

CONSENT AGENDA
FOR THE MEETING
OF
ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 10, 2013

County Board Room, Room 200, St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, 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 September 3, 2013.

Health & Human Services Committee – Commissioner Stauber, Chair

1. Accept the Adoption and Foster Care Recruitment Grant award in the amount of \$44,544 for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015 to purchase sixteen (16) LexisNexis Accurint licenses for the Public Health and Human Services Department.

Environment & Natural Resources Committee – Commissioner Nelson, Chair

2. Special sale of tax forfeited land to St. Louis County for the total amount of \$77,568.50 for the Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) tower sites; and further, that two (2) parcels shall be withdrawn from memorial forest status.
3. Adjoining owner sale of state tax forfeited property described as Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, Block 4, Riverside Park 2nd Division to Duluth.
4. Public sale of state tax forfeited lands authorized for October 10, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. at the Miner's Memorial Building, Virginia, MN.
5. Lease agreement authorized with Yawkey Minerals Management, LLC, for removal of tax forfeited stockpiled materials for aggregate purposes at a lease fee of \$1.50 per ton.
6. Reinstatement of contract for repurchase of state tax forfeited land by Richard and Susan Abbett, Duluth, MN, approved.
7. Approval of the St. Louis County Solid Waste Management Plan, including the 2013 updates for the period 2013 – 2023; and further, authorize submission of the plan to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for final approval.

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8. Authorize amendment of Zoning Ordinance No. 46, Zoning Map for the NW ¼ of SE ¼, NE ¼ of SE ¼, and SW ¼ of SE ¼, Section 35, Township 64 North, Range 13 West (Unorganized) from FAM-1, Forest Agriculture Management to RES-5, Residential, effective October 1, 2013.
9. Support for proposed state tax forfeited (Class B) land exchange between St. Louis County and The Conservation Fund and authorize the Land and Minerals Department to proceed with land appraisals.

Public Works & Transportation Committee – Commissioner Forsman, Chair

10. Agreement with the City of Hibbing authorized in the amount of \$30,000 for a reclaim and overlay project on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 63 in Hibbing, MN, County Project 0063-197912.
11. Authorize the purchase of gasohol, fuel oil and diesel fuel from seven (7) vendors with the lowest net costs (Bid No. 5095).
12. Agreement authorized with JPJ Engineering, Inc., Hibbing, MN, in the amount of \$66,700 for surveying services for the recovery, restoration and perpetuation of corners of the Public Land Survey System in southern St. Louis County (Grand Lake South).
13. Bid awarded to **KGM Contractors, Inc.**, Angora, MN, in the amount of **\$387,739.50** for reconstruction of County Road 836/Triplett Road in Floodwood, MN, WO 160607A (Storm).

Finance & Budget Committee – Commissioner Raukar, Chair

14. County Auditor authorized to spread local levies for the provision of fire protection and/or first responder services to identified unorganized territories within the county for calendar year 2014, and completion of agreements for these services is authorized.
15. Sale of unimproved non-conforming fee land located in Field Township to adjoining property owner Ronald Gunderson authorized for the amount of \$450.
16. Public meetings established for November 26, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall, Hibbing, MN, and December 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN, to gather citizen comments on the proposed property tax levy and operating budget for year 2014.
17. Adopt and certify the 2014 maximum Unorganized Township Road Levy.

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18. Claims and accounts for July 2013.
19. Application for combination on/off-sale and Sunday on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses by Kristina Clemens d/b/a Saginaw Grand Lake Station, Solway Township, name change due to marriage.

Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee – Commissioner Jewell, Chair

20. Re-appoint the following individuals to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Citizen Advisory Committee with terms expiring April 30, 2016: Alan Stanaway (Small Cities – Mt. Iron), Cynthia Kafut-Hagen (Hibbing), Darlene Saumer (Northern Townships – Colvin), Margaret Taylor (At Large – Midway Township), and authorize the County Auditor to advertise and accept applications until October 31, 2013, for six (6) vacant positions.
21. Approve legislative changes allowing the proceeds of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District #1 and TIF District #3 located within the city of Ely, MN, to be pooled to cover the combined debt of the two TIF Districts.

