

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, MINNESOTA,
HELD ON MAY 5, 2015**

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of St. Louis, Minnesota, met this 5th day of May 2015, at 9:32 a.m., at the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, Minnesota, with the following members present: Commissioners Frank Jewell, Patrick Boyle, Chris Dahlberg, Tom Rukavina, Keith Nelson, Steve Raukar, and Chair Pete Stauber - 7. Absent: None - 0.

Chair Stauber asked for a moment of silence to pray for the safety of service men and women, their families, and for all innocent victims of war and acts of terrorism followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Jewell stepped out of the meeting from 9:34 a.m. to 9:36 a.m.

Chair Stauber then opened the meeting to persons who wanted to address the Board concerning issues not on the agenda. Duluth City Councilor Sharla Gardner discussed concerns she had with the inclusion of Park Point parcel 010-4400-01330 (Tract 9) in the St. Louis County Land sale being held on June 11, 2015. Todd Youngberg, of Duluth, discussed concerns he had regarding a railroad crossing near his property and various concerns he had after last addressing the St. Louis County Board on March 3, 2015. County Attorney Mark Rubin stated that Assistant County Attorney Kim Maki would be available to discuss Mr. Youngberg's concerns.

Commissioner Raukar, supported by Commissioner Nelson, moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.

Commissioner Dahlberg, supported by Commissioner Nelson, moved to authorize the County Auditor to offer the parcels described in County Board File No. 60109 at public sale for not less than the basic sale price in accordance with terms set forth in the Land and Minerals Department policy, and in a manner provided for by law, on Thursday, June 11, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. at the St. Louis County Heritage & Arts Center (Depot), 506 W. Michigan St., Duluth, MN. Chair Stauber then opened the meeting to persons who wanted to address the Board regarding the land sale. David Johnson, of Duluth, discussed the history of parcel 010-4400-01300 (Tract 9) and said he felt the parcel should be held in conservation. Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Boyle, offered an amendment to remove parcel 010-4400-01300 (Tract 9) from the land sale. Commissioner Rukavina stepped out of the meeting from 10:15 a.m. to 10:18 a.m. Commissioner Boyle stepped out of the meeting from 10:21 a.m. to 10:22 a.m. Commissioner Dahlberg stepped out of the meeting from 10:28 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. St. Louis County Attorney Mark Rubin discussed Board Resolution No. 15-103, which was passed on February 17, 2015. Attorney Rubin said that amending the current resolution was contrary to the language contained in Resolution No. 15-103. If the Board approves the amendment, Attorney Rubin recommended that the Board consider rescinding Board Resolution No. 15-103. The meeting recessed from 11:04 a.m. to 11:13 a.m.

After further discussion, Commissioner Nelson moved to call the question. The meeting recessed from 11:22 a.m. to 11:25 a.m. After returning from recess, Commissioner Stauber stated that

Attorney Rubin said a 2/3 vote of the Board would be required to call the question. A roll-call vote was taken and the motion to call the question failed; two yeas (Dahlberg, Nelson), five nays (Jewell, Boyle, Rukavina, Raukar, Stauber). After further discussion, a roll-call vote was taken regarding the amendment to remove parcel 010-4400-01300 (Tract 9) from the land sale. The motion failed; three yeas (Jewell, Boyle, Rukavina), four nays (Dahlberg, Nelson, Raukar, Stauber).

Commissioner Raukar, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to amend the resolution to remove parcel 010-4400-01210 (Tract 8) from the land sale. After further discussion, a roll-call vote was taken and the motion passed; four yeas (Jewell, Boyle, Rukavina, Raukar), three nays (Dahlberg, Nelson, Stauber).

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Chair Stauber, moved to rescind Board Resolution No. 15-103. Commissioner Boyle stepped out of the meeting from 12:17 p.m. to 12:18 p.m. Dave Johnson, of Duluth, addressed the Board and stated that Park Point residents were hopeful that parcel 010-4400-01330 (Tract 9) and not parcel 010-4400-01210 (Tract 8) would be removed from the sale. Mr. Johnson said parcel 010-4400-01210 (Tract 8) was more ready for development and he felt that parcel 010-4400-01330 (Tract 9) was a more significant piece of land and should be held in conservation. After further discussion, Commissioner Nelson, supported by Chair Stauber, withdrew the motion to rescind Board Resolution No. 15-103. The meeting recessed from 12:30 p.m. to 12:38 p.m.

