in Woodbury, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the new library is part of a joint project developed cooperatively between Washington County and the City of Woodbury to create this new County branch library and the City's Central Park, a multi-use, year-round facility; and

WHEREAS, County Commissioner R.H. Stafford has resided in Woodbury since 1966 and was elected in 1998 as a County Commissioner to represent District 5, which includes the communities of Woodbury, Afton, Denmark Township, Landfall, Newport, and St. Mary's Point. Commissioner Stafford served as the County Board Chair in 2000 and currently serves as the Chair of the County's Finance Committee; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Stafford served as the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer from 1974 until his retirement in 1998. During his tenure, the County established full-service license centers in Woodbury, Forest Lake, and Stillwater. He also worked with the Minnesota State Legislature to develop new, easy-to-understand tax statements for homeowners and secured passage of uniform election day voting. Commissioner Stafford was a charter member and an originator of the Minnesota Association of Governments Investing for Counties (MAGIC) Fund, a joint investment fund for local government. Commissioner Stafford was also responsible for securing passage of leading-edge investment legislation; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Stafford was named Woodbury's Citizen of the Year in 1988 and has been an active participant in local organizations as well as a community leader throughout Washington County. His community work includes involvement in the Woodbury Lion's Club, American Legion, YMCA, Jaycees, St. Croix Valley United Way, Woodbury Community Club, and Woodbury Ambulance Council. He is also one of the founding members of the County's Emergency Medical Services Council; and

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WHEREAS, Commissioner Stafford's involvement in County government and the local community for nearly 30 years represents a distinguished career of public service;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners takes great pride and pleasure in honoring one of Washington County's most dedicated public officials and does hereby proclaim this new branch library in Woodbury to be named the "R.H. Stafford Library."

Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted 3-0; Commissioner Stafford abstained; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

Commissioner Peterson stated that the city of Woodbury has a history of naming its streets after its residents, recognizing them for their contributions to the community and feels this follows that tradition.

Commissioner Stafford stated that he was very honored to have the library named after him.

Woodbury Library Signage

Project Manager Dick Gauger presented three samples of signage to use on the exterior wall of the library. He asked for Board action on choosing the style to be used.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved for Example B with the letter size of Example C. Commissioner Peterson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

Mr. Gauger then showed a sample of what the monument sign facing Radio Drive will look like and asked for Board action on what it wanted the Library's sign on the monument to look like.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to have the Washington County logo on the monument sign, to the left of the word Library. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Hegberg absent.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

State Budget Shortfall

County Administrator Jim Schug gave an update on the projected two billion dollar state budget shortfall. He stated that there are no reports yet on how this will affect Washington County. He indicated that he had recently attended a Metropolitan Inter County Association meeting and that MICA was asking counties to respond to a list of questions asking for what preferences counties might have in budget cutting strategies. This list will then be shared with the Legislature when it convenes in January.

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Mr. Schug indicated that it is early to talk about specifics, but the County will be researching different scenarios over the next few months.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS - COMMENTS - QUESTIONS

Commissioner Stafford indicated that he visited a waste management landfill plant in Glencoe and was very interested in the way its waste was processed.

Commissioner Pulkrabek asked if there was any update on the reimbursement for the election equipment purchased by the County? Ms. O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator, responded that the grant applications have been sent in, but word has been received that the request might be on hold by the State Department of Administration.

Commissioner Abrahamson requested Board action next week on the appointment of two applicants to the Brown's Creek Watershed Board. He stated that it has become imperative to get these committee vacancies filled. Trying to get enough applicants to apply has taken time and he feels that the two applicants whose names will go before the Board next week are fully qualified.

Commissioner Stafford indicated that if the County is in compliance with the date of the advertisement for applicants, then he is in agreement to move along the appointments at the Board meeting next week.

Commissioner Abrahamson mentioned that December 7 is a very important date and that he was glad to see veterans remembered.

Commissioner Peterson asked that a get-well card be sent to Representative Marko who is currently in the hospital.