Public Safety & Corrections Committee –

22. Authorize acceptance of the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Child Sexual Predator Program Grant extension to January 30, 2014.

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 September 3, 2013, are hereby approved.

Adoption and Foster Care Recruitment Grant

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The purpose of the Adoption and Foster Care Recruitment Grant is to support county agencies' efforts for the diligent recruitment of relatives to become foster and adoptive parents; and

WHEREAS, Increased capacity to search for relatives of children in need of out of home placement assists the Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS) in fulfilling its statutory requirements to conduct a comprehensive relative search for children who are placed in foster care and to facilitate children's permanent connections with their extended family; and

WHEREAS, The total allocation available to St. Louis County from the Minnesota Department of Human Services for the Adoption and Foster Care Recruitment Grant is \$44,544 for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015, to be used for the purchase of sixteen (16) LexisNexis Accurint licenses for PHHS relative search and notification efforts.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board accepts the award of the Adoption and Foster Care Recruitment Grant in the amount of \$44,544 for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015, to be used for the purchase of sixteen (16) LexisNexis Accurint licenses for the Public Health and Human Services Department's relative search and notification efforts for children in foster care.

Budget reference: 230-232999-530658-23215-99999999-2013
230-232999-626900-23215-99999999-2013

Special Sale to St. Louis County

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, St. Louis County, through the Homeland Security Division of the Sheriff's Office, has requested to purchase the following described state tax forfeited parcels for the Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) Program:

THAT PART OF NE1/4 OF SW1/4 DESC AS FOLLOWS: ASSUMING THE S LINE OF SW1/4 OF SAID SEC 15 TO BEAR N88DEG44'44"E AND FROM THE SE CORNER OF SAID SW1/4, BEING ALSO THE S1/4 CORNER OF SEC 15, RUN N13DEG42'15"W A DISTANCE OF 1954.34 FT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE S90DEG00'00"W A DISTANCE OF 125 FT; THENCE N00DEG00'00"E A DISTANCE OF 125 FT; THENCE N90DEG00'00"E A DISTANCE OF 125 FT; THENCE S00DEG00'00"E A DISTANCE OF 125 FT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; S15, T59N, R15W; TOWN OF WHITE (PARCEL 570-0033-00091)

THAT PART OF SE1/4 OF NE1/4 DESC AS FOLLOWS: ASSUMING THE N LINE OF NW1/4 OF SAID SEC 22 TO BEAR N89DEG19'47"E AND FROM THE NE CORNER OF SAID NW1/4, BEING ALSO THE N1/4 CORNER OF SEC 22, RUN S37DEG39'33"E A DISTANCE OF 2393.39 FT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N73DEG48'00"E A DISTANCE OF 125 FT; THENCE S16DEG12'00"E A DISTANCE OF 125 FT; THENCE S73DEG48'00"W A DISTANCE OF 125 FT; THENCE N16DEG12'00"W A DISTANCE OF 125 FT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; S22, T54N, R14W; UNORGANIZED 54-14 (Parcel 640-0010-03450)

THAT PART OF SE1/4 OF SE1/4 DESC AS FOLLOWS: ASSUMING THE E LINE OF SE1/4 OF SAID SEC 22 TO BEAR N00DEG28'24"E AND FROM THE SE CORNER OF SAID SE1/4, BEING ALSO THE SE CORNER OF SEC 22, RUN N09DEG40'14"W A DISTANCE OF 965.08 FT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N00DEG00'00"W A DISTANCE OF 125 FT; THENCE S90DEG00'00"W A DISTANCE OF 125 FT; THENCE S00DEG00'00"E A DISTANCE OF 125 FT; THENCE N90DEG00'00"E A DISTANCE OF 125 FT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; S22, T64N, R17W; UNORGANIZED 64-17 (PARCEL 699-0010-03430);

and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 1(a) authorizes the sale of state tax forfeited land to an organized governmental subdivision for any public purpose for which the subdivision is authorized to acquire property; and

