



## AGENDA

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA

**Tuesday, February 16, 2016, 9:30 A.M.**

**Hibbing City Council Chambers  
401 East 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
Hibbing, MN**

**STEVE RAUKAR, Chair  
Seventh District**

**FRANK JEWELL, Vice-Chair  
First District**

**PATRICK BOYLE  
Second District**

**CHRIS DAHLBERG  
Third District**

**TOM RUKAVINA  
Fourth District**

**PETE STAUBER  
Fifth District**

**KEITH NELSON  
Sixth District**

County Auditor  
Donald Dicklich

County Administrator  
Kevin Gray

County Attorney  
Mark Rubin

Clerk of the Board  
Phil Chapman

The St. Louis County Board of Commissioners welcomes you to this meeting. This agenda contains a brief description of each item to be considered. The Board encourages your participation. If you wish to speak on an item contained in the agenda, you will be allowed to address the Board when a motion is on the floor. If you wish to speak on a matter that does not appear on the agenda, you may do so during the public comment period at the beginning of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided by the Standing Rules of the County Board, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing in the agenda.

When addressing the Board, please sign in at the podium and state your name and address for the record. Please address the Board as a whole through the Chair. Comments to individual Commissioners or staff are not permitted. The St. Louis County Board promotes adherence to civility in conducting the business of the County. Civility will provide increased opportunities for civil discourse in order to find positive resolutions to the issue before the Board. Tools of civility include: pay attention, listen, be inclusive, do not gossip, show respect, be agreeable, apologize, give constructive criticism and take responsibility [County Board Resolution No. 560, adopted on September 9, 2003]. Speakers will be limited to five (5) minutes.

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9:30 A.M.      Moment of Silence  
                    Pledge of Allegiance  
                    Roll Call

*“Words of Wisdom” – Commissioner Stauber, Fifth District*

AT THIS TIME CITIZENS WILL BE ALLOWED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA. [Speakers will be limited to 5 minutes each.]

FOR ITEMS LISTED ON THE BOARD AGENDA OR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA, CITIZENS WILL BE ALLOWED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AT THE TIME A MOTION IS ON THE FLOOR.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of business submitted on the consent agenda.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee – Commissioner Jewell, Chair**

1. Request for sponsorship of snowmobile trail grooming equipment purchase by the Range Trail Committee, Inc., snowmobile club. **{16-69} [Has not been to committee; requires consent of the Board to be considered.]**

**ADJOURNED:**

# **BOARD LETTER NO. 16 - 69**

## **CENTRAL MANAGEMENT & INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE**

### **FEBRUARY 16, 2016 BOARD AGENDA NO. 1**

**DATE:** February 16, 2016                      **RE:** Request for Sponsorship of  
Snowmobile Trail Grooming  
Equipment Purchase – Range  
Trail Committee, Inc.

**FROM:** Kevin Z. Gray  
County Administrator

Donald Dicklich  
County Auditor/Treasurer

**RELATED DEPARTMENTAL GOAL:**

Performing public services.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

The St. Louis County Board is requested to provide sponsorship of snowmobile grooming equipment purchase by the Range Trail Committee, Inc., snowmobile club.

**BACKGROUND:**

Funding for snowmobile trail grooming equipment is being applied for through the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Grant in Aid program and the Federal Recreational Trails Program by the Range Trail Committee, Inc., snowmobile club. The equipment is expected to cost at least \$75,000 and, as part of the DNR Grant in Aid program, must be sponsored by a local government. St. Louis County is the Grant-in-Aid sponsor for this club. The Federal grant amount expected to be awarded the Club is \$75,000. The Club will receive from the Federal grant, 50% of what is spent, up to the grant amount awarded. The Club is responsible for the remainder of the expenditure not covered by the grant, with no cost to the County.

If St. Louis County is awarded a grant by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, St. Louis County agrees to accept the grant award, and may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above referenced project. St. Louis County will comply with all applicable laws, environmental requirements and regulations as stated in the grant agreement.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board agree to accept grant award funds on behalf of the Range Trail Committee, Inc., snowmobile club for snowmobile trail grooming equipment.

**Request for Sponsorship of Snowmobile Trail Grooming Equipment Purchase –  
Range Trail Committee, Inc.**

BY COMMISSIONER: \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS, St. Louis County serves as the sponsor of various winter recreational trails that are part of the State of Minnesota Grant-in-Aid Trail System; and

WHEREAS, The construction and maintenance of these trails are funded through the Minnesota Trail Assistance Program Grants issued with the approval of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, The Range Trail Committee, Inc., snowmobile club will make application to the Minnesota Trail Assistance Program, and has requested that St. Louis County serve as the local government sponsor for the purchase of trail grooming equipment, to be funded by the State of Minnesota Trail Assistance Program and the Federal Recreational Trails Program;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That St. Louis County agrees to sponsor said purchase of trail grooming on behalf of the Range Trail Committee, Inc., snowmobile club at no cost to the County;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Chairperson of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and/or County Auditor be authorized to sign grant applications, agreements, and reimbursement claims to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for purchase of the trail grooming equipment.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Chairperson of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and/or County Auditor are authorized to sign all easements, licenses, or other instruments associated with the purchase, subject to the approval of the County Attorney.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That this Resolution is contingent upon the Range Trail Committee, Inc., snowmobile club remaining individually named as an insured on the general liability policy covering St. Louis County sponsored State Grant-in-Aid Trails.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That St. Louis County and/or Range Trail Committee, Inc., snowmobile club will comply with the Federal Purchasing Requirements as set forth in the 2016 Manual for Equipment Grants of the Federal Recreational Trails Program published by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.