

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

**January 26, 2016**

**Fayal Town Hall, 4375 Shady Lane, Eveleth, Minnesota**

**All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and/or noncontroversial and will be enacted by one unanimous motion. If a commissioner requests or a citizen wishes to speak on an item on the consent agenda, it will be removed and handled separately.**

RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL:

**Minutes for January 5, 2016.**

**Minutes for January 12, 2016.**

**Environment & Natural Resources Committee – Commissioner Rukavina, Chair**

1. Non-exclusive access easement across state tax forfeited land located in Section 32, Township 54 North, Range 16 West (Unorganized) to James R. and Vicki L. St. George, David F. Jr. and Terry L. Fulda, Jerome and Catherine Ziells, and George and Louise A. Hatecke approved upon total payment of \$140. *[16-28]*
2. Authorize a thirty-three (33) foot access easement across state tax forfeited land over and across part of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Block 2, Plat of Wolf West, in Section 6, Township 62 North, Range 13 West (Morse Township) for access to the plat of Wolf West. *[16-29]*
3. Authorize a sixty-six (66) foot access easement across state tax forfeited land over and across part of the NE ¼ of Section 6, Township 62 North, Range 13 West (Morse Township) for access to the plat of Wolf West. *[16-30]*
4. Appraisal reports for the sale of timber to be offered at Public Sealed Bid Timber Auction to be held February 18, 2016, as submitted by the Land Commissioner.

**Public Works & Transportation Committee – Commissioner Stauber, Chair**

5. Acquisition of necessary right-of-way by eminent domain proceedings for sidewalk construction on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 4/Rice Lake Road in Duluth (CP 136147/SP 069-604-073). *[16-31]*
6. Cooperative agreement with Aitkin, Carlton, Itasca and Lake Counties for 6-inch wide wet reflective epoxy edgeline on county highway in 2016 where each county will pay its local share for items listed in the schedule of prices in the proposal/plan package and plan (SP 088-070-045, CP 0000-225072). *[16-32]*

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7. Award of bids: *[16-35]*
  - a. **Redstone Construction, LLC**, Mora, MN, in the amount of **\$523,111.80** for approach grading and Bridge No. 69A38/County Bridge 261 located on County Road (CR) 185/Sara Lampi Road in Toivola Township (CP 0185-243860 TST);
  - b. **Ulland Brothers, Inc.**, Cloquet, MN, in the amount of **\$2,712,795.42** for a combined project: Culvert replacement, full depth reclamation, aggregate base, aggregate base stabilization, bituminous surface, aggregate shouldering, and bituminous seal coat on **CSAH 2**/West Tischer Road from CSAH 4/Rice Lake Road to CSAH 34/Howard Gnesen Road (CP 0002-244409 TST [Low]); culvert replacement full depth reclamation, aggregate base, aggregate base stabilization, bituminous surface, aggregate shouldering, and bituminous seal coat on **CSAH 2**/West Tischer Road from CSAH 34/Howard Gnesen Road to CR 246/Eagle Lake Road (CP 0002-261283 TST [Tied]); reclamation, bituminous surface and seal coat on **CR 259**/West Beyer Road from CSAH 4/Rice Lake Road to CSAH 34/Howard Gnesen Road (CP 0259-153437 TST [Tied]); culvert replacement, full depth reclamation, aggregate base, aggregate base stabilization, bituminous surface, aggregate shouldering, and bituminous seal coat on **CR 280**/Riley Road from CR 289/Woodland Avenue to CR 245Washburn Road (CP 0280-153456 TST [Tied]); and culvert replacement, full depth reclamation, aggregate base, aggregate base stabilization, bituminous surface, aggregate shouldering, and bituminous seal coat on **CR 289**/Woodland Avenue from CSAH 10/Martin Road to CASH /West Tischer Road (CP 0289-153458 TST [Tied]) located in the City of Rice Lake and Lakewood Township.

**Finance & Budget Committee – Commissioner Nelson, Chair**

8. Waiver of Ordinance No. 28 (Liquor Ordinance) approved for Ragnar Properties, Inc., d/b/a Billy's, Rice Lake Township, to provide facilities and food to mushers and race officials of the John Beargrease Sled Dog Marathon, effective February 3, 2016 from 1:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. No alcohol shall be served or consumed on the premises during the waiver period. *[16-33]*
9. Workers' compensation report dated January 8, 2016.
10. Application for permit authorizing the consumption and display of intoxicating liquors by Thirsty Moose Bar and Grill, Inc., d/b/a Thirsty Moose Bar and Grill, Cherry Township, renewal.