WHEREAS, These parcels have not been 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, All parcels of land becoming the property of the State of Minnesota in trust, through forfeiture for nonpayment of real estate taxes, shall be classified or reclassified as 'conservation' or 'non-conservation' as required by Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd.1; and

WHEREAS, The Land Commissioner recommends that these parcels be reclassified as non-conservation and offered for sale having considered, among other things, the present use of adjacent land; the productivity of the soil; the character of forest or other growth; the accessibility of lands to established roads, schools, and other public services; and the suitability or desirability of lands for particular uses; and

WHEREAS, The reclassification and sale of these parcels will be deemed approved if the County Board does not receive notice of the municipality's or town's disapproval of the reclassification and sale within 60 days of the date on which this resolution is delivered to the clerk; and

WHEREAS, Parcels 640-0010-03450 and 699-0010-03430 are currently included in an established memorial forest, and pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 459.06, Subd. 3, state tax forfeited land which has been included in an established memorial forest and found more suitable for other purposes may, by resolution of the County Board, be withdrawn from the forest for disposal if the Commissioner of Natural Resources approves the sale of such land; and

WHEREAS, Parcels 640-0010-03450 and 699-0010-03430 are more suitable for purposes other than forest management and have been approved for sale by the Commissioner of Natural Resources;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the reclassification and sale of state tax forfeited land to St. Louis County for the purchase price of \$75,000 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$2,250, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$247.50, and recording fee of \$46; for a total of \$77,568.50, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund);

RESOLVED FURTHER, That state tax forfeited parcels 640-0010-03450 and 699-0010-03430 shall be withdrawn from memorial forest status.

Adjoining Owner Sale

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, St. Louis County desires to offer for sale certain parcels of tax forfeited land:

City of Duluth

LOT: 0006, 0007, 0008, 0009, 0010 BLOCK: 004

RIVERSIDE PARK 2ND ADDITION TO DULUTH

Acres: 0.43

Parcel Codes: 010-3980-00630, 00640, 00650, 00660, 00670

LDKeys: 103774, 103775, 103776, 103777, 103778

Minimum bid of \$16,500

Zoning is RR-1, which requires 5 acres of total lot area; this parcel does not meet that requirement;

and

WHEREAS, The parcels are 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 parcels of land cannot be improved because they are less than the minimum size, shape, frontage and/or access required by the applicable zoning ordinance; and

WHEREAS, The County Auditor has determined that a non-public sale to adjacent property owners will encourage the return of the lands to the tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, The parcels of land have 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 parcels described herein, and that the County Auditor is authorized to offer the parcels at private sale to the adjacent property owners to encourage return of the parcels to the tax rolls. Funds from the sales are to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund);

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Land Commissioner shall give at least 30 days' notice of its sales to all adjoining owners.

Public Sale of State Tax Forfeited Lands on October 10, 2013

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board desires to offer for sale, as recommended by the Land Commissioner, certain parcels of land that have forfeited to the State of Minnesota for non-payment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, The parcels of land as described in County Board File No. _____ have been classified as non-conservation land as provided for in Minn. Stat. Chapter 282.01; and

WHEREAS, These parcels of land are 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 Commissioner of Natural Resources has approved the sale of these lands, as required by Minn. Stat. Chapter 282;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to offer these lands at public sale for not less than the basic sale price in accordance with terms set forth in the Land and Minerals Department policy, and in a manner provided for by law on Thursday, October 10, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. at the Miner's Memorial Building, 821 South 9th Avenue, Virginia, MN. Funds from the land sale are to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

State Tax Forfeited Lease Agreement with Yawkey Minerals Management, LLC

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 1(e) authorizes the County Auditor, as directed by the County Board, to lease state tax forfeited land at the prices and under the terms as the County Board may prescribe, for the purpose of taking and removing for use for road construction and other purposes tax forfeited stockpiled iron-bearing material; and

