

CONSENT AGENDA

**FOR THE MEETING
OF
ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

April 22, 2014

Gilbert City Hall, 16 South Broadway, Gilbert, Minnesota

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and/or noncontroversial and will be enacted by one unanimous motion. If a commissioner requests or a citizen wishes to speak on an item on the consent agenda, it will be removed and handled separately.

RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL:

Minutes for April 1, 2014.

Minutes for April 8, 2014.

Environment & Natural Resources Committee – Commissioner Dahlberg, Chair

1. Non-exclusive easement across state tax forfeited land located in Section 24, Township 63 North, Range 12 West (Morse Township), authorized to Northview Bank, Finlayson, MN, upon total payment of \$2,548.00.
2. Withdrawal of state tax forfeited land described as Lot 3, Section 1, Township 53 North, Range 17 West (Northland Township) from the land sale list.
3. Applications for repurchase of state tax forfeited land by Dale Schall, Cook, MN, and Kathleen Twight, Duluth, MN. (Resolutions numbered 3a and 3b.)
4. Appraisal reports for the sale of timber to be offered at Public Oral Timber Auction as submitted by the Land Commissioner.

Public Works & Transportation Committee – Commissioner Raukar, Chair

5. Public Works Department authorized to rent four (4) belly-dump trailers from NUSS Truck and Equipment of Roseville, MN, at the State of Minnesota Contract price of \$51,000 for a five month period.

Finance & Budget Committee – Commissioner Nelson, Chair

6. Abatement list for Board approval.
7. Public hearing established for May 6, 2014, at 9:40 a.m., in the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN, to consider the issuance of an off-sale intoxicating liquor license to Elbow Lake Holdings, LLC d/b/a Elbow Lake Lodge, Beatty Township.
8. Workers' compensation report dated April 4, 2014.

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Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee – Commissioner Jewell, Chair

9. Appoint the following individuals to serve as the Special Board of Appeal and Equalization for Assessment Year 2014 to convene at 10:00 a.m., June 17, 2014, in the Commissioner’s Conference Room, St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN:

John Heino, Duluth	Commissioner District #1
John Doberstein, Duluth	Commissioner District #2
Kevin O’Brien, Duluth	Commissioner District #3
Leonard Cersine, Ely	Commissioner District #4
Tim Peterson, Hermantown	Commissioner District #5
Dawn Cole, Town of Fayal	Commissioner District #6
Frank Bigelow, City of Hibbing	Commissioner District #7

Public Safety & Corrections Committee – Commissioner Boyle, Chair

10. Transfer ownership of a 2005 Chevrolet Impala authorized from the Sheriff’s Office to the Arrowhead Juvenile Center for an amount of \$3,500.

Official Proceedings of the County Board of Commissioners

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of April 1, 2014, are hereby approved.

Official Proceedings of the County Board of Commissioners

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of April 8, 2014, are hereby approved.

Access Easement across State Tax Forfeited Land – Northview Bank

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Northview Bank has requested a non-exclusive easement to use state tax forfeited parcels for access to a parcel they own; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not conflict with public use of land; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4a, authorizes the County Auditor to grant easements for such purposes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to grant an easement to Northview Bank across state tax forfeited lands described as follows:

A 40-foot-wide easement for ingress, egress and utility over, under and across portions of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, and the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 24, Township 63 North, Range 12 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, St. Louis County, Minnesota, lying 15.00 feet to the Westerly and Northerly AND 25.00 feet Easterly and Southerly of the following described line:

Assuming the East line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to bear South 00° 06' 07" West and from the Northeast Comer of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter run South 00° 06' 07" West along said East line, a distance of 465.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;

Thence North 28° 37' 59" West a distance of 310.00 feet; thence North 37° 17' 34" West a distance of 188.00 feet; thence North 54° 50' 21" East, a distance of 590.00 feet to a tangential curve concave to the Northwest; thence Northeasterly along said tangential, central angle of 60° 09' 38", radius of 800.00 feet, a distance of 480.00 feet to the centerline of County Road Number 781, and there terminate;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of \$2,452 easement fee, \$50 administration fee, and \$46 recording fee; for a total of \$2,548.00, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Withdrawal of State Tax Forfeited Land from the Land Sale List

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 7, requires that a state tax forfeited land sale must continue until the county board orders a reappraisal or withdraws any or all parcels from sale; and

WHEREAS, The Land and Minerals Department has determined that the timber on the state tax forfeited parcel described below is suitable for forest management:

LOT 3
SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 53 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST
PARCEL CODE: 490-0010-00050
TOWN OF NORTHLAND

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board withdraws from sale state tax forfeited parcel:

LOT 3
SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 53 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST
PARCEL CODE: 490-0010-00050
TOWN OF NORTHLAND

Repurchase of State Tax Forfeited Land - Schall

BY COMMISSIONER: _____

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.241 provides that state tax forfeited land may be repurchased by the previous owner subject to payment of delinquent taxes and assessments, with penalties, costs, and interest; and

WHEREAS, The applicant, Dale Schall of Cook, MN, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

TOWN OF MORCOM
LOT 2
SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 61 NORTH, RANGE 21 WEST
PARCEL CODE: 460-0010-02930 and;