Commissioner Raukar, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to reconsider the amendment to remove parcel 010-4400-01210 (Tract 8) from the land sale. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays. Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Raukar, moved to remove parcel 010-4400-01330 (Tract 9) from the June land sale and include the parcel for sale at the October 2015 land sale. After further discussion, the motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays. The amended motion to approve the land sale passed; seven yeas, zero nays. Resolution No. 15-275.

The following Board and contract files were created as a result of documents received at this Board meeting:

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Gottschald, Human Resources Director, submitting Board Letter No. 15-173, Civil Service Supervisory Unit Agreement: 2015-2016.—60103

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Gottschald, Human Resources Director, submitting Board Letter No. 15-174, Deputy Sheriff Supervisory Unit Agreement: 2015-2016.—60104

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Gottschald, Human Resources Director, submitting Board Letter No. 15-175, Management Compensation Plan, Health Plan Updates and Salary Range Adjustments.—60105

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Gottschald, Human Resources Director, submitting Board Letter No. 15-176, Unrepresented Employees' Compensation Plan, Health Plan Updates and Salary Range Adjustments.—60106

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Gottschald, Human Resources Director, submitting Board Letter No. 15-177, Confidential Public Employees Association Agreement.—60107

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Jim Foldesi, Public Works Director/Highway Engineer, and James Gottschald, Human Resources Director, submitting Board Letter No. 15-178, Four Day Work Week – Teamster’s (2015-2016).—60108

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Mark Weber, Land and Minerals Director, and Donald Dicklich, County Auditor/Treasurer, submitting Board Letter No. 15-164, Public Sale of State Tax Forfeited Properties on June 11, 2015.—60109

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15474, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Fond du Lac Reservation, Cloquet, MN, for Child Protective Services during the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.—15-293

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15484, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Thomas Allen, Inc., West St. Paul, MN, for Delegated Case Management during the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.—15-294

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15485, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Cover-All Construction, Duluth, MN, for Environmental Accessibility Adaptation.—15-295

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15486, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and National Business Systems, Inc., Eagan, MN, for Scanning of Public Health and Human Services Department’s files stored at the Duluth Arvig Facility during the period April 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.—15-296

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15488, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Mike Thelen, Gilbert, MN, for Chore Services during the period March 1, 2015 through May 31, 2015.—15-297

Upon motion by Commissioner Raukar, supported by Commissioner Nelson, resolutions numbered 15-245 through 15-274, as submitted on the consent agenda, were unanimously adopted as follows:

BY COMMISSIONER RAUKAR:

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of April 28, 2015, are hereby approved.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-245

WHEREAS, Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency (AEOA) currently provides volunteer driver coordination services to St. Louis County as well as most other Northeast Minnesota counties; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services Department does not have the resources to replicate, on an ongoing basis, the quality and scope of services that AEOA already offers related to volunteer driver transportation; and

WHEREAS, AEOA has adequate systems and personnel capacity in place to continue providing this service to St. Louis County;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Health and Human Services Department to contract with Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency for the provision of volunteer driver coordination services for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 at a cost of \$3,500 per month, for a total of \$42,000, payable from Fund 230, Agency 232005, Object 635500.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-246

WHEREAS, When the State of Minnesota closed the Moose Lake Regional Treatment Center, the state established and funded the Region III Adult Mental Health Initiative (AMHI); and

WHEREAS, This initiative was charged with the development of community based services for those persons relocated from the Moose Lake facility; and

WHEREAS, The state funding for the Region III AMHI has supported services to individuals with mental illness including the services of two state employees (State Operated Services - SOS): one SOS employee in northern St. Louis County and one SOS employee in southern St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The state is discontinuing these SOS employees no later than July 1, 2015; however, should the incumbent retire or leave, the state will not rehire but instead provide funding to allow the county to hire a replacement county employee; and