WHEREAS, Yawkey Minerals Management, LLC, has requested to lease state tax forfeited land for the purpose of removing tax forfeited stockpiled material for aggregate purposes on property described as the SW1/4 of SE1/4, Section 32, Township 59 North, Range 17 West (Parcel 580-0010-05240); and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Natural Resources has approved the use of this stockpile for these purposes; and

WHEREAS, The Land and Minerals Department has reviewed the request and recommends a lease fee of \$1.50 per ton;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to lease tax forfeited stockpiled material to Yawkey Minerals Management, LLC, for aggregate purposes under the terms and conditions set forth in a lease agreement including a lease fee of \$1.50 per ton to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Reinstatement of Contract for Repurchase of State Tax Forfeited Land - Abbett

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Under the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.341, Subd. 1, a contract for deed to repurchase state tax forfeited land previously canceled may be reinstated by the previous contract holders subject to payment of installments, taxes, assessments, penalties, costs, and interest; and

WHEREAS, Less than 50 percent of the basic sale price was paid prior to cancellation; therefore, County Board approval is required for reinstatement; and

WHEREAS, Richard & Susan Abbett of Duluth, MN, have requested to reinstate Contract C22110032, having been canceled on June 4, 2013, under new Contract C22130111 for property described as:

CITY OF DULUTH
LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 11, PACIFIC AVE ADDITION DULUTH
also
LOT 7 AND, BLOCK 1, BRYANT ADDITION TO DULUTH SECOND DIV
Parcel Codes: 010-3710-01630 & 010-0340-00090, 00100

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the reinstatement of Contract C22130111 by Richard & Susan Abbett of Duluth, MN, in the amount \$14,886.32, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Solid Waste Management Plan Update

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Minnesota State Statutes require that counties develop a solid waste management plan in accordance with applicable statutes and rules; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County recognizes the need to plan for and implement waste reduction, recycling, yard waste management programs, special waste management programs and municipal solid waste management programs;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the St. Louis County Solid Waste Management Plan, including the 2013 updates for the period 2013-2023;

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes Environmental Services to submit the St. Louis County Solid Waste Management Plan, including the 2013 updates to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for final approval.

Amend Zoning Ordinance No. 46, Zoning Map (Unorganized 64-13)

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Planning Commission initiated a zoning map amendment for the NW ¼ of the SE ¼, NE ¼ of SE ¼, and the SW ¼ of the SE ¼ in Section 35, Township 64 North, Range 13 West; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission, on August 8, 2013, held a public hearing to consider amending the zoning map, T64N-13W; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission recommends approval of the proposed amendments;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board amends Ordinance 46, Zoning Map for NW ¼ of the SE ¼, NE ¼ of SE ¼, and the SW ¼ of the SE ¼ in Section 35, Township 64 North, Range 13 West (Unorganized Township), as follows:

FAM-1, Forest Agriculture Management to RES-5, Residential

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the effective date of this zoning change will be October 1, 2013.

St. Louis County – Conservation Fund, Class “B” Land Exchange

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 94.341 to 94.349, inclusive, a land exchange proposal has been submitted to the St. Louis County Board for certain lands controlled by The Conservation Fund; and

WHEREAS, This proposed exchange has been reviewed by the St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department to determine the suitability of lands for exchange; and

WHEREAS, The land to be acquired by St. Louis County will consolidate state tax forfeited ownership and increase long-term timber management opportunities for the benefit of the taxpayers of St. Louis County;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board recognizes the value of land consolidation and supports the proposed exchange of state tax forfeited (Class B) lands for lands of equal value controlled by The Conservation Fund;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Land and Minerals Department to proceed with an appraisal of all lands involved in the proposed land exchange.

Agreement with City of Hibbing for Reclaim and Overlay on CSAH 63 (Hibbing)

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into an agreement with the City of Hibbing whereby the city will provide design, engineering, and construction services for rehabilitation of County State Aid Highway 63 from Fifth Avenue West to First Avenue West in Hibbing, County Project CP 0063-197912, using city and St. Louis County local funds in the amount of \$30,000, payable from Fund 200, Agency 203299, Object 652800.

