

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, MINNESOTA,  
HELD ON APRIL 12, 2016**

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of St. Louis, Minnesota, met this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016, at 9:45 a.m., at the Rice Lake City Hall, Rice Lake, Minnesota, with the following members present: Commissioners Frank Jewell, Patrick Boyle, Chris Dahlberg, Pete Stauber, Keith Nelson, and Chair Steve Raukar - 6. Absent: Commissioner Tom Rukavina - 1.

Chair Raukar asked for a moment of silence to honor U.S. troops, their families, and for all innocent victims of war and conflict, and asked that everyone pray that mankind comes to the realization that our commonalities far outweigh our differences on a global scale, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

City of Rice Lake Mayor John Werner welcomed the Board to Rice Lake and introduced City of Rice Lake Councilors Suzanne Herstad and Bob Quade.

Commissioner Jewell offered his "Words of Wisdom" by reading two poems. Louis Jenkins wrote the first poem titled "Paradise". Mary Oliver wrote the second poem titled "Wild Geese". (Board File No. 60292)

Commissioner Boyle, supported by Commissioner Stauber, moved that the St. Louis County Board recognizes that protecting children is everyone's job, and declares its continued commitment to the collaboration between St. Louis County staff and all community partners in this effort and hereby proclaims April 2016 as Child Abuse Prevention Month and urges all citizens to work together to help protect children from abuse and neglect. Commissioner Boyle read the proclamation. St. Louis County Social Services Supervisor Mary Ness discussed challenges relating to foster care and thanked the Board for their continued support. After further discussion, the motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Rukavina). Resolution No. 16-252.

Chair Raukar then opened the meeting to persons who wanted to address the Board concerning issues not on the agenda. Don Solem, of Duluth, MN, discussed the working relationship between the St. Louis County Hunting Shack Lease Association and St. Louis County. Mr. Solem stated that the association will be holding their annual meeting on April 20, 2016 at the Cotton Town Hall and encouraged Commissioners to attend the meeting.

Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Dahlberg, moved to approve the consent agenda without Item #3b, Application for repurchase of state tax forfeited property, Prosperity House, LLC, Duluth, MN. Commissioner Nelson noted a replacement resolution for Item #22. The motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Rukavina).

Commissioner Stauber, supported by Commissioner Dahlberg, moved to consider a resolution in support of the Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-Term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE) grant application that the Minnesota

Department of Transportation (MnDOT) will be submitting to the Federal Highway Administration to replace the I35/I535/TH 53 interchange in Duluth; the item had not been to committee. The motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Rukavina).

Commissioner Dahlberg, supported by Commissioner Stauber, moved that the St. Louis County Board supports the project to replace the I35/I535/TH 53 interchange and associated bridges and authorizes the County Board Chair to send a letter to MnDOT in support of the project to replace the I35/I535/TH 53 interchange and associated bridges to be included in the FASTLANE grant application being submitted to the Federal Highway Administration. The motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Rukavina). Resolution No. 16-253.

Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Boyle, moved to appoint David Lee as Public Health and Human Services Director effective April 25, 2016 at an annual salary rate of \$136,323. After further discussion, the motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Rukavina). Resolution No. 16-254.

At 10:48 a.m., the Board recessed. At 11:03 a.m., the Board re-convened with all members present except Commissioner Rukavina.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Stauber, moved to send Item #3b, Application for repurchase of state tax forfeited property, Prosperity House, LLC, Duluth, MN, to the Committee of the Whole meeting. The motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Rukavina).

The following Board and contract files were created resulting from documents received at this Board meeting:

Proclamation: Child Abuse Prevention Month, April 2016.—60346

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Foldesi, Public Works Director/Highway Engineer, submitting Board Letter No. 16-157, MnDOT FASTLANE Grant Application – St. Louis County Letter of Support.—60347

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Gottschald, Human Resources Director, submitting Board Letter No. 16-156, Public Health and Human Services Director Appointment.—60348

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Mark Weber, Land and Minerals Director, and Donald Dicklich, County Auditor/Treasurer, submitting Board Letter No. 16-136, Adjoining Owner Sale (Hibbing).—60349

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Mark Weber, Land and Minerals Director, and Donald Dicklich, County Auditor/Treasurer, submitting Board Letter No. 16-138, Sale and Disposal of Abandoned Personal Property.—60350