WHEREAS, The applicant was the owner of record at the time of forfeiture and is eligible to repurchase the property; and

WHEREAS, Approving the repurchase will correct undue hardship and promote the use of lands that will best serve the public interest;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the repurchase application by Dale Schall of Cook, MN, on file in County Board File No. 59798, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$3,463.07, service fee of \$114, deed tax of \$11.43, deed fee of \$25, and recording fee of \$46; for a total of \$3,659.50, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Repurchase of State Tax Forfeited Land - Twight

BY COMMISSIONER: _____

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.241 provides that state tax forfeited land may be repurchased by the previous owner subject to payment of delinquent taxes and assessments, with penalties, costs, and interest; and

WHEREAS, The applicant, Kathleen Twight of Duluth, MN, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

TOWN OF LAKEWOOD
E 1/2 OF E 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SE 1/4
SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 51 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST
PARCEL CODE: 415-0010-02800 and;

WHEREAS, The applicant was the owner of record at the time of forfeiture and is eligible to repurchase the property; and

WHEREAS, Approving the repurchase will correct undue hardship and promote the use of lands that will best serve the public interest;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the repurchase application by Kathleen Twight of Duluth, MN, on file in County Board File No. 59798, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$13,784.75, service fee of \$114, deed tax of \$45.49, deed fee of \$25, recording fee of \$46 and well fee of \$50; for a total of \$14,065.24, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Appraisal Reports for the Sale of Timber at Public Oral Timber Auction

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, that the appraisal reports for the sale of timber to be offered at PUBLIC ORAL TIMBER AUCTION, Tracts 1 through 26 (totaling \$490,634.52), as submitted by the Land Commissioner, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 59811, are approved and the County Auditor is authorized to carry out the recommendations as listed in said appraisal reports.

State Contract Rental of Four Belly Dump Trailers

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department budget includes rental of four (4) belly dump trailers for gravel hauling operations; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department and Purchasing Division presented specifications and requested pricing for the equipment based on department needs; and

WHEREAS, NUSS Truck and Equipment of Roseville, MN, responded with the State Contract price for four (4) belly dump trailers in the amount of \$51,000;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The St. Louis County Board authorizes the rental of four (4) belly dump trailers from NUSS Truck and Equipment of Roseville, MN, for a total cost of \$51,000, payable from Fund 202, Agency 202002, and Object 634100.

Abatement List for Board Approval

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for abatements, correction of assessed valuations and taxes plus penalty and interest, and any additional accrual, identified in County Board File No. 59797.

**Establish Public Hearing to Consider Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License
(Beatty Township)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That a public hearing will be held at 9:40 a.m. on May 6, 2014, in the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN, for the purpose of considering the granting of an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License to Elbow Lake Holdings, LLC d/b/a Elbow Lake Lodge, Beatty Township.

Workers' Compensation Report

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the workers' compensation report of claims by employees for work-related injuries, dated February 9, 2014, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 59787, is hereby received and ratified as payable from Fund 730, Agency 730001.

Appointment of 2014 Special Board of Appeal and Equalization

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 274.13 requires that county commissioners constitute a County Board of Appeal and Equalization each year to hear complaints of taxpayers and review assessments of real and personal property throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, The statute empowers the County Board of Appeal and Equalization to appoint a Special Board of Appeal and Equalization to which it may delegate all powers and duties of the County Board of Appeal and Equalization; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board, having reviewed the matter, determines it is in the public interest to appoint said Special Board;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board appoints the following individuals to serve as the Special Board of Appeal and Equalization for Assessment Year 2014:

- John Heino, Duluth Commissioner District #1
- John Doberstein, Duluth Commissioner District #2
- Kevin O'Brien, Duluth Commissioner District #3
- Leonard Cersine, Ely Commissioner District #4
- Tim Peterson, Hermantown Commissioner District #5
- Dawn Cole, Town of Fayal Commissioner District #6
- Frank Bigelow, City of Hibbing Commissioner District #7

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Special Board of Appeal and Equalization is:

- Delegated all powers and duties of the County Board of Appeal and Equalization;
- To report the results of their deliberations back to the St. Louis County Board in the form of minutes kept by the Clerk of the County Board;
- Directed to hold at least one meeting day in the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, and one day at the Northland Office Center, in Virginia, Minnesota;
- To be compensated at the rate of \$200 per meeting day (payable from Assessor's Department Fund 100, Agency 118001, Object #635300 - Non-employee fees) and be reimbursed for mileage and expenses at the current county rate (from Assessor's Department Object #635500 - Non-employee travel).
- Directed to convene at 10:00 AM, June 17, 2014, in the Commissioner's Conference Room, St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN.

Transfer of Vehicle to Arrowhead Juvenile Center

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office has decommissioned Vehicle No. 765, a 2005 Chevrolet Impala, as part of an upgrade and this vehicle is no longer needed by the county; and

WHEREAS, Arrowhead Juvenile Center is in need of a vehicle to support its staff;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office to transfer ownership of a 2005 Chevrolet Impala, Vin # 2G1WF55K959308807, to Arrowhead Juvenile Center in the amount of \$3,500, with funds to be deposited into Fund 100, Agency 129001, Revenue 583208 (Sheriff) from Fund 925, Agency 945001, Object 642900 (AJC).