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

11. Approve creation of the Loss Control Manager job class, Grade 29 in the Civil Service Supervisory Unit Pay Plan; and further, approve the reallocation of 1.0 FTE Loss Control Specialist Senior (Pay Grade B25) position to the new Loss Control Manager class (Pay Grade E29) in the Safety and Risk Management Division of Administration. *[16-34]*
12. Appoint Richard Cartier, Duluth, MN, to the Planning Commission for a term expiring December 31, 2018. *[16-37]*
13. Appoint Roger Skraba, Ely, MN, to the Board of Adjustment for a term ending December 31, 2016. *[16-38]*
14. Appoint the following employees of the County Auditor's Office as election judges for the 2016 Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) Ballot Board, effective through December 31, 2016: *[16-39]*
  - Judge/Staff - Lisa Sweet
  - Judge/Staff – Amy Gundersen
15. Adopt the revised Real Property Tax Abatement Policy and rescind County Board Resolutions numbered 68-691 and 93-861. *[16-40]*

**Official Proceedings of the County Board of Commissioners**

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

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

**Official Proceedings of the County Board of Commissioners**

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

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of January 12, 2016, are hereby approved.

**Access Easement across State Tax Forfeited Land to St. George, Fulda, Ziells,  
and Hatecke (Unorganized Township 54-16)**

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

WHEREAS, James R. and Vicki L. St. George, David F. Jr. and Terry L. Fulda, Jerome and Catherine Ziells, and George and Louise A. Hatecke have requested an access easement across 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 land; and

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive access easement to James R. and Vicki L. St. George, David F. Jr. and Terry L. Fulda, Jerome and Catherine Ziells, and George and Louise A. Hatecke, across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File \_\_\_\_\_;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of \$44 land use fee, \$50 administration fee, and \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$140 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

**A Thirty-Three (33) Foot Access Easement across State Tax Forfeited Land for  
Access in the Plat of Wolf West (Morse Township)**

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

WHEREAS, Buyers of lots in the Plat of Wolf West 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. § 507.47 and § 282.04, Subd. 4, authorize the 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 St. Louis County Auditor to impose an easement across state tax forfeited lands to access lots in the Plat of Wolf West as described in County Board File\_\_\_\_\_.

**A Thirty-Three (33) Foot Access Easement across State Tax Forfeited Land for Access in the Plat of Wolf West (Morse Township)**

A 33 foot wide roadway easement over and across all that part of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Block 2, in the plat of WOLF WEST, in Section 6, Township 62 North, Range 13 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that lies within 16.5 feet on both sides of the following described centerline:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 1, Block 2, in said plat of WOLF WEST; thence South 0 degrees 12 minutes 59 seconds West, assumed bearing along the west line of said Lot 1, a distance of 540.06 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 23 degrees 15 minutes 47 seconds East, a distance of 148.81 feet to a tangential curve concave to the southeast; thence Northeasterly along said curve, with a radius of 200 feet and a central angle of 30 degrees 53 minutes 37 seconds, for a distance of 107.84 feet; thence North 54 degrees 09 minutes 24 seconds East, a distance of 243.27 feet to a tangential curve concave to the south; thence Easterly along said curve with a radius of 100.00 feet and a central angle of 64 degrees 20 minutes 59 seconds, for a distance of 112.31 feet; thence South 61 degrees 29 minutes 37 seconds East, a distance of 73.74 feet to a tangential curve concave to the north; thence Easterly along said curve with a radius of 200.00 feet and a central angle of 33 degrees 50 minutes 47 seconds, for a distance of 118.15 feet; thence North 84 degrees 39 minutes 36 seconds East, a distance of 406.78 feet to Point "A"; thence North 8 degrees 15 minutes 24 seconds West, a distance of 49.97 feet to the West line of said Lot 5, Block 2 and there terminating.