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Foldesi, Public Works Director/Highway Engineer, submitting Board Letter No. 16-153, Establish Public Hearing for Proposed “St. Louis County Ordinance No. 64: The Management and Permitting of All-Terrain Vehicles within the Public Right-

of-Way of Roads under the County’s Jurisdiction.”—60351

Don Solem, Chair & CEO, St. Louis County Hunting Shack Lease Association, submitting Annual Meeting Notice for April 20, 2016, and 2015 Annual Lease Holders Meeting minutes for April 8, 2015.—60352

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15759, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Lutheran Social Services (SELF/ONE Program), Duluth, MN, for Support for Emancipation and Living Functionally (SELF) program – Adolescent Life Skills Training during the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—16-388

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15776, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Advocates for Family Peace, Grand Rapids, MN, for Behavior Change Groups for Men services during the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—16-389

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15785, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Sexual Assault Program of Northern St. Louis County, Virginia, MN, for Sexual Assault Direct and Prevention Services during the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—16-390

Group Residential Housing Rate Agreement, Contract No. 53062, by and between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Arrowhead House West, Duluth, MN.—16-391

Group Residential Housing Rate Agreement, Contract No. 53078, by and between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and CJ’s House North, Aurora, MN.—16-392

Group Residential Housing Rate Agreement, Contract No. 53079, by and between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and CJ’s House South, Aurora, MN.—16-393

Agreement between the City of Chisholm and the County of St. Louis for 2016 Crack Sealing whereby the city will pay its share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Package and Plan described as CP 0000-277015, Crack Sealing 2016.—16-394

Agreement between the City of Rice Lake and the County of St. Louis for 2016 Crack Sealing whereby the city will pay its share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Package and Plan described as CP 0000-277015, Crack Sealing 2016.—16-395

Agreement between the City of Aurora and the County of St. Louis for 2016 Crack Sealing whereby the city will pay its share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Package and Plan described as CP 0000-277015, Crack Sealing 2016.—16-396

Agreement between the City of Buhl and the County of St. Louis for 2016 Crack Sealing whereby the city will pay its share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Package and Plan described as CP 0000-277015, Crack Sealing 2016.—16-397

Cooperative Agreement between the County of St. Louis and the City of Duluth related to the Kenwood/Arrowhead and West Cleveland Street and Signal Project, CP 0023-278317.—16-398

Contract for County-State Aid Highway Project between the County of St. Louis and Asphalt Surface Technologies Corporation a/k/a ASTECH Corp., St. Cloud, MN, for bituminous seal coat, fog seal, crack repair and pavement markings in St. Louis County and micro milling, bituminous seal coat, fog seal and pavement markings in Carlton County.—16-399

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15742, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Nystrom & Associates, Ltd., New Brighton, MN, for Specialized Forensic Psychological Services during the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—16-400

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15749, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota (Family Resource Center – Range Youth Shelter), Virginia, MN, for Group Home Residential Service and Diagnostic 25-day Evaluations during the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—16-401

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15757, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota, Family Resource Center – Supervised Visitation Program, Virginia, MN, for Supervised Visitation services during the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—16-402

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15758, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Duluth Family Visitation Center, Duluth, MN, for Supervised Visitation services during the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—16-403

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15764, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Human Development Center, Duluth, MN, for Trauma Assessment and Family Treatment Program services during the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—16-404

Project Contract No. 5292 between the County of St. Louis and Future Forests, Inc., Askov, MN, for Broadcast Application of Herbicides for Tree Plantation Site Preparation and Release of Existing Conifer Plantations during the period June 13, 2016 to July 15, 2016 for chemical site preparation and August 8, 2016 to September 9, 2016 for chemical release.—16-405

Project Contract No. 5285 between the County of St. Louis and Hunt Electric Corporation, Duluth, MN, for the installation of a photo-voltaic system on the Hibbing Motor Pool canopy roof.—16-406

Amendment No. 1 to MnDOT Agreement No. 100187 between the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation and St. Louis County for the Installation of rural intersection lighting on various roadways in St. Louis County.—16-407

Agreement for Professional Services between the County of St. Louis and Northeast Technical Services, Virginia, MN, for Engineering Services for Geotechnical Investigations and Material Testing on an on-call basis for the design and construction of roadways, bridges, retaining walls, culverts, etc., during the period April 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.—16-408

Service Contract between the County of St. Louis and Parsons Technologies, Duluth, MN, for audio visual equipment and engineering and programming of the equipment in the Assessor's Office, A.P. Cook Building, Duluth, MN.—16-409