Award of Bid – Gasohol, Fuel Oil and Diesel Fuel

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Purchasing Division solicits bids annually for the purchase of fuels for use throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, The Purchasing Division received bids from seven (7) different vendors; and

WHEREAS, Each location and fuel type is treated as a separate bid award providing the county with the lowest cost;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Purchasing Division to purchase fuels from the vendor with the lowest net cost as indicated on the attached Bid Tabulation (Bid No. 5095), County Board File No. _____.

**Agreement with JPJ Engineering, Inc., for Surveying Services
(Grand Lake South)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an agreement (number 5087D), and any amendments authorized by the County Attorney, whereby the county will purchase surveying services from JPJ Engineering, Inc., of Hibbing, MN, for the recovery, restoration and perpetuation of corners of the Public Land Survey System in southern St. Louis County (Grand Lake South) in the amount of \$66,700, payable from Fund 200, Agency 200122, Object 626600.

**Award of Bids for Storm Related Reconstruction Project
on CR 836 (Floodwood)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

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

WO 160607A on CR 836 (Triplett Road) from Fine Lakes Road to 0.5 mi. south in Floodwood, MN, length 0.5 mi.,
and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened on August 29, 2013 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>
KGM Contractors, Inc.	9211 Hwy 53 Angora, MN 55703	\$387,739.50

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 225, Agency 160607, Object 652706.

**Fire Protection/First Responder Services Contracts
for Unorganized Territories - 2014**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board is authorized to act on behalf of unorganized townships for purposes of furnishing fire protection and first responder services, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 365.243; and

WHEREAS, The following legally organized corporations under the State of Minnesota have notified St. Louis County of their intent to provide fire protection and/or first responder services in said townships for the year 2014;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to sign any associated contract documents;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Auditor is hereby authorized to spread local levies for the furnishing of fire protection and/or first responder services in unorganized townships as follows:

<u>City of Babbitt</u> Unorganized Townships 61-12 & 61-13	\$79,784
<u>City of Chisholm</u> Unorganized Township 59-21 (part of)	\$15,756
<u>City of Cook</u> Unorganized Township 62-17 Unorganized Township 63-17	\$1,575 \$13,125
<u>City of Floodwood</u> Unorganized Township 52-21	\$17,013
<u>City of Orr</u> Unorganized Township 63-19 Unorganized Township 66-20	\$2,978 \$7,196
<u>Bearville Township Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 62-21	\$4,444
<u>Central Lakes Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 56-17	\$43,050

<u>Colvin Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 55-15 (part of)	\$9,450
<u>Ellsburg Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 55-15 (part of)	\$4,763
<u>Embarrass Region Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 61-14	\$5,843
<u>Evergreen Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Townships 60-19 & 60-20	\$23,100
<u>French Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 59-21 (part of)	\$1,026
<u>Gnesen Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 53-15	\$17,916
<u>Greenwood Township Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 63-15	\$7,875
<u>Lake Kabetogama Area Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Townships 68-19, 69-19, 67-20, 68-20, 67-21 & 68-21	\$29,610
<u>Lakeland Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 57-16	\$58,800
<u>Makinen Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 56-16	\$48,300
<u>Morse-Fall Lake Rural Protection Assoc.</u> Unorganized Townships 64-12, 64-13, 65-13 & 63-14	\$16,800
<u>Northland Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 53-16	\$18,900
<u>Palo Regional Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Townships 56-14, 57-14, and 58-14 (part of)	\$37,800
<u>Pequaywan Lake Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 54-13	\$3,780
<u>Pike-Sandy-Britt Volunteer Fire Dept.</u> Unorganized Township 59-16 Unorganized Township 60-18	\$7,415 \$38,565

Silica Volunteer Fire Dept.
Unorganized Township 55-21

\$47,250

**Sale of Non-Conforming Fee Land to Adjoining Property Owner
(Field Township)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, A request to purchase county fee land was submitted by Ronald Gunderson. The County Property Acquisition Team deems the property to be non-conforming surplus property described as follows:

The southerly two hundred (200) feet of the westerly three hundred five (305) feet of the Easterly three hundred twenty-one and 50/100 (321.50) feet of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW ¼ of SE ¼) Section 34, Township 62 North, Range 19 West.

