



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA
Board of Commissioners, St. Louis County, Minnesota

June 23, 2020
Immediately following the Board Meeting, which begins at 9:30 A.M.
Voyagaire Lodge, 7576 Gold Coast Road, Crane Lake, MN

DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 53 N. to Hwy 23 in Orr where you will turn right onto Hwy 23. Follow Hwy 23 for just under 28 miles where you will reach the Lodge at the end of the road. ***Highway 23 will change names to Crane Lake Rd and then to Gold Coast Rd before reaching your destination.*

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and/or non-controversial 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.

Minutes of June 9, 2020

Health & Human Services Committee, Commissioner Boyle, Chair

1. Acceptance of HUD Planning Grant Funding for the St. Louis County Continuum of Care and Permission to Enter Into Contracts with Partners [20-229]

Public Works & Transportation Committee, Commissioner McDonald, Chair

2. Acquisition of Right of Way - Replacement of County Bridge #138 Over Prairie River (Prairie Lake Township) [20-230]

Finance & Budget Committee, Commissioner Nelson, Chair

3. Abatement List for Board Approval [20-231]

Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee, Commissioner Jewell, Chair

4. Reschedule Location of July 14, 2020 Board Meeting [20-232]

Public Safety & Corrections Committee, Commissioner Olson, Chair

5. Application and Acceptance of 2020 Hazardous Fuel Reduction Grant [20-233]

Environment & Natural Resources Committee, Commissioner Musolf, Chair

6. Landfill Leachate Research and Treatment Study [20-234]
7. Application for St. Louis County Class "B" Land Exchange by Deena and William Congdon [20-235]
8. Joint Powers Agreement between the State of Minnesota and St. Louis County [20-236]
9. Online Auction of State Tax Forfeited Properties [20-237]

REGULAR AGENDA:

For items on the Regular Agenda, citizens will be allowed to address the Board at the time a motion is on the floor.

Public Works & Transportation Committee, Commissioner McDonald, Chair

1. **Request for 2021 State Aid Advance** [20-238]
Resolution authorizing an additional State Aid funding request from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for construction projects.

Finance & Budget Committee, Commissioner Nelson, Chair

- 1. Coronavirus Relief Federal Fund Certification and Directing Staff to Develop Programs to Address Community Needs that may be Funded from CARES Act proceeds [20-239]**
Resolution certifying the Commissioner of Revenue will spend the aid distributions from the Coronavirus Relief Federal Fund consistent with the requirements of the federal CARES Act.

ITEMS ON THE TABLE (Not on Agenda until removed from the table by majority vote.)

Environment & Natural Resources Committee, Commissioner Musolf, Chair

Application for repurchase of state tax forfeited land by James Donahue (City of Winton). [20-227]
[Tabled from June 9, 2020]

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS:

Commissioners may introduce items for future discussion, or report on past and upcoming activities.

ADJOURNED:

NEXT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING DATES:

July 7, 2020	St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth
July 14, 2020	Brevator Town Hall, 7246 Morris Thomas Road West, Cloquet
July 28, 2020	Government Services Center, 201 S. 3rd Avenue West, Virginia

BARRIER FREE: *All St. Louis County Board meetings are accessible to the handicapped. Attempts will be made to accommodate any other individual needs for special services. Please contact St. Louis County Administration (218-726-2450) early so necessary arrangements can be made.*

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 9, 2020

Location: Liz Prebich Room, Government Services Center, Virginia, Minnesota

Present: Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Olson, Musolf, Nelson, and Chair Jugovich

Absent: Commissioner McDonald

Convened: Chair Jugovich called the meeting to order at 12:25 p.m.

Note: Commissioners Frank Jewell, Patrick Boyle, Beth Olson and Keith Musolf participated by WebEx.

CONSENT AGENDA

Boyle/Jewell moved to approve the consent agenda. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

- Minutes of June 2, 2020
- Professional Services Agreement with C2Logix for Snow Plow Route Optimization Services [20-214]
- Dedication of Permanent Highway Easement Over County Fee Owned Property (Solway Road – Township 50) [20-215]
- OnBase Financial Document Management Software Development [20-216]
- Cybersecurity Insurance [20-217]
- Minnesota State Auditor's 2020 Performance Measurement Program Report [20-218]

Establishment of Public Hearings

Nelson/Olson moved to hold a public hearing on Tuesday, July 28, 2020, at 9:40 A.M., at the St. Louis County Courthouse in Virginia, Minnesota, for the purpose of receiving citizen comments on the established priorities and funding recommendations included in the Amendment to the 2020 Action Plan. [20-219]. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

Health & Human Services Committee

Boyle/Jewell moved to authorize the reallocation of a 1.0 FTE Information Specialist II position (Position code, Civil Service Basic Unit Pay Plan, Pay Grade B10) to a 1.0 FTE Information Specialist III (Civil Service Basic Unit Pay Plan, Pay Grade B14). [20-220]. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee

Jewell/Olson moved to appoint the following citizens to the St. Louis County Cooperative Extension Committee for three-year terms ending June 23, 2023: Mark Baumann, Floodwood, MN; Karen Brodeen, Cook, MN; Jay Juten, Duluth, MN; Jordy Sargent, Duluth, MN. [20-221]. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

Jewell/Jugovich moved to ratify the 2020-2022 Assistant County Attorneys unit collective bargaining agreement and authorize county officials to execute a Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. [20-222]. St. Louis County Human Resources Manager Colleen Effinger and Human Resources and Administrator Jim Gottschald commented on various aspects of each of the agreements. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

Jewell/Jugovich moved to ratify the 2020-2022 Assistant County Attorneys unit collective bargaining agreement and authorize county officials to execute a Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. [20-223]. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

Jewell/Jugovich moved to ratify the 2020-2022 Confidential Public Employees Association collective bargaining agreement and authorize county officials to execute a Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. [20-224]. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

Jewell/Musolf moved ratify the 2020-2022 Jail/911 unit collective bargaining agreement and authorize county officials to execute a Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. [20-225]. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

Jewell/Jugovich moved ratify the 2020-2022 Civil Service Supervisory unit collective bargaining agreement and authorize county officials to execute a Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. [20-226]. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

Environment & Natural Resources Committee

Musolf/Jugovich moved to approve the repurchase application by James Donahue of Breckenridge, MI, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$3,397.20, deed tax of \$11.21, deed fee of \$25, recording fee of \$46 and maintenance fee of \$81.90, for a total of \$4,061.31 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund); plus a service fee of \$500, to be deposited into Fund 100 (General Fund); that the St. Louis County Board requires payment in full at the time of the repurchase; and further, that the St. Louis County Board requires the applicant to enter into a contract for deed to ensure site remediation actions are completed, homestead status is correctly reported, and any county or municipal code violations are resolved within 120 days of executing the contract for deed. [20-227]. Winton Mayor Kathy Brandau provided the Board with an historical overview of clean-up efforts related to the property. After further discussion, the item was tabled to the June 23, 2020 meeting. A roll call vote was taken and the tabling motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS

Chair Jugovich said that the June 23, 2020 meeting will be held in Crane Lake and encouraged Board members to attend the meeting in-person.

At 1:07 p.m., Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Musolf, moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed. (6-0, McDonald absent)

Mike Jugovich, Chair of the County Board

Phil Chapman, Clerk of the County Board

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 - 229

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: Acceptance of HUD Planning Grant Funding for the St. Louis County Continuum of Care and Permission to Enter Into Contracts with Partners

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Linnea Mirsch, Director
Public Health & Human Services

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

Children will be born healthy, live a life free from abuse and neglect, and will have a permanent living arrangement. Adults will live in the least restrictive living arrangement that meets their health and safety needs.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize acceptance of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Planning Grant funding for the St. Louis County Continuum of Care (CoC) Grant.

BACKGROUND:

HUD provides funding to St. Louis County grant recipients through the St. Louis County CoC for permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, and rapid re-housing as well as support services for homeless persons. Grants are awarded annually on a competitive basis to local communities across the United States to meet the needs of homeless clients. In 2020, the St Louis County CoC secured a total of \$3,262,299 for the homeless response system – mostly to providers in the county -- via the HUD CoC grant.

To support Continuums of Care, HUD sets aside 3% of the total CoC grant award for Planning Grants, to be used by CoC lead agencies for a range of planning activities, such as process improvement for coordinated entry, data collection, or overall coordination of the homeless response.

On August 8, 2019, the St. Louis County Board adopted Resolution No. 19-326 authorizing the Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS) to apply for the HUD Continuum of Care grant, which includes the Planning Grant. On June 3, 2020, PHHS received a notice of award for CoC Planning Grant funds in the amount of \$95,782 to be used from September 1, 2020 through August 30, 2021. These funds are used to enter into contracts for the grant allocation from HUD for the purpose of

purchasing the services, professionals, and/or other resources needed to assist the local CoC and the Heading Home Governance Board for the period September 1, 2020 to August 30, 2021. Administration of the grant is performed by the CoC Coordinator. Oversight of projects and funding is performed by the Heading Home Governance Board, with detailed oversight by the Evaluation and Planning Committee, which reports to the Board.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize the Public Health and Human Services Department to accept and enter into contracts for the grant allocation from HUD in the amount of \$95,782 for the purpose of purchasing the services, professionals, and/or other resources needed to assist the local Continuum of Care and the Heading Home Governance Board for the period September 1, 2020 to August 30, 2021. Funds are to be deposited and expended from Fund 230, Agency 232001, Grant 23217, Grant Year 2020.

**Acceptance of HUD Planning Grant Funding for the St. Louis County Continuum
of Care and Permission to Enter Into Contracts with Partners**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides funding to St. Louis County through local Continuum of Care (CoC) grant awards for permanent and rapid re-housing to homeless persons; and

WHEREAS, For the current HUD FY2018 funding cycle, 29 projects in St. Louis County received a total of \$3,181,358; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the project awards there are St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services Planning Grant funds in the amount of \$96,191 to conduct countywide planning and systems improvement, and the county will serve as fiscal agent for these pass-through dollars;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS) to accept a grant allocation from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$96,191 to serve the local Continuum of Care and its Governance Board for the period September 1, 2019 through August 30, 2020, to be deposited into Fund 230, Agency 232001, Object 540309, Grant 23217, Grant Year 2020;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes PHHS to execute agreements with various community partners to deliver services funded by the grant, to be paid from Fund 230, Agency 232001, Object 629900, Grant 23217, Grant Year 2020.

Exhibit A
GRANT APPROVAL FORM

This form must be completed for any and all grants.

SECTION I—GRANT INFORMATION (to be completed by department's assigned accounting staff)

Please Note: It is acceptable that some details are later added (once the grant is awarded).

GRANT NAME: HUD Continuum of Care Planning **GRANT PERIOD:** 09-01-20
(if known) (begin date)
GRANTOR: HUD 08-31-21
(end date)
FUND: 230 **AGENCY:** 232001 **GRANT:** 23217 **GRANT YEAR:** 2020

Indicate the source of funds—(check all that apply)

☐ **Local**—Object Code: _____ Amount: _____ Amount: _____
(Apply) (Accept)

Local Agency: _____

☐ **State**—Object Code: _____ Amount: _____ Amount: _____
(Apply) (Accept)

State Agency: _____ **Award #:** _____

☒ **Federal**—Object Code: 540309 Amount: \$95,782 Amount: _____
(Apply) (Accept)

Grant Agreement (State Contract) #: _____
(if federal dollars are passed through state)

Federal Agency: HUD **CFDA#:** 14.267

Federal Agency: _____ **CFDA#:** _____
(if applicable) (if applicable)

Federal Agency: _____ **CFDA#:** _____
(if applicable) (if applicable)

TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT: \$95,782

Expenditure for match amount should be moved into grant code. However, if this is *not* possible, indicate where expenditures will be accounted for.

FUND: _____ **AGENCY:** _____ **OBJECT:** _____ **PROJECT:** _____ **AMOUNT:** _____

FUND: _____ **AGENCY:** _____ **OBJECT:** _____ **PROJECT:** _____ **AMOUNT:** _____

FUND: _____ **AGENCY:** _____ **OBJECT:** _____ **PROJECT:** _____ **AMOUNT:** _____

TOTAL MATCH AMOUNT: _____

ACCOUNTING STAFF (who is primarily responsible for fiscal oversight of grant):

NAME: Neil Hardy **PHONE:** 726-2148

DEPARTMENT CONTACT (who is primarily responsible for program/project outcomes of grant):

NAME: William Wilson **PHONE:** 725-5158

****IMPORTANT****

Please submit this document (SECTION I) to the department contact, providing direction regarding which form should be completed.

☒ New (first-time submitted) or previously-submitted grant—**Complete Form A**

☐ Request for recurring grant to be included in December Budget Resolution*—**Complete Form B**

☐ Request for amendment of previously adopted Board Resolution—**Complete Form C**

*Departments must complete **Form B** for any grant (of any amount) that is included in the proposed budget.

SECTION II—APPROVAL (to be completed by department contact)

Form A (New or Previously-Submitted Grant)

PURPOSE: Approval to Apply for Grant—(complete prior to applying for grant award)

Please check the appropriate box:

☐ New (first-time submitted) grant

☒ Previously submitted grant*

*Departments are highly encouraged to request recurring grants (that were previously submitted) to be included in the December Budget Resolution—Form B—if dollar amounts do not fluctuate significantly.

STEP #1: Obtain authorization to apply for grant—(required for all grants of any amount)

Dept. Head Authorization: Linnea Mirsch 6.11.20
Signature Date

Administrator Authorization: [Signature] 6-12-20
Signature Date

Auditor Authorization: Phil Elton 6/18/2020
Signature Date

STEP #2: Confirm whether grant amount is greater than \$25,000—

☐ **No** (grant amount is less than or equal to \$25,000)—

Give grant contract (once received) to County Attorney's Office for review.

Reviewed by: _____
Attorney Name Date

Damion #: _____

☒ **Yes** (grant amount is greater than \$25,000)—

Submit **Section I** (Cover Sheet) of the "Grant Approval Form," Board Letter and Resolution to Administration to seek County Board approval. It is acceptable that Section I is not completed in its entirety until the grant has been awarded. **NOTE: Board authorization to accept the grant is required** (upon notification of award).

Apply: Board Letter #: _____ Board Resolution #: 19-326 Date Adopted: 08-08-19

Accept: Board Letter #: _____ Board Resolution #: _____ Date Adopted: _____

STEP #3: Ensure proper documentation is entered into the system, and the appropriate parties are notified.

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Submit **Section I and II** (Form A) of this "Grant Approval Form," along with all grant documents (application, award notification, contract, etc.) to the accounting staff person to enter the grant award into the financial system.

ACCOUNTING STAFF: If this grant includes federal funding, please send an electronic copy of **Section I and II** (Form A) of this "Grant Approval Form" as notification to wehselerh@stlouiscountymn.gov with "Federal Funds" in the Subject of the e-mail.

