

# DAKOTA COUNTY REPORTER

## County Board of Commissioners Meeting Dakota County, Minnesota January 5, 2010

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The Dakota County Board of Commissioners met at 9:04 a.m. on Tuesday, January 5, 2010, in the Boardroom, Administration Center, Hastings, Minnesota. All County Board members were present. The minutes of the County Board meeting, held December 15, 2009, were approved as presented and entered in Commissioners' Record MM.

Chair Gaylord asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to address the County Board on an item not on the agenda or any item on the consent agenda. No one appeared.

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The Dakota County Sheriff's Honor Guard presented the colors for the Pledge of Allegiance. Honor Guard members were: Commander Blair Anderson, Captain Brad Jeska, Detective Rebecca Sherman, Deputy Tom Hooper and Deputy Mike Fenderick.

Commissioner Thomas A. Egan was elected County Board chair and Commissioner Joseph A. Harris was elected County Board vice chair for 2010.

### COMMUNITY SERVICES

#### *Employment & Economic Assistance (E & EA):*

Authorized execution of contracts with the following: 1) HIRED for supported work services for African American, Native American and Somali Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) participants and case management and professional development programming; and, 2) Minnesota Department of Human Services to implement MFIP racial disparities programming and amended the E and EA budget.

### OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, AND BUDGET

#### *Office of Planning, and Analysis:*

Authorized execution of an amendment to extend the contract with DARTS to implement the County's Aging Initiative.

#### *Operations Management:*

Authorized entering into a lease agreement with Aggregate Industries at the Empire Transportation Facility Site.

Appointed the following individuals to the following Metropolitan Emergency Services Board committees for 2010: 1) Radio Technical Operations Committee: Ron Jansen, Dakota County Radio Services (Representative) and Captain Dan Scheuermann, Dakota County Sheriff's Office (Alternate); and 2) Dakota Communications Center staff to the 911 Technical Operations Committee as Representatives: Rose Kruchten and Diane Lind; Alternates: Tara Shoemaker and Troy Ruby.

## **PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT**

### ***Parks And Open Spaces:***

Scheduled a County Board Workshop for February 9, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., in Conference Room 3A at the Administration Center in Hastings, Minnesota, to discuss future land conservation.

### ***Transportation:***

Authorized execution of the following: 1) Agreement No. 95475 with the State of Minnesota for State Project 1921-83 and 1923-11, Trunk Highways 3 and 50 detours; and 2) Contract amendment with Bolton & Menk, Inc. for County Project 97-72, Farmington Area Transportation Study.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

### ***Sheriff:***

Authorized execution of the following: 1) Joint Powers Agreement with the Cities of Apple Valley, Burnsville, Eagan, Farmington, Hastings, Inver Grove Heights, Lakeville, Mendota Heights, Rosemount, Savage, South St. Paul, and West St. Paul to maintain the Dakota County Drug Task Force for apprehending and prosecuting drug offenders; 2) Contract with the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Administration to be prepared for disasters and emergencies and amended the 2010 Sheriff's budget; and 3) Contract with Intermediate School District 917 for a school resource officer and the Students with Unique Needs (SUN) Program.

## **PUBLIC SERVICES AND REVENUE**

### ***Assessing Services:***

Approved the change in tax status recommended by the County Assessor.

## **COUNTY BOARD/COUNTY ADMINISTRATION**

### ***County Administration:***

Authorized execution of a contract with Lockridge Grindal Nauen for federal legislative services.

Designated certain Dakota County positions as local officials in 2010, for the purpose of reporting to the Campaign Finance & Public Disclosure Board.

### ***County Board:***

Amended the County Board Operating Rules and Guidelines.

Designated certain County officials as official voting delegates to represent Dakota County at the Association of Minnesota Counties Annual Conference and during the year 2010.

Received a summary of the Administrator's performance with respect to the annual board goals, Balanced Scorecard elements, and core competencies.

Ratified the County Board Chair's recommendation and appointed the following County Board members to serve as chairs for the Committees of the Whole for 2010: Commissioner Nancy Schouweiler for Administration/Finance/Policy Committee of the Whole, Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord for Community Services Committee of the Whole, and Commissioner Paul J. Krause for Physical Development Committee of the Whole. Endorsed the County Board Chair's recommendation of Commissioner Willis E. Branning as Chair of the Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority for 2010 and referred the appointment to the Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority.

Appointed commissioners to serve on various positions on interagency boards, in-county boards, and as liaison commissioners for 2010. Recommended the following appointments: 1) President of AMC, Commissioner Gaylord as alternate to the AMC Legislative Steering Committee; 2) University of Minnesota, Commissioners Branning and Harris to the UMore Park Advisory Council; 3) Commissioner Workman (Member) and

Commissioner Egan (Alternate) to the Dakota Communications Center Board of Directors; and 4) Commissioner Schouweiler (Member) and Commissioner Workman (Alternate) to the Metro Alliance for Healthy Families Governing Board.

Appointed the following individuals to the following Dakota County Advisory committees: 1) Community Corrections Advisory Board: Jay Meyer; 2) Community Development Agency Board: Commissioners Gaylord and Egan; 3) Extension Committee: Thomas Smith; 4) Farmland and Natural Areas Program Advisory Committee: Phillip Veith, Kenneth Virnig, Greg Stattman, and Craig Belbeck; 5) Human Services Advisory Committee: Colleen Fritsch, Patrick Ramel, Allen Koss, Tom Alleva, Elizabeth Gunhus, Mary Kahnke, Trixie Golberg, Adina Lebowitz, Holly Loeffler, Deborah Scofield, Arlene Sheldon, Karen Kirkwood, Brent Poppenhagen, Elizabeth Campbell, Bruce Folken, Aaron Virdure, Sharon Babcock, Ty Morris, and Daniel Schultz; 6) Personnel Board of Appeals: Linda Nelson; 7) Public Art Citizen Advisory Committee: Betty Thompson, Elizabeth Undis, and Beth Adams; 8) Special Board of Appeal and Equalization: Lance Twedt, Ken Slipka, and Herbert Nybert; 9) Scott-Carver-Dakota CAP Agency Board: Ruth Krueger, Employment & Economic Assistance Director, as a Dakota County public official representative; 10) Library Board: Patricia Hanauer and Barbara Berggren; and 11) Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Jill Smith.

***Employee Relations:***

Set the minimum 2011 salaries for the County Attorney at \$96,400 and County Sheriff at \$86,500.

***Financial Services:***

Authorized soliciting applications for “Recovery Zone” bonding authority for developing affordable housing for seniors and creating new jobs as a result of the project.

The County Board meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

**The next regular Dakota County Board meeting will be held January 26, 2010, at 9:00 a.m.**