Parcel Code 350-0010-05700;

and

WHEREAS, Ronald Gunderson has agreed to pay \$450 for the property;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That pursuant to the requirements and procedures of Minn. Stat. § 373.01 Subdivision (i), the Chair of the County Board and the County Auditor are authorized to execute and deliver a quit claim deed, conveying the above listed property to Ronald Gunderson, for the amount of \$450, payable to Fund 100, Agency 128014, Object 583100. The grantee is also responsible for recording fees and associated filing fees.

**Establish Public Meetings on the 2014 Property Tax
and Operating Budget**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 275.065 requires that counties establish a public meeting date for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the proposed property tax levy and operating budget for the year 2014 prior to adopting a final levy and budget;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board establishes public meetings to gather comment on the proposed property tax levy and operating budget for year 2014 on Tuesday, November 26, 2013, 7:00 p.m. City Hall, Hibbing, MN, and Thursday, December 5, 2013, 7:00 p.m. St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN.

2014 Unorganized Township Road Levy

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Minnesota Laws 1995, Chapter 47, authorizes the county to pool unorganized town road levies pursuant to Minn. Stat. §163.06;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board, acting on behalf of unorganized townships for the purpose of road and bridge maintenance and construction, adopts and certifies a maximum levy of \$1,130,000 for the year 2014 to be levied only in such unorganized townships.

Claims and Accounts for July 2013

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the Finance Committee for payment of claims and bills against the County of St. Louis, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 59633, are hereby approved and the County Auditor shall issue checks in the following amounts:

July 2013

100	General Fund	\$5,866,029.10
149	Personnel Service Fund	490.09
150	Sheriff's Nemesis Fund Group	15,948.96
160	MN Trail Assistance	6,043.20
161	Missing Heirs	3,330.12
168	Sheriff's State Forfeitures	1,002.29
169	Attorney Trust Accounts-VW	1,081.98
170	Boundary Waters – Forfeiture	18,475.00
172	Sheriff Federal Forfeitures	5,553.34
173	Emergency Shelter Grant	18,612.12
179	Enhanced 9-1-1	22,275.89
180	Law Library	20,571.92
183	City/County Communications	265.51
184	Extension Service	89,697.85
200	Public Works	5,273,461.40
210	Road Maintenance – Unorg Townships	320,602.96
220	State Road Aid	2,936,470.62
225	PW – June 2012 Flood	2,568,621.27
230	Public Health & Human Services	6,221,345.93
240	Forfeited Tax	474,383.82
250	St. Louis County HRA	5,335.72
260	CDBG Grant	57,042.23
261	CDBG Program Income	17,311.58
270	Home Grant	51,229.39
280	Federal Septic Loan – EPA Fund	1,170.64
290	Forest Resources	78,547.63
400	County Facilities	172,521.30
402	Depreciation Reserve Fund	257,752.51
405	Public Works Building Const	2,631.06
407	Public Works – Equipment	546,949.92
439	2010A Capital Improvement Bond	169,972.61
600	Environmental Services	505,958.96