AND

From Point "A", run thence South 16 degrees 27 minutes 47 seconds East, a distance of 74.81 feet; thence South 4 degrees 40 minutes 28 seconds East, a distance of 56.83 feet to the south line of said Lot 5, Block 2 and there terminating.

Lot 1, subject to:

A 33 foot wide roadway easement over and across all that part of Lot 1, Block 2, in the plat of WOLF WEST, in Section 6, Township 62 North, Range 13 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that lies within 16.5 feet on both sides of the following described centerline:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 1, Block 2, in said plat of WOLF WEST; thence South 0 degrees 12 minutes 59 seconds West, assumed bearing along the west line of said Lot 1, a distance of 540.06 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 23 degrees 15 minutes 47 seconds East, a distance of 148.81 feet to a tangential curve concave to the southeast; thence Northeasterly along said curve, with a radius of 200 feet and a central angle of 30 degrees 53 minutes 37 seconds, for a distance of 107.84 feet; thence North 54 degrees 09 minutes 24 seconds East, a distance of 95.62 feet to the east line of said Lot 1, Block 2 and there terminating.

The sidelines of said easement are to be extended to and truncated by the west and east lines of said Lot 1.

Lot 2, together with and subject to:

A 33 foot wide roadway easement over and across all that part of Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, in the plat of WOLF WEST, in Section 6, Township 62 North, Range 13 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that lies within 16.5 feet on both sides of the following described centerline:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 1, Block 2, in said plat of WOLF WEST; thence South 0 degrees 12 minutes 59 seconds West, assumed bearing along the west line of said Lot 1, a distance of 540.06 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 23 degrees 15 minutes 47 seconds East, a distance of 148.81 feet to a tangential curve concave to the southeast; thence Northeasterly along said curve, with a radius of 200 feet and a central angle of 30 degrees 53 minutes 37 seconds, for a distance of 107.84 feet; thence North 54 degrees 09 minutes 24 seconds East, a distance of 243.27 feet to a tangential curve concave to the south; thence Easterly along said curve with a radius of 100.00 feet and a central angle of 50 degrees 14 minutes 12 seconds, for a distance of 87.68 feet to the east line of said Lot 2, Block 2 and there terminating.

The sidelines of the portion of said easement lying within Lot 2, Block 2 are to be extended to and truncated by the east line of said Lot 2. The sidelines of the portion of said easement lying within Lot 1, Block 2 are to be extended to and truncated by the west line of said Lot 1.

Lot 3, together with and subject to:

A 33 foot wide roadway easement over and across all that part of Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 2, in the plat of WOLF WEST, in Section 6, Township 62 North, Range 13 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that lies within 16.5 feet on both sides of the following described centerline:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 1, Block 2, in said plat of WOLF WEST; thence South 0 degrees 12 minutes 59 seconds West, assumed bearing along the west line of said Lot 1, a distance of 540.06 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 23 degrees 15 minutes 47 seconds East, a distance of 148.81 feet to a tangential curve concave to the southeast; thence Northeasterly along said curve, with a radius of 200 feet and a central angle of 30 degrees 53 minutes 37 seconds, for a distance of 107.84 feet; thence North 54 degrees 09 minutes 24 seconds East, a distance of 243.27 feet to a tangential curve concave to the south; thence Easterly along said curve with a radius of 100.00 feet and a central angle of 64 degrees 20 minutes 59 seconds, for a distance of 112.31 feet; thence South 61 degrees 29 minutes 37 seconds East, a distance of 73.74 feet to a tangential curve concave to the north; thence Easterly along said curve with a radius of 200.00 feet and a central angle of 33 degrees 50 minutes 47 seconds, for a distance of 118.15 feet and there terminating.

The sidelines of the portion of said easement lying within Lot 3, Block 2 are to be

extended to and truncated by the east line of said Lot 3. The sidelines of the portion of said easement lying within Lot 2, Block 2 are to be extended to and truncated by the east line of said Lot 2. The sidelines of the portion of said easement lying within Lot 1, Block 2 are to be extended to and truncated by the west line of said Lot 1.