Commissioner Peterson indicated she met with Mn/DOT Commissioner Tinklenberg and most of the rail corridors in the area. A general agreement has been reached with Mn/DOT to specify what will be in an agreement as Mn/DOT takes over rail corridors.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Peterson adjourned the Board meeting at 10:30 a.m.

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BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop session with the Washington County Workforce Investment Board for an update on the past year's activities. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Pulkrabek, Abrahamson, Stafford and Peterson. Also present were Jim Schug, Dan Papin, Robert Crawford, Sheila Cunningham, and the following Workforce Investment Board members: Jane Klein, Alan Bakke, Marc Cove, Jerry Jensen, Jack Stoehr, Tom Yetter, Pat Singel, and Kay Ellingwood.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION


The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss reallocation of turned-back and unused 2001 Community Development Block Grant funds. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Martina Johntz, Judy Spooner, Washington County Bulletin, and Mary Divine, Pioneer Press.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

The Board met in workshop session with the Department of Public Health and Environment to discuss sustainable building designs. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Jeff Travis, Judy Hunter, Mary McGlothlin, Anne Gelbmann, Marv Erickson, Sue Dahl and Amy Altman, Dakota County, John Carmody and Rebecca Foss, University of Minnesota.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss the strategic planning process. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Abrahamson, Peterson and Stafford. Also present were Jim Schug, Molly O'Rourke, Bev Hagen, Jane Harper, Edison Vizuite, Judy Honmyhr, Dan Papin, Stephanie Iverson, and Tanya Weinert.


Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
DECEMBER 18, 2001**

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, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Jay Brunner, First Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Don Theisen, Deputy Director of Transportation and Physical Development; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Patrick Singel, Community Services Deputy Director; Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager; Carolyn Phelps, Historic Courthouse Coordinator; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Judy Honmyhr, Human Resources Director; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Judy Hunter, Public Health and Environment Senior Program Manager; Jim Frank, County Sheriff; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

Commissioner Abrahamson lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. Approval of the November 27 and December 4, 2001 Board Meeting minutes.
2. Approval of the following appointment/reappointments to advisory committees for 2002:

District 1

Karla Wetherby, Hugo, reappointed to the Community Development Block Grant Advisory Committee, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2004;

Patrick Taylor, Stillwater, reappointed to the Historic Courthouse Advisory Council, to a fourth and final term expiring December 31, 2003;

Dennis C. Hegberg, Forest Lake, reappointed to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority, to a first full term expiring December 31, 2004;

Molly E. Korthals, Forest Lake, reappointed to the Mental Health Advisory Council, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2004;

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Christopher Ness, Marine on St. Croix, appointed to the Parks and Open Space Commission, to a first term expiring December 31, 2004;

District 2

Randall LaFoy, Birchwood, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a third term expiring December 31, 2003;

Charles Burfeind, Oakdale, reappointed to the Parks and Open Space Commission to a second term expiring December 31, 2004;

District 3

Janet Robert, Stillwater, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a fourth and final term expiring December 31, 2003;

John Rheinberger, Stillwater, appointed to the Community Services Advisory Committee, to a first term expiring December 31, 2004;

Gayle Hudak, Stillwater, reappointed to the Historic Courthouse Advisory Council, to a third term expiring December 31, 2003;

Richard Ulrich, Stillwater, reappointed to the Planning Advisory Commission, to a second term expiring December 31, 2004;

District 4

Jon Auge, Cottage Grove, reappointed to the Community Development Block Grant Citizen's Advisory, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2004;

District 5

Don Arnold, Hastings, reappointed to the Parks and Open Space Commission, to a first full term expiring December 31, 2004;

At Large

Arthur Potts, Scandia, reappointed to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals, to a third and final term expiring December 31, 2004;

Gary Kriesel, Stillwater, Community Development Block Grant Citizen's Advisory Committee, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2004;

Sara Wolff, Stillwater, reappointed to the Community Development Block Grant Citizen's Advisory Committee, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2004;

Glen Brown, Cottage Grove, reappointed to the Noxious Weed Appeal Committee, to a fourth and final term expiring December 31, 2003;

Vincent Anderson, Stillwater, reappointed to the Personnel Board of Appeals to a term expiring December 31, 2004;