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 – 230

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 2

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: Acquisition of Right of Way -
Replacement of County Bridge
#138 Over Prairie River (Prairie
Lake Township)

FROM: Kevin Gray
County Administrator

James T. Foldesi
Public Works Director/Highway Engineer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide a safe, well maintained road and bridge system.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize the acquisition of right of way for County Project (CP) 0825-368349, and to authorize the County Auditor to grant the necessary easements for this project over tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

The St. Louis County Public Works Department plans to reconstruct a short segment of the Rasmussen Road (County Road 825) and to replace the existing bridge (County Bridge 138, State Bridge 93199) over the Prairie River in Prairie Lake Township (50-21) (County Project 0825-368349). Additional Right of Way will be needed from adjacent private property and from adjacent parcels of tax forfeited land.

Minn. Stat. 282.04, Subdivision 4, provides that the county auditor may grant easements on tax-forfeited land for highways and that future sale or lease of the land affected by such easement would be subject to the easement. The project will affect two parcels of land that are currently Tax Forfeited property:

1. The Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW 1/4 of NW1/4), Section 29, Township 50 North, Range 21 West. (parcel ID No. 515-0010-04540)
2. The South one-half of the Northeast quarter (S 1/2 of NE 1/4), Section 30, Township 50 North, Range 21 West. (parcel ID No. 515-0010-04660)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize the acquisition of right of way necessary for the reconstruction of County Road 825 and the replacement of County Bridge 138, and authorize the county auditor to grant the necessary easements over tax forfeited land. Right of Way acquisition is payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001.

**Acquisition of Right of Way - Replacement of County Bridge #138
Over Prairie River (Prairie Lake Township)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department plans to reconstruct a short segment of the Rasmussen Road (County Road 825) and to replace the existing bridge (County Bridge 138, State Bridge 93199) spanning the Prairie River in Prairie Lake Township (50-21) (County Project 0825-368349); and

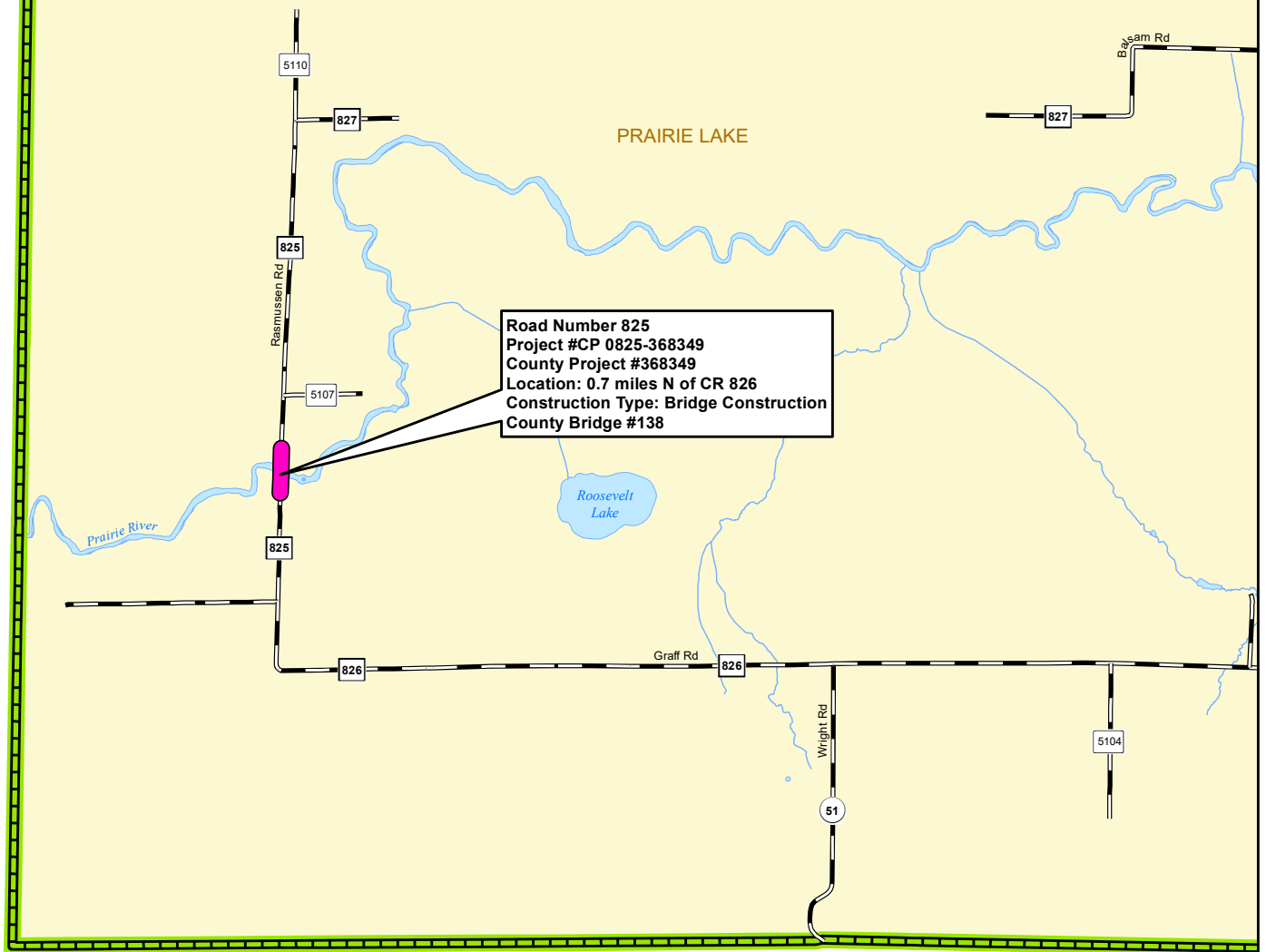
WHEREAS, These improvements consist of replacing the existing bridge with a new bridge at the existing location and reconstructing the roadway as determined necessary to provide for the safety and convenience of the public; and

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

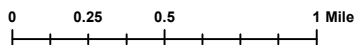
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Works Director to proceed with the acquisition of the necessary lands and temporary easements for this project, payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001;

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

1. The Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW 1/4 of NW1/4), Section 29, Township 50 North, Range 21 West. (parcel ID No. 515-0010-04540)
2. The South one-half of the Northeast quarter (S 1/2 of NE 1/4), Section 30, Township 50 North, Range 21 West. (parcel ID No. 515-0010-04660).



St. Louis County 2022 Road & Bridge Construction



Map Components

2022 Road & Bridge Construction

- Bridge Construction
- Interstate Highway
- U.S./State Highway

- County/Twp. Road - Paved
- County/Twp. Road - Gravel
- Local Road/City Street
- Railroad
- Commissioner District

- Township Boundary
- City/Town
- Lake
- River/Stream

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 – 231

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 3

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020 **RE:** Abatement List for Board Approval

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Mary Garness, Director
Public Records & Property Valuation

David L. Sipila
County Assessor

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

The County Assessor will meet all state mandates for classifying and valuing taxable parcels for property tax purposes as outlined in Minn. Stat. § 270 through 273.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to approve the attached abatements.

BACKGROUND:

The intent of abatements is to provide equitable treatment to individual taxpayers while at the same time exercising prudence with the tax monies due to the taxing authorities within St. Louis County. Abatements are processed in conformance with St. Louis County Board Resolution No. 16-82, dated January 26, 2016, outlining the Board's policy on abatement of ad valorem taxes. This Policy provides direction for the abatement of: 1) Current year taxes; 2) Current year penalty and costs; 3) Past year taxes; and 4) Past year penalty, interest, and costs.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the attached list of applications for abatement.

Abatement List for Board Approval

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for abatement, correction of assessed valuations and taxes plus penalty and interest, and any additional accrual, identified in County Board File No. 61214.

6/16/2020
2:57:32PM

Abatements Submitted for Approval by the St. Louis County Board
on 7/7/2020

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<u>PARCEL CODE</u>			<u>AUD NBR</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPRAISER</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>REDUCTION</u>	
30	0	0	09810	232	HANSEN, RICHARD	P	Ely	Ben Thomas	DOUBLE ASSESSMENT	2020	1,320.00
560	10	420	0	235	LAKE VERMILION HOUSEBO/	R	Vermilion Lake	Patrick Orent	VALUATION	2020	252.00
365	6000	2415	0	234	NOWAKOWSKI, DONALD	P	FREDENBERG	Ryan Sauve	HOMESTEAD	2020	88.00
141	20	3822	0	233	THURMAN, WILLIAM	R	Hibbing	Shannon Cairns	VALUATION	2020	166.00

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 - 232

CENTRAL MANAGEMENT & INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 4

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: Reschedule Location of July
14, 2020 Board Meeting

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide effective and efficient government.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to reschedule the location of the July 14, 2020 County Board meeting.

BACKGROUND:

The Board is being asked to reschedule the location of the July 14, 2020 County Board meeting. Due to the current Executive Order issued by Governor Tim Walz and the lack of space accommodations, Brevator Town Hall has requested that we not hold the County Board meeting at their facility.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board adjust its 2020 Board Meeting Schedule to reschedule the location of its July 14, 2020 meeting from the Brevator Town Hall to the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth.

Reschedule Location of July 14, 2020 Board Meeting

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board will adjust its 2020 Board Meeting Schedule to reschedule the meeting location of its July 14, 2020 meeting from the Brevator Town Hall, Cloquet, MN to the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN.

ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD
2020 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE
All meetings begin at 9:30 a.m.

BOARD MEETING DATE	MEETING LOCATION
January 7	Courthouse-Duluth
January 14	Midway Town Hall, 3230 Midway Road, Duluth
January 28	Gilbert City Hall, 16 S. Broadway, Gilbert
February 11	Courthouse-Duluth
February 25	Hibbing City Hall, 401 E. 21 st Street, Hibbing
March 10	Courthouse - Duluth
March 24	Courthouse - Duluth
April 14	Duluth Government Services Center, 320 W 2 nd Street, Duluth
April 28	Duluth Government Services Center, 320 W 2 nd Street, Duluth
May 5	Duluth Government Services Center, 320 W 2 nd Street, Duluth
May 12	Duluth Government Services Center, 320 W 2 nd Street, Duluth
May 26	GSC-Virginia, 201 S. 3 rd Avenue West, Virginia
June 2	Duluth Government Services Center, 320 W 2 nd Street, Duluth
June 9	GSC-Virginia, 201 S. 3 rd Avenue West, Virginia
June 23	Voyagaire Lodge, 7576 Gold Coast Road, Crane Lake
July 7	Courthouse-Duluth
July 14	Courthouse-Duluth
July 28	GSC-Virginia, 201 S. 3 rd Avenue West, Virginia
August 4	Courthouse-Duluth
August 11	Hibbing City Hall, 401 E. 21 st Street, Hibbing
September 1	Courthouse-Duluth
September 8	Courthouse-Duluth
September 22	Aurora City Hall, 16 W. 2 nd Avenue North, Aurora
October 6	Courthouse-Duluth
October 13	Solway Town Hall, 4029 Munger Shaw Road, Cloquet
October 27	Mt. Iron City Hall, 8586 Enterprise Drive South, Mt. Iron
November 3	Courthouse-Duluth
November 10	Courthouse-Duluth
November 24	Meadowlands Community Center, 7758 Western Avenue, Meadowlands
December 1	Courthouse-Duluth
December 15	Ault Town Hall, 1839 Brimson Road, Brimson

AMC Legislative Conference
NACo Legislative Conference
Duluth & SLC at the Capitol
NACo Annual Conference
AMC Annual Conference

Feb. 26-27, 2020, St. Paul
Feb. 29-March 4, 2020, Washington, DC
March 18-19, 2020, St. Paul
July 17-20, 2020, Orlando, FL
December 7-9, 2020, Minneapolis, MN

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 - 233

PUBLIC SAFETY & CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 5

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: Application and Acceptance of
2020 Hazardous Fuel
Reduction Grant

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Ross Litman
Sheriff

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To enhance public safety.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize the application and acceptance of the 2020 Hazardous Fuels Reduction Grant.

BACKGROUND:

The 2020 Hazardous Fuels Reduction Grant includes funding for a grant program awarded to projects within St. Louis County that border the Superior National Forest. The goal of these projects is to reduce the threat of wildfires in high-risk areas identified in the St. Louis County Community Wildfire Protection Plan, adopted by the County Board on August 12, 2008 by Resolution No. 08-443. These funds are strictly for hazardous fuels cleanup (pruning, chipping, mulching, mechanical and/or hand piling and burning). Three project areas, with private properties adjacent to the Superior National Forest have been identified below:

Pyhola/Saari Road, Ely, MN:

Estimated **50 acres** @ \$2250/acre of balsam fir reduction and dead and dying tree removal from blowdown and spruce budworm infestation.

Passi Road/Rose Lane, Ely, MN:

Estimated **20 acres** @ \$2250/acre of dense balsam fir reduction and spruce budworm infestation.

Sand Lake Area, Britt, MN:

Estimated **40 acres** @\$2250/acre of balsam fir reduction and dead and dying tree removal from blowdown and spruce budworm infestation.

The Superior National Forest Service and St. Louis County were afforded this opportunity to work closely with private landowners to create defensible space and reduce the fire hazards associated with hazardous fuels on private land by being named the grantee for this funding. Administration and management funding of the grant will be used to hire a contractor for management of the grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize the application and acceptance of the 2020 Hazardous Fuels Reduction Grant funding in the amount of \$285,000 for the period September, 2020 through April, 2022, to be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 132999, Grant 13210, Year 2020.

Application and Acceptance of 2020 Hazardous Fuel Reduction Grant

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Hazardous Fuels Reduction Grant of 2020 specifically includes \$285,000 for reducing the threat of wildfires in high-risk areas as identified in the St. Louis County Community Wildfire Protection Plan; and

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2008, the St. Louis County Board adopted Resolution No 08-443 approving the St. Louis County Community Wildfire Protection Plan, and this funding is a mechanism to carry out the plan;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes application and acceptance of the 2020 Hazardous Fuels Reduction Grant funding in the amount of \$285,000 for the period September, 2020 through April, 2022, to be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 132999, Grant 13210, Year 2020.

Exhibit A
GRANT APPROVAL FORM

This form must be completed for any and all grants.

SECTION I—GRANT INFORMATION (to be completed by department's assigned accounting staff)

Please Note: It is acceptable that some details are later added (once the grant is awarded).

GRANT NAME: Firewise Grant (Steven's Grant) **GRANT PERIOD:** 09/01/2020
(if known) (begin date)
GRANTOR: US Forest Service 04/01/2022
(end date)
FUND: 100 **AGENCY:** 132999 **GRANT:** 13210 **GRANT YEAR:** 2020

Indicate the source of funds—(check all that apply)

☐ **Local**—Object Code: _____ Amount: _____ Amount: _____
(Apply) (Accept)

Local Agency: _____

☐ **State**—Object Code: _____ Amount: _____ Amount: _____
(Apply) (Accept)

State Agency: _____ Award #: _____

☒ **Federal**—Object Code: 540111 Amount: 285,000 Amount: _____
(Apply) (Accept)

Grant Agreement (State Contract) #: _____
(if federal dollars are passed through state)

Federal Agency: USDA, Forest Service CFDA#: 10.664

Federal Agency: _____ CFDA#: _____
(if applicable) (if applicable)

Federal Agency: _____ CFDA#: _____
(if applicable) (if applicable)

TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT: 285,000

Expenditure for match amount should be moved into grant code. However, if this is *not* possible, indicate where expenditures will be accounted for.

FUND: _____ **AGENCY:** _____ **OBJECT:** _____ **PROJECT:** _____ **AMOUNT:** _____

FUND: _____ **AGENCY:** _____ **OBJECT:** _____ **PROJECT:** _____ **AMOUNT:** _____

FUND: _____ **AGENCY:** _____ **OBJECT:** _____ **PROJECT:** _____ **AMOUNT:** _____

TOTAL MATCH AMOUNT: _____

ACCOUNTING STAFF (who is primarily responsible for fiscal oversight of grant):

NAME: Lindsay VanGuilder **PHONE:** 218-726-2396

DEPARTMENT CONTACT (who is primarily responsible for program/project outcomes of grant):

NAME: Duane Johnson **PHONE:** 218-726-2936

****IMPORTANT****

Please submit this document (SECTION I) to the department contact, providing direction regarding which form should be completed.

☒ **New (first-time submitted) or previously-submitted grant—Complete Form A**

☐ **Request for recurring grant to be included in December Budget Resolution*—Complete Form B**

☐ **Request for amendment of previously adopted Board Resolution—Complete Form C**

*Departments must complete **Form B** for any grant (of any amount) that is included in the proposed budget.

SECTION II—APPROVAL (to be completed by department contact)

Form A (New or Previously-Submitted Grant)

PURPOSE: Approval to Apply for Grant—(complete prior to applying for grant award)

Please check the appropriate box:

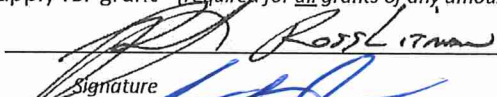
☐ New (first-time submitted) grant

☒ Previously submitted grant*

*Departments are highly encouraged to request recurring grants (that were previously submitted) to be included in the December Budget Resolution—Form B—if dollar amounts do not fluctuate significantly.

STEP #1: Obtain authorization to apply for grant—(required for all grants of any amount)

Dept. Head Authorization:

 06/17/20
Signature Date

Administrator Authorization:

 6/17/20
Signature Date

Auditor Authorization:

 6/18/2020
Signature Date

STEP #2: Confirm whether grant amount is greater than \$25,000—

☐ **No** (grant amount is less than or equal to \$25,000)—

Give grant contract (once received) to County Attorney's Office for review.

Reviewed by:

Attorney Name

Date

Damion #: _____

☒ **Yes** (grant amount is greater than \$25,000)—

Submit **Section I** (Cover Sheet) of the "Grant Approval Form," Board Letter and Resolution to Administration to seek County Board approval. It is acceptable that Section I is not completed in its entirety until the grant has been awarded. NOTE: Board authorization to accept the grant is required (upon notification of award).

Apply: Board Letter #: _____ Board Resolution #: _____ Date Adopted: _____

Accept: Board Letter #: _____ Board Resolution #: _____ Date Adopted: _____

STEP #3: Ensure proper documentation is entered into the system, and the appropriate parties are notified.

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Submit **Section I and II** (Form A) of this "Grant Approval Form," along with all grant documents (application, award notification, contract, etc.) to the accounting staff person to enter the grant award into the financial system.

ACCOUNTING STAFF: If this grant includes federal funding, please send an electronic copy of **Section I and II** (Form A) of this "Grant Approval Form" as notification to wehselerh@stlouiscountymn.gov with "Federal Funds" in the Subject of the e-mail.

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 - 234

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 6

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: Landfill Leachate Research
and Treatment Study

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Mark St. Lawrence, Director
Environmental Services

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To pursue efficient and effective waste management programs to enhance services to residents and businesses.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize a contract with Northeast Technical Services, Inc. (NTS) of Virginia, MN for research and additional leachate treatment testing for removal of constituents of concern (COC), specifically polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) from landfill leachate at the St. Louis County Regional Landfill (Landfill).

BACKGROUND:

The Landfill was constructed in 1993 and Leachate from the Landfill is collected, pumped and stored in two High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) lined ponds where it is aerated, de-nitrified and land applied on a 60 acre sprayfield. Approximately 5.5 million gallons of leachate are applied annually. The Landfill's Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) issued permit requires the Environmental Services Department conduct extensive surface and groundwater monitoring to ensure the leachate treatment system performs as intended. Thus, allowing the continuation of land application of leachate as the County's preferred leachate treatment option versus transport to a wastewater treatment facility. Additionally, strict adherence to MPCA and Department land application requirements has prevented release of leachate into surface water and groundwater resources.

In recent years, the MPCA and the Environmental Protection Agency have identified PFAS as an emerging COC. Due to an increased presence of PFAS, the management of landfill leachate has come under increased scrutiny. Based on available data, design of an effective engineered Wetland Treatment System (WTS) for landfill leachate treatment is possible. Conclusions from previous research using engineered WTSs to reduce landfill

leachate PFAS concentrations concluded that greater than 50% overall PFAS concentration was removed. In addition, previous results from small scale granular activated carbon tests showed very positive results in further reductions of PFAS concentrations. This will also be analyzed for the potential utilization as a polishing step in the final treatment of leachate before the application to the fields.

The Department applied for a FY21 LCCMR grant in April 2020 to construct and evaluate the use of a semi-passive, demonstration-scale engineered WTS with integrated outflow-filtration for reducing PFAS and other COC from landfill leachate. Should the Department receive the grant, data obtained from this contract will be integrated into the design and operation of the WTS.

The Department has contracted with NTS since 1993 for the operation of the leachate spray irrigation system and environmental monitoring at the Landfill and is qualified to perform the services identified in this contract. NTS's proposal includes laboratory rates which match those found in the State of Minnesota Contract for Environmental Sampling and Laboratory Analysis. Under Minn. Stat. Chapter 400, subd. 4, the County has the authority to negotiate for solid waste related services. All associated paperwork for contracting with NTS for this project as a single source provider has been filled out and submitted to the Purchasing Department.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve a negotiated contract with Northeast Technical Services, Inc. (NTS) of Virginia, MN for the project amount of \$59,645 for the research and additional treatment of COC, specifically PFAS compounds in landfill leachate and allow the appropriate county officials to enter into a contract with NTS, subject to the approval of the County Attorney, payable from Fund 600, Agency 607002 (Leachate).

Landfill Leachate Research and Treatment Study

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, St. Louis County requires a knowledgeable licensed contractor to conduct additional leachate treatment research at the Regional Landfill; and

WHEREAS, The Regional Landfill operating permit will be modified to include limits of emerging constituents of concern (COC), specifically PFAS compounds; and

WHEREAS, Northeast Technical Services, Inc. (NTS) of Virginia, MN, is a local environmental firm with the expertise to perform the single source research activities; and

WHEREAS, NTS has been operating leachate treatment system and conducting leachate, groundwater monitoring, and other monitoring at the Regional Landfill satisfactorily since 1993; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County requested NTS provide a proposal for additional specified research and treatment activities for Regional Landfill leachate; and

WHEREAS, NTS will perform the project as outlined in their proposal for a fixed fee of \$59,645 during the 2020 land application season.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approve a contract in the amount of \$59,645 with Northeast Technical Services, Inc., of Virginia, MN to conduct research and additional treatment of COC, specifically PFAS compounds in landfill leachate at the St. Louis County Regional Landfill.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials execute such agreement, subject to the approval of the County Attorney, payable from Fund 600, Agency 607002 (Leachate).

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 - 235

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 7

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: Application for St. Louis
County Class "B" Land
Exchange by Deena and
William Congdon

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Mark Weber, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENTAL GOAL:

To provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize a land exchange involving certain Class B lands owned by the State of Minnesota for certain privately owned lands.

BACKGROUND:

The Land and Minerals Department received an application for a land exchange from Deena and William Congdon. The proposal would exchange 120.15 acres of Class "B" lands in Unorganized Township 6719 to the Congdons for 165.09 acres of privately held lands in Portage Township.

Class B land exchanges are authorized under Minn. Stat. § 94.344. Such land may be exchanged only if it meets certain requirements related to the value of the property. Specifically in this case the value of the land must not differ by more than ten percent.

The Land and Minerals Department has reviewed the exchange proposal and determined the land to be acquired by St. Louis County will consolidate state tax forfeited lands and are productive for long term timber management thereby providing benefit to the tax forfeited trust.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board support the land exchange proposal submitted by Deena and William Congdon and authorize the Land and Minerals Department to proceed with equalizing value of all lands involved in the land exchange using the most current county assessed land values.

**Application for St. Louis County Class “B” Land Exchange by
Deena and William Congdon**

COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 94.344, Subd. 8, a proposal for land exchange has been submitted to the Land and Minerals Department for certain lands being purchased by Deena Congdon and William Congdon; 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 lands to be acquired by the State of Minnesota in trust for the taxing districts will consolidate state tax forfeited ownership and are productive for long term timber management thereby providing benefit to the tax forfeited trust;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board acknowledges consolidation of productive lands are a benefit to the tax forfeited trust and supports the exchange of state tax forfeited (Class “B”) lands as proposed for lands of equal value;

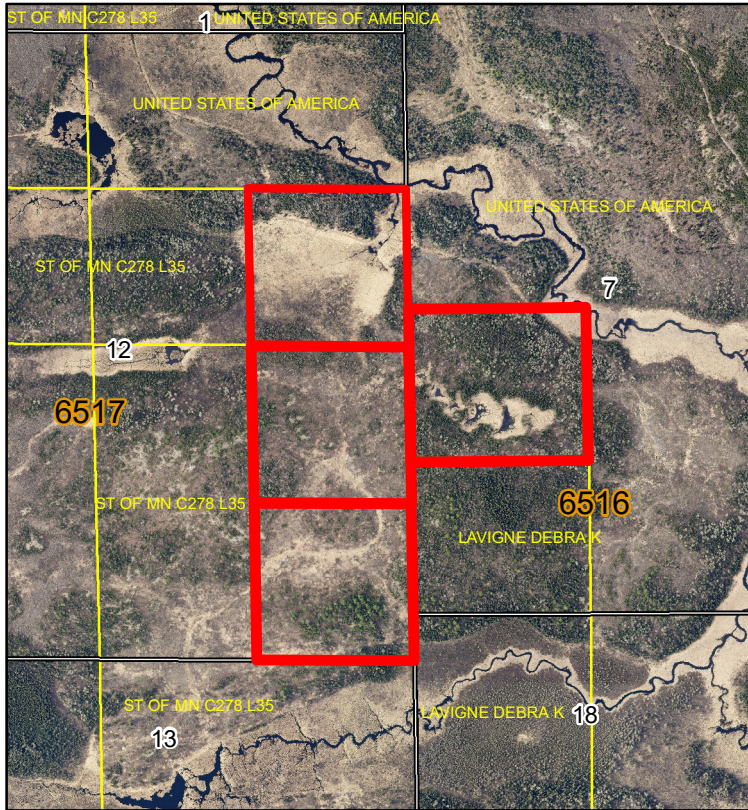
RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Land and Minerals Department to proceed with equalizing value of all lands involved in the land exchange using the most current county assessed land values proposed by Deena and William Congdon.



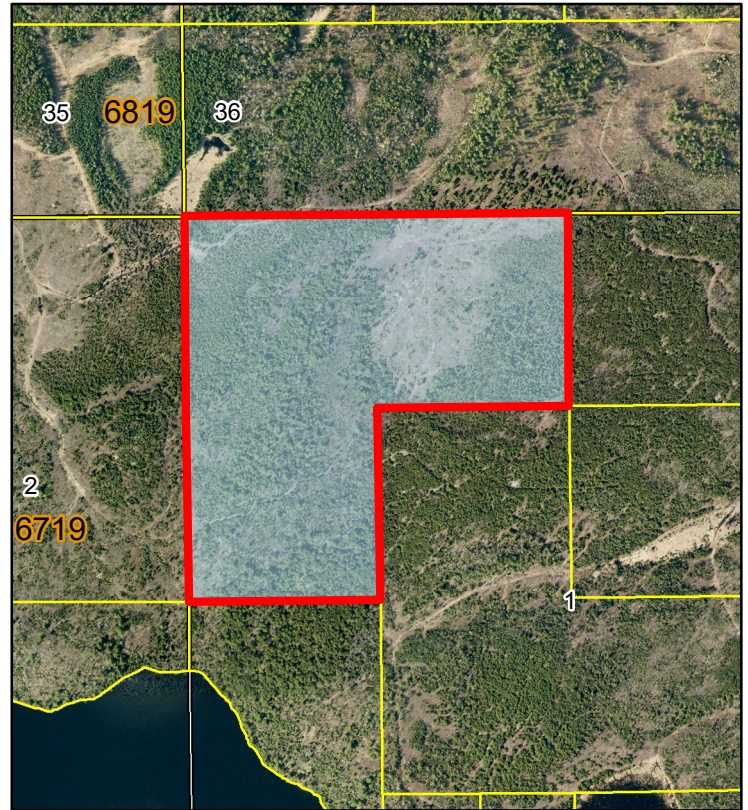
St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department

Land Exchange

PRIVATE LAND: CONGDON
SE-NE, NE-SE, SE-SE, SECTION 12, T65N, R17W
GOV. LOTS 3, SECTION 7, T65N, R16W
165 ACRES



STATE TAX FORFEITED LAND (CLASS "B")
GOV. LOTS 2 and 3, SECTION 1, T65N, R19W
120 ACRES

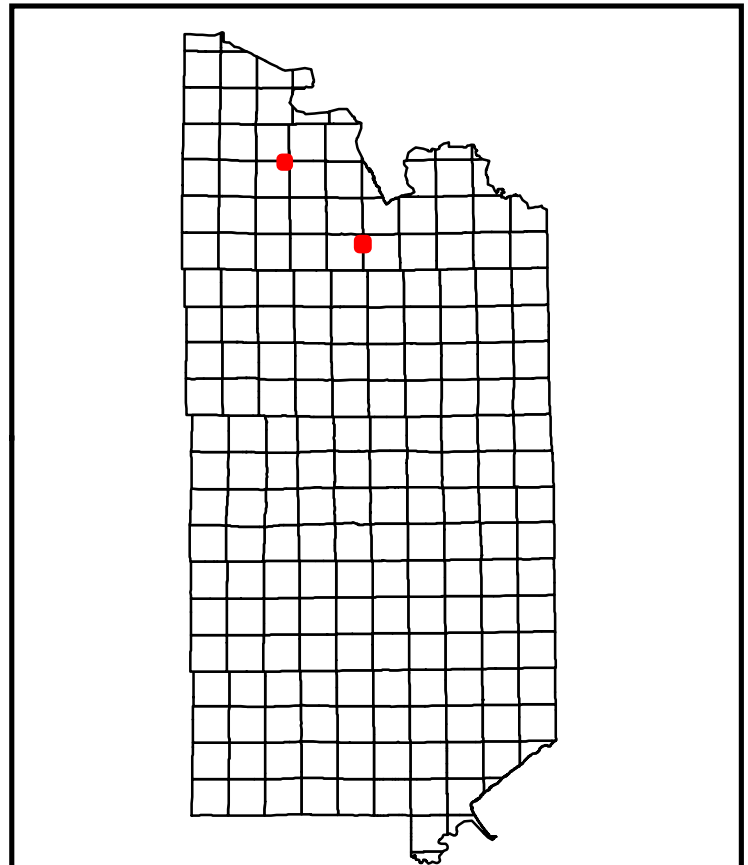


Legend

- Tax forfeit
- County Parcel Layer
- PLSS Sections
- Townships
- Area of Interest

This drawing is neither a legally recorded map nor a survey and is not intended to be used as such. This drawing is a compilation of recorded information and data located in various city, county, state and federal offices. St. Louis County is not responsible for any incorrectness herein.

**St. Louis County
Land and Minerals Department**





Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Proposal for Land Exchange (M.S. 94.344)
Class B Lands

(Form approval date of April 21, 2008)

The following applicant is/are applying for a land exchange with the State of Minnesota pursuant to the provisions of M.S. 94.341 to 94.347. (Applicants named should be fee owners of the land). Please list applicant(s) name, address, and phone number. If listing a business entity, please include proof of legal status as a corporation, partnership, etc., and the name of a contact person. If listing an organization, please include proof of any federal tax-exempt status (501(C)3 or other), and the name of a contact person.

(To be completed by applicant)

Name of Applicant (PRINT OR TYPE) <u>Deena Congdon</u>	Telephone No. <u>218 780 3113</u>
Applicant Address <u>7629 Gold Coast Rd Crane Lake MN 55725</u>	

Name of Co-Applicant (PRINT OR TYPE) <u>William Congdon</u>	Telephone No. <u>218 256 1508</u>
Co-Applicant Address <u>7629 Gold Coast Rd Crane Lake MN 55725</u>	

The applicant(s) propose to exchange the following described PRIVATE land in:

St. Louis County

(Also, please attach a copy of the deed):

The South East Quarter of NE Quarter; the NE Quarter of the SE Quarter; and the SE Quarter of the SE Quarter, all in Section 12 Township 65. Range 17 and Government Lot 3 Section 7 Township 65 Range 16

In exchange for the following described STATE (Tax forfeited) land in:

St. Louis County

Lots 3 and 4 and SW 1/4 of NW 1/4, Section 1 Township 67 Range 19 Parcel code 730-0010-00050

Information on the PRIVATE parcel:

The above described PRIVATE parcel is 145.09 acres in size and is divided as follows:

Acres wooded	<u>123.09</u>	Acres wetland	<u>42 wooded, swam, marsh</u>
Acres tillable	<u> </u>	Acres building site	<u> </u>
Acres other	<u> </u>		

Land is wooded St. Louis County GIS Shows about 42 acres of wetland and flowage from Picket Creek on North side of land.

Please list any improvements and/or timber growth on the land:

Land is wooded with varying tree cover

Please list any mortgages, liens, easements, or any other encumbrances covering any part of the property to be offered. (Attach a separate sheet, if necessary) NONE

Attached is owners title policy

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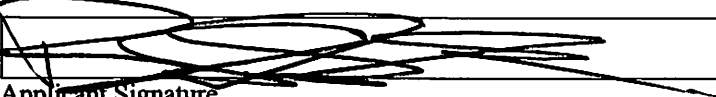
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Mineral interests on the land are owned by *(If a separate owner other than the applicant owns the mineral interests, please attach to this application the documentation showing that ownership, if such documentation is available):*

Please describe the legal access to the land, if any: *NONE joins public lands*

Applicant agrees to furnish an abstract showing marketable title to his/her land, free from encumbrances or liens, upon written notice from the Board of County Commissioners that the proposal for exchange will be considered. In addition, the applicant will execute and deliver a good and sufficient warranty deed conveying his/her land to the State of Minnesota, free from encumbrances or liens. Said deed may be subject to authorized reservations, and must have good and marketable title, approved by the County Attorney and the Attorney General, in exchange for a deed for the tax-forfeited (Class B) lands to be given therefore as provided by law, and as required by the Land Exchange Board. Approval of the exchange is required by the County Board, the Commissioner of Natural Resources and the Land Exchange Board.

	<i>April 3 2020</i>
Applicant Signature	Date

	<i>4/03/20</i>
Applicant Signature	Date

Please insert County contact information here:

Name of County contact:

Address of County office:

Phone number:

Email:

WELL STATEMENT

Does the applicant know of any wells on the property to be offered in exchange?

☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, please include a Well Disclosure Certificate.

If no, please sign and date the statement below.

I certify that there are no wells located on the property to be offered in exchange, and that the information provided on this disclosure is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to notify the state of any changes to the property that may affect the information supplied above.

Signature of Applicant 	Date 4-3-2020
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SEPTIC SYSTEMS STATEMENT

Does the applicant know of any septic systems on the property to be offered in exchange?

☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, please include a Septic Systems Disclosure Certificate.

If no, please sign and date the statement below.

I certify that there are no septic systems located on the property to be offered in exchange, and that the information provided on this disclosure is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to notify the state of any changes to the property that may affect the information supplied above.

Signature of Applicant 	Date 4-3-2020
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HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES STATEMENT

Are there any hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or underground storage tanks in or on the land to be offered in exchange?

☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, please attach an explanation.

If no, please sign and date the statement below.

The applicant warrants and represents to the State the following matters with the intent that these representations and warranties shall survive the conveyance:

The applicant has no knowledge that the property is now or ever has been used for the manufacture, use, storage, or disposal of any hazardous or toxic substance, pollutant or contaminant, within the meaning of any applicable environmental statute, ordinance or regulation. To the best of the applicant's knowledge, no hazardous or toxic substances, pollutant, or contaminant, including asbestos or materials containing or producing polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's) are presently stored or located on the property. To the best of the applicant's knowledge the property is not subject to any "superfund" or similar lien, or any claim by any government regulatory agency or third party related to the release or threatened release of any hazardous or toxic substance.

To the best of the applicant's knowledge, there are no underground storage tanks located upon or under the property, or if there are any such tanks located on the property, they have been properly registered with all appropriate environmental authorities and are in full compliance with all applicable statutes, ordinances, and regulations.

Signature of Applicant 	Date 4-3-2020
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Minerals Reservation in Land Exchange

- A. The State of Minnesota is required by statute (M.S. 94.343, subd. 4) to reserve minerals and mineral rights, and water power rights whenever state land is disposed of through exchange or sale.

The other party in a land exchange may also reserve mineral rights, however, such reservation, if more extensive than that of the state may not be acceptable to the state, because the state may not be getting equal value in the exchange.

The state will determine through its routine review of land title, required for every exchange, if any mineral reservations or encumbrances exist on the title to the land to be received by the state, and if so, whether they will be detrimental to the exchange transaction.

- B. The state cannot accept land in a land exchange if a mineral reservation on the land of the other party provides a right to use the surface without compensation for the land surface damage, or if it reserves repurchase rights to a third party. If either of these conditions exists, the exchange will be terminated unless the deed is modified to remove the objectionable language.
- C. If a mineral reservation existing on the land of the other party contains no objectionable restrictions as described in paragraph B, above, but is more extensive than the rights reserved by the state, and/or if the deed does not address surface damage compensation, the following alternatives exist:
1. Modification of the reservation to remove objectionable language;
 2. With available geologic evidence, determine the probability of surface damage, and make adjustments in surface values, to ensure that the state will get a parcel of equal value.

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 - 236

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 8

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: Joint Powers Agreement
Between the State of
Minnesota and St. Louis
County

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Mark Weber, Director
Land and Minerals

RELATED DEPARTMENTAL GOAL:

To protect wildlife habitat, soil resources and water quality.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize a Joint Powers Agreement between the State of Minnesota, acting through its Department of Natural Resources (State), and St. Louis County (County).

BACKGROUND:

Minn. Stat. § 471.59, Subd. 10, empowers the State to enter into an agreement with the County to perform on behalf of the County any service or function which the State is authorized to provide for itself. Minn. Stat. § 84.027 and § 97A.045 empowers the State to engage in natural resource management. Minn. Stat. § 477A.14 authorizes the County to implement wildlife habitat management programs on County-administered lands.

The State is in need of assistance and desires to implement a cooperative wildlife habitat program, coordinate wildlife projects, and maintain and improve public access and recreation on lands owned or administered by the County for the purpose of natural resource management. The Land and Minerals Department cooperated with the State on several wildlife projects under the previous Joint Powers Agreement which expired on December 31, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize a Joint Powers Agreement between the State of Minnesota and St. Louis County to implement a cooperative wildlife habitat program, coordinate wildlife projects, and maintain and improve public access and recreation on lands owned or administered by the County for the purpose of natural resource management.

Joint Powers Agreement Between the State of Minnesota and St. Louis County

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 471.59, Subd. 10 empowers the State of Minnesota to enter into an agreement with St. Louis County to perform on behalf of the County any service or function which the State is authorized to provide for itself; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 84.027 and § 97A.045 empowers the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to engage in natural resource management; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 477A.14 authorizes St. Louis County to implement wildlife habitat management programs on County-administered lands; and

WHEREAS, The State of Minnesota, acting through its Department of Natural Resources, and St. Louis County wish to implement a cooperative wildlife habitat program, coordinate wildlife projects, and maintain and improve public access and recreation on lands owned or administered by the County for the purpose of natural resource management;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board hereby authorizes a Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota to implement a cooperative wildlife habitat program, coordinate wildlife projects, and maintain and improve public access and recreation on lands owned or administered by the County for the purpose of natural resource management.

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 - 237

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 9

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: Online Auction of State Tax
Forfeited Properties

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Mark Weber, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To assist communities in achieving housing, economic development and community development objectives, while providing financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to approve the urban and rural parcels listed for online auction and to approve prohibited purchaser conditions.

BACKGROUND:

Minn. Stat. § 282.01 provides for the classification, appraisal, and sale of land becoming the property of the State of Minnesota for nonpayment of real property taxes. The parcels listed herein have forfeited to the state for nonpayment of real property taxes.

On November 5, 2019, the St. Louis County Board passed Resolution No.19-633 to approve the sale of tax forfeited properties through a 'pilot' online auction, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 13. Of the eighteen (18) properties initially offered, six (6) have sold (1/3) for a total of \$124,078. The Land and Minerals Department would like to offer additional parcels through online auction from the County's Available Lands List. These lands have already been offered for sale at public auction. All parcels were released by the cities and townships for public sale, and those parcels requiring Department of Natural Resource (DNR) approvals have been approved.

The online auction will run continuously until the properties are sold, placed on the available list, or withdrawn from sale. The properties will first be offered at a fair market

value, but prices may be periodically adjusted by a number not to exceed twenty percent if they remain unsold after a predetermined time frame not to exceed thirty-five days.

It is in the County's best interest to have responsible taxpayers and property owners. Minn. Stat. § 282.016(c) authorizes the County Auditor to prohibit persons or entities from becoming a purchaser of properties offered for sale if the person or entity has delinquent property taxes for other properties within the county.

To ensure that County Board approval to sell tax forfeited lands through an online auction occurs in a timely manner, an updated list of properties will be sent to St. Louis County Commissioners in the format of a Board Memo for review and approval as needed throughout the year.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the sale of state tax forfeited land through an online public auction with prohibited purchaser conditions, starting at a fair market value, in accordance with terms set forth in the Land and Minerals Department policy and in a manner provided for by law. Funds from the land sale are to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

It is further recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize the County Auditor to reoffer unsold parcels at periodically adjusted prices based on market conditions to the general public through the online auction until the parcels are sold or withdrawn by the County Auditor pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.135.

Online Auction of State Tax Forfeited Properties

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 described in County Board File No. _____ have been classified as non-conservation as provided for in Minn. Stat. § 282.01; and

WHEREAS, These 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 Commissioner of Natural Resources has approved the sale of these lands, as required by Minn. Stat. § 282; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.016(c) authorizes the County Auditor to prohibit persons or entities from becoming a purchaser, either personally or as an agent or attorney for another person or entity, of tax forfeited properties offered for sale if the person or entity owns another property within the county for which there are delinquent taxes owing; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 13, authorizes the County Board, or the County Auditor if the auditor has been delegated such authority, to sell tax forfeited lands through an online auction. When an online auction is used to sell tax forfeited lands, the County Auditor shall post a physical notice of the online auction and shall publish a notice of the online auction on its website not less than ten days before the online auction begins, in addition to any other notice required; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.135 authorizes the County Board to delegate to the County Auditor any authority, power, or responsibility relating generally to the administration of tax forfeited land assigned to the County Board if the County Auditor concurs in the delegation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to sell state tax forfeited lands described in County Board File No. _____ through an online auction, with prohibited purchaser conditions, starting at a fair market value, in accordance with terms set forth in the Land and Minerals Department policy and in a manner provided for by law where funds from the auction are to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to reoffer individual unsold parcels at periodically adjusted prices based on

market conditions to the general public through the online auction until the parcels are sold or withdrawn by the County Auditor.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to send a list of state tax forfeited lands to be offered for sale through an online auction to the County Board for approval in the format of a Board Memo as needed throughout the year to ensure the sale of these lands occurs in a timely manner.

Tract 1	City Of Duluth	010-0280-00590,00700	\$35,269.00	± 1.20 acres	C22180324
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Location: on Old North Shore Road and Brighton Street, west of Pleasant Avenue, Duluth

Legal: LOTS 24 AND 25 and LOT 35, BLOCK 2, BRIGHTON GARDENS 1ST DIVISION DULUTH

Land	\$35,269.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$35,269.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Vacant, wooded parcels in the North Shore neighborhood of Duluth. The structures that previously occupied this site were removed in 2014. This property is encumbered by an 80 foot right of way for force main (water line), and a pipeline (sewer) easement. Approximately 1.2 acres, this property is zoned RR-2 (Residential-Rural). Contact City of Duluth Construction Services for permitted uses and zoning questions. The Duluth North Shore Sanitary District should be contacted with questions regarding sewer hookup, cost, and any outstanding assessments that may be reinstated. Contact City of Duluth Engineering for details regarding the future water line replacement project. Check with the City of Duluth Treasurer's Office for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. The City of Duluth has waived or does not intend to reinstate the previously listed assessment. Recording fee \$66.00 (T#295200, T#33843).

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Tract 2	City Of Duluth	010-0420-01250	\$10,000.00	± 0.16 acres	C22190118
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Location: Between 6020 Cody St and 506 N 61st Ave W, Duluth

Legal: Lots 10 AND 12, Block 4, CENTRAL DIVISION OF WEST DULUTH

Land	\$10,000.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$10,000.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Vacant land on N 61st Ave. W in the Cody neighborhood of Duluth. There is a permanent easement to Northwestern Bell Telephone Company on lot 10. This +/- 50' x 140' parcel is zoned R-1 (Residential). Contact City of Duluth Construction Services for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Duluth Treasurer's Office for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 3	City Of Duluth	010-0450-00310,00320,00390,00400	\$17,732.00	± 2.76 acres	C22170301
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Location: north side of W Morgan Street, between Yosemite and Ponderosa Avenues, Duluth

Legal: LOT 1 and LOT 2 and LOT 9 and LOT 10, BLOCK 4, CENTURY ACRES DULUTH

Land	\$17,732.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$17,732.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



The subject is a nicely wooded tract of land in the Duluth Heights neighborhood. This +/- 2.7 acre property is zoned RR-1 (Rural Residential). Contact City of Duluth Construction Services for permitted uses and zoning questions. This property may contain wetlands that may impact development and/or access plans. Check with the City of Duluth Treasurer's Office for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. The City of Duluth has waived or does not intend to reinstate the previously listed assessment. Recording fee \$66.00 (T#117688, 208727).

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Tract 4


City Of Duluth

010-1350-08090,08100

\$10,980.00

± 0.08 acres


C22180217



Location: between 411 and 423 E 9th Street, Duluth

Legal: E 1/2 of LOT 71 and W 1/2 of LOT 73, BLOCK 125, DULUTH PROPER THIRD DIVISION

Land	\$10,980.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$10,980.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Vacant, sloping lots located in the Central Hillside neighborhood of Duluth. This +/- 50' x 140' property is zoned R-1 (Residential). The structures that previously occupied this site were demolished in 2015. Contact City of Duluth Construction Services for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Duluth Treasurer's Office for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. The City of Duluth has waived or does not intend to reinstate the previously listed assessment. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. There is an unsatisfied mortgage or promissory note held against this property - consult a real estate attorney for details. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 5


City Of Duluth

See Comments

\$41,243.00

± 0.78 acres


C22180351



Location: east side of Commonwealth Avenue from E McGonagle Street almost to the fire hall, Duluth

Legal: LOT 6 and LOT 7 and LOT 8 and LOT 9 and LOT 10 and LOT 11 and LOT 12 and LOT 13 and LOT 14 and LOT 15 LOT 16 and LOT 17 and LOT 18, BLOCK 48, GARY FIRST DIVISION DULUTH

Land	\$41,243.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$41,243.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Vacant, mostly wooded property on the southeast corner of Commonwealth Ave. and E McGonagle St. in the Gary neighborhood of Duluth. This +/- 325' x 100' tract is zoned MU-N (Mixed Use Neighborhood). Contact City of Duluth Construction Services for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Duluth Treasurer's Office for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$286.00 (T#70454, T#64997, T#28814, T#21380, T#142428, T#23491, T#102037, T#45977, T#124618, T#124619, T#160978, T#153987, T#17208). PINs: 010-1800-12490,12500,12510,12520,12530,12540,12550,12560,12570,12580,12590,12600,12610

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Tract 6


City Of Duluth

010-2140-00570

\$3,040.00

± 0.07 acres


C22180256



Location: between 3711 and 3717 W 6th Street, Duluth

Legal: LOT 10, BLOCK 5, HAZELWOOD PARK DIVISION OF WEST DULUTH

Land	\$3,040.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$3,040.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Vacant lot on W 6th St. in the Denfeld neighborhood of Duluth. This +/- 25' x 132' parcel is zoned R-1 (Residential). Contact City of Duluth Construction Services for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Duluth Treasurer's Office any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (T#154334).

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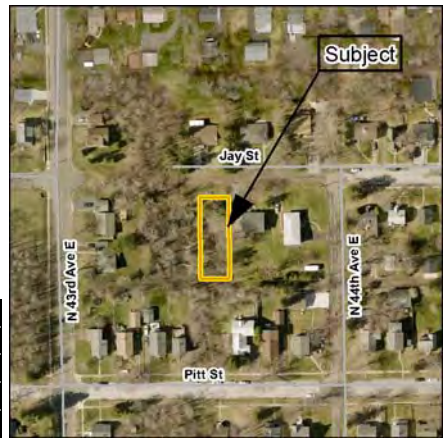
Tract 7	City Of Duluth	010-3030-02080	\$6,720.00	± 0.16 acres	C22180337
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Location: south side of Jay Street at the dead end west of N 44th Avenue East, Duluth

Legal: LOT 5, BLOCK 82, LONDON ADDITION TO DULUTH

Land	\$6,720.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$6,720.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Vacant, wooded lot on the south side of Jay St. in the Lakeside neighborhood of Duluth. This +/- 50' x 140' parcel is zoned R-1 (Residential). Contact City of Duluth Construction Services for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Duluth Treasurer's Office for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 8	City Of Duluth	010-3480-01760,01770	\$7,245.00	± 0.26 acres	C22170332
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Location: east of Midway Avenue on the north side of undeveloped Meadow Street, Duluth

Legal: LOT 22 BLK 7 INC PART OF VAC ALLEY ADJ and E 1/2 LOT 23 BLK 7 INC PART OF VAC ALLEY ADJ, REARRANGEMENT NORTON BAY VIEW OUTLOTS DULUTH

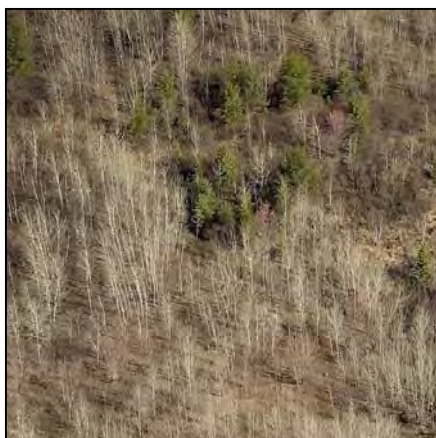
Land	\$7,245.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$7,245.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Wooded, vacant lot located on platted, undeveloped Meadow St. in the Bayview Heights neighborhood of Duluth. This +/- 75' x 150' parcel is zoned R-1 (Residential). Contact City of Duluth Construction Services for permitted uses and zoning questions. Any potential owner must obtain appropriate approvals, if improving undeveloped, platted roads, prior to building on the site. Check with the City of Duluth Treasurer's Office for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (T#209423).

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Tract 9	City Of Chisholm	020-0195-00760	\$160.00	± 0.22 acres	C22170357
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Location: off of undeveloped platted 5th Street NW, Chisholm

Legal: LOT 9, BLOCK 6, WENTON ADDITION CITY OF CHISHOLM

Land	\$160.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$160.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 89' x 120' parcel is zoned R-2 (Residence District). The parcel contains wetlands that may impact development and/or access plans. Contact the City of Chisholm for permitted uses and zoning questions. Any potential owner must obtain appropriate approvals, if improving undeveloped, platted roads, prior to building on the site. Check with the City of Chisholm for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 10

City Of Ely

030-0120-00620,00640,00670

\$7,266.00

± 1.01 acres

C22170315

**Location:** southwest corner of the intersection of E White Street and MN Highway 1, Ely**Legal:** ALL OF LOTS 5 AND 6 AND THE W1/2 OF LOT 7 and E1/2 OF LOT 7 AND ALL OF LOTS 8 AND 9 and LOTS 10 AND 11, BLOCK 5, KAPSCH GARDEN TRACTS ELY

Land	\$7,266.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$7,266.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 343' x 130' parcel is zoned R-1 (Residential). Contact the City of Ely for permitted uses and zoning questions. This property contains wetlands that may impact development and/or access plans. Check with City of Ely for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 11

City Of Eveleth

040-0180-00550

\$2,430.00

± 0.27 acres

C22160205

**Location:** south of the 15 Avenue W and 2nd Street intersection, Eveleth**Legal:** LOTS 11 AND 12, BLOCK 4, VOLCANSEK ADDITION TO EVELETH

Land	\$2,430.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$2,430.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Tree covered parcel located on 15th Ave. W in the city of Eveleth. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. This +/- 93' x 125' lot is zoned R-1 (Residential). Contact the City of Eveleth Zoning Administrator for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Eveleth for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 12

City Of Virginia

090-0110-01950

\$1,350.00

± 0.07 acres

C22190179

**Location:** Between 718 and 724 11th Street N, Virginia**Legal:** Lot 7, Block 8, NORTH SIDE ADDITION TO VIRGINIA

Land	\$1,350.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$1,350.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This non-conforming +/- 25' x 120' parcel was previously 720 11th St. N, the structures were removed in 2019. Zoning is R-2 (One, Two, Three and Four Family Residential). Contact the City of Virginia for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Virginia for information regarding any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 13

City Of Aurora

100-0042-00540

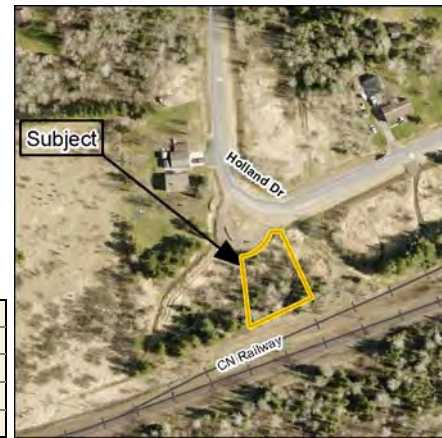
\$2,041.00

± 0.27 acres

C22180191

**Location:** Holland Drive, Aurora**Legal:** LOT 17, BLOCK 3, HOLLAND ADDITION CITY OF AURORA

Land	\$1,002.84
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$2,041.00
Certified Assessments	\$1,038.16



Irregularly shaped parcel adjoining an active railroad grade to the south, with about 88 feet of frontage on Holland Drive. This +/- 100' x 124' parcel is zoned R-1 (One and Two Family Residential District). Contact the City of Aurora for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Aurora for details regarding a certified street paving/infrastructure assessment in the amount of \$1,038.16 that must be paid at the time of sale, and for any other certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 14

City Of Babbitt

105-0055-00020

\$2,114.00

± 0.24 acres

C22180108

**Location:** South of 7947 Township Road 6305, Babbitt**Legal:** LOT 2, BLOCK 1, BENVILLE PLAT CITY OF BABBITT

Land	\$2,114.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$2,114.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 122' x 151' x 194' parcel is zoned R-2 (Single Family Residential District). Contact the City of Babbitt for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Babbitt for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 15

City Of Cook

120-0030-00160

\$4,590.00

± 0.27 acres

C22190145

**Location:** Northeast corner of 3rd Street NW and 2nd Avenue NW, Cook**Legal:** LOTS 16 AND 17, BLOCK 1, BALLIETS ADDITION TO COOK

Land	\$4,590.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$4,590.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 84' x 140' parcel was previously 219 2nd Ave. NW, the structures were removed in 2018. Zoning is R-1 (Residential). Contact the City of Cook for permitted uses and zoning questions. The parcel contains areas that may be located within the floodplain management area that may impact development. Check with the City of Cook for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 16

City Of Floodwood

125-0010-03490

\$5,625.00

± 0.14 acres

C22190275

**Location:** Between 217 8th Avenue Alley E. and 701 Hickory Street, Floodwood**Legal:** Lot 2, Block 25, FLOODWOOD

Land	\$5,625.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$5,625.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Vacant lot near the Floodwood River in the city of Floodwood. Previously 219 8th Ave. Alley E, the structure was removed in 2019. This +/- 50' x 120' lot is zoned R-2 (Low Density Residential). The parcel contains areas that may be located within the floodplain management area and may impact development. Contact the City of Floodwood for permitted uses and zoning questions. Contact City of Floodwood for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. Recording fee \$46.00 (T#171585).

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Tract 17

City Of Hibbing

139-0080-02300,02580

\$5,984.00

± 0.52 acres

C22180365

**Location:** east side of Burton Townsite Road, Hibbing**Legal:** LOTS 1 2 AND 3 and LOTS 29 THRU 32, BLOCK 9, BURTON CITY OF HIBBING

Land	\$5,984.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$5,984.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



These non-conforming +/- 75' x 125' and 100' x 138' parcels are divided by an undeveloped platted alley. Zoning is A-R (Agricultural-Rural Residential District). Any potential owner must obtain appropriate approvals, if improving undeveloped, platted roads to the site. Contact the City of Hibbing for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Hibbing for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 18

City Of Hibbing

139-0180-00890

\$2,333.00

± 0.29 acres

C22170320

**Location:** east side of undeveloped 8th Avenue, south of 37th Street, Hibbing**Legal:** LOTS 25 THRU 29, BLOCK 3, MISSABE ADDITION TO HIBBING

Land	\$2,333.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$2,333.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 125' x 125' parcel is zoned R-2 (One to Four Family Residence District). Contact the City of Hibbing for permitted uses and zoning questions. This parcel contains wetlands that may impact development and/or access plans. This parcel is located on an undeveloped, platted road (8th Ave.). Any potential owner must obtain appropriate approvals, if improving undeveloped, platted roads to the site. Check with the City of Hibbing for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$92.00 (T#336158 and Abstract).

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Tract 19

City Of Hibbing

140-0060-01320

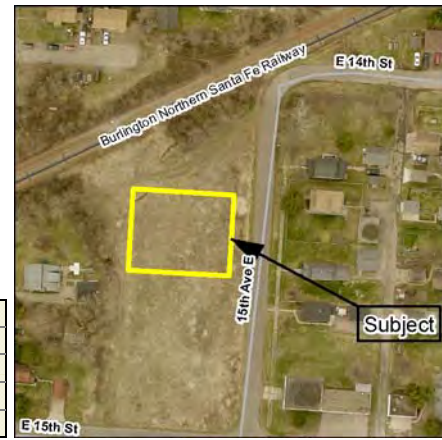
\$5,837.00

± 0.29 acres

C22180072

**Location:** west side of 15th Avenue E bewteen E 14th and 15th Streets, Hibbing**Legal:** LOTS 17 THRU 20, BLOCK 33, BROOKLYN FIRST ADDITION TO CITY OF HIBBING

Land	\$5,837.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$5,837.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 100' x 125' parcel is zoned R-2 (One to Four Family Residence District). Contact the City of Hibbing for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Hibbing for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$92.00 (Abstract and T#228636).

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Tract 20

City Of Hibbing

140-0090-03260,03270

\$8,400.00

± 0.14 acres

C22170024

**Location:** Between 2310 and 2316 1st Avenue, Hibbing**Legal:** LOT 10 and LOT 11, BLOCK 12, FAIRVIEW CITY OF HIBBING

Land	\$8,400.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$8,400.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



A vacant +/- 50' x 125' property in the city of Hibbing. Previously 2312 and 2314 1st Ave., the structures were removed in 2012 and 2015. Zoning is C-2 (General Commercial). Contact the City of Hibbing for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Hibbing for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 21

City Of Hibbing

140-0120-02740

\$6,840.00

± 0.21 acres

C22190148

**Location:** Southeast corner of 2nd Street and Adams Avenue, Kitzville, Hibbing**Legal:** LOTS 18 19 AND 20, BLOCK 11, KITZVILLE HIBBING

Land	\$6,840.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$6,840.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 75' x 125' parcel was previously 202 2nd St., the structures were removed in 2018. Zoning is R-3 (Multiple Family Residence). Contact the City of Hibbing for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Hibbing for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 22

City Of Hibbing

140-0270-00972

\$450.00

± 0.23 acres

C22170272

**Location:** south of U.S. Highway 169, north of address 511 41st Street E, Hibbing

Legal: BEG 33 FT N AND 153 1/10 FT E OF SW CORNER OF THE SE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 THENCE ELY 80 FT THENCE NLY PARALLEL TO W LINE OF SAID FORTY 297 7/10 FT TO A POINT THENCE WLY 80 FT SLY 297 7/10 FT TO PT OF BEG EX SLY 175 FT, Sec 19 Twp 57N Rge 20W, CITY OF HIBBING

Land	\$450.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$450.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This non-conforming +/- 79' x 122' parcel is zoned R-3 (Multiple Family Residence District). Contact the City of Hibbing for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Hibbing for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 23

City Of Hibbing

141-0050-05287,05289

\$730.00

± 1.08 acres

C22180348

**Location:** northeast corner of the Rainey Road and U.S. Highway 169 intersection, Hibbing

Legal: NLY 525 FT OF SW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 LYING WEST OF RY RT OF W EX SLY 425 FT EX HWY RT OF W and SLY 100 FT OF NLY 200 FT OF SW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 LYING W OF RY RT OF W AND EX HWY RT OF WAY, Sec 27 Twp 57N Rge 21W, CITY OF HIBBING

Land	\$730.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$730.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 145' x 300', irregularly shaped parcel is bordered by an active railroad to the east. There is a power line easement. Zoning is I-1 (Light Industry District). Contact the City of Hibbing for permitted uses and zoning questions. There may be an acreage discrepancy. The parcel contains wetlands that may impact development and/or access plans. Check with the City of Hibbing for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 24

City Of Hibbing

141-0175-02110,02140

\$1,560.00

± 0.28 acres

C22190048

**Location:** south of Harold Avenue and west of 3rd Street, Leetonia, Hibbing

Legal: LOTS 24 25 AND 26 and LOT 27, BLOCK 7, TOWNSITE OF LEETONIA CITY OF HIBBING

Land	\$1,560.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$1,560.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 100' x 125' property is zoned R-1 (Single Family Residence District). Contact the City of Hibbing for permitted uses and zoning questions. The property is predominately wetland and may not be suitable for development. Any potential owner must obtain appropriate approvals, if improving undeveloped, platted roads to the site. Check with the City of Hibbing for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 25

City Of Meadowlands

165-0020-00220

\$878.00

± 0.17 acres

C22160056

**Location:** north of Spruce Street, east of Scott Avenue, Meadowlands

Legal: PART OF NW 1/4 OF SE 1/4 COMMENCING 479 13/100 FT W OF SE CORNER RUNNING THENCE NWLY AT AN ANGLE OF 131 DEG 43 72/100 FT TO POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUING THENCE NWLY IN THE SAME DIRECTION 119 1/10 FT THENCE NELY AT AN ANGLE OF 88 1/2 DEG 192 73/100 FT THENCE SLY AT AN ANGLE OF 49 DEG 220 23/100 FT THENCE W AT AN ANGLE OF 91 1/2 DEG 69 82/100 FT TO PT OF BEG EX ELY 0.28 AC, Sec 15 Twp 53N Rge 19W, CITY OF MEADOWLANDS

Land	\$878.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$878.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This irregularly shaped parcel is approximately 0.17 of an acre, located on the northern side of the city of Meadowlands. It has approximately 58 feet of frontage perpendicular to a multi-use recreational trail right of way adjacent to Spruce St. This area is zoned Light Industrial, and the parcel is situated between industrial storage use and residential use properties. Contact the City of Meadowlands for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Meadowlands for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 26

City Of Proctor

185-0210-03010

\$1,152.00

± 0.23 acres

C22110121

**Location:** northwest corner of N 3rd Avenue and 8th Street, Proctor**Legal:** LOTS 1, 2, AND 3, BLOCK 11, PROCTOR HEIGHTS

Land	\$1,152.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$1,152.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Primarily low lying, vacant parcel in the city of Proctor. This +/- 83.26' x 125' parcel is zoned R1b (Residential). Contact the City of Proctor for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with the City of Proctor for details regarding a pending road improvement assessment of \$7,815.80 that may be reinstated, and for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 27

Town of Camp 5

278-0050-01860

\$76,500.00

± 11.00 acres

C22190156

**Location:** Northeast shore of Elephant Lake, north and east of 6532 and 6548 Browns Bay, Orr

Legal: LOT 2 EX PART PLATTED AS ELEPHANT LAKE EAST, Sec 13 Twp 66N Rge 19W, TOWN OF CAMP 5

Land	\$73,000.00
Timber	\$3,500.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$76,500.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This irregularly shaped parcel is approximately 11 acres with about 775 feet of lakeshore on Elephant Lake. Water access. Parcel is zoned SMU-7 (Shoreland Multiple Use). Contact the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Department for permitted uses and zoning questions. This parcel contains wetlands that may impact development and/or access plans. Check with Camp 5 Township for information regarding any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 28

Fairbanks Township

335-0050-00530

\$17,600.00

± 2.83 acres

C22160193

**Location:** just south of address 3360 Lalonde Beach Road, Brimson**Legal:** LOTS 54 55 AND 56, LALONDE BEACH TOWN OF FAIRBANKS

Land	\$17,600.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$17,600.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Irregularly shaped parcel with approximately 2.83 acres and about 320 feet of frontage on Bassett Lake, a recreational development lake requiring a 100 foot setback. Parcel slopes down towards the lake, with aspen and conifers in the west changing to lowland brush in the east. Parcel was released from protected water by the MN State Legislature May 22, 2016, and there were no easement requirements. Zoning is SMU-7 (Shoreland Multiple Use). Contact the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Department for permitted uses and zoning questions. The parcel contains wetlands that may impact development and/or access plans. Access to the lake from the property shall be by elevated boardwalk. No filling is allowed. Check with Fairbanks Township for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 29

Fine Lakes Township

355-0010-05052

\$13,440.00

± 2.00 acres

C22170194

**Location:** North of 3616 Prairie Lake Rd, Wright**Legal:** W 580 4/5 FT OF N 150 FT OF NW 1/4 OF NE 1/4, Sec 32 Twp 50N Rge 20W, TOWN OF FINE LAKES

Land	\$13,440.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$13,440.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Approximately 2 acres, this rectangularly shaped parcel is partially wooded with northern hardwoods and has a small creek meandering across the eastern portion of the property. Previously 3618 Prairie Lake Rd., the structures were removed in 2017. The septic has been abandoned and the well has been sealed. This +/- 150' x 580' parcel is zoned FAM-3 (Forest Agricultural Management). Contact the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Department for permitted uses and zoning questions. Parcel is a non-conforming lot of record. Check with Fine Lakes Township for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Well disclosure fee \$50.00. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 30

City of Hermantown

395-0086-00070

\$26,325.00

± 0.80 acres

C22190285

**Location:** North of 4925 Wild Rose Trail, Hermantown**Legal:** LOT 7, BLOCK 1, FOREST RIDGE ESTATES OF HERMANTOWN

Land	\$26,325.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$26,325.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Vacant, wooded lot in the Forest Ridge Estates plat west of Stebner Rd. in Hermantown. This approximately 0.8 of an acre parcel is zoned R-3 (Residential). Contact the City of Hermantown Community Development Department for permitted uses and zoning questions. The City of Hermantown has identified wetlands on this parcel that may impact development plans. Check with the Hermantown Utility Department for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 31

McDavitt Township

435-0010-05930,05940

\$8,475.00

± 9.05 acres

C22190283

**Location:** South of 2473 Admiral Road S, McDavitt Township**Legal:** ABANDONED RY RT OF W 100 FT WIDE IN SW 1/4 OF NE 1/4 EX PART TAKEN FOR COUNTY ROAD AND SW1/4 OF NE1/4 W OF RY R/W, Sec 33 Twp 56N Rge 18W

Land	\$8,475.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$8,475.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 1,270' x 335' property is divided by Admiral Rd. and is zoned FAM-3 (Forest Agricultural Management). Contact the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Department for permitted uses and zoning questions. The property is predominately wetland and may not be suitable for development. Check with McDavitt Township for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 32

Pike Township

505-0015-03892

\$400.00

± 0.48 acres

C22180172

**Location:** between 7337 and 7391 Lax Road, Embarrass**Legal:** N 30 FT OF E 710 FT OF SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4, Sec 26 Twp 60N Rge 16W, TOWN OF PIKE

Land	\$400.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$400.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This non-conforming +/- 30' x 710' parcel is zoned MU-4 (Multiple Use). Contact the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Department for permitted uses and zoning questions. Parcel is unsuitable for development under St. Louis County land use ordinances. Check with Pike Township for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 33

City of Rice Lake

520-0140-01280

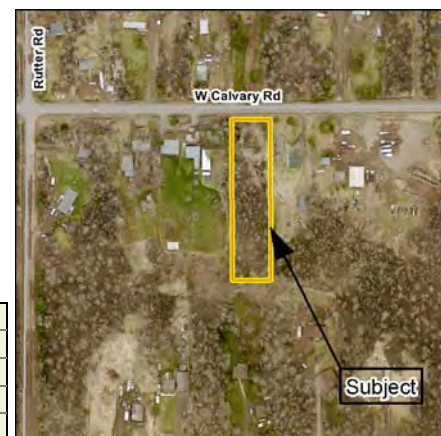
\$15,300.00

± 0.95 acres

C22190261

**Location:** Between 4172 and 4182 Calvary Road W, City of Rice Lake**Legal:** Lot 6, Block 4, INGLESIDE PARK

Land	\$15,300.00
Timber	\$0.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$15,300.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



Vacant, wooded lot on W Calvary Rd. in the city of Rice Lake, north of Duluth. This +/- 100' x 416' parcel is zoned RR-2 (Rural Residential). Contact City of Rice Lake Zoning Administrator for permitted uses and zoning questions. City sewer and water are available. Check with the City of Rice Lake for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (T#78087)

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Tract 34

White Township

570-0012-00985

\$15,000.00

± 10.00 acres

C22190268

**Location:** North of 4253 Lane 50, White Township**Legal:** N1/2 of S1/2 of NE1/4 of NW1/4, Sec 14 Twp 57N Rge 15W

Land	\$14,489.15
Timber	\$200.00
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$15,000.00
Certified Assessments	\$310.85



This +/- 330' x 1,320' parcel was previously 4269 Lane 50, the structures were removed in 2019. The septic has been abandoned. There is a well, condition unknown. Zoning is FAM-3 (Forest Agricultural Management). Contact the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Department for permitted uses and zoning questions. The parcel contains wetlands that may impact development and/or access plans. Check with White Township for details regarding a certified assessment in the amount of \$310.85 that must be paid at the time of sale, and for any other certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 35

Unorganized Township

662-0031-00110

\$56,430.00

± 3.45 acres

C22180356

**Location:** on the south shore of the Whiteface Reservoir past the end of the developed road, Makinen**Legal:** LOT 8, BLOCK 2, WHITEFACE SHORES WEST

Land	\$56,307.28
Timber	\$122.72
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$56,430.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 495' x 529' x 629' irregularly shaped parcel is timbered with about 160 front feet on the Whiteface Reservoir. A power line crosses the southwest corner of the parcel. Parcel is zoned SMU-7 (Shoreland Multiple Use). Contact the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Department for permitted uses and zoning questions. The parcel contains wetlands that may impact development and/or access plans. The parcel contains areas that may be located within the floodplain management area that may impact development. Check with St. Louis County for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

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Tract 36

Unorganized Township

676-0014-00050

\$55,000.00

± 1.00 acres

C22180353

**Location:** between 6231 and 6239 Leisure Lake Road, Makinen**Legal:** LOT 5, BLOCK 1, LEISURE LAKE

Land	\$54,882.19
Timber	\$117.81
Improvements	\$0.00
Initial Price	\$55,000.00
Certified Assessments	\$0.00



This +/- 150' x 250' irregularly shaped parcel is timbered with about 150 front feet on Section Fourteen Lake. Parcel is zoned SMU-7 (Shoreland Multiple Use). Contact the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Department for permitted uses and zoning questions. Check with St. Louis County for any certified, pending or future assessments that may be reinstated. Any personal property remaining is part of the sale. Recording fee \$46.00 (Abstract).

ST. LOUIS COUNTY MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES, OR GUARANTEES WITH RESPECT TO ACCESS TO TAX FORFEITED LANDS SOLD. SUBJECT TO ALL EXISTING EASEMENTS OF RECORD AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY.

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 – 238

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: Request for 2021 State Aid
Advance

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

James T. Foldesi
Highway Engineer/Public Works Director

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide a safe, well maintained road and bridge system.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize an additional State Aid funding request from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for construction projects.

BACKGROUND:

In order to fund the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) construction program for 2021 as programmed, it is necessary to request an advance from the State Aid Regular Construction Account for St. Louis County in the amount of \$5,710,000. This is necessitated by the need for additional state aid advance funds for the resurfacing of SAP 069-629-007 CSAH 29, resurfacing of SAP 069-656-050 CSAH 56 (Morris Thomas Road), resurfacing of SAP 069-631-010 CSAH 31, and resurfacing of SAP 069-720-002 CSAH 120 (Morris Thomas Road).

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize an additional State Aid funding request from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) in the amount of \$5,710,000 for construction projects.

Request for 2021 State Aid Advance

BY COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is implementing County State Aid Construction Projects in 2021 which require State Aid funds in excess of those available in its State Aid Regular Construction Account; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is prepared to proceed with the construction of said projects through the use of an advance from the County State Aid Construction Fund to supplement the available funds in their State Aid Regular/Municipal Construction Account; and

WHEREAS, The advance is based on the following determination of estimated expenditures:

Project No. SAP 069-629-007	\$1,640,000
Project No. SAP 069-656-050	\$1,090,000
Project No. SAP 069-631-010	\$1,680,000
<u>Project No. SAP 069-720-002</u>	<u>\$1,300,000</u>
Total 2021 Advance Amount:	\$5,710,000

WHEREAS, Repayment of the funds so advanced will be made in accordance with the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 162.08, Subd. 5 & 7 and Minnesota Rules, Chapter 8820; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County acknowledges advance funds are released on a first-come-first-serve basis and this resolution does not guarantee the availability of funds.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Commissioner of Transportation be and is hereby requested to approve this advance for financing approved County State Aid Highway Projects of St. Louis County in an amount up to \$5,710,000 in accordance with Minnesota Rules 8820.1500, Subp. 9.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That St. Louis County hereby authorizes repayments from subsequent accruals to the Regular State Aid Construction Account of St. Louis County with repayment from the 2022 year allocation until fully repaid.

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 - 239

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: Coronavirus Relief Federal
Fund Certification and
Directing Staff to Develop
Programs to Address
Community Needs that may be
Funded from CARES Act
Proceeds

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To exercise responsible stewardship of county resources, to manage the overall county budget; and make budget recommendations to the County Board.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to certify to the Commissioner of Revenue that it will spend the aid distributions from the Coronavirus Relief Federal Fund consistent with the requirements of the federal CARES Act (Public Law 116-136).

BACKGROUND:

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress and signed into law on March 27, 2020. This \$2 trillion economic relief package provided funding to protect the American people from the public health and economic impacts of COVID-19.

Under this Act, it provided for payments to State, Local, and Tribal governments navigating the impact of COVID-19. It specifically provided funds to the State of Minnesota to be used for the relief of local governments for expenses that:

1. Are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19; and
2. Were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 for the state government; and
3. Were incurred during the period that begins of March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020.

The State of Minnesota and eligible units of government in Minnesota were allocated approximately \$2.2 billion under the Act. As of Thursday morning, the State had not yet passed a final bill as part of the special legislative session allocating funds to local units

of government. However, The Bill under consideration is proposed to provide St. Louis County with up to approximately \$24 million. The final allocation will most likely be based upon a per capita formula with a total pool ranging from \$667-841 million.

Once received, the County will need to distribute these funds back to the community or use to recover local government expenses related to its response to COVID-19. In addition to the identification of all of our direct costs that can be reimbursed, County staff has started identifying funding categories and programs that can be implemented to ensure that the funds are able to meet the immediate and personal need of residents, business owners, nonprofits, municipal and community partners.

There will most likely be a number of conditions, under the legislation, of which the County will be required to follow and meet. One such condition is the certification by the County that it will spend the aid distribution consistent with the requirements of the federal government CARES Act. The Board is being asked to certify its compliance with this condition in anticipation that it will be included in the final bill

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board certify to the Commissioner of Revenue that it will spend the aid distributions from the Coronavirus Relief Federal Fund consistent with the requirements of the federal CARES Act (Public Law 116-136).

**Coronavirus Relief Federal Fund Certification and Directing Staff to Develop
Programs to Address Community Needs that may be Funded from CARES Act
Proceeds**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, On or about March 27, 2020, President Donald J. Trump signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") into law; and

WHEREAS, The State of Minnesota is required to allocate a percentage of the monies received to local units of government; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is estimated to be eligible to receive up to approximately \$24 million from this Program; and

WHEREAS, Local units of government must submit certification that they shall spend the aid distributions consistent with the CARES Act in order to receive such funds from the State; and

WHEREAS, General guidance and regulations have been established on eligible uses for which government portions of the CARES Act funding may be expended as follows:

1. Are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19; and
2. Were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 for the state government; and
3. Were incurred during the period that begins of March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020.; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the County to ensure that it is eligible to receive these significant funds; and

WHEREAS, The Board supports the use of creative solutions and collaborative efforts to identify solutions and opportunities to share aid distributions throughout St. Louis County;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board certifies to the Commissioner of Revenue that it will spend the aid distributions from the Coronavirus Relief Federal Fund consistent with the requirements of the federal CARES Act (Public Law 116-136).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Administrator is directed to develop or expand programs, consistent with federal and state guidance and regulations as they become available, to address community needs that may be funded from CARES Act process for the Board's consideration.

BOARD LETTER NO. 20 - 227

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: June 9, 2020

RE: Repurchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – Donahue
(Homestead)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Mark Weber, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services while providing financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to approve an application to repurchase state tax forfeited land in the City of Winton.

BACKGROUND:

Minn. Stat. § 282.241 provides for state tax forfeited land to be repurchased by the previous owner subject to payment equivalent to the delinquent taxes and assessments, with penalties, interest, and maintenance costs. The homestead property to be repurchased forfeited to the State of Minnesota on November 7, 2019. James Donahue of Breckenridge, MI, has made application to repurchase this property and is eligible to repurchase the property.

If the County Board has good cause to believe that a repurchase installment payment plan for a particular parcel is unnecessary and not in the public interest, the County Board may require as a condition of repurchase that the entire repurchase price be paid at the time of repurchase.

The City of Winton has notified the former resident to clean up the property and comply with the City's blight ordinance. The property is considered a safety and health hazard,

and the Winton City Council is concerned that the former owner will not comply with the blight ordinance given the past history of ordinance violation.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the repurchase application of James Donahue of Breckenridge, MI, subject to payment in full and execution of a contract for deed to ensure site remediation actions and resolution of any county or municipal code violations are completed within 120 days. The repurchase is subject to the following payments: total taxes and assessments of \$3,397.20, deed tax of \$11.21, deed fee of \$25, recording fee of \$46, maintenance fee of \$81.90 for a total of \$4,061.31, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund); plus a service fee of \$500, to be deposited into Fund 100 (General Fund).

Repurchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Donahue (Homestead)

BY COMMISSIONER: _____

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

WHEREAS, The applicant, James Donahue of Breckenridge, MI, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

CITY OF WINTON
Lot 33
ST CROIX PLAT WINTON
190-0040-00330

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

WHEREAS, The City of Winton has provided documentation indicating this property has not been maintained and remediation actions are needed to comply with the local blight ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Resolution of homestead status and any county or municipal code violations ~~and~~ will become a condition of the repurchase; and

WHEREAS, It is in the public interest to require payment in full at the time of the repurchase and to enter into a contract for deed to ensure site remediation actions are completed within 120 days;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the repurchase application by James Donahue of Breckenridge, MI, on file in County Board File No.____, subject to payments including: total taxes and assessments of \$3,397.20, deed tax of \$11.21, deed fee of \$25, recording fee of \$46, maintenance fee of \$81.90, for a total of \$4,061.31, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund); plus a service fee of \$500, to be deposited into Fund 100 (General Fund).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board requires payment in full at the time of the repurchase.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board requires the applicant to enter into a contract for deed to ensure site remediation actions are completed, homestead status is correctly reported, and any county or municipal code violations are resolved within 120 days of executing the contract for deed.

Mark Weber

From: Kathy Brandau <brandauplumbing@midco.net>
Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2020 10:22 AM
To: Mark Weber; Anne Jackson
Subject: Re: Property at 436 Main Street North In Winton

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Dear Mr. Weber,

I am writing to you in regards to the property at 436 Main Street North in Winton. I understand this is a Tax Forfeit property. It was brought to my attention that Jamie Donahue was living at the residence and on April 21, 2020 Deputy Chris Anderson was on site and had her vacate the property. She stated she paid a portion of the back real estate taxes. St. Louis County Commissioner Paul McDonald did some searching and found that no such payments were received by the County.

I do not want to see this property revert back to the owner. They have done nothing to clean up the property over the past 3 years and it is a hazard to our community. I was told that since it is a Tax Forfeit property the County will begin cleanup this Spring.

My recommendation is to continue as a Tax Forfeit property and proceed as planned.

If you have any questions and would like to discuss this matter, I can be reached at 218-343-3008.

Sincerely,
Kathy Brandau
Mayor, City of Winton

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JAN 21 2020

LAND COMMISSIONER

City of Winton
102 N. Main Street
Winton, MN 55796
wintoncityclerk@gmail.com
(218) 365-5941

January 15, 2020

Stacy Melcher, Senior Planner
St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department
320 W. 2nd Street, Room 302
Duluth, MN 55802

RE: Tax Forfeit parcel 190 40 330

Dear Stacy:

Enclosed is the City of Winton blight ordinance and correspondence between Josh Donohue and the City of Winton, as well as letters to Commissioner McDonald and the St. Louis Health Department regarding the terrible condition of the parcel. Josh Donohue is the grandson of the owner, James Donohue. Josh Donohue has been representing himself to the Winton Council as the new owner of this property for several years. He stated that his grandfather was giving the property to him. James Donohue currently lives in Michigan.

As you can see from the history of correspondence, several attempts have been made to Josh to clean this property and comply with the blight ordinance. The property remains a virtual junkyard, devaluing the residential area. Mayor Brandau had correspondence and calls to James Donohue, grandfather, at the time she sent the notices to Commissioner McDonald and the Health Department.

At the January 2020 Winton City Council meeting, a motion was made to reject any purchase of this parcel by the City and to refuse the current owner of the parcel a redemption of the parcel by payment of the back taxes. The Council feels the owner will not comply with the blight ordinance, given the past history.

Sincerely,



Anne Jackson
Winton City Clerk

CITY OF WINTON

Ordinance #46

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING CAUSES OF BLIGHT AND BLIGHTING FACTORS

The City Council of the City of Winton hereby ordains:

Section 1: FINDINGS AND PURPOSE

It is hereby determined that the uses, structures and activities, and causes of blight and blighting factors described herein, if allowed to exist, will tend to result in blighted and undesirable neighborhoods, so as to be harmful to the public welfare, health, and safety of residents. From the effective date of this ordinance, no person, firm, or corporation shall maintain or be permitted to maintain any causes of blight or blighting factors upon any property in the City of Winton that is owned, leased, rented, or occupied by such person, firm or corporation.

Section 2: DEFINITIONS

1. **"Junk automobile"** shall include any motor vehicle, part of a motor vehicle, or former motor vehicle, stored in the open, which is not currently licensed for use upon the highways of the State of Minnesota and is either
 - a) Unusable or inoperable because of lack of, or defects in, component parts; or
 - b) Unusable or inoperable because of damage from collision, deterioration alteration or other factors; or
 - c) Beyond repair and, therefore, not intended for future use as a motor vehicle; or
 - d) Being retained on property for possible salvageable parts.

A classic car or pioneer car, as defined pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 168.10 shall not be considered a junk automobile within the meaning of this ordinance. Vehicles on the premises of automobile graveyards, which are maintained and licensed pursuant to Minn. Stat. 161.242, or pursuant to the local zoning laws and regulations of the City of Winton, shall not be considered junk automobiles with the meaning of this ordinance.

2. **"Automobile graveyard"** means any establishment or place of business, which is maintained, used or operated for storing, keeping, buying or selling wrecked, scraped, ruined, or dismantled motor vehicles or motor vehicle parts.

3. **"Junk"** means old or scrap copper, brass, rope, rags, batteries, papers, synthetic or organic trash, rubber debris or tires; junked, dismantled, or wrecked automobiles; farm construction machinery or parts thereof; iron, steel and other old scrapped ferrous or non-ferrous materials; used stoves or other appliances stored in the open; discarded furniture; decayed, weathered, or broken construction materials which are no longer suitable for sale.
4. **"Abandoned motor vehicle"** means every vehicle which is self-propelled, not including a vehicle moved solely by human power, that has remained for a period of more than 48 hours upon public property illegally, or lacking vital component parts, or has remained for a period of more than 48 hours on private property without the prior consent of the person in control of such property, or in an inoperable condition such that it has no substantial potential of further use consistent with its usual functions.
5. **"Nuisance"** means anything injurious to health, or indecent or offensive to the senses, or an obstruction to the free use of property, so as to interfere with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property.

The following are declared Public Nuisances affecting Public Peace and Safety:

- a) All snow and ice not removed from public right of ways within 48 hours after the snow or other precipitation causing the condition has ceased to fall;
- b) All trees, hedges, signs, or other obstructions which prevent persons from having a clear view of all traffic approaching an intersection;
- c) All hanging signs, awnings and other similar structures over streets and sidewalks, or so situated so as to endanger public safety, or not constructed and maintained as provided by Ordinance;
- d) All obnoxious and unnecessary noises in violation of Minnesota Statute 116.07 Subd. 2-4 or Minnesota Pollution Control Rules Section 7010.0010-7010.0080;
- e) Unauthorized obstructions and excavations affecting the ordinary use by the public streets, alleys, or public grounds.
- f) Any wire fence less than four feet above ground and within three feet of a public sidewalk or way or any limbs of trees which are so close to the surface of the street or sidewalk as to constitute a danger to pedestrians or vehicles;

- g) Any well, hole, or similar excavation which is left uncovered or in such other condition as to constitute hazard to any child or other person coming on the premises where it is located;
- h) Obstruction to the free flow of water in a natural waterway or a public street drain, gutter, or ditch;
- i) The placing or throwing on any public right of way, or other public property of any glass, tacks, nails, bottles, or other substance which may injure any person or animal or damage any tire when passing over such substances;
- j) The depositing of garbage or refuse on a public right-of-way or on adjacent private property;
- k) The depositing of all household garbage in all City park containers;
- l) Accumulations in the open of discarded or disused machinery, household appliances, automobile bodies, or other materials, in a manner conducive to the harboring of rats, mice, or vermin; or the rank growth of vegetation in a manner creating fire, health or safety hazards from such accumulation;
- m) All other conditions or things which are likely to cause injury to the person or property of anyone.

Section 3: PROHIBITED BUSINESSES

No person, firm, or corporations shall operate a junkyard or an automobile graveyard in the City of Winton, except where expressly permitted by the City of Winton zoning law and regulations.

Section 4: STORAGE OR ACCUMULATION OF JUNK OR JUNK AUTOS

The storage or accumulation of junk or junk automobiles shall not be kept outside of an enclosed structure, and is hereby prohibited. Building materials may be kept outside or in an enclosed structure for a maximum of 30 days following the expiration of the building permit for which such material has been acquired.

Section 5: NUISANCES FROM STORAGE OR ACCUMULATION OF JUNK

The storage or accumulation of junk, trash, rubbish, or other refuse of any kind, which is stored or accumulated in such a manner as to create a nuisance for a period of more than 30 days, is hereby prohibited.

Section 6: PROHIBITED STRUCTURES

The existence of a structure which because of fire, wind, natural disaster, or physical deterioration is no longer suitable for dwelling, nor useful for any other purpose intended, is prohibited within the City of Winton if such existence occurs for a period of more than 30 days.

Section 7: VACANT BUILDINGS

The existence of any vacant building, garage, or other out-building, is prohibited within any area zoned for residential purposes within the City of Winton unless such building is kept securely locked, windows kept glazed, or neatly boarded up, and is otherwise protected to prevent entrance thereto by vandals.

Section 8: MANURE STORAGE

No person, firm, or corporation shall allow any manure to be kept or stored upon any property within the City of Winton except for agricultural or horticultural purposes except in areas where animals or fowl are permitted.

Section 9: STORAGE OF REFUSE AND DEBRIS

No person, firm, or corporation shall allow any tin cans, garbage, ashes, trash, rubbish, or other refuse or debris which is not contained in an odor and fly-tight covered receptacle, to accumulate on any privately owned premises or to dump or throw said materials on private or public property not set aside for such purposes within the City of Winton.

Section 10: ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

Subd. 1. The owner and the occupant of any property upon which any of the causes of blight or blight factors set forth hereof are found to exist, shall be notified, in writing, by the City Clerk or other designated officer to remove or present a plan to eliminate such causes of blight or blighting factors from such property within ten (10) days after the receipt of notice of violation. Such notice may be served personally or by return receipt requested mail.

Subd. 2. Failure to comply with such notice within the time allowed shall constitute a violation of this Ordinance.

Subd. 3. Any person convicted of violating any provision of this ordinance is guilty of maintaining a public nuisance, which is a petty misdemeanor and shall be imposed of a fine not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300.00).

Subd. 4. The property owner may appeal said order to the Winton City Council provided that any appeal must be submitted in writing to the City of Winton no later than ten (10) days following receipt of notice of violation.

Subd. 5. If the property owner requests an appeal in compliance with the provisions established by this Ordinance, a hearing before the City of Winton Council shall be scheduled. Following said hearing, the City Council shall by resolution determine whether the violation is evident. Upon finding of a violation, the City Council shall order that the cited conditions be removed, corrected, stored or eliminated within ten (10) days.

Subd. 6. Upon further non-compliance or non-payment of the fine; the City may authorize City personal or other authorized personal to correct the violation, including removal of junk cars or property deemed to be a hazard. The cost of correction or removal shall be assessed to the property owner's property tax levy.

Subd. 7. The minimum time periods required for compliance may be extended by the City Council if extraordinary or unusual conditions exist which preclude the property owner from complying with the provisions established by this Ordinance.

Section 11: PUBLIC COMPLAINTS

In order to assist the City in investigating the existence of a public nuisance as defined in Section 2 of this Ordinance, complaints to the City of the existence of conditions which are believed to be a public nuisance may be submitted to the City Clerk or other designated officer, in writing, and containing the following information:

1. The complete address of the property upon which the alleged public nuisance exists and the conditions which the complainant believe to be a public nuisance; and
6. Signatures of all persons who own property adjoining the property having the alleged condition, or signatures of a majority of persons who own property located within 100ft of the property having to alleged condition. For purposes of this Section, the signature of one person who owns a parcel of land jointly with other shall be deemed the signature of all joint owners of that parcel.

Section 12: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication.

Passed By the City Council this 1 day of May, 2006.

Attest: Anne Jackson
City Clerk

Lee Tessier
Mayor

**City of Winton
PO Box 163
Winton, MN 55796
wintoncityclerk@gmail.com
(218) 365-5941**

September 6, 2018

Josh Donohue
350 W. Chapman St.
Ely, MN 55796

RE: removal of trailer and junk cars

Dear Josh:

At the September Winton City Council Meeting, the subject of your trailer and junk cars was discussed. You had told the Council last Spring that the trailer and cars would be removed by the end of this summer. You even indicated that you would be renting a large dumpster and clearing the yard around your house. It is now the end of summer and the trailer, junk automobiles and yard clean-up has not been done.

The City will be enforcing Ordinance 46, "An Ordinance prohibiting causes of blight and blighting factors" in the City of Winton. You will soon be sent a notice of violation. Enclosed is a copy of Ordinance 46.

Sincerely,

Anne Jackson
Winton City Clerk

**City of Winton
PO Box 163
Winton, MN 55796**

September 18, 2018

Josh Donohue
350 W. Chapman Street
Ely, MN 55731

RE: Notification to Proceed with Blight ordinance 46.

Dear Josh:

At the September 4, 2018 Winton City Council Meeting, the blight ordinance was discussed. Your residence at 436 N. Main Street is clearly in violation of the ordinance and has been discussed with you during this past year. You indicated that the abandoned trailer and cars would be removed this summer. You have not followed your plan of removal.

The blight is a health hazard as well as a devaluation of the property. There have been numerous complaints regarding your blight.

This letter is notification of the City's intent to proceed with Ordinance 46, Section 10, Subd. 1. You have 10 days to respond or appeal this notification in writing with your plan of removal, at which time a hearing on the violation will be scheduled with the City Council. Subd. 5.

If you have any questions regarding this notification, please contact the City Clerk at 365-5941 or Mayor at 218 (343) 3008.

Sincerely,

Kathy Brandau
Mayor

**City of Winton
102 N. Main Street
Winton, MN 55796
wintoncityclerk@gmail.com
365-5941**

April 15, 2019

Josh Donohue
436 N. Main Street
Winton, MN 55796

350 W. Chapman Street
Ely, MN 55731

RE: Blight at 436 N. Main Street, Winton, MN.

Dear Josh:

At the April Meeting of the Winton City Council, the condition of your property was discussed. It was noted that you did not do the clean-up of this property that you indicated would be done by the end of 2018. There still is the trailer, cars and junk on the property. You have been notified that this is a safety and health hazard in the City of Winton.

The Council needs a response and removal plan by the next Council Meeting, May 6, 2019. The Blight Ordinance has been sent to you several times, and includes an enforcement action. The Council is prepared to enforce the ordinance if no action is taken on removing your blight.

Please respond to this notice before the May 6, Council Meeting.

Sincerely,

Kathy Brandau
Mayor

CC: Paul McDonald, St. Louis County Commissioner
St. Louis Department of Public Health

City of Winton
P.O. Box 163
Winton, Mn 55796

May 3, 2019

Paul McDonald, St. Louis County Commissioner
320 Mners Drive East
Ely, Mn 55731

Re: Blight at 436 North Main Street in Winton

Dear Mr. McDonald,

Enclosed is the letter I wrote to one of our residents, Josh Donohue, who owns the home at 436 North Main Street in Winton.

The house is in very bad condition and is in violation of our current Blight Ordinance. Mr. Donohue has been given several months to complete the clean up of this property which has junk cars and a trailer in the rear of the property that is in ruins.

I would like for you to drive by this property and see for yourself what a disaster it is and what a hazard it is if children were to decide to play around there. I am looking for a recommendation on how the County can help the City of Winton with clearing and cleaning up this property.

I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Kathy Brandau
Mayor, City of Winton

Cc: City of Winton Clerk, Anne Jackson
St. Louis Department of Health

City of Winton
P.O. Box 163
Winton, Mn 55796

May 3, 2019

St. Louis County Public Health Department
307 First Street South
Virginia, Mn 55792

Re: Blight at 436 North Main Street in Winton

To Whom it May Concern:

Enclosed is the letter I wrote to one of our residents, Josh Donohue, who owns the home at 436 North Main Street in Winton.

The house is in very bad condition and is in violation of our current Blight Ordinance. Mr. Donohue has been given several months to complete the clean up of this property which has junk cars and a trailer in the rear of the property that is in ruins.

It would be great if you could see this property and see for yourself what a disaster it is and what a hazard it is if children were to decide to play around there. I am looking for a recommendation on how the County can help the City of Winton with clearing and cleaning up this property.

I have also written to our St. Louis County Commissioner, Mr. Paul McDonald, so he is aware of this issue as well.

I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Kathy Brandau
Mayor, City of Winton

Cc: City of Winton Clerk, Anne Jackson
Paul McDonald, St. Louis County Commissioner



REPURCHASE APPLICATION

Tax Forfeited Lands

St. Louis County, Minnesota

4000

PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 282.241, the undersigned hereby makes application to repurchase from the State of Minnesota the following described land, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 282.241, as amended; said land is situated in St. Louis County, Minnesota, and more particularly described as follows:

PROPERTY

Parcel Identification Number(s) (PIN)	190-0040-00330	RECEIVED MAY 12 2020
Physical Street Address 436 Main St N	Legal Description Lot 33, ST CROIX PLAT WINTON	
City Winton	State MN	ZIP 55796

APPLICANT

LAND COMMISSIONER

Applicant Name (First, Middle, Last, Suffix) James E. Donahue	Daytime Phone # 989-272-6905	Mobile #
Applicant Name (First, Middle, Last, Suffix) Jamie L. Donahue	Email jimsbait436@hotmail.com	
Mailing Address 303 E. Sexton	City Breckenridge	State MI
		ZIP 48615

Applicant states and shows that at the time of the forfeiture to the State, he/she was (please check one):

- ☒ Owner
☐ Heir(s) of the owner
☐ Representative or devisee of owner
☐ Person to whom the right to pay taxes is given by statute, mortgage or other agreement
(Provide documentation with application)

REPURCHASE JUSTIFICATION

Based on the following information, the County Board will determine how undue hardship or injustice resulting from the tax forfeiture will be corrected by the repurchase; or how the repurchase will best serve the public interest.

1. List all individuals or entities that are eligible to repurchase the parcel(s). Must provide legal documentation.

James E. Donahue - owner (previous)
Jamie L. Donahue - Daughter

Who is Eligible to Repurchase: MN Statute 282.241, Subdivision 1. Repurchase requirements: The owner at the time of forfeiture, or the owner's heirs, devisees, or representatives, or any person to whom the right to pay taxes was given by statute, mortgage, or other agreement, may repurchase any parcel of land claimed by the state to be forfeited to the state for taxes unless before the time repurchase is made the parcel is sold under installment payments, or otherwise, by the state as provided by law, or is under mineral prospecting permit or lease, or proceedings have been commenced by the state or any of its political subdivisions or by the United States to condemn the parcel of land.

2. Describe when and how you first became aware of any tax delinquency and explain by each year, why the property taxes were not paid.

I always kept my Taxes paid until my wife was diagnosed with cancer and died in 2013.
I moved out in 2016 and left the property in my daughter Jill's care. She had intentions of renovating the house for a family retreat. However her son was born with severe life threatening medical problems - over

And The property was put out of mind.

My grandson then attempted To take over the property but proved to be unable to get anything accomplished and ultimately made it worse.

He had told us he was paying some of the taxes but failed to do so.

Now, My daughter Jamie has the money and the will to try and get the place livable and have a home.

3. Did the tax forfeiture create an undue hardship or injustice for you?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	If no, skip to #5.
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4. If your answer to question #3 is "Yes," please answer the following:

A. Explain how the tax forfeiture created an undue hardship or injustice for you.

It has left my daughter Jamie with no home to live in. The trailer out back was her home but it was destroyed by vandals and now needs demolished and removed.

B. If approved to repurchase, explain how the undue hardship or injustice will be corrected.

My daughter ^{Jamie} will have the main house as her permanent home.

5. Explain, in detail, how allowing you to repurchase the parcel will promote the use of the land that will best serve the public interest.

The property will be cleaned up of debris and junk and will add to the city as a home with citizens that will contribute to the community. My wife and I had a small bait shop there for many years, and we also had a lawn service. We were well respected and liked in Winton and Ely.

WELLS (Please check the appropriate box below)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> There are no wells on this property	<input type="checkbox"/> There are one or more wells on this property (See enclosed well disclosure information sheet)
<input type="checkbox"/> No change since last well certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> Well disclosure completed - \$50.00 enclosed (Check Payable to St. Louis County Auditor)

MILITARY SERVICE

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Are you currently in active military service?
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If you have been discharged within the last 6 months, provide discharge date and attach documentation. Discharge Date:

DEED NAME(S)			
Applicant must be an eligible repurchaser and requests that repurchase be made in the name of: (If more than two, attach additional list.)			
Name (First, Middle, Last, Suffix) <i>James E. Donahue</i>			
Name (First, Middle, Last, Suffix) <i>Jamie L. Donahue</i>			
Mailing Address <small>Where to send deed, contract for deed, billings, tax statements, etc.</small> <i>303 E. Sexton</i>		City <i>Breckenridge</i>	State <i>MI</i>
		ZIP <i>48615</i>	
Ownership (For Deed Purposes) Check One <input type="checkbox"/> Single Ownership <input type="checkbox"/> Co-ownership: Joint Tenancy <input type="checkbox"/> Co-ownership: Tenancy in Common <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Co-ownership: Other			
If more than one applicant, what is your relationship? <i>Father - Daughter</i>			
AGREEMENT AND SIGNATURE			
Applicant offers to pay upon such repurchase, by check or money order, as directed by the St. Louis County Board, the full price of repurchase as stated above, the terms of which will be stated by the contract and required by law.			
If I am allowed to repurchase the parcel, I understand that there will be conditions on the repurchase, including, but not limited to the following: A. To combine any split tax parcels across structure or property into common ownership. B. To pay all county-incurred maintenance costs and administrative fees related to the tax forfeiture of the parcel prior to the repurchase. C. To pay and keep current all taxes and assessments. D. To keep and maintain property insurance on structures for the life of the contract for deed. E. To comply with all state and local code requirements. F. To not remove any structure, minerals, sand, gravel, topsoil, subsoil, peat, timber or timber products until the contract for deed has been paid in full.			
In submitting this application, I understand that it will be disclosed to the County Board as part of a resolution, and that all of the contents of this application will become accessible to any member of the public, and that the County may use any data or information provided for communication and other uses as needed.			
Signature <i>James E. Donahue</i>		Date <i>5/7/2020</i>	
Signature <i>Jamie L. Donahue</i>		Date <i>5/7/2020</i>	
CONTACT			
St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department Government Services Center 320 West 2nd Street, Suite 302 Duluth, MN 55802		EMAIL: landdept@stlouiscountymn.gov PHONE: (218) 726-2606 FAX: (218) 726-2600 WEB: stlouiscountymn.gov	

Incomplete Applications: All application questions must be filled in for this repurchase application to be complete. All incomplete applications will be returned to applicant to be completed and resubmitted.

Contact our office at 218-726-2606 for the current amount due, which increases monthly.

OFFICE USE ONLY		
TAX DELINQUENCY		
Taxes became delinquent in (Year):	<i>2015</i>	
Taxes remained delinquent and unpaid for the subsequent years of:	<i>2016, 2017, 2018, + 2019</i>	
REPURCHASE COSTS (Check Payable to St. Louis County Auditor)		
That pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, the total cost of the repurchase is:	<i>\$4,061.31</i>	Thru: <i>5/15/2020</i>
This amount is the greater value of all delinquent taxes and assessments computed under Section 282.241 and 282.251, together with all accrued interest and penalties, including fees and maintenance costs.		



St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

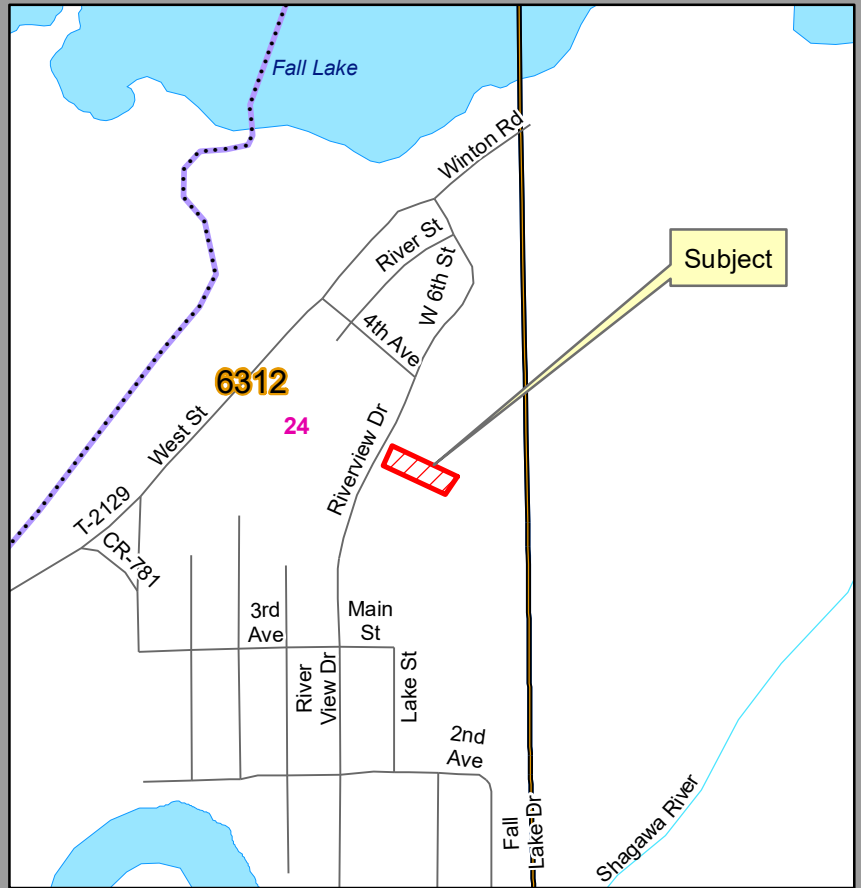
Repurchase of Property

Legal : CITY OF WINTON
Lot 33, ST CROIX PLAT WINTON

Parcel Code : 190-0040-00330






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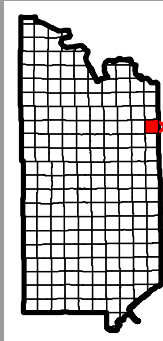
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WINTON, MN 55796



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Commissioner District # 4

-  State Tax Forfeited Land
-  Water
-  Road
-  Area of Interest
-  Tract



St. Louis County, Minnesota

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**St. Louis County
Land and Minerals Department**

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