Lot 4, together with and subject to:

A 33 foot wide roadway easement over and across all that part of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Block 2, in the plat of WOLF WEST, in Section 6, Township 62 North, Range 13 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that lies within 16.5 feet on both sides of the following described centerline:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 1, Block 2, in said plat of WOLF WEST; thence South 0 degrees 12 minutes 59 seconds West, assumed bearing along the west line of said Lot 1, a distance of 540.06 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 23 degrees 15 minutes 47 seconds East, a distance of 148.81 feet to a tangential curve concave to the southeast; thence Northeasterly along said curve, with a radius of 200 feet and a central angle of 30 degrees 53 minutes 37 seconds, for a distance of 107.84 feet; thence North 54 degrees 09 minutes 24 seconds East, a distance of 243.27 feet to a tangential curve concave to the south; thence Easterly along said curve with a radius of 100.00 feet and a central angle of 64 degrees 20 minutes 59 seconds, for a distance of 112.31 feet; thence South 61 degrees 29 minutes 37 seconds East, a distance of 73.74 feet to a tangential curve concave to the north; thence Easterly along said curve with a radius of 200.00 feet and a central angle of 33 degrees 50 minutes 47 seconds, for a distance of 118.15 feet; thence North 84 degrees 39 minutes 36 seconds East, a distance of 406.78 feet; thence North 8 degrees 15 minutes 24 seconds West, a distance of 49.97 feet to the west line of said Lot 5, Block 2 and there terminating.

The Easterly sideline of the portion of said easement lying within Lot 5, Block 2 is to be extended to and truncated by the west line of said Lot 5. The sidelines of the portion of said easement lying within Lot 1, Block 2, are to be extended to and truncated by the west line of said Lot 1.

Lot 5, together with and subject to:

A 33 foot wide roadway easement over and across all that part of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Block 2, in the plat of WOLF WEST, in Section 6, Township 62 North, Range 13 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that lies within 16.5 feet on both sides of the following described centerline:

**A Sixty-Six (66) Foot Access Easement across State Tax Forfeited Land for  
Access to the Plat of Wolf West (Morse Township)**

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

WHEREAS, Buyers of lots in the Plat of Wolf West must cross state tax forfeited land to access a public road; 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. § 507.47 and § 282.04, Subd. 4, authorize the 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 St. Louis County Auditor to impose an easement across state tax forfeited lands for access to the Plat of Wolf West for the benefit of the State of Minnesota in Trust for the Taxing Districts and for the public, as described in County Board File\_\_\_\_\_.

**A Sixty-Six (66) Foot Access Easement across State Tax Forfeited Land for  
Access to the Plat of Wolf West (Morse Township)**

A 66 foot wide access easement over and across that part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 6, Township 62 North, Range 13 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, lying within 33 feet on both sides of the following described centerline:

Assuming the North line of said Northeast Quarter of section 6 to bear North 89 degrees 12 minutes 25 seconds East and commencing at the North Quarter corner of said Section 6; thence South 50 degrees 59 minutes 26 seconds East, a distance of 332.37 feet to the centerline of Wolf Lake Road and the point of beginning; thence South 52 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds East a distance of 939.73 feet to Point "A"; thence South 54 degrees 41 minutes 20 seconds East, a distance of 273.22 feet to a tangential curve concave to the north; thence Southeasterly along said curve, with a radius of 800 feet, and a central angle of 21 degrees 03 minutes 47 seconds, for a distance of 294.10 feet; thence South 75 degrees 45 minutes 07 seconds East, a distance of 47.22 feet to the westerly right-of-way of the roadway In the plat of WOLF WEST and there terminating. The sidelines of said easement are to be extended to and truncated by said westerly right-of-way in the plat of WOLF WEST;

AND

From Point "A", run thence North 82 degrees 48 minutes 34 seconds East, a distance of 380.78 feet to a tangential curve concave to the north; thence Northeasterly along said curve, with a radius of 300.00 feet, and a central angle of 33 degrees 29 minutes 28 seconds, for a distance of 175.36 feet to the westerly right-of-way of the roadway in the plat of WOLF WEST and there terminating. The sidelines of said easement are to be extended to and truncated by said westerly right-of-way in the plat of WOLF WEST.

**Appraisal Reports for the Sale of Timber  
(Public Sealed Bid Timber Auction)**

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

RESOLVED, That the appraisal reports for the sale of timber to be offered at PUBLIC SEALED BID TIMBER AUCTION, Tracts 1 through 27 (totaling \$773,116.29), as submitted by the Land Commissioner, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. \_\_\_\_\_, are approved and the County Auditor is authorized to carry out the recommendations as listed in said appraisal reports.