Service Contract between the County of St. Louis and Gausman & Moore Mechanical and Electrical Engineers, Duluth, MN, for Heating, system design, prepare bid documents, bid specification and project management for the Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Upgrades for the Ely Government Services Center.16-410

Amendment No. 1 to Grant Contract between the State of Minnesota, Department of Human Services, Community Living Supports Division, and the County of St. Louis, Public Health and Human Services Department, for Long Term Homeless Supportive Services implementation removing duties not funded that were listed in error.—16-411

2016 State of Minnesota Annual County Boat and Water Safety Grant Agreement, Grant No. 107024, in the amount of \$89,361 between the Commissioner of Natural Resources and the St. Louis County Sheriff.—16-412

Fifth Amendment to the Northeast Regional Project to End Long-Term Homelessness Agreement by and between St. Louis County and Hearth Connection.—16-413

Minnesota State/County Child Support Program Cooperative Agreement, CY 2016-2017 covering the Administration of Child Support and Establishment of Paternity and Medical Support Liability Programs by and between the State of Minnesota Department of Human Services and St. Louis County.—16-414

Upon motion by Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Dahlberg, resolutions numbered 16-223 through 16-251, as submitted on the consent agenda, were unanimously adopted as follows:

**BY COMMISSIONER JEWELL:**

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of April 5, 2016, are hereby approved.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-223

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS) currently uses CareFacts software in its Public Health Division to record client related documentation; and

WHEREAS, CareFacts fails to meet the criteria that is mandated by the federal Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, enacted as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; and

WHEREAS, The PHHS Public Health Division began the process of exploring a new Electronic Health Record (EHR) using both the EHR Usability Toolkit developed for the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and the Electronic Health Record Requirements for Public Health Agencies developed by the Public Health Informatics Institute; and

WHEREAS, Upon completion of this review, PHHS is recommending purchase and implementation of Champ Software's public health EHR product, Nightingale Notes; and

WHEREAS, PHHS has been working closely with the St. Louis County Information Technology Department through all stages of the review and selection process; and

WHEREAS, This project was reviewed and approved by the Information Technology Steering Committee;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS) to execute the necessary purchase agreements and contracts to implement Nightingale Notes Electronic Health Record for the PHHS Public Health Division at a total project cost of \$171,643, payable from the PHHS Technology Improvements fund balance as outlined below:

Project Management (vendor: MJS Consulting, St. Louis Park, MN)	\$ 80,924
Software (vendor: Champ Software, Mankato, MN)	\$ 73,394
Hardware (vendor: various)	\$ 17,325

Budget References:

230-230040-629900 for \$80,924; 230-230040-634800 for \$73,394; and 230-230040-640400 for \$17,325, using Technology Fund Balance 230-999999-311401 of \$171,643.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-224

WHEREAS, St. Louis County desires to offer for sale a certain parcel of tax forfeited land described as:

City of Hibbing

UND ½ of ELY 69 feet of WLY 564 feet of NW ¼ of NE ¼ ex HWY R/W  
Section 28, Township 57 North, Range 20 West

Acres: 1.98

Parcel Code: 141-0020-03776

LDKey: 117690

Zoning is I-1 (Light Industrial), which requires a minimum lot width of 100 feet; this parcel does not meet that requirement; and

WHEREAS, The parcel is not withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8, and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of state tax forfeited lands from sale; and

WHEREAS, The parcel cannot be improved because it is less than the minimum size, shape, frontage and/or access required by the applicable zoning ordinance; and

WHEREAS, The parcel consists of an undivided interest in land and may be sold to the other owner; and

WHEREAS, The County Auditor has determined that a non-public sale will promote the return of the land to the tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, The parcel of land has been classified as non-conservation land pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.01;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of the parcel described here, and the County Auditor is authorized to offer the parcel at private sale to the other owner of undivided interest for the price of \$1,535 plus a 3% assurance fee of \$46.05, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$5.07 and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$1,657.12 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund);

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Land Commissioner shall give at least 30 days' notice of the sale to the other owner of undivided interest.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-225

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, Tedpen, Inc., of Biwabik, MN, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

CITY OF BIWABIK  
LOT: 0008 BLOCK: 035  
BIWABIK  
Parcel Code: 015-0030-00590; 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 Tedpen, Inc., of Biwabik, MN, on file in County Board File No. 60327, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$4,085.13, service fee of \$114, deed tax of \$13.48, deed fee of \$25, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$4,283.61 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-226

