

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
DECEMBER 7, 2023**

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENES

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 4:45 p.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room.

Present: Commissioner Fran Miron, District 1
Commissioner Stan Karwoski, District 2
Commissioner Gary Kriesel, District 3
Commissioner Karla Bigham, District 4
Commissioner Michelle Clasen, District 5

Also Present: Kevin Corbid, County Administrator
Susan Tice, Assistant County Attorney Division Chief
Stephanie Kammerud, Administrative Assistant

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Bigham moved, seconded by Commissioner Clasen, to adopt the Consent Calendar as follows:

1. Approval of the November 14, 2023, and November 21, 2023, County Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval to appoint Dr. Gabriel Warren, Woodbury, to the Community Corrections Advisory Board as the BIPOC Community Representative to a first full term expiring December 31, 2026.
3. Approval to appoint Traci Leffner to the Workforce Development Board as a Business Representative to a first term expiring December 31, 2026.
4. Approve Agreement No. 16062 between Washington County Community Services, County Attorney's Office, Sheriff's Office and the Minnesota Department of Human Services for \$1,017,000 for the period of January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025, for child support enforcement services.

5. Approval of **Resolution No. 2023-144** as follows:

**RESOLUTION TO RELEASE DECLARATION ON OUTLOT A,
NEWPORT STATION ADDITION, IN THE CITY OF NEWPORT**

WHEREAS, in 2010, the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority (WCRRA) purchased land in the City of Newport; and,

WHEREAS, also in 2010, Washington County entered into a Grant Agreement with the Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) 1-2010-8 to aid with the purchase of the said land for the purposes of constructing and operating a Transit Site; and,

WHEREAS, as a condition of the grant, a Declaration was recorded on the property with the Transit Site being constructed and completed in 2014; and,

WHEREAS, there is surplus land not needed for the operation and maintenance of the Transit Site; and,

WHEREAS, there are no funding obligations remaining as it pertains to the CTIB Grant 1-2010-8; and,

WHEREAS, WCRRA is desirous of selling the surplus land and has entered into an Option Agreement for such purposes; and,

WHEREAS, CTIB dissolved in 2017, terminating the Joint Powers Agreement and assigned the authority to manage and operate the property, facilities and grant funds within Washington County to Washington County by Resolution #32-2017; and,

WHEREAS, Washington County Resolution 2017-175 terminated the Joint Powers Agreement and accepted the authority to implement the Plan set forth in terminating the Joint Powers Agreement and subsequently become the administrator of any and all grants within Washington County; and,

WHEREAS, as the administrator, Washington County has the ability to release the Declaration recorded on the surplus land since there is no further funding obligations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon compliance with the provisions of CTIB Grant 1-2010-8, the Washington County Board authorizes the release of Declaration on the following property legally described as:

Outlot A, Newport Station Addition, according to the plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Registrar of Titles, in and for the County of Washington, State of Minnesota

The motion was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Karwoski, Bigham, Clasen, and Kriesel. Nays, none.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

County Administrator Kevin Corbid announced that the agenda item listed as MCIT County of the Year Award, will be addressed at next week's meeting on December 12, 2023.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioners reported on meetings and other events they attended. Please see archived livestreaming of the board meeting for full commissioner reports at www.co.washington.mn.us, under "County Board."

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

No board correspondence was received.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Miron moved to adjourn. Commissioner Clasen seconded the motion, and it was adopted unanimously.

The County Board meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

BOARD WORKSHOPS WITH ADMINISTRATION

The board met in workshop session to review 2024 commissioner appointments to commissions, committees, and joint powers boards. Present for the workshop were Commissioners Miron, Karwoski, Kriesel, Bigham, and Clasen. Also present were Kevin Corbid, Jan Lucke, Jennifer Wagenius, and county staff.

The board met in workshop session to consider a potential Land and Water Legacy Program conservation easement project on approximately three acres on La Lake in the City of Woodbury. Present for the workshop were Commissioners Miron, Karwoski, Kriesel, Bigham, and Clasen. Also present were Kevin Corbid, Jan Lucke, Jennifer Wagenius, and county staff.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH PUBLIC WORKS

The board met in workshop session to discuss ordinance updates for Washington County Parks campgrounds. Present for the workshop were Commissioners Miron, Karwoski, Kriesel, Bigham, and Clasen. Also present were Kevin Corbid, Jan Lucke, Jennifer Wagenius, and county staff.

Attest:

Kevin Corbid

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County Administrator

Gary Kriesel

Gary Kriesel
County Board Chair