**Acquisition of Right of Way by Eminent Domain Proceedings for  
Sidewalk Construction on CSAH 4 (Duluth)**

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

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department plans to reconstruct a portion of County State Aid Highway 4 (Rice Lake Road) within the City of Duluth; and

WHEREAS, The following described parcel of needed right of way has not been acquired by negotiation and direct purchase:

**Project Parcel-(2)**

**Owners and Interests:**

Barry F. Power and Joanne Power,  
husband and wife, fee owner  
1331 Rice Lake Road  
Duluth, MN 55811

**Property Legal Description:**

That part of the NW1/4 of SW1/4 of NW1/4, Section 22 Township 50 North Range 14 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, described as follows: Beginning at the NW corner of said NW1/4 of SW1/4 of NW1/4, thence E'ly along the North line of said NW1/4 of SW1/4 of NW1/4 a distance of 89.96 feet to the W'ly right of way line of Rice Lake Road; thence deflect 30 degrees 59 minutes 00 seconds to the right in a SE'ly direction, along said right of way line, a distance of 96.32 feet; thence E'ly and S'ly a distance of 48.08 feet along a tangential curve concave to the SW having a radius of 785.51 feet and a central angle of 3 degrees 30 minutes 26 seconds; thence deflect 109 degrees 20 minutes 57 seconds to the right, in a SW'ly direction, from the chord of said curve a distance of 144.79 feet; thence deflect 65 degrees 38 minutes 20 seconds to the right in a NW'ly direction a distance of 57.92 feet; thence deflect 11 degrees 38 minutes 14 seconds to the right in a NW'ly direction a distance of 62.70 feet to the West line of said NW1/4 of SW1/4 of NW1/4; thence deflect 51 degrees 13 minutes 36 seconds to the right in a N'ly direction a distance of 97.85 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.518 acres, more or less. Torrens Property-Certificate Number 309873

**Rights to be acquired:**

A PERMANENT EASEMENT for highway purposes over, under, and across the above described property, said permanent easement lies easterly of a line drawn 40.00 feet westerly of the following described line: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 22 Township 50 North-Range 14 West; thence South 00°08'49" West a distance of 2646.29 feet to the west 1/4 corner of said

section; thence North 11°31'54" East a distance of 1277.87 feet; thence North 50°48'48" West a distance of 31.62 feet to the a point on the project centerline and the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence continuing at said bearing a distance of 88.13 feet said line there terminating.

AND

Together with A TEMPORARY EASEMENT for highway purposes over, under, and across the above described property, said temporary easement lies adjacent to and 10 feet westerly of the previously described Permanent Easement.

AND

Together with A TEMPORARY EASEMENT for highway purposes over, under, and across the above described property, said temporary easement lies easterly of a line drawn 50.00 feet westerly of the following described line: from the point of termination of the previously described permanent easement the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence continuing at a bearing of North 50°48'48" West a distance of 42.35 feet said line there terminating.

AND

Together with A TEMPORARY EASEMENT for highway purposes over, under, and across the above described property, said temporary easement lies easterly of a line drawn 55.00 feet westerly of the following described line: from the point of termination of the last described temporary easement the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence continuing at a bearing of North 50°48'48" West a distance of 18.69 feet said line there terminating.

Said Temporary Easements contain 0 square feet of existing right of way and 1280 square feet of new right of way. Said Temporary Easements shall expire on December 31, 2018.

Said Permanent Easement contains 0 square feet of existing right of way and 600 square feet of new right of way;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board, pursuant to Minn. Stat. Chapter 163.02 et. al., authorizes the County Attorney to proceed under Minn. Stat. Chapter 117.02 et. al., to acquire the remaining necessary highway right of way by eminent domain proceedings, payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001, Objects 636500, 636600, and 637500.

**Agreement for Wet Reflective Epoxy Edgeline Project  
(St. Louis, Aitkin, Carlton, Itasca and Lake Counties)**

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

WHEREAS, St. Louis County, in partnership with Aitkin, Carlton, Itasca and Lake Counties, were awarded funding through the Highway Safety Improvement Program to install 6-inch wide wet reflective epoxy edgeline on county highways in 2016; and

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

WHEREAS, Each participating county will pay to St. Louis County the cost of its share as detailed in the proposal/plan package, schedule of prices and as referenced in the cooperative agreement;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into an agreement, and any amendments approved by the County Attorney's Office, with Aitkin, Carlton, Itasca and Lake Counties where each county will pay its local share for items listed in the schedule of prices in the proposal/plan package and plan described as SP 088-070-045, CP 0000-225072, 2016 District 1, 6-inch Wet Reflective Epoxy Edgeline Project, with the funds to be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220385.

**Award of Bid: Bridge Project on CR 185 (Toivola Township)**

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

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

CP 0185-243860 TST: Approach Grading and Bridge No. 69A38 (County Bridge 261); and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on January 7, 2016, and the low responsible bid determined;

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

<u>LOW BIDDER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Redstone Construction, LLC	2183 Hwy. 65 North Mora, MN 55051	\$523,111.80

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials are authorized to approve the Contractor's Performance Bonds and to execute the bonds and contract for the above listed project payable from Fund 444, Agency 444013, Object 652806.

**Award of Bid: Culvert Replacement/Reclamation on CSAH 2, CR 259, 280 and 289  
(City of Rice Lake and Lakewood Township)**

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

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

**CP 0002-244409 TST (Low):** CSAH 2 (West Tischer Road) from CSAH 4 to CSAH 34;

**CP 0002-261283 TST (Tied):** CSAH 2 (West Tischer Road) from CSAH 34 to CR 246;

**CP 0259-153437 TST (Tied):** CR 259 (West Beyer Road) from CSAH 4 to CSAH 34;

**CP 0280-153456 TST (Tied):** CR 280 (Riley Road) from CR 289 to CR 245;

**CP 0289-153458 TST (Tied):** CR 289 (Woodland Avenue) from CSAH 10 to CSAH 2; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on January 7, 2016, and the low responsible bid determined;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the award of 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	\$2,712,795.42

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

CP 0002-244409 TST (Low)	Fund 444, Agency 444054, Object 652806	\$629,867.89
CP 0002-261283 TST (Tied)	Fund 444, Agency 444055, Object 652806	\$730,288.75
CP 0259-153437 TST (Tied)	Fund 444, Agency 444056, Object 652806	\$415,704.87
CP 0280-153456 TST (Tied)	Fund 444, Agency 444057, Object 652806	\$655,198.19
CP 0289-153458 TST (Tied)	Fund 444, Agency 444058, Object 652806	\$281,735.72

**Waiver of Ordinance No. 28, Section 11.05 – Billy's (Rice Lake)**

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

WHEREAS, St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28 (Liquor Ordinance), Section 11.02, prohibits sales of alcohol after 1:00 a.m. on Monday through Saturday and Section 11.05 requires patrons to vacate licensed premises within twenty (20) minutes after sales are ceased by law; and

WHEREAS, Ragnar Properties, Inc., d/b/a Billy's, 3502 West Tischer Road, Duluth, MN, a licensed liquor establishment, has requested a waiver to remain open from 1:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., on February 3, 2016, to provide facilities and food to mushers and race officials of the John Beargrease Sled Dog Marathon; and

WHEREAS, The Liquor Licensing Committee has recommended approval of the waiver application, pursuant to Section 11.05 of Ordinance No. 28;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the application (on file in County Board File No. \_\_\_\_\_) submitted by the below listed establishment for a waiver of Section 11.05, which requires patrons to vacate the licensed premises by 1:20 a.m.:

Ragnar Properties, Inc., d/b/a Billy's  
3502 West Tischer Road  
Rice Lake, MN 55803

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the waiver shall be effective February 3, 2016, from 1:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and no alcohol shall be served or consumed on the licensed premises during the waiver period, although Billy's will be allowed to serve food to mushers and race officials of the John Beargrease Sled Dog Marathon during said waiver period.

**Workers' Compensation Report**

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

RESOLVED, That the workers' compensation report of claims by employees for work-related injuries, dated January 8, 2016, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 60274, is hereby received and ratified as payable from Fund 730, Agency 730001.