WHEREAS, The County Auditor, with approval of the County Board, requests authorization to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property on state tax forfeited parcels described in County Board File No. 60350; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. §§ 282.04, Subd. 2(d) and 504B.271 authorize the County Auditor to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property on tax forfeited parcels; and

WHEREAS, The previous owners of the properties will be properly notified by posting of property or by mail;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property from the state tax forfeited properties described in County Board File No. 60350.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-227

WHEREAS, James J. Kuh has requested a non-exclusive access easement across state tax forfeited land; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to Mr. Kuh's private property; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts and will not conflict with public use of land; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4a, authorizes the County Auditor to grant easements across state tax-forfeited land for such purposes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive access easement to James J. Kuh across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No. 60294;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of \$617 land use fee, \$100 administration fee, and \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$763 to be deposited

into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-228

WHEREAS, The St. Louis and Lake Counties Regional Rail Authority has requested a non-exclusive easement across state tax forfeited land located in Eagles Nest and Morse Townships for the Mesabi Trail; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts and will not conflict with public use of land; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4, authorizes the County Auditor to grant easements across state tax forfeited land for such purposes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive access easement to the St. Louis and Lake Counties Regional Rail Authority across state tax forfeited lands located in Eagles Nest and Morse Townships as described in County Board File No. 60294;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of \$4,473 land use fee, \$300 administration fee, and \$92 recording fee, for a total of \$4,865 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-229

WHEREAS, American Bank of the North has requested a non-exclusive access easement across state tax forfeited land located in Morse Township; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts and will not conflict with public use of land; and

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive access easement to American Bank of the North across state tax forfeited lands located in Morse Township as described in County Board File No. 60294;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of \$2,632 land use fee, \$100 administration fee, and \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$2,778 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-230

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an agreement, and any amendments approved by the County Attorney, with Fayal Township where the township will pay its local share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Package and Plan described as CP 0000-277015, Crack Sealing 2016, with the funds to be receipted into Fund 200, Agency 201085, Object 551537.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-231

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department plans to reconstruct a small segment of the Deer Forest Road (UT 9215/CR 340) and to replace the existing bridge (County Bridge 411, State Bridge 88663) over the South Branch of Water Hen Creek in Colvin Township and Unorganized Township 56-14 (CP 9215-271719); and

WHEREAS, These improvements consist of replacing the existing bridge with a new bridge at the same location and reconstructing the roadway as determined necessary to provide for the safety and convenience of the public; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the existing highway right of way, certain lands are required for this construction, together with temporary construction easements;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Works Director to proceed with the acquisition of the necessary lands and temporary easements for this project, payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4, the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to grant the necessary easements for highway purposes over the following tax forfeited parcels:

1. The Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NE ¼ of SE ¼), Section 1, Township 56 North, Range 15 West (Parcel ID No. 300-0010-00130)
2. Government Lot 6, Section 6, Township 56 North, Range 14 West (Parcel ID No. 642-0010-00900).

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-232

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an agreement, and any amendments approved by the County Attorney, with the City of Mt. Iron where the city will transfer federal monies allocated for the city's project CP 0000-127242/SP 69-090-029 to the county for use on its project CP 0004-136147/SP 69-604-073, and St. Louis County will pay the city up to \$247,560 in county funds for the federal funds received from the city. The transfer will be within Fund 220, Agency 220398.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-233

RESOLVED, That St. Louis County enters into Turnback Agreement No. 1001868 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation, for the following purposes:

State transfer of that portion of Old TH 1/169 from approximately 5.0 miles east of Tower, MN (Old TH 1/169 Ref. Pt. 269+00.335) to 1.079 miles west of County Road 599 at Old TH 1/169 (Ref. Pt. 271+00.242), approximately 1.907 mile in length to the County of St. Louis and designated as County Road 526;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Board Chair, County Auditor, Public Works Director/Highway Engineer, and County Attorney are authorized to execute the agreement and any amendments to the agreement.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-234

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department maintains pavement markings on the county road system by an annual maintenance striping project, and invites other local agencies to partner with this project to maintain pavement markings on their highway and street systems; and

WHEREAS, Lake County has requested to participate in the 2016 Maintenance of Pavement Markings project; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department will prepare the plan and specifications, and perform all necessary contract administration from contract award to certification of final payment; and

WHEREAS, Lake County will pay St. Louis County the cost of its local share as detailed in

the Proposal/Plan package, schedule of prices and as referenced in the cooperative agreement;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into an agreement, and approve any amendments approved by the County Attorney's Office, with Lake County where Lake County will pay its local share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Package and Plan described as CP 0000-275364, 2016 Maintenance of Pavement Markings, with the funds to be receipted into Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 551508.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-235