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Joni Polehna, Stillwater, reappointed to the Public Health Advisory Committee, to a third and final term expiring December 31, 2003;

Kenneth W. Crabb, M.D., Woodbury, reappointed to the Public Health Advisory Committee, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2003;

Confirmation of the following committee appointments

Chief Lindy Swanson, Law Enforcement Representative, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a term expiring December 31, 2003;

Pat Zenner, Public Defender Representative, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a term expiring December 31, 2003;

Sheriff James Frank, Washington County Law Enforcement, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a term expiring December 31, 2003;

Mary Waldkirch, Victims Representative, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a term expiring December 31, 2003;

Sonnie Smith, Minority Representative, reappointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board, to a term expiring December 31, 2003;

Majel Carroll, Non-Profit Representative, reappointed to the Community Services Advisory Committee, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2004;

Deanna Storbakken, AMI Representative, appointed to the Mental Health Advisory Council, to a first term expiring December 31, 2004;

Lucy Hollinshead, Child Mental Health Professional, reappointed to the Mental Health Advisory Council, to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2004;

Gaylord Rous, Adult Mental Health Professional, reappointed to the Mental Health Advisory Council to a second and final term expiring December 31, 2004.

3. Approval of agreement with Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority for administration of Washington County's HOME Investment Partnership program.
4. Approval of the County comments on the proposed amendment of Tax Increment Financing District No. 2 by the City of Newport.
5. Approval of the contract between Community Services and Oak Ridge Place to provide assisted living plus services to eligible Washington County residents.
6. Approval of the 2001 contract with Mains'l Services, Inc. to provide home and community based services for persons with developmental disabilities.
7. Approval of the 2002-2003 contract with Human Services, Inc. for primary outpatient chemical dependency treatment.

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8. Approval of the 2002-2003 contract with Fairview Healthcare Services, dba Fairview Recovery Services, for primary outpatient chemical dependency treatment for adolescents and adults.
9. Approval of the 2002-2003 contract with Avalon Programs, LLC, for primary outpatient chemical treatment for adults.
10. Approval of the 2002-2003 contract with We Care Counseling, Inc. for primary outpatient chemical dependency treatment.
11. Approval of the 2002-2003 contract with Burkwood, Inc. for inpatient, halfway house, and extended care chemical dependency treatment for adults.
12. Approval of the 2002-2003 contract with On-Belay, Inc. for primary outpatient chemical dependency treatment for adolescents.
13. Approval of the 2002-2003 contract with Kinnic Falls, Inc. for halfway house chemical dependency treatment for adults.
14. Approval of the 2002-2003 contract with Cedar Ridge, Inc. for adult inpatient, extended care and sub-acute detoxification chemical dependency treatment.
15. Approval of the contract between Community Services and Elder Haven Homes to provide assisted living plus services and respite care to eligible Washington County residents.
16. Approval of contract between Community Services and New Perspective of Minnesota, Inc. to provide assisted living plus services and respite care to eligible Washington County residents.
17. Information only on child foster care daily basic maintenance, initial clothing allowance and Difficulty of Care rate for 2002.
18. Approval of renewal of ongoing Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant.
19. Approval to amend the flexible benefits plan effective January 1, 2002.
20. Approval to create and substitute a supervisory position of Deputy Director of the Department of Human Resources for the vacancy of an Administrative Aide I position.

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21. Approval to continue a Special Project Office Technician II position in Community Services through December 31, 2002, to assist in medical assistance programs.
22. Approval of contract amendment between the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and Washington County for the operation of a Household Hazardous Waste Management program.
23. Approval and execution of an agreement between Xcel Energy and Washington County for collection of fluorescent lamps.
24. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-147** as follows:

Annual Snowmobile Safety Enforcement Agreement

WHEREAS, the Sheriff of each county enforces Snowmobile Safety Rules, promulgated by the Commissioner of Natural Resources, including Patrol, Enforcement, and Accident Investigation; and

WHEREAS, the County is eligible to receive funding, to assist in the performance of these duties, during the period July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002.

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 purpose of receiving funding assistance during the period July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002.

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.