WHEREAS, On December 2, 2014, the County Board adopted Resolution No. 14-664 approving the conversion of the northern based employee when that individual retired; and

WHEREAS, The SOS southern based employee has now retired and the Public Health and Human Services Department would like to convert the position to a county employee; and

WHEREAS, The Region III AMHI has agreed to fund the position from the annual AMHI grant funds provided by the State of Minnesota, Department of Human Services;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Health and Human Services Department to replace one State Operated Services employee by increasing the complement of social workers by one FTE, at an annual cost of \$72,000, to provide adult mental health case management services to eligible residents from St. Louis County;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That should the state funding be discontinued, this FTE will be eliminated from the Department's FTE complement.

Budget References:

230-232006-610100-99999-999999999-9999

230-232006-550727-99999-999999999-9999

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-247

WHEREAS, The 2015 Land and Minerals Department budget includes funding for treating 1,232 acres with mechanical site scarification by disc trench on state tax forfeited lands in the summer of 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Purchasing Division solicited bids for mechanical site scarification by disc trench with Future Forests, Inc., of Askov, MN, submitting the only bid in the amount of \$120,736;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute a contract with Future Forests, Inc., of Askov, MN, for the mechanical site scarification by disc trench on 1,232 acres, in accordance with the specifications of Bid No. 5235, subject to approval of the County Attorney, at its bid price \$120,736, payable from

WHEREAS, Buyers of lots in the proposed plat of Before Long must cross state tax forfeited land; and

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

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

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4, and Minn. Stat. § 507.47 authorize the St. Louis County Auditor to impose easements across state tax forfeited land for such purposes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to impose an access easement to access lots in the plat of Before Long across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No. 60012.

WHEREAS, Minnesota Session Laws, 2012, Chapter 236, Section 28, authorizes St. Louis County to sell state tax forfeited shoreland parcels currently under lease, and directs that the parcels be surveyed, appraised and offered for sale to the current lease holder; and

WHEREAS, The final print of Leisure Lake has been submitted and conforms with the requirements of the St. Louis County Surveyor;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board grants final approval to the plat of Leisure Lake, located in sections 13, 14, 23 and 24, Unorganized Township 56-16.

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 1(c), allows for small amounts of timber not exceeding \$3,000 in appraised valuation to be sold directly without first publishing notice of sale or calling for bids; and

WHEREAS, United States Steel (U.S. Steel) needed to harvest timber in the NE ¼ of the SW ¼, Section 1, Township 58 North, Range 18 West, in March 2015 to facilitate the extension of its Minntac Mine; and

WHEREAS, The State of Minnesota in trust for the taxing districts has a 13.9% interest in the surface ownership of the parcel to be logged; and

WHEREAS, Due to the time constraints of U.S. Steel, the Land and Minerals Department was not able to seek County Board approval before harvest;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to sell the 13.9% state tax forfeited timber interest to United States Steel (U.S. Steel) in the NE ¼ of the SW ¼, Section 1, Township 58 North, Range 18 West, at an appraised value of \$2,067.82, less \$200 for timber sale preparation and administration costs bore by U.S. Steel.

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

WHEREAS, The applicant, Jess Michael Koski of Duluth, MN, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

TOWN OF ALDEN

NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4
SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 53 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST
Parcel Code: 210-0010-06530; and

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

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the repurchase application by Jess Michael Koski of Duluth, MN, on file in County Board File No. 60090, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$10,201.08, service fee of \$114, deed tax of \$33.66, deed fee of \$25, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$10,419.74, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-252

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Laws of Minnesota, 2012, Chapter 236, Section 26, St. Louis County may sell by private sale the following described state tax forfeited land to remedy an inadvertent trespass:

Legal: Town of Cherry
NE1/4 OF SW1/4 EX PART S OF RY R/W & EX 5.15 AC N OF RY R/W EX BEG
588 FT S OF NE COR ON E LINE; THENCE N 79 DEG 57' 49" W 775 FT TO ELY
R.O.W. OF CO HWY 451; THENCE NLY & ELY ALONG R.O.W. TO ELY LINE OF
FORTY; THENCE S ALONG E LINE 516 FT TO PT OF BEG
SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 57 NORTH, RANGE 19 WEST
Parcel Code: 290-0010-00990
Acres: 3.57; and

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

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax forfeited land, as described, to Michael Damjanovich for the appraised value of \$5,850 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$175.50, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$19.30, recording fee of \$46, and survey costs of \$620, for a total of \$6,735.80, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-253

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Laws of Minnesota, 2014, Chapter 217, Section 30, St. Louis County may sell by private sale the following described state tax forfeited land to remedy an inadvertent trespass:

Legal: Town of Cotton
LOT 5
SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 54 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST
Parcel Code: 305-0010-01125
Acres: 2; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has been classified as non-conservation land pursuant to

Minn. Stat. § 282.01; and

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax forfeited land, as described, to Jeffrey Bowden for the appraised value of \$1,200 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$36, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$3.96, recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$1,310.96, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-254

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Laws of Minnesota, 2014, Chapter 217, Section 28, St. Louis County may sell by private sale the following described state tax forfeited land to remedy an inadvertent trespass:

Legal: Town of Sandy
S 70 FT OF E 313 FT OF NE ¼ OF NW ¼
SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 60 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST
Parcel Code: 525-0020-00575
Acres: 2; and

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

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax forfeited land, as described, to John Vukmanich for the appraised value of \$1,200 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$36, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$3.96, recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$1,310.96, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-255

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Laws of Minnesota, 2014, Chapter 217, Section 28, St. Louis County may sell by private sale the following described state tax forfeited land to remedy an inadvertent trespass:

Legal: Town of Industrial
ELY 165 FT OF NW1/4 OF NE1/4
SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 51 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST
Parcel Code: 400-0010-03151
Acres: 5; and

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax forfeited land, as described, to Stanley Lamb for the appraised value of \$8,000 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$240, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$26.40, recording fee of \$46, appraisal fee of \$325, for a total of \$8,662.40, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-256

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

CP 0710-187006, BR 851, for project materials for a bridge on County Road 710 in Hibbing, MN, length 0.1 miles; and

WHEREAS, Bids were received in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex in Duluth, MN and the low responsible bid determined;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the bid for Concrete Culverts:

<u>LOW BID</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Hancock Concrete Products Concrete Culverts	17 Atlantic Avenue Hancock, MN 56244	\$134,774.68

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials are authorized to approve the contractor's bid for the above listed project, payable from Fund 200, Agency 203369, Object 651000 for Concrete Culverts.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-257

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

CP 0000-187067/SP 69-070-016, State Project No. HSIP 6915(189), located on various highways within St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on April 16, 2015, and the low responsible bid determined;

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

<u>LOW BIDDER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Traffic Marking Service, Inc.	621 Division Street East Maple Lake, MN 55358	\$121,037.00

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

Fund 220, Agency 220354, Object 652700	\$108,933.30
Fund 200, Agency 203365, Object 652800	\$12,103.70

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-258

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

CP 0000-225073/SP 69-070-021(Low), State Project No. HSIP 6915(190), CP 0000-225074/SP 69-070-022 located on various highways within St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on April 16, 2015, and the low responsible bid determined;

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

<u>LOW BIDDER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Century Fence Co.	P.O. Box 277 14839 Lake Drive Forest Lake, MN 55025	\$144,538.00

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

Fund 220, Agency 220355, Object 652700	\$89,739.34
Fund 200, Agency 203366, Object 652800	\$ 9,971.04
Fund 220, Agency 220356, Object 652700	\$40,344.86
Fund 200, Agency 203367, Object 652800	\$ 4,482.76

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-259

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

CP 0000-187078/SAP 69-030-029(Low) and SAP 38-030-002, Lake County Project, located on Various Highways within St. Louis County and Lake County; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on April 23, 2015, and the low responsible bid determined;