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department maintains pavement markings on the county road system by an annual maintenance striping project, and invites other local agencies to partner with this project to maintain pavement markings on their highway and street systems; and

WHEREAS, The City of Babbitt has requested to participate in the 2016 Maintenance of Pavement Markings project; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department will prepare the plan and specifications, and perform all necessary contract administration from contract award to certification of final payment; and

WHEREAS, The City of Babbitt will pay St. Louis County the cost of its local share as detailed in the Proposal/Plan package, schedule of prices and as referenced in the cooperative agreement;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into an agreement, and approve any amendments approved by the County Attorney's Office, with the City of Babbitt where the city will pay its local share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Package and Plan described as CP 0000-275364, 2016 Maintenance of Pavement Markings, with the funds to be receipted into Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 551518.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-236

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department maintains pavement markings on the county road system by an annual maintenance striping project, and invites other local agencies to partner with this project to maintain pavement markings on their highway and street systems; and

WHEREAS, Fayal Township has requested to participate in the 2016 Maintenance of Pavement Markings project; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department will prepare the plan and specifications, and perform all necessary contract administration from contract award to certification of final payment; and

WHEREAS, Fayal Township will pay St. Louis County the cost of its local share as detailed in the Proposal/Plan package, schedule of prices and as referenced in the cooperative agreement;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into an agreement, and approve any amendments approved by the County Attorney's Office, with Fayal Township where the township will pay its local share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Package and Plan described as CP 0000-275364, 2016 Maintenance of Pavement Markings, with the funds to be receipted into Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 551537.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-237

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department maintains pavement markings on the county road system by an annual maintenance striping project, and invites other local agencies to partner with this project to maintain pavement markings on their highway and street systems; and

WHEREAS, White Township has requested to participate in the 2016 Maintenance of Pavement Markings project; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department will prepare the plan and specifications, and perform all necessary contract administration from contract award to certification of final payment; and

WHEREAS, White Township will pay St. Louis County the cost of its local share as detailed in the Proposal/Plan package, schedule of prices and as referenced in the cooperative agreement;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into an agreement, and approve any amendments approved by the County Attorney's Office, with White Township where the township will pay its local share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Package and Plan described as CP 0000-275364, 2016 Maintenance of Pavement Markings, with the funds to be received into Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 551520.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-238

WHEREAS, Bids have been received by the St. Louis County Purchasing Division for Bid #5303, Furnish and Apply 530,000 gallons of liquid chloride; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Purchasing Division on March 24, 2016, and the low acceptable bidder was Envirotech Services, Inc., of Evans, CO;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a contract with Envirotech Services, Inc., of Evans, CO, for 530,000 gallons of 38% liquid calcium chloride for the bid price of \$0.879 cents per gallon for a total cost of \$465,870 payable from Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 653400.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-239

WHEREAS, Throughout early 2016, the St. Louis County Public Works Department has gathered information from and had discussions with representatives of political subdivisions and members of the public regarding a proposed county ordinance regulating all-terrain vehicle operation on county roads; and

WHEREAS, From the information gathered, the Public Works Department has drafted the proposed "St. Louis County Ordinance No. 64: The Management and Permitting of All-Terrain Vehicles within the Public Right-of-Way of Roads under the County's Jurisdiction" (ATV Ordinance); and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department is releasing the draft ATV Ordinance for a 45-day public comment period on April 8, 2016; and

WHEREAS, It is desired that the County Board set the public hearing on the proposed ATV Ordinance to occur after the close of the comment period on May 24, 2016;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners establishes a public hearing on the proposed "St. Louis County Ordinance No. 64: The Management and Permitting of All-Terrain Vehicles within the Public Right-of-Way of Roads under the County's Jurisdiction" to occur on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 9:40 a.m. at the City Council Chambers, Hibbing City Hall, Hibbing, MN.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-240

WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by the St. Louis County Public Works Department for the following project:

CP 0021-215030 TST, SAP 69-621-034 Bridge 69A53 (County Bridge 286) and approaches; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on March 31, 2016, and the low responsible bid determined;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the award on the above project to the low bidder:

<u>LOW BIDDER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Northland Constructors of Duluth, LLC	4843 Rice Lake Rd. Duluth, MN 55803	\$1,013,997.00

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials are authorized to approve the Contractor's Performance Bonds and to execute the bonds and contract for the above listed project payable from Fund 444, Agency 444081, Object 652806.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-241

WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by the St. Louis County Public Works Department for the following tied project:

- CP 0005-287158 (Low), CSAH 5 from CSAH 84 to CSAH 81;
- CP 0022-287160 (Tied), CSAH 22 from TH 73 to 1,124' west of TH 53;
- CP 0025-287161 (Tied), CSAH 25 from CSAH 125 to CSAH 65 North Junction;
- CP 0025-287162 (Tied), CSAH 25 from UT 8163 to CSAH 82;
- CP 0087-287163 (Tied), CSAH 87 from 0.08 miles west of TH 53 to CSAH 78;
- CP 0101-287164 (Tied), CSAH 101 from 220' west of CR 955 to CSAH 7;
- CP 0708-287165 (Tied), CR 708 from TH 169 to CR 661;
- CP 0910-287166 (Tied), CR 910 from CSAH 24 to CSAH 24 and CR 78 Intersection;
- CP 0037-290908 (Tied), CSAH 37 from Glenwood St. to CSAH 44;
- CP 0098-290909 (Tied), CSAH 98 from TH 194 to CSAH 7; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on March 31, 2016, and the low responsible bid determined;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the award on the above project to the low bidder:

<u>LOW BIDDER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Fahrner Asphalt Sealers, LLC	6615 US Hwy. 12 W Eau Claire, WI 54703	\$1,645,209.51

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials are authorized to approve the Contractor's Performance Bonds and to execute the bonds and contract for the above listed project payable from:

CP 0005-287158 (Low)	Fund 200, Agency 203425, Object 652800	\$74,941.84
CP 0022-287160 (Tied)	Fund 200, Agency 203426, Object 652800	\$290,369.66
CP 0025-287161 (Tied)	Fund 200, Agency 203427, Object 652800	\$370,612.57
CP 0025-287162 (Tied)	Fund 200, Agency 203428, Object 652800	\$88,920.24
CP 0087-287163 (Tied)	Fund 200, Agency 203429, Object 652800	\$113,666.20
CP 0101-287164 (Tied)	Fund 200, Agency 203430, Object 652800	\$24,100.70
CP 0708-287165 (Tied)	Fund 200, Agency 203431, Object 652800	\$65,325.30

CP 0910-287166 (Tied)	Fund 200, Agency 203432, Object 652800	\$80,332.08
CP 0037-290908 (Tied)	Fund 200, Agency 203437, Object 652800	\$426,805.09
CP 0098-290909 (Tied)	Fund 200, Agency 203438, Object 652800	\$110,135.83

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-242

WHEREAS, Arrowhead Regional Corrections (ARC) currently occupies office and storage space in four (4) county facilities including the St. Louis County Courthouses in Duluth, Virginia and Hibbing and the Government Services Center in Duluth; and

WHEREAS, ARC desires to continue occupancy of these office and storage spaces for the long term as follows:

**St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth:**

- 4,525 square feet of office space from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 at the rate of \$14.19 per square foot (monthly lease payment of \$5,350.81; total one term cost of \$64,209.75)
  - 493 square feet of storage space from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 at the rate of \$7.99 per square foot (monthly lease payment of \$328.26; total one term cost of \$3,939.07)
- Combined office and storage areas (monthly lease payment of \$5,679.07; total one term cost of **\$68,148.82**)

**Government Services Center, Duluth:**

- 9,854 square feet of office space from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 at the rate of \$12.43 per square foot (total one term cost of **\$122,485.22**)

**St. Louis County Courthouse, Virginia:**

- 6,367 square feet of office space from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 at the rate of \$21.31 per square foot (monthly lease payment of \$11,306.73; total one term cost of **\$135,680.77**)

**St. Louis County Courthouse, Hibbing:**

- 5,744 square feet of office space from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 at the rate of \$18.46 per square foot (monthly lease payment of \$8,836.19; total one term cost of \$106,034.24)
  - 150 square feet of storage space from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 at the rate of \$9.61 per square foot (monthly lease payment of \$120.13; total one term cost of \$1,441.50)
- Combined office and storage areas (monthly lease payment of \$8,956.32; total one term cost of **\$107,475.74**); and

WHEREAS, Rent is due and payable in advance on the first day of each month for the term of the lease for each county facility;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute 2016 leases with ARC for the rental of office and storage space in the above listed county facilities for a total cost of **\$433,790.55**;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves a lease extension option for ARC to renew the lease at each facility for nine (9) additional one-year terms (2017 to 2025) upon the same terms, covenants, and conditions (provided ARC is not in default at the beginning of the renewal periods). Rent for the additional terms shall be set as the County Board approved rate for each facility for each one-year term from 2017 to 2025;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That proceeds from the rent of these facilities shall be deposited as

follows:

Duluth Courthouse	Fund 100, 128002
Duluth GSC	Fund 100, 128003
Virginia Courthouse	Fund 100, 128008
Hibbing Courthouse	Fund 100, 128004

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-243

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. 60288.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-244

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has fulfilled the requirements of Minn. Stat. § 373.01, Sub. 1(5)e, for a proposed land exchange with Minnesota Power, a division of Allete, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County Board Resolution No. 15-763 authorized an exchange of property between St. Louis County and Minnesota Power, a division of Allete, Inc., but a drafting error in the legal description of the county property was made and a corrective deed is desired to remedy this error;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the parcels described in County Board File No. 60232 to be exchanged between St. Louis County and Minnesota Power, a division of Allete, Inc., and authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute the necessary documents to complete this land exchange;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That County Board Resolution No. 15-763, dated December 15, 2015, is hereby rescinded.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-245

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has developed an E-Government Plan as part of its business improvement initiatives; and

WHEREAS, A key strategy of this E-Government Plan is to identify a software solution to roll out permits, applications, citizen requests and payment processing services through the county website; and

WHEREAS, Mitchell Humphrey's FastTrackGov solution using Microsoft Dynamics Customer Relationship Management platform was identified and purchased as the best solution for St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The Auditor's Office has completed FastTrackGov implementation, and the Planning and Community Development Department is in the final stages of round one of its FastTrackGov implementation; and

WHEREAS, The Planning and Community Development Department is ready to implement the next round of land use permit applications;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute a contract and related documents with Mitchell Humphrey for FastTrackGov implementation of land use permit applications;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That funds for the \$86,500 set up, configuration and implementation are available from Planning and Community Development Department budget savings from 2015, which were deposited in the Information Technology Fund Balance for this

expanded project (Fund 100, Object 311139). These funds will be transferred into the Information Technology operating budget for this contract (Fund 100, Agency 117051, Object 629900);

RESOLVED FURTHER, That amendments to the professional services agreement may be executed by the appropriate county officials provided the funding for requested changes is budgeted.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-246

WHEREAS, The County Attorney’s Office Public Health and Human Services Division’s caseloads have greatly increased over the past eight years; more specifically Children In Need of Protection or Services (CHIPS) petitions in southern St. Louis County have nearly tripled over the last eight years and Child Support Contempt caseloads have nearly doubled in northern St. Louis County, placing additional demands on clerical staff; and

WHEREAS, Changes to Juvenile Court Rules and the institution of the Youth Accountability Program throughout St. Louis County has added to the increasing clerical workloads; and

WHEREAS, The Public Health and Human Services Department Director is supportive of the additional 2.0 FTE positions; and

WHEREAS, Budget for these positions is available in the Attorney’s Office, Public Health and Human Services, from anticipated personnel vacancies and additional cost reimbursement;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an increase to the St. Louis County Attorney’s Office staffing complement by 2.0 FTE Legal Secretaries at a cost of \$98,345, payable as follows:

Fund 100, Agency 113004, Object 610000	\$24,600
Fund 230, Agency 232006, Object 610000	\$38,245
Fund 230, Agency 232006, Object 540236	\$35,500

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-247

RESOLVED, That the workers’ compensation report of claims by employees for work-related injuries, dated April 1, 2016, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 60274, is hereby received and ratified as payable from Fund 730, Agency 730001.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-248

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 340A, as amended, and Rules and Regulations adopted by this Board under St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, dated May 22, 1978, as amended, the following application for intoxicating liquor licenses is hereby approved, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 60311; and

WHEREAS, Said licenses are approved contingent upon license holder paying real estate or personal property taxes when due; and

WHEREAS, Said licenses are approved contingent upon approval from St. Louis County Planning, Fayal Township, Fayal Township Planning Committee and confirmation from the City of Eveleth that the contract held by the applicant allows on-sale intoxicating liquor sales; and

WHEREAS, If named license holder sells their licensed place of business, the County Board may, at its discretion and after an investigation, transfer the licenses to a new owner, but without prorated refund of the license fees to the license holder;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That said licenses shall be effective through June 30, 2016:

John R. Rinne d/b/a Eveleth Golf Course, Fayal Township, Seasonal On-Sale and

Seasonal Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License, new (changing from On-Sale 3.2 Percent Malt Liquor).