25. Approval of Radio Antenna Site Lease Agreement with the City of Stillwater.
26. Approval to set a public hearing for January 8, 2002, at 9:30 a.m. for an ordinance relating to alcohol licensing and enforcement.
27. Approval of revisions to Washington County Data Practices Manual, Policy 1300, Appendix A (Fee Schedule).
28. Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-156** as follows:

Joint Powers Agreement for CSAH 12/T.H. 244
Intersection Modification Traffic Study

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Washington enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Mahtomedi and the Minnesota Commissioner of Transportation for the completion of a traffic

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engineering study for intersection modifications for the CSAH 12/TH 244 intersection in Mahtomedi and appointing the City of Mahtomedi to hire the consultant and act as State and County agent in administration of payments to said consultant and to act as billing agent to the County and State. The County's share of the cost shall be 63% of the cost of the study, not to exceed \$25,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chairman and County Administrator be and they are hereby authorized to execute the agreement for and on behalf of the County.

29. Approval of commercial use fee schedule for the Historic Courthouse and the 2003 rental fees for clients.
30. Bids were received for motor vehicle fuel for 2002 as follows:

Fuel Delivery Location	Kath Brothers, Co.	Croix Oil	Yocum Oil Co.
<u>South Shop</u>			
Winter Diesel	.0045	.02	.02
Regular Diesel	.0045	.02	.02
Unleaded	.0045	.01	.02
<u>North Shop</u>			
Winter Diesel	.0050	.02	.02
Regular Diesel	.0050	.02	.02
Unleaded	.0050	.01	.02
<u>Parks Division</u>			
Winter Diesel	.0250	N/B	.05
Regular Diesel	.0250	N/B	.05
Unleaded	.0250	N/B	.05
<u>Sheriff's Department</u>			
Unleaded – 89 Octane	.0040	.01	.02
Unleaded – 90 Octane	.0040	.01	.02

Adoption of **Resolution No. 2001-148** as follows:

Bid Award for Year 2002 Motor Vehicle Fuel Supplies
to Kath Brothers Fuel Oil Co.

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

WHEREAS, bids were opened on December 10, 2001, with Kath Brothers Fuel Oil Co. being the lowest responsible bidder; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the bid of Kath Brothers Fuel Oil Co. be executed through the signatures of the Chairman of the Washington

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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.

31. Approval and execution of contract with Westwood Professional Services, Inc. for professional engineering services.
32. Approval and execution of contract with Real Estate Appraisal Advisors for provision of valuations on five properties along CSAH 38.
33. Bids were received for refuse pick-up at County facilities as follows:

Location	**Tennis Sanitation	Trojes Trash	Superior Services	BFI	Twin City Refuse	Waste Mgmt	Dan's Cont Svc	Maroney's*
Government Ctr	\$360/Mo		\$364.50/Mo	\$344.00/Mo		\$110/Mo		
Law Enforcement Ctr	125/Dmp+fees		110/Mo+fees	290/Haul	\$290/Dmp	85/Dmp+fees		
Oakdale Library	75/Mo	\$97/mo	65/mo	79/mo		80/mo		
Park Grove Library	40/mo		37/mo	45/mo		40/mo		
Woodbury Library	95/mo	156/mo	95/mo	45/mo		105/mo	\$512/mo	
Wildwood Library	70/mo		33/mo	40/mo		35/mo		
North Shop	125/Dmp+fees		100/Dmp+fees	326/Dmp	375/Dmp+	85/Dmp+	340/Dmp	
				+ fees				
South Shop	40/mo	42/mo	38/mo	50/mo		42/mo		
Adopt A Highway	125/Dmp	150/mo	100/Dmp+fees	160/Mo		50/Dmp	130/Dmp	
Historic Courthouse	250/mo		75/mo	103/mo		110/mo		
St. Cr. Bluffs-Maint-s	250/mo	465.60/mo	245/mo	280/mo		249/mo	960/mo	
St. Cr. Bluffs-Maint-r	30/dmp	150/mo	25/dmp	30/dmp		50/dmp	130/dmp	
St. Cr Bluffs-Camp	220/mo	465.60/mo	255/mo	294/mo		280/mo		
Lake Elmo Park-Mnt-s	250/mo		245/mo	280/mo		249/mo	960/mo	
Lake Elmo Park-Mnt-r	30/dmp		25/dmp	30/dmp		50/dmp	130/dmp	
Lake Elmo Prk-Camp	300/mo		375/mo	424/mo		415/mo		
Pt. Douglas Park	220/mo	310.40/mo	175/mo	193/mo		190/mo	640/mo	
Square Lake Park			375/mo	280/mo		249/mo		\$526.71/mo