616	On-Site Waste Water Division	65,762.84
640	Plat Books	3,640.00
715	County Garage	136,460.86
720	Property Casualty Liability	87,447.76
730	Workers Compensation	297,212.04
770	Retired Employees Health Ins.	590.14
826	Taconite Production Tax	2,389,070.00
855	Human Service Conference Fund	1,994.00
900	State of Minnesota	969,649.24
902	Courts	198,845.32
907	Special Taxes	31,454.04
908	Cities and Towns Taxes	19,895,525.54
909	Tax Refunds	68,605.85
910	School Districts Taxes	7,448,503.67
911	Taxes and Penalties	22,776.87
925	Arrowhead Regional Corrections	1,828,343.52
955	Community Health Board	63,177.65
985	Collective Local Collaborative	53,748.49
989	Regional Railroad Authority	342,487.10
990	Northern Cities Land Use	1,103.97
992	Permits to Carry – Firearms	21,107.42
994	Sheriff Forfeits/Evidence	385.75
998	MPL-DUL Train Alliance	28,222.71
		<u>65,762.84</u>
		\$59,686,801.70

**Application for Combination On/Off-Sale and Sunday On-Sale
Intoxicating Liquor Licenses (Solway Township)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That 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 an intoxicating liquor license is hereby approved, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 59580;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license is approved contingent upon license holder paying real estate or personal property taxes when due;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if named license holder sells their licensed place of business, the County Board may, at its discretion and after an investigation, transfer the license to a new owner, but without pro-rated refund of the license fees to the license holder;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that said license shall be effective through June 30, 2014:

Kristina Clemens d/b/a Saginaw Grand Lake Station, Solway Township, Combination On/Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License No. CMB14155 and Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License No. SUN14155, name change due to marriage.

Appointments to the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board appoints citizens to serve on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Citizen Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, The CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee currently has four (4) individuals, Alan Stanaway (Small Cities - Mt. Iron), Darlene Saumer (Northern Townships - Colvin Township), Cynthia Kafut-Hagen (Hibbing), and Margaret Taylor (At Large - Midway Township), whose terms expired April 30, 2013, and are eligible for reappointment; and

WHEREAS, There are six (6) vacancies on this board which need to be filled through an advertised application process;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board reappoints the following citizens to the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee with a term expiring April 30, 2016:

- Alan Stanaway (Small Cities – Mt. Iron)
- Cynthia Kafut-Hagen (Hibbing)
- Darlene Saumer (Northern Townships - Colvin)
- Margaret Taylor (At Large - Midway Township);

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Auditor is authorized to advertise and accept applications until October 31, 2013, for six (6) vacant positions on the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee with terms to expire April 30, 2016, as follows:

- One representative of the St. Louis County Association of Townships
- One representative of Hermantown
- One representative of Rice Lake Township
- One representative of Eveleth
- Two at large representatives

**Certificate of Approval of Special Law -
Pooling of Ely TIF Districts 1 and 3 Proceeds**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The City of Ely, MN, currently has two (2) Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Districts established to promote economic development; and

WHEREAS, TIF District #1, which was established in 1987, did not collect adequate revenue to cover the bond costs; and

WHEREAS, The decertification date of TIF District #1 was set to expire prior to the debt being paid off in TIF District #1; and

WHEREAS, TIF District #3 has excess revenue available on an annual basis to pay the deficiencies in TIF #1; and

WHEREAS, Recent legislation was approved to allow the proceeds of TIF District #1 and TIF District #3 to be pooled to cover the combined debt of the two TIF Districts, but requiring approval of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board supports recent legislation relating to the two Tax Increment Financing Districts located within the city of Ely, MN, and approves all language included in Minnesota Session Laws 2013, Chapter 143 Article 9, Section 16 concerning these Tax Increment Financing Districts, which extends TIF District #1 until 2021 and allows the proceeds of TIF District #1 and TIF District #3 be pooled to cover the combined debt of the two TIF Districts.

Acceptance of Child Sexual Predator Program Grant Extension

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, On November 22, 2011, the St. Louis County Board adopted Resolution No.11-618 authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Superior, Wisconsin, to participate in the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Child Sexual Predator Program Grant for the period August 1, 2011 through July 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Because the start of the grant was delayed until January 1, 2012, COPS has offered to extend the grant term to January 30, 2014;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes acceptance of an extension to the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Child Sexual Predator Program Grant to January 30, 2014, to be accounted in Fund 100, Agency 129999, Grant 12949, Year 2011;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to sign any associated contract documents.