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-249

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 340A, as amended, and Rules and Regulations adopted by this Board under St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, dated May 22, 1978, as amended, the following application for intoxicating liquor licenses is hereby approved, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 60311; and

WHEREAS, Said licenses are approved contingent upon license holder paying real estate or personal property taxes when due; and

WHEREAS, If named license holder sells their licensed place of business, the County Board may, at its discretion and after an investigation, transfer the licenses to a new owner, but without prorated refund of the license fees to the license holder;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That said licenses shall be effective through June 30, 2016:

BVL Properties, LLC d/b/a Bayview Lodge, Greenwood Township, On-Sale and Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License, new.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-250

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 340A, as amended, and Rules and Regulations adopted by this Board under St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, dated May 22, 1978, as amended, the following application for intoxicating liquor licenses is hereby approved, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 60311; and

WHEREAS, Said licenses are approved contingent upon license holder paying real estate or personal property taxes when due; and

WHEREAS, If named license holder sells their licensed place of business, the County Board may, at its discretion and after an investigation, transfer the licenses to a new owner, but without prorated refund of the license fees to the license holder;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That said licenses shall be effective through June 30, 2016:

Grand View Golf, LLC d/b/a Grand View Golf Links, Midway Township, On-Sale and Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License, changing from Seasonal On-Sale/Seasonal Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor to On-Sale/Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor.

Adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-251

**BY COMMISSIONER BOYLE:**

### **Proclamation -**

#### **CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH April 2016**

WHEREAS, All children have the basic right to a family and a safe, loving and supportive home that promotes their social, emotional, physical, cultural and developmental well-being; and

WHEREAS, The Children and Family Services Division of St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services Department served 5,858 children in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone; and

WHEREAS, All forms of abuse – sexual, physical, emotional and neglect – can have long-term psychological, emotional and physical effects, and lifelong consequences; and

WHEREAS, Child protection is a core function of county government in the state of Minnesota, with prevention of abuse and neglect being the best defense for our children and families; and

WHEREAS, The ability to protect children at risk for abuse and neglect rests on the dedication and professionalism of St. Louis County’s Child Welfare Staff, who often work under extreme stress because of their commitment to the children who need them;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board recognizes that protecting children is everyone’s job, and declares its continued commitment to the collaboration between St. Louis County staff and all community partners in this effort and hereby proclaims **April 2016** as

**CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

and urges all citizens to work together to help protect children from abuse and neglect.

Unanimously adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-252

**BY COMMISSIONER DAHLBERG:**

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has a vested interest in the continued expansion of the Clure Public Terminal in Duluth, MN, into an intermodal facility with highway, rail and waterway freight connections; and

WHEREAS, The existing interchange infrastructure and deficient bridges within the corridor present safety concerns and barriers for the continued development and expansion of the Clure Public Terminal; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is seeking support from stakeholders in securing the FASTLANE grant to facilitate the necessary improvements;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board supports the project and authorizes the County Board Chair to send a letter to MnDOT in support of the project to replace the I35/I535/TH 53 interchange and associated bridges to be included in the FASTLANE grant application being submitted to the Federal Highway Administration.

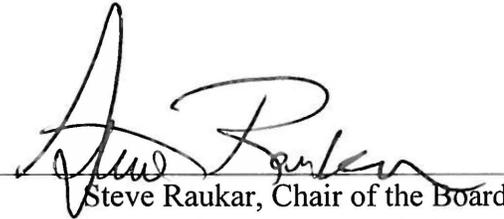
Unanimously adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-253

**BY COMMISSIONER JEWELL:**

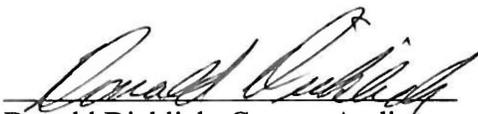
RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board appoints David Lee as the St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services Director effective April 25, 2016, at the annual salary rate of \$136,323 (Pay Plan A1, Grade 32/Step M3 of the 2016 St. Louis County Management Compensation Plan), with benefits as provided by the Management Compensation Plan, payable from Fund 230, Agency 600001.

Unanimously adopted April 12, 2016. No. 16-254

At 11:05 a.m., April 12, 2016, Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Boyle, moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Rukavina).

  
Steve Raukar, Chair of the Board  
of County Commissioners

Attest:

  
Donald Dicklich, County Auditor  
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board  
of County Commissioners

(Seal of the County Auditor)