Approval and execution of contract for refuse pick up at County Facilities to the lowest responsible bidder, Tennis Sanitation, for the rates as shown above.

34. Approval and execution of contract with Harris Air Systems for mechanical services to provide a new make-up air handler and ductwork at the Government Center.
35. Approval and execution of contract amendment to Contract No. 1160 with Clean Sweep, Inc. for snow removal services at County facilities.

The foregoing Consent Calendar was adopted unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to approve the 2002-2003 contract with Haven Chemical Health Systems, LLC, dba The Haven in Woodbury, for primary outpatient chemical dependency treatment. Commissioner Pulkrabek seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously; Commissioner Stafford abstained.

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TRANSPORTATION AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development, reviewed the proposed contract amendment with R. Richard Gauger for professional project management for the Woodbury Library construction project. The amendment consists of the following items: 1) Extend the contract with Mr. Gauger to December 31, 2002; 2) Continue a maximum monthly payment of \$4,000 per month through September 2002 and then reduce the maximum monthly amount in October, November and December to \$2,400 per month; and 3) Reimbursement for professional liability insurance for the years 2000 and 2001 in the amount of \$7,864.00 and waive the professional liability insurance for 2002.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to extend the contract with R. Richard Gauger for professional project management for the Woodbury Library construction project to December 31, 2002 and to continue a maximum monthly payment of \$4,000 per month through September 2002 and then reduce the monthly maximum amount to \$2,400. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

The County Board then discussed the professional liability insurance issue.

Commissioner Stafford stated he had no problem with waiving the professional liability for 2002, but asked that they negotiate the 2000 and 2001 reimbursement amount.

Commissioner Peterson and Commissioner Hegberg feel that professional liability insurance is a part of doing business and should not be reimbursed.

Commissioner Hegberg moved to deny reimbursing Mr. Gauger for professional liability insurance for 2000 and 2001 in the amount of \$7,864 and deny waiving the professional liability insurance for 2002. The motion died for a lack of second.

Commissioner Stafford moved that the issue of reimbursing professional liability insurance to Mr. Gauger for 2000 and 2001 in the amount of \$7,864 and the waiver of the 2002 professional liability be sent back to Transportation and Physical Development for further negotiations. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Abrahamson requested information from the Department of Transportation and Physical Development regarding the average hourly rate for an engineer.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Richard Backman, Community Services Division Manager, stated that the County recently held three meetings seeking input from senior citizens on long term care services. The results of those meetings were presented to the Board on October 9, 2001. Community Services has created a Service Development Plan to highlight a few areas that the County will move forward in planning for the future needs of the seniors in Washington County. Areas included: 1) Maintain and increase the home health services including skilled nursing and homemaking; 2) Easily access information about services from a variety of sources, including a knowledgeable real person and not voice mail; 3) Increase availability in assisted living; and 4) Adequate, coordinated transportation for seniors.

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to submit the required Service Development Plan for Seniors for CY 2002 to the Department of Human Services. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**2002 Salaries for County Sheriff and Assistant**

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-149** as follows:

2002 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 2002 salary for the Washington County Sheriff shall be as follows, effective January 1, 2002:

Sheriff	\$100,757
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2002 salary for the Chief Deputy shall be as follows, effective January 1, 2002:

Chief Deputy	\$90,681
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Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

2002 Salary for the County Attorney and Assistants

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-150** as follows:

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2002 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 2002 salary for the Washington County Attorney shall be as follows, effective January 1, 2002:

Attorney	\$104,978
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2002 salaries for the First Assistant Attorney and Executive Assistant shall be as follows, effective January 1, 2002:

First Assistant Attorney	\$94,480
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Executive Assistant	\$40,425
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Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

2002 Salary for the County Administrator

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-151** as follows:

2002 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 2002 salary for the Washington County Administrator shall be as follows, effective January , 2002.