**Application for Permit Authorizing the Consumption and Display  
Of Intoxicating Liquors (Cherry Township)**

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

RESOLVED, That pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 340A, as amended, and Rules and Regulations adopted by this Board under St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, dated May 22, 1978, as amended, the following application for permit authorizing the consumption and display of intoxicating liquors is hereby approved, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. \_\_\_\_\_:

Thirsty Moose Bar and Grill, Inc., d/b/a Thirsty Moose Bar & Grill, Cherry Township, renewal.

**New Job Class – Loss Control Manager  
and Reallocation of 1.0 FTE Senior Loss Control Specialist Position  
to Loss Control Manager Class**

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

WHEREAS, A sustained increase in Risk Management workload necessitates creation of a new Loss Control Manager class and reassignment of higher level management responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Human Resources, in collaboration with the Safety and Risk Management Division, has determined that reallocation of one (1) Loss Control Specialist Senior position to Loss Control Manager will assist in this sustained increase in higher level workload; and

WHEREAS, The Loss Control Manager job class, Grade 29: \$61,425 - \$86,872 (annual steps and longevities through twenty-four years of service) in the Civil Service Supervisory Unit Pay Plan, was approved by the Civil Service Commission on December 7, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Employee Association has accepted the salary grade recommended for the class; and

WHEREAS, County Fiscal Policies specify that any position change greater than three (3) pay grades must go to the County Board for approval;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves creation of the Loss Control Manager job class, Grade 29: \$61,425 - \$86,872 (annual steps and longevities through twenty-four years of service) in the Civil Service Supervisory Unit Pay Plan, as approved by the Civil Service Commission on December 7, 2015;

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the County Board approves reallocation of 1.0 FTE Loss Control Specialist Senior (Pay Grade B25) position to the new Loss Control Manager class (Pay Grade E29) in the Safety and Risk Management Division of Administration. The reallocation will result in an approximate annual cost increase of \$9,808, with funding available in Fund 100, Agency 139001.

**Committee Vacancy Appointment to the Planning Commission**

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

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board appoints citizens to serve on the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, One individual, Richard Cartier, of Duluth, MN, has applied for the vacancy on the Planning Commission;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board appoints Richard Cartier, Duluth, MN, to the Planning Commission for a term expiring December 31, 2018.

**Committee Vacancy Appointment to the Board of Adjustment**

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

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board appoints citizens to serve on the Board of Adjustment; and

WHEREAS, Two individuals have applied for the vacancy on the Board of Adjustment;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board appoints the following individual to the Board of Adjustment for a term ending December 31, 2016:

Roger Skraba, Ely, MN

**St. Louis County UOCAVA Election Board Appointments**

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

WHEREAS, It is necessary that the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners appoint election judges for the Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) Ballot Board;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the following eligible voters are appointed as election judges during 2016 to process applications and ballots in the Duluth Courthouse for the Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) Ballot Board; effective through December 31, 2016:

Judge/Staff – Lisa Sweet, 100 N. 5th Ave. W. #214, Duluth, MN 55802  
Judge/Staff – Amy Gundersen, 100 N. 5th Ave. W. #214, Duluth, MN 55802

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Auditor and/or Clerk of the County Board may make election judge appointments to fill vacancies should they occur.

**Revised St. Louis County Real Property Tax Abatement Policy  
and Rescinding Resolutions No. 89-691 and 93-861**

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

WHEREAS, On August 15, 1989, the St. Louis County Board, by Resolution No. 89-691, adopted a policy concerning disaster credits; and

WHEREAS, On November 30, 1993, the St. Louis County Board, by Resolution No. 93-861, adopted a policy concerning the abatement of ad valorem taxes; and

WHEREAS, These policies have become outdated due to statutory and procedural changes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That County Board Resolution No. 89-691, dated August 15, 1989, and County Board Resolution No. 93-861, dated November 30, 1993, are rescinded; and that the authority to abate penalties due on current year taxes is delegated to the County Auditor; and the County Board also authorizes the County Auditor to abate penalties of up to \$20.00 that are assessed for late payment of homestead taxes pursuant to the policy;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board adopts the Real Property Tax Abatement Policy in County Board File No. \_\_\_\_\_ with respect to standards and procedures for the abatement of ad valorem taxes and abatement of penalties and interest assessed on delinquent or past due taxes and costs.