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

<u>LOW BIDDER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
AAA Striping Service Co.	12220 43rd Street NE St. Michael, MN 55376	\$153,018.02

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

Fund 220, Agency 220342, Object 652700	\$153,018.02
With additional revenue budgeted for expense:	
Lake County Fund 220, Agency 220342, Rev. Obj. 551508	\$61,067.82

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-260

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

CP 0832-97031 located on Ash Street and 7th Avenue West/CR 832 in Floodwood, MN; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on April 23, 2015, and the low responsible bid determined;

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

<u>LOW BIDDER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Ulland Brothers, Inc.	P.O. Box 340 Cloquet, MN 55720	\$801,836.00

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

Fund 200, Agency 203339, Object 652800	\$801,836.00
With additional revenue budgeted for expense:	
City of Floodwood, Fund 200, Agency 203339, Rev. Obj. 551553	\$236,971.57

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-261

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for abatements, correction of assessed valuations and taxes plus penalty and interest, and any additional accrual, identified in County Board File No. 60032.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-262

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) Department requires office space in Cook, MN, to deliver services to area residents; and

WHEREAS, The City of Cook Housing and Redevelopment Authority has well-suited office space available in the Homestead Apartment Building on an annual lease basis with options for annual renewals;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a 2015 lease, with options for annual renewals, with the City of Cook Housing and Redevelopment Authority for 144 square feet of office space for Public Health & Human Services client service delivery at a monthly rate of \$250 (annual commitment of \$3,000), payable from Fund 230, Agency 230011.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-263

WHEREAS, The Property Management Team identified the following described property as surplus county fee owned land:

All that part of Government Lot 1, (NE ¼ of NE ¼), Section 3, Township 57 North, Range 16 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, described as follows: The North 433 feet of said Government Lot 1 lying between a line that is parallel with and 500 feet West of the east boundary line of said Government Lot 1 and West of the right of way of County Highway No. 4 except for the North 33 feet which is highway right of way; and

WHEREAS, Steven W. Bradach and Katherine L. Bradach have submitted an offer to purchase the above described fee owned county property for the minimum bid amount of \$6,200;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That pursuant to the requirements and procedures of Minn. Stat. § 373.01, the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute and deliver a quit claim deed conveying the county fee land described above to Steven W. Bradach and Katherine L. Bradach for the amount of \$6,200, payable to Fund 100, Agency 128014, Object 583202. The buyers are responsible for recording and associated filing fees.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-264

WHEREAS, All increases in original governmental funds revenue and expenditure budgets require County Board approval; and

WHEREAS, Departments anticipate being notified of additional revenues throughout the year and need approval to increase revenue and expenditure budgets; and

WHEREAS, Proposed budget adjustments are levy neutral;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the following budget changes:

1. Add Aid to Other Agencies revenue and expense budget for State Fire Aid to match the actual year-to-date amount received (\$1,000.00).
2. Use of Property Management's assigned parking fund balance to purchase skid-steer loader with attachments to maintain parking areas in downtown Duluth (\$28,773.50).

3. Increase Public Health & Human Services pass-through revenue and expense budget for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training allocation from the Minnesota Department of Human Services (\$130,100.00).
4. Transfer unspent bond proceeds back to the debt service fund to help pay off the debt (\$379,783.07).
5. Record debt service interest payment to be made from escrow account (\$1,257,516.67).
6. Record debt service payments to be made from escrow account (\$99,976.67).
7. Reimburse On-Site Waste Water fund for administrative expenses covered by the MPCA (Minnesota Pollution Control Agency) Natural Resources Block Grant (\$38,600.00).

Fund	Agency	Object	Grant	Year	Expense Budget	Transfer Out	Accumulation of Fund Balance	Revenue Budget	Transfers In	Use of Fund Balance
1	100	103001						(1,000.00)		
	100	103001			1,000.00					
2	100	999999								(28,773.50)
	100	128010			28,773.50					
3	230	231007			130,100.00					
	230	231007						(130,100.00)		
4	319	319001							(379,783.07)	
	319	999999					379,783.07			
	441	441003				379,783.07				
	441	999999								(379,783.07)
5	323	999999								(1,257,516.67)
	323	323001			1,170,000.00					
	323	323001			87,516.67					
6	324	999999								(99,976.67)
	324	324001			99,976.67					
7	616	616001			(18,600.00)					
	616	616001			(20,000.00)					
	616	616999			38,600.00					

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-265

RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the Finance Committee for payment of claims and bills against the County of St. Louis, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 60005, are hereby approved and the County Auditor shall issue checks in the following amounts:

March 2015		
100	General Fund	\$5,601,430.80
149	Personal Service Fund	661.94
150	Sheriff's NEMESIS Fund Group	12,465.83

160	MN Trail Assistance	96,082.46
168	Sheriff's State Forfeitures	402.25
169	Attorney Trust Accounts-VW	1,279.63
172	Sheriff Federal Forfeitures	229.99
173	Emergency Shelter Grant	24,814.51
176	Revolving Loan Fund	251.93
178	Economic Development – Tax Forf.	26,585.00
180	Law Library	22,573.53
183	City/County Communications	281.87
184	Extension Service	51,557.27
200	Public Works	2,585,524.25
210	Road Maint – Unorg Townships	213.84
220	State Road Aid	208,071.06
225	PW – June 2012 Flood	9,319.48
230	Public Health & Human Services	7,170,557.70
240	Forfeited Tax	390,602.61
250	St. Louis County HRA	345.96
260	CDBG Grant	63,278.80
270	HOME Grant	6,617.16
290	Forest Resources	7,739.91
323	2015A – Refunding 313-2006A	8,000.00
324	2015B – Refunding 316-2008B	15,000.00
400	County Facilities	61,459.78
402	Depreciation Reserve Fund	1,985.00
405	Public Works Building Const.	5,227.68
407	Public Works – Equipment	999,776.22
440	2013A Capital Improvement Bond	830,567.37
441	2013B Capital Equipment Note	480,466.30
600	Environmental Services	438,189.41
616	On-Site Waste Water Division	40,421.82
715	County Garage	93,063.49
720	Property Casualty Liability	8,999.98
730	Workers Compensation	248,491.52
740	Medical Dental Insurance	2,331,499.81
770	Retired Employee's Health Ins.	1,225.20

\$21,845,261.36

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-266

RESOLVED, That the 2015-2016 Civil Service Supervisory Unit contract is approved and the appropriate county officials are authorized to execute the Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement, a copy of which is on file in County Board File No. 60103.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-267

RESOLVED, That the 2015-2016 Deputy Sheriff Supervisory Unit contract is approved and the appropriate county officials are authorized to execute the Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement, a copy of which is on file in County Board File No. 60104.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-268

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the following health plan prescription drug program changes for Management Compensation Plan members: adoption of a specialty prescription drug network; implementation of a generic prescription drug mandate; adoption of prescription drug step-therapy (with grandfathering) and expansion of the medication therapy management program, effective January 1, 2016;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That Management Compensation Plan members will transition to a tiered-provider health plan design effective December 24, 2016;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That for individuals covered under the Management Compensation Plan, the following cost of living salary increases are approved: effective December 13, 2014 – 1.75%; effective December 26, 2015 – 1.75%; effective December 24, 2016 – 0.5%;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves and adopts the updated Management Compensation Plan, contained in County Board File No. 60105, to cover the compensation and benefits of elected department heads and the compensation, terms and conditions of employment of appointed department heads and unclassified managers, effective May 5, 2015;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the previous Management Compensation Plan, dated July 1, 2013, is rescinded.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-269

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the following health plan prescription drug program changes for members of the Unrepresented Employees' Compensation Plan: adoption of a specialty prescription drug network; implementation of a generic prescription drug mandate; adoption of prescription drug step-therapy (with grandfathering) and expansion of the medication therapy management program, effective January 1, 2016;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That Unrepresented Employees covered under this plan will transition to a tiered-provider health plan design effective December 24, 2016;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That for individuals covered under the Unrepresented Employees' Compensation Plan, the following cost of living salary increases are approved: effective December 13, 2014 – 1.75%; effective December 26, 2015 – 1.75%; effective December 24, 2016 – 0.5%;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves and adopts the updated Unrepresented Employees' Compensation Plan, contained in County Board File No. 60106, to cover the changes in compensation and benefits for employees covered under the plan, effective May 5, 2015;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the previous Unrepresented Employees' Compensation Plan, dated July 1, 2013, is rescinded.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-270

RESOLVED, That the 2015-2016 Confidential Unit contract is approved and the appropriate county officials are authorized to execute the Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement, a copy of which is on file in County Board File No. 60107.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-271

RESOLVED, That the Public Works Department's four-day work week agreement pertaining to the Sign Maintenance Division-North and Highway Maintenance Divisions Four (Ely) and Five (Duluth) effective during the 2015 and 2016 summer maintenance seasons is approved, and the

appropriate county officials are authorized to execute the Supplemental Labor Agreement, a copy of which is on file in County Board File No. 60108.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-272

WHEREAS, Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) in coordination with Information Technology (IT) have been working on a plan to migrate 2.0 FTE PHHS employees to the Information Technology Department; and

WHEREAS, The transfer of these employees to IT will help the department move toward a more centralized IT services organizational model providing more efficient use of IT resources, a greater level of accountability and employee career growth opportunities;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the transfer of 2.0 FTE Business Systems Analyst positions (position codes 0011-002 and 0413-015) from Public Health and Human Services to Information Technology effective upon the first day of the next pay period, May 16, 2015;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the transfer of the funding for the remainder of 2015 from Public Health and Human Services, Fund 230, Agency 2300012, to Information Technology, Fund 117, Agency 117001, in the amount of \$81,634. Future year budgets will reflect the change in FTEs and corresponding costs.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-273

WHEREAS, The Human Resources Department has created a new Community Health Worker class for the Public Health & Human Services Department and determined that it should be allocated to Grade 10 of the Civil Service Basic Unit Pay Plan; and

WHEREAS, A previously approved 1.0 FTE position has been allocated to the Public Health & Human Services Department to staff a position in the new class;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board adopts the Community Health Worker class, which is allocated to Grade 10: \$30,323 - \$40,872 (annual steps and longevities through twenty-four years of service) of the Civil Service Basic Unit Pay Plan. Funds for this position are available in Fund 230, Agency 233999;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That should the Accountable Communities for Health Grant be discontinued, this FTE position will be eliminated from the Department's FTE complement.

Adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-274

BY COMMISSIONER DAHLBERG:

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 as described in County Board File No. 60109 have been classified as non-conservation as provided for in Minn. Stat. Chapter 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

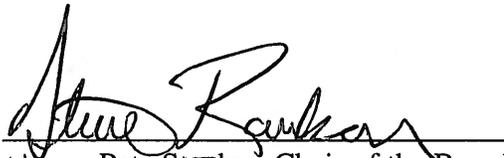
WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Natural Resources has approved the sale of these lands, as required by Minn. Stat. Chapter 282;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to offer these lands at public sale for not less than the basic sale price in accordance with the terms set forth in the Land and Minerals Department policy, and in a manner provided for by law on Thursday, June 11, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. at the St. Louis County Heritage & Arts Center (Depot), 506 W. Michigan St., Duluth, MN. Funds from the auction are to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That contrary to County Board Resolution No. 15-103, dated February 17, 2015, the tax forfeited parcel referenced in that resolution as Parcel ID Number 010-4400-01330 (Tract #9 in the proposed June 11, 2015 Land Sale list) will be offered for public sale at the land auction scheduled for October 2015.

Unanimously adopted May 5, 2015. No. 15-275

At 12:46 p.m., May 5, 2015, Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Boyle, moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.


vice ~~Pete~~ Stauber, Chair of the Board
of County Commissioners

Attest:


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

(Seal of the County Auditor)