Administrator	\$114,288
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Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

Establish County Commissioners' Salaries and Expenses and Benefits for 2002

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-152** as follows:

Resolution Establishing County Commissioners' Salaries and Expenses for 2002

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.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the salary rate for Washington County Commissioners be \$43,191/year for Commissioners and \$46,036/year for the Chair, effective January 1, 2002.

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

Brown's Creek Watershed District Appointments

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to appoint Timothy Freeman, Stillwater, to the Brown's Creek Watershed District Board of Managers to fill an unexpired term to October 21, 2003; and appoint Barbara Medinger, Stillwater Township, to the Brown's Creek Watershed District Board of Managers to fill an unexpired term to October 21, 2002. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – COMMENTS – QUESTIONS

Commissioner Abrahamson stated he has changed his mind on the Washington County Historic Society budget. He will ask the Board to reinstate their budget to the full amount.

Commissioner Peterson indicated that Representative Sharon Marko is back home and recuperating from a recent surgery she had in Rochester.

Commissioner Peterson informed the Board that Glen Brown, a long-time committee volunteer, is in the hospital.

Commissioner Hegberg updated the Board on his trip to Tonga and indicated it is an interesting Kingdom. He was invited to attend the engagement party of the King's granddaughter. The King will announce on January 1st when the wedding will be. Celebrations of this sort last a long time and reminded him of a wedding dance in southern Minnesota where everybody dances from the grandmothers to children. If he is invited to the wedding, he plans on attending. He thanked the Board for the resolution it passed congratulating the engaged couple. They were more impressed with the resolution than Governor Ventura's picture, even though his reputation reaches that far. The weather is beautiful and the same from one day to another. The people are friendly and you feel safe and secure there. The only way to describe the Country is for people to go there and experience it. Commissioner

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Hegberg indicated that he will bring in pictures and share that with the Board. The history in Tonga goes back as far as European history and there have been many revolutions on the monarchy.

Commissioner Pulkrabek read into the record a letter from David K. Porter, a practicing attorney from Minneapolis for the past 25 years, informing the Board of the courteous, helpful and observant actions of the front-line County employees in probate, juvenile, Court Administration, Recorder's & Torrens, Tract Index and Property Tax offices. He appreciates this service and it is not always the case in other courthouses.

Commissioner Stafford informed the Board that the East Metro Radio Board met last Friday and voted to extend the system to the end of 2003. This recommendation will come back to the Ramsey and Washington County Boards for their consideration.

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Board correspondence was received and placed on file.

Recess

Commissioner Abrahamson moved to recess. Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously. The County Board recessed at 5:35 p.m. to hold a workshop with the Office of Administration.

2002 TAXATION INFORMATION MEETING

The Board convened at 7:00 p.m. to take comments on the proposed 2002 budget. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Absent none. Board Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Chris Eitemiller, Budget and Policy Analyst; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Russ Reetz, Court Services Director; Kevin Corbid, Director of Assessment, Taxpayer Services and Elections; Mary McGlothlin, Director of Public Health and Environment; Don Wisniewski, Director of Transportation and Physical Development; and Bev Hagen, Public Information Coordinator.

Board Chair Peterson opened the meeting with a welcome to those in attendance.

James Schug, County Administrator, gave a brief overview of the budget process to date.

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Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator, and Chris Eitemiller, Budget and Policy Analyst, presented an overview of the proposed 2002 budget.

The Board Chair opened the meeting for comments from the audience.

Commissioner Pulkrabek read into the record a letter from Dick Johnson, Lake Elmo, who addressed the proposed action to eliminate funding for the Washington County Historical Society. He asked that the Board reconsider this action and that other expenses such as the Commissioners' pay raises and newsletter be reduced.

Charles Arnanson, Marine, Phyllis Jones, St. Paul Park, Phil Eastwood, Stillwater, and Brent Peterson, Stillwater, spoke in favor of reinstating full funding to the Washington County Historical Society and not to eliminate it totally in five years. They feel the historical records in Washington County need to be preserved for future generations.

Bryon Mullin, Oakdale, asked in light of current economic forces, is it fiscally responsible to raise taxes in a recession? He also agreed that the Historical Society funding should be kept where it is.

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

Commissioner Abrahamson spoke in favor of restoring the Historical Society's funding.

Commissioner Hegberg, Pulkrabek, Stafford and Peterson spoke against restoring full funding to the Historical Society.

The Board Chair thanked all the citizens who came out tonight and addressed the proposed 2002 budget.

The Board Chair reconvened the regular meeting of the Washington County Board of Commissioners.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Adoption of the Washington County Budget for Payable 2002

Commissioner Hegberg moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-153** as follows:

Resolution Adopting the Washington County
Proposed Budget for Payable 2002

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<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	\$71,433,100	\$36,158,500	(\$1,490,500)	\$33,784,100	5,488,631	\$28,295,470
Social Services	32,361,400	19,804,500	0	12,556,900	1,672,441	10,884,459
Public Works - Road & Bridge	21,068,200	15,739,300	(350,000)	4,978,900	664,267	4,314,633
Public Works - Parks	1,809,800	1,191,000	205,700	824,500	110,002	714,498
Regional Rail Authority	279,100	0	(68,400)	**210,700	0	210,700
Library	4,732,600	157,000	0	4,575,600	610,460	3,965,140
Debt Service - County Wide	7,094,800	298,500	614,800	7,411,100	0	7,411,100
Debt Service - Library District	149,600	500	(149,100)	0	0	0
Subtotal:	\$138,928,600	\$73,349,300	(\$1,237,500)	\$64,341,800	\$8,545,800	\$55,796,000
<u>CAPITAL FUNDS</u>						
CIP Bond Projects	5,322,000	0	*(5,322,000)	0	0	0
Historic Courthouse Restoration	12,000	17,300	5,300	0	0	0
Capital Repair Fund	691,200	250,000	(441,200)	0	0	0
Subtotal:	\$6,025,200	\$267,300	(\$5,757,900)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total 2002 Budget:	\$144,953,800	\$73,616,600	(\$6,995,400)	\$64,341,800	\$8,545,800	\$55,796,000
* Planned use of Bond Proceeds						
**RRA is a separate taxing authority						
<u>OTHER LEVY PAYMENT</u>						
HRA Landfall				200,000	0	200,000
Total Washington County 2002 Levy (Operating minus RRA plus HRA Landfall):				\$64,331,100	\$8,545,800	\$55,785,300

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

Certifying Property Tax Levies for Washington County Payable 2002

Commissioner Stafford moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-154** as follows:

Certifying Property Tax Levies for
Washington County Payable 2002

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following tax levies for payable 2002:

Washington County	\$55,785,300
Which includes the Washington County Special Levy	\$ 200,000
for the Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority	
Regional Rail Authority	\$ 210,700

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

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Certifying Property Tax Levies for Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority
Payable 2002

Commissioner Pulkrabek moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-155** as follows:

Certifying Property Tax Levies for Washington
County Housing and Redevelopment Authority
Payable 2002

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following tax levy for payable 2002:

Washington County Housing and Redevelopment Authority \$1,784,951

Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion and it was adopted 4-0, Commissioner Hegberg abstained.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Board Chair Peterson adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH COURT SERVICES

The Board meeting was preceded by a workshop with the Court Services Department to discuss the Community Circles in Washington County. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were James Schug, Russ Reetz, Maureen Walton, Judge Gary Schurrer, and Community Members Lynn Schurrer, Mark LaPoint, Kay Longtin and Mary Louise Menikheim.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The Board met in workshop session with the Office of Administration to discuss County Commissioner Committee assignments for 2002. No business was transacted and the public was welcome to attend. Present for the workshop session were Commissioners Hegberg, Abrahamson, Peterson, Pulkrabek and Stafford. Also present were James Schug, Molly O'Rourke and Patricia Raddatz.


Myra Peterson, Chair
County Board

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator