

MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COMMUNITY CENTER
MOUNTAIN IRON ROOM
MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2004 - 6:30 P.M.
A G E N D A

- I. Roll Call
- II. Consent Agenda
 - A. Minutes of the January 5, 2003, Regular Meeting (#1-9)
 - B. Bills and Payroll
 - C. Receipts
 - D. Communications (#49-53)
- III. Public Forum
- IV. Reorganization and Appointments (#10)
 - A. Appoint City Engineer
 - B. Appoint City Attorney
 - C. Appoint City Auditor
- V. Committee and Staff Reports
 - A. Mayor's Report
 - B. City Administrator's Report
 - 1. Set Public Hearing on Floodplain Ordinance Amendment (#11-13)
 - 2. Off-Site Gambling Application (#14-15)
 - C. Director of Public Work's Report
 - 1. Notice of Violation Reply (#16-19)
 - 2. Heather Avenue Drainage (#20-23)
 - D. Director of Parks and Recreation's Report
 - 1. Community Advertisement (#24-25)
 - E. City Attorney's Report
 - 1. Bon-Air Update (#26-29)
 - 2. Remediation of Open Dump Site (#30-31)
- VI. Unfinished Business
 - A. Approve Plans and Specs and Authorize Bidding (#32)
 - B. Public Library Accessibility Grant (#33-35)
 - C. Update – Grants for Inflow (#36)
- VII. New Business
 - A. Resolution 01-04 Authorizing the Sale of Property (#37-39)
 - B. Resolution 02-04 Authorizing Grant Application (#40-45)
 - C. Capital Outlay Money for Downtown Park Equipment (#46)
 - D. Appointment Procedure (#47)
 - E. Excess 2003 Budget Funds (#48)
 - F. Communications (#49-53)
- VIII. Open Discussion
- IX. Announcements
- X. Adjourn

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MINUTES
MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL
REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
JANUARY 5, 2004

Mayor Skalko called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Joe Prebeg, Jr., Allen Nelson, Dale Irish, Ed Roskoski, and Mayor Gary Skalko. Also present were: Craig J. Wainio, City Administrator; Jill M. Forseen, Municipal Services Secretary; Don Kleinschmidt, Director of Public Works; and Larry Nanti, Director of Parks and Recreation.

It was moved by Nelson and supported by Prebeg that the consent agenda be approved as follows:

1. Add the following items to the agenda:
 - V. A. 2. Recycling Bin at Nichols Town Hall
 - VIII. A. MPCA-Mashkenode Lake (4-Mile Lake) Mercury Contamination
2. Approve the minutes of the December 9, 3003, Committee-of-the-Whole meeting as submitted
3. Approve the minutes of the December 15, 2003, City Council meeting as submitted.
4. That the communications be accepted, placed on file, and those requiring further action by the City Council be acted upon during their proper sequence on the agenda.
5. To acknowledge the receipts for the period December 15-31, 2003, totaling \$363,277.65, (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).
6. To authorize the payments of the bills and payroll for the period December 15-31, 2003, totaling \$433,083.98, (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).

The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

No one spoke during the public forum.

It was moved by Skalko and supported by Irish to appoint Ed Roskoski as Deputy Mayor for 2004. The motion carried.

It was moved by Nelson and supported by Prebeg to designate the Mesabi Daily News as the official newspaper for the City of Mountain Iron for 2004. The motion carried.

The Mayor requested that since the Mesabi Daily News is the City's official newspaper he would like to see them come to the meetings on time and attend more of the meetings.

It was moved by Nelson and supported by Prebeg to designate the City's official depositories as the American Bank, Queen City Federal, Wells Fargo Bank, U. S. Bank, Twin City Federal, League of Minnesota Cities 4M Fund, Miller Johnson Steichen Kinnard, Inc., Smith Barney, Inc. and Northland Securities for 2004. The motion carried.

It was moved by Roskoski and supported by Nelson to hold the regular City Council meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of the month for 2004. The motion carried.

It was moved by Skalko and supported by Prebeg to appoint Stephen Skogman and re-appoint Barb Fivecoate to the Planning and Zoning Commission with their term expiring on December 31, 2006. The motion carried.

It was moved by Skalko and supported by Prebeg to re-appoint Jeanne Schechinger and Roman Frericks to the Utility Advisory Board with their term expiring on December 31, 2006. The motion carried.

It was moved by Prebeg and supported by Nelson to appoint Corrine Eden and re-appoint Scott McDermid to the Park and Recreation Board with their term expiring on December 31, 2006. The motion carried.

It was moved by Skalko and supported by Irish to appoint Mary Jacobsen to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority with her term expiring on December 31, 2008. The motion carried.

It was moved by Roskoski and supported by Irish to appoint Jackie Jenko and Lisa Casillo to the Library Board with their term expiring on December 31, 2006. The motion carried.

It was moved by Skalko and supported by Irish to adopt the Proclamation for Miranda Burris declaring January 12, 2004, as "Miranda Burris Day", (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried.

The Council discussed the recycling area at Nichol Town Hall. Councilor Nelson said that the recycling area should be away from the residential area. The Director of Public Works said that the City monitors the recycling bins and call Saint Louis County a few days before the bins are full to have them dumped of the recycling bins and sometimes they do not get there soon enough and they overflow and residents place their recycling on the ground. Councilor Prebeg said that the Utility Advisory Board is reviewing the problems with the Nichols Hall recycling site and the yard waste drop off site by the City Garage.

The Mayor read a letter written by Mr. Jim Weikum from the Arrowhead Library Board dated November 18, 2003, regarding support for the City's grant application. The Mayor said that when he read the letter he knew that the City would not be awarded the grant. Councilor Roskoski also expressed disappointment with the Library Board and the Arrowhead Library System. Councilor Prebeg said that the City Council has basically three choices for the Mountain Iron Library: 1) build a new library; 2) remodel the existing library; or 3) close the

library. Councilor Prebeg said that if the City does not get support from the community that the library should be closed. Councilor Prebeg said that a decision has been made to remodel the current library and all parties involved should move ahead and support this decision.

At 7:04 p.m., Rod Flannigan, City Engineer, entered the meeting.

Councilor Roskoski also expressed disappointment with the Library Board and the Arrowhead Library System regarding the remodeling of the Library.

It was moved by Prebeg and supported by Irish to approve the amendment to the surface lease number 13056 dated January 1, 2003 to extend the lease for the rock sign located at the intersection of Highway 53 and Old Highway 169 for a period of one year with a fee of \$75.00, (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

It was moved by Roskoski that in regards to the Phase II Subsurface Investigation of Open Dump 1 located on the USX property, that the information outlined in Wenck's letter of December 9, 2003, to direct the City Administrator to contact the officials at USX Corporation and advise them that the City would like to have a joint effort for the remediation action on the Open Dump 1 site. After further discussion, Councilor Roskoski **withdrew** his motion. It was the consensus of the Council to have this item on the next Council agenda when the City Attorney is present.

Councilor Roskoski asked the City Administrator who the new management company was for the Mountain Manor. The City Administrator said that it was DW Jones, from Walker, Minnesota.

The Council discussed the Heather Avenue water line extension project. The Director of Public Works outlined the project for the City Council.

The Recreation Director advised the Council that the 2004 Merritt Days Celebration would be on June 25th. He advised the Council that the first planning meeting was scheduled for Thursday, January 8, 2004 at 6:00 p.m. The Recreation Director advised the Council that 44 couples attended the New Year's Eve Party with six couples canceling.

The Mayor asked for someone from the Council to volunteer to represent the City of Mountain Iron at the Range Association of Municipalities and Schools meetings. Councilor Irish express interest in attending to see what the meetings were about, but would not commit to being the Representative. Councilor Prebeg suggested alternating City Council members to attend the meetings.

It was moved by Skalko and supported by Roskoski to set a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting for Tuesday, January 13, 2004, at 6:00 p.m. at the Mountain Iron Community Center, Mountain Iron Room with the following items on the agenda:

1. Housing and Redevelopment Authority/Economic Development Authority Proposal
2. 2004-2008 Capital Improvement Plan
3. Request for Proposals review for:
 - Legal Services
 - Auditing Services
 - Engineering Services

The motion carried.

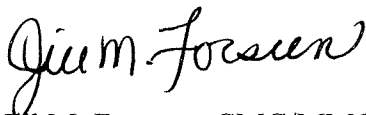
It was moved by Prebeg and supported by Nelson to re-schedule the January 19, 2004 City Council meeting until Tuesday, January 20, 2004 at 6:30 p.m. because of the Martin Luther King holiday. The motion carried.

It was moved by Skalko and supported by Roskoski to approve the contract with DSGW Architects for the library roofing project in the amount of \$11,800.00. The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Irish, yes; Roskoski, yes; Prebeg, yes; Nelson, no; and Skalko, yes.

During the open discussion, Councilor Roskoski stated that he read an article in the newspaper regarding the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's random sampling of area lake water. He said that in the article it stated that there were high levels of mercury in Mashkenode Lake. He asked if the area had been posted regarding the mercury. The Director of Public Works stated that the public landing is the Minnesota Department of Natural Resource's responsibility.

At 8:06 p.m. it was moved by Roskoski and supported by Nelson that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:



Jill M. Forseen, CMC/MMCA
Municipal Services Secretary

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Summary By Category And Distribution

Category	Distribution	Amount
UTILITY	UTILITY	68,832.92
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	SPECIAL ASSESS.-BOND MONEY	7,376.10
BUILDING RENTALS	COMMUNITY CENTER	875.00
BUILDING RENTALS	BUILDING RENTAL DEPOSITS	650.00
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	ELECTRIC-CHG FOR SERVICES	764.20
MISCELLANEOUS	ELECTRIC RECONNECT FEE	25.00
MISCELLANEOUS	WATER TAP IN FEE	25.00
MISCELLANEOUS	MOSES RESTITUTION	100.00
MISCELLANEOUS	REIMBURSEMENTS	16,189.30
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	WATER-CHARGE FOR SERVICES	125.00
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	SEWER-CHARGE FOR SERVICES	50.00
MISCELLANEOUS	NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY	110.00
MISCELLANEOUS	ELECTRICAL INSPEC FORMS	1.00
MISCELLANEOUS	ASSESSMENT SEARCHES	30.00
FINES	CRIMINAL	889.13
LICENSES	ANIMAL	95.00
METER DEPOSITS	ELECTRIC	400.00
BUILDING RENTALS	NICHOLS HALL	10.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT AID	215,292.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	49,020.50
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	MISCELLANEOUS STATE AID	2,417.50
Summary Totals:		<u>363,277.65</u>

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01/04	01/06/2004	29376	130059	MINNESOTA POWER	002-20200	2,370.00
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Check Issue Date(s): 01/01/2004 - 01/09/2004

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01/04	01/06/2004	29405	230026	WELLS FARGO REMITTANCE CENTER	002-20200	4,011.16
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01/04	01/09/2004	29409	140052	NORTHEAST SERVICE COOPERATIVE	002-20200	4,321.86
Totals:						<u>381,210.86</u>
Payroll-PP Ending 1/2/04						<u>51,873.12</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES						<u>\$433,083.98</u>

PROCLAMATION

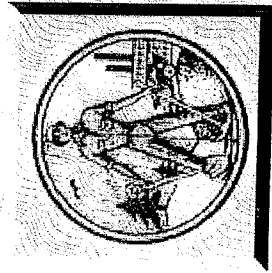
A proclamation of the City Council of the City of Mountain Iron,
Minnesota congratulating

MIRANDA BURRIS FOR HER BRAVE AND QUICK-WITTED ACTIONS

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mountain Iron hereby proclaims
Monday, January 12, 2004, as

"MIRANDA BURRIS DAY"

I, Gary Skalko, Mayor of Mountain Iron, hereby issue this proclamation on behalf
of the Mountain Iron City Council and the Citizens of this Community.
And wish to publicly declare this with pride and gratitude.



Gary Skalko
Signature

1-5-04
Date

AMENDMENT

Surface Lease No. 13056 dated January 1, 2003 (hereinafter the "Agreement")

IT IS HEREBY AGREED, by and between the undersigned parties, that the referenced Agreement by and between United States Steel Corporation, a Delaware corporation, and the City of Mountain Iron be and hereby is amended as follows:

1. The original term of the referenced Agreement is January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2003. The Agreement is hereby amended and extended until December 31, 2004.
2. The annual rental fee for this extended time period shall be increased to \$ 75.00, which sum shall be payable to United States Steel Corporation and sent to and received by the Regional Manager North, USS Northern Lands & Minerals, Old Highway 169, P.O. Box 417, Mt. Iron, Minnesota 55768.
3. This Amendment shall be effective as of January 1, 2004.
4. Sign both copies of this Amendment; return one copy along with your rental payment to the Regional Manager North, USS Real Estate, Northern Lands & Minerals, P.O. Box 417, Mt. Iron, MN 55768.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that except as hereinabove amended, the terms, conditions, and obligations of the referenced Agreement are incorporated herein as if fully set forth at length, and shall remain in full force and effect until termination or until otherwise further amended by the parties in writing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment as of the date(s) set forth below.

UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION

By: James O. McInnes
General Manager-Minnesota Ore Operations
Box 417
Mt. Iron, Minnesota 55768

CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON

By: [Signature]
Title: Mayor

Dated: 12-18-03

Dated: 1-5-04

COUNCIL LETTER 012004-IV

ADMINISTRATION

REORGANIZATION

DATE: January 14, 2004
FROM: City Council
Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Based upon the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting and the proposals received the City Council needs to designate an Engineer, Auditor and Attorney.

General consensus from the COW meeting was as follows:

City Attorney: Trenti Law Firm
City Engineer: Benchmark Engineering
City Auditor: Walker, Giroux and Hahne

COUNCIL LETTER 010504-VB1

ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: January 14, 2004
FROM: Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

As part of the continuing process of incorporating the annexed area into the City, the City needs to amend its floodplain ordinance. As part of the amendment process, a public hearing needs to be scheduled. Enclosed is a copy of the proposed amendment which basically adopts some more Floodplain maps in order to cover the entire City. Also it changes the Septic System portion of the Ordinance in order to comply with current procedures.

It is recommended that a public hearing on the amendments to the floodplain ordinance be set for March 1, 2004 at 6:30PM.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 02-04

**AMENDING CHAPTER 23 OF THE MOUNTAIN IRON CITY
CODE**

THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1 AMENDING SECTION 23.03. Section 23.03 of the Mountain Iron City Code is hereby amended as follows:

The following shall be deleted in its entirety:

~~Subd. 1 — Adoption of Flood Hazard Boundary Map. The Flood Hazard Boundary Map for the City of Mountain Iron, dated February 3, 1979, developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency is hereby adopted by reference as the Official Flood Plain Zoning District Map and made a part of this Chapter. This map was previously entitled the Flood Hazard Boundary Map dated May 24, 1974.~~

and replaced with the following:

Subd. 1 Adoption of Flood Hazard Boundary Map. The Flood Hazard Boundary Map for the City of Mountain Iron, dated February 23, 1979, and those portions of Flood Insurance Rate Map Panel Number 2704160800C, Panel Number 2704160825C, Panel Number 2704160925C and Panel Number 2704160950C, all dated February 19, 1992, that are within the City of Mountain Iron are hereby adopted by reference as the Official Flood Plain Zoning District Map and made a part of this Chapter.

SECTION 2 AMENDING SECTION 23.07. Section 23.07 Subd. 2. of the Mountain Iron City Code is hereby amended as follows:

The following shall be deleted in its entirety:

~~2. — New or replacement on-site sewage treatment systems must be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems into flood waters and they shall not be subject to impairment or contamination during times of flooding. Any sewage treatment system designed in accordance with the State's current statewide standards for on-site sewage treatment systems shall be determined to be in compliance with this Section.~~

and replaced with the following:

2. New or replacement on-site sewage treatment systems must be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems into flood waters and they shall not be subject to impairment or contamination during times of flooding. Any sewage treatment system designed in accordance with Chapter 37.03 of the Mountain Iron City Code shall be determined to be in compliance with this Section.

SECTION 3 INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES. All Ordinances or portions thereof inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be repealed and replaced with the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4 EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall be effective according to State Statute.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2004.

ATTEST:

Mayor Gary Skalko

City Administrator

**Minnesota Lawful Gambling
LG230 Application to Conduct Annual Off-Site Gambling**

No Fee

Licensed Organization Information (please print all information)

Organization name Chicagami License number 01483
 License expiration date 5/31/04 Daytime phone number (218) 744-1160
 Name of chief executive officer Lynn Damberg (Do not list the gambling manager)

Gambling Premises Information

Name of establishment/function where gambling activity will be conducted Mt. Iron Community Center
 Street Address and City 8586 Enterprise Drive Mt. Iron
 (Do not use a post office box. If no street address, write in the road designations. Example: 3 miles east of Hwy. 63 on County Road 42)

Lease Requirement. Does your organization own the gambling premises?
 If yes, no lease is required.
 If no, a lease agreement must be attached (you may use lease form LG224, available from the Board. A lease is not required for raffles).

Date(s) for off-site activity up to 12 consecutive days: **Type of Gambling Activity.** Check the gambling activity your organization will be conducting.

Begin date 3/11/04 End date 3/11/04
 Pull-tabs Bingo Tipboards Raffles Paddlewheels

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Acknowledgment and Oath

I have read this application, and all information is true, accurate, and complete.

CEO Signature Lynn Damberg Date 3/11/04

A licensed organization may conduct lawful gambling on premises other than the organization's permitted premises for one day per calendar year or within a 12-consecutive-day period in a calendar year in connection with a county fair, the state fair, a church festival, or a civic celebration.

The person signing this application must be the CEO of your organization and have his or her name on file with the Gambling Control Board. If the CEO has changed during the term of your license and has not filed an Organization Officers Affidavit - LG200B with the Gambling Control Board, he or she must do so at this time.

Application and attachments: At least 30 days prior to the date of the activity, submit:

- 1) this application,
- 2) the resolution of approval from the local unit of government (city or county), and
- 3) a copy of the lease agreement, if required (NOTE: No lease is required for raffles.)

There is no application fee.

**Mail to: Gambling Control Board
Suite 300 South
1711 West County Road B
Roseville, MN 55113**

Questions? Direct questions to your licensing specialist at 651-639-4000. If you use a TTY, you can call the Board by using the Minnesota Relay Service and ask to place a call to 651-639-4000.

This publication will be made available in alternative format (i.e. large print, Braille) upon request. The information requested on this form (and any attachments) will be used by the Gambling Control Board (Board) to determine your qualifications to be involved in lawful gambling activities in Minnesota, and to assist the Board in conducting a background investigation of you. You have the right to refuse to supply the information requested; however, if you refuse to supply this information, the Board may not be able to determine your qualifications and, as a consequence, may refuse to issue you a permit. If you supply the information requested, the Board will be able to process your application. This form may require the disclosure of your Social Security number. If so, your Social Security number will be used to determine your compliance with the tax laws of Minnesota. Authorization for requiring your Social Security number is found at 42 U.S.C. 405 (c)(i). Your name and address will be public information when received by the Board. All the other information that you provide will be private data

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LG224 Lease for Annual Off-Site Gambling Activity

Name of legal owner of property	Street address	City	State	Zip	Daytime phone/area code
City of Mt Iron	8586 Enterprise Dr.	Mt Iron	MN	55768	749-3270
Name of lessor (If same as legal owner, write in "SAME")	Street address	City	State	Zip	Daytime phone/area code
SAME					
Name of leased premises	Street address, or road designations	City	Zip	Daytime phone/area code	
Mt Iron Community Center	8586 Enterprise Dr.	Mt Iron	55768	749-3270	
Name of lessee (name of organization leasing the premises)	Organization license number	Daytime phone/area code			
Chicagami	01483	(218) 744-1160			

Activity Date(s)
 Beginning date of off-site activity: 3/11/04 Ending date of off-site activity: 3/11/04

Type of Gambling Activity
 Check the type of gambling activity that will be conducted for this annual off-site activity.

Bingo
 Raffles
 Paddlewheels
 Pull-tabs
 Tipboards

Rent Information

Rent to be paid for the leased area: \$ - 0 -
 (If none, write -0-)

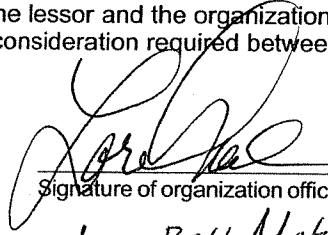
NOTE: No lease is required for raffles.

*idle wheel
pull tabs*

OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND AGREEMENTS - Attachment
 All obligations and agreements between the organization and the lessor are listed below or attached to this lease. (Attach additional sheets if necessary. Any attachments to this lease must be dated and signed by both the lessor and lessee.)

Net Proceeds will be added to our annual 10% contribution to the city of Mt Iron paid through BGIS Part-Grill.

This lease is the total and only agreement between the lessor and the organization conducting lawful gambling activities. There is no other agreement and no other consideration required between the parties as to the lawful gambling and other matters related to this lease.

Signature of lessor	Date		11/3/04
		Signature of organization official (lessee)	Date
Print name of lessor		Lori Beth Maki	Gambling Manager
		Print name and title of person signing on behalf of organization	

Sete 026

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January 15, 2004

Mr. John Thomas
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
525 S. Lake Avenue
Suite 400
Duluth, Minnesota 55802

RE: Mountain Iron Wastewater Treatment Facility Notice of Violation

Dear Mr. Thomas

The City of Mountain Iron offers the following response to your Notice of Violation.

1. All bypasses are reported to the MPCA duty officers as soon as possible after initiation of bypassing.
2. The discharge of the secondary pond will be sealed as weather permits or by April 31, 2004.
3. The protocol and bypass triggering mechanism is attached.
4. Benchmark Engineering has been retained to develop a plan for the inflow infiltration and collection system evaluation. This plan and implementation schedule will be forwarded as soon as the Mountain Iron City Council approves it.
5. The plan for implementation of ordinance 01-03, requiring sump pumps, is attached.
6. Quarterly reports on sump pump inspections will be provided with first report sent covering inspections through March 31, 2004. The final quarterly report will be submitted by January 30, 2005.
7. Total chlorine residual violations have been dealt with by the corrective action report. Additional testing and chemical feed adjustments have kept the TRC within permit limits.

If you have any questions or desire further information please do not hesitate to contact me at 218-748-7570 or e-mail @ publicworks@mtniron.com.

Sincerely

Don Kleinschmidt
Director of Public Works

Attachments

PROTOCOL FOR BYPASSING

In the event that the wastewater treatment facility receives flows, that exceed the pumping capabilities of 1500 gallons per minute, the following protocol will be followed:

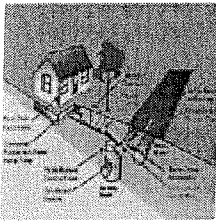
No bypasses will occur prior to the flooding of the preliminary treatment room.

If flooding of the preliminary treatment room occurs the following steps will be taken by the operator on duty.

1. The operator will open the main to the stabilization ponds and close the force main to the wastewater treatment facility. Bypassing to the ponds will begin.
2. The operator will record the time bypassing started
3. The operator will record the pump hours from the mud lake lift pumps.
4. The operator will take a grab sample from the manhole at the mud lake lift station for testing for CBOD, TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS AND PHOSPHORUS.
5. The operator will report the initiation of bypassing to the MPCA duty officer at 1-800-422-0798.
6. The operator will notify management of the actions performed as soon as practical.
7. The operator will monitor the treatment facility and return the flow to the facility as soon as conditions allow.
8. The operator will record the time that bypassing ended.
9. The operator will record the pumping hours at the mud lake lift pumps.

Inflow and Infiltration Plan

Mountain Iron, like most communities, has a problem with Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) in its wastewater collection system. I/I is the allowing of "clean" water, typically rain water, to access the collection system. This "clean" water is then treated through the wastewater treatment plant. During times of rain, this "clean" water will overload the treatment facility.



As a result of I/I, the City spends resources collecting and treating water that does not need to be treated. Secondly, the City may not be able to meet the standards of treatment set forth by the MPCA. Third, this I/I may cause backups in the system and possible flooding of basements. Fourth, the City may not be able to gain future permits from the MPCA in order to extend wastewater mains. The cumulative effects and costs of I/I put a large burden on wastewater customers and the City.

Typically, the most serious I/I occurs where the collection system is the oldest. This is due to bad mains, drain tiles tied directly to the wastewater system, storm water mains tied to wastewater mains, deteriorating manholes, etc.

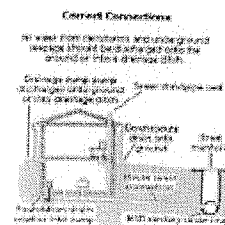
Mountain Iron has undertaken the following actions to limit its I/I. They are as follows:

- o Eliminate all known ties between the storm sewer system and the wastewater collection system.
- o Rehabilitation of the most deteriorated manholes in the "Old Town" area.
- o Closing of the collection system in northern Parkville.
- o Requiring sump pumps that drain to the yard in all new construction.
- o Close the sewer system in the Costin location

Following are additional steps that will be undertaken in order to further eliminate I/I in the City. These are listed in order of having the most immediate effect to having a long-term effect.

1. 12/31/04-- Require sump pumps for all buildings and concurrently eliminating all ties between the wastewater system and any drain tile around buildings or downspouts.

1/1/2004 – any body that received a building permit must install a



sump pump.

12/31/2004 – all buildings must have any drain tile system isolated from the sanitary sewer system.

2004 – There would be an information campaign to give voluntary compliance through the mail, media and web sites.

2004- Inspections for compliance will be conducted.

2004- There will be an information campaign notifying the public of a Community Block Grant received that could assist residents with coming into compliance with ordinance 01-03.

12/31/2004-Ordinance 01-03 enforced with penalties for non-compliance enacted.

2. Initiate a complete smoke-testing program.
3. Televiser all wastewater mains within the City. Possible slip line or reconstruct the most deteriorated.
4. Initiate a water leak detection program to locate possible waterline leaks flowing into the sanitary system.
5. Eliminate all ties between drain tiles that surround buildings, rain downspouts and uncapped cleanouts that tie to the wastewater collection system.

Through the implementation of these efforts, the City should be able to do the following:

- Extend the life of the wastewater treatment plant and collection system.
- Stabilize rates.
- Comply with the MPCA NPDES permits.
- Continue with plans for the extension of the wastewater collection system.



SUMMARY OF DRAINAGE AREA OWNERSHIPS

Heather Avenue Drainage Plan
Mountain Iron, MINNESOTA
PROJECT NO. MI03-24

Total Size of Drainage Area = 26.5 acres

Owner	Parcel Number	Acreage in Drainage Area	Percentage of Drainage Area
* Heglund	175-0071-01230	0.6	2.2
Kvas	175-0071-01232	2.1	7.7
St. of MN	175-0071-01231	1.1	4.2
Petersen	175-0071-01235	5.0	18.9
Lee	175-0071-01246	1.7	6.5
Anderson	175-0071-01305	1.4	5.4
Landicho	175-0071-01250	3.2	12.0
Niska	175-0071-01255	6.8	25.8
* Jacob	175-0071-01260	0.8	2.9
*	175-0071-01280	1.0	3.7
* Zeidler	175-0071-01282	0.3	1.0
* Knoll	175-0071-01290	0.1	0.2
* Lot 2, Block 3		0.2	0.8
* Lot 3, Block 3		0.3	1.0
* Lot 4, Block 3		0.3	1.1
* Lot 1, Block 2		0.2	0.6
* Lot 2, Block 2		0.3	0.9
* Lot 3, Block 2		0.2	0.9
* Lot 9, Block 3		0.2	0.9
* Lot 8, Block 2		0.2	0.9
Road R.O.W.		0.6	2.4
Total		26.5	100.0

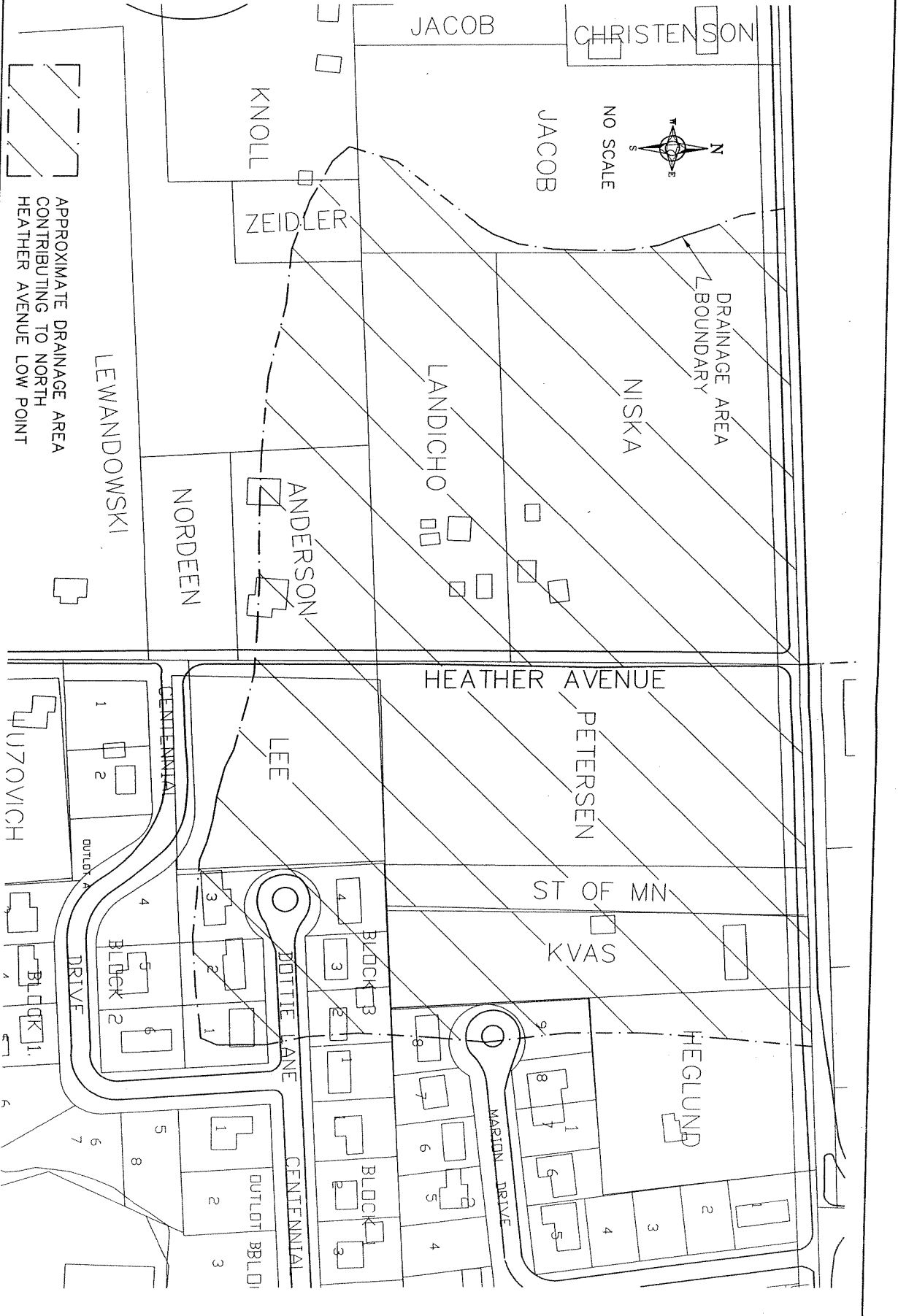
* Note: Small piece of perimeter parcels would receive minimal benefits.

Heather Avenue Drainage Improvements

						Option 1	Option 2
Owner						\$96,846.39	\$108,402.68
Heglund	175-0071-01230	0.6	2.3%	50.0%	\$1,092.25	\$1,222.59	
Kvas	175-0071-01232	2.1	7.9%	75.0%	\$5,734.33	\$6,418.58	
State	175-0071-01231	1.1	4.1%	75.0%	\$3,003.69	\$3,362.11	
Petersen	175-0071-01235	5	18.8%	75.0%	\$13,653.16	\$15,282.33	
Lee	175-0071-01246	1.7	6.4%	75.0%	\$4,642.07	\$5,195.99	
Anderson	175-0071-01305	1.4	5.3%	75.0%	\$3,822.88	\$4,279.05	
Landicho	175-0071-01250	3.2	12.0%	75.0%	\$8,738.02	\$9,780.69	
Niska	175-0071-01255	6.8	25.6%	75.0%	\$18,568.29	\$20,783.97	
Jacob	175-0071-01260	0.8	3.0%	50.0%	\$1,456.34	\$1,630.12	
Jacob	175-0071-01280	1	3.8%	50.0%	\$1,820.42	\$2,037.64	
Zeidler	175-0071-01282	0.3	1.1%	50.0%	\$546.13	\$611.29	
Knoll	175-0071-01290	0.1	0.4%	50.0%	\$182.04	\$203.76	
Richter	175-0061-00160	0.2	0.8%	50.0%	\$364.08	\$407.53	
Pellitier	175-0061-00170	0.3	1.1%	50.0%	\$546.13	\$611.29	
Werner	175-0061-00180	0.3	1.1%	50.0%	\$546.13	\$611.29	
Wilkins	175-0061-00090	0.2	0.8%	50.0%	\$364.08	\$407.53	
Kerntz	175-0061-00100	0.3	1.1%	50.0%	\$546.13	\$611.29	
Kohlhase	175-0061-00110	0.2	0.8%	50.0%	\$364.08	\$407.53	
Lambert	175-0017-00090	0.2	0.8%	50.0%	\$364.08	\$407.53	
Skalko	175-0017-00170	0.2	0.8%	50.0%	\$364.08	\$407.53	
Road		0.6	2.3%	75.0%	\$1,638.38	\$1,833.88	
		26.6	100.0%		\$68,356.80	\$76,513.55	

Heather Avenue Drainage Improvements

Owner		Option 1			Option 2			\$108,402.68	
		2.3%	50%	75%	90%	50%	75%		90%
Heglund	175-0071-01230	0.6	\$1,092.25	\$1,638.38	\$1,966.05	\$1,222.59	\$1,833.88	\$2,200.66	
Kvas	175-0071-01232	2.1	\$3,822.88	\$5,734.33	\$6,881.19	\$4,279.05	\$6,418.58	\$7,702.30	
State	175-0071-01231	1.1	\$2,002.46	\$3,003.69	\$3,604.43	\$2,241.41	\$3,362.11	\$4,034.54	
Petersen	175-0071-01235	5	\$9,102.10	\$13,653.16	\$16,383.79	\$10,188.22	\$15,282.33	\$18,338.80	
Lee	175-0071-01246	1.7	\$3,094.72	\$4,642.07	\$5,570.49	\$3,464.00	\$5,195.99	\$6,235.19	
Anderson	175-0071-01305	1.4	\$2,548.59	\$3,822.88	\$4,587.46	\$2,852.70	\$4,279.05	\$5,134.86	
Landicho	175-0071-01250	3.2	\$5,825.35	\$8,738.02	\$10,485.62	\$6,520.46	\$9,780.69	\$11,736.83	
Niska	175-0071-01255	6.8	\$12,378.86	\$18,568.29	\$22,281.95	\$13,855.98	\$20,783.97	\$24,940.77	
Jacob	175-0071-01260	0.8	\$1,456.34	\$2,184.51	\$2,621.41	\$1,630.12	\$2,445.17	\$2,934.21	
Jacob	175-0071-01280	1	\$1,820.42	\$2,730.63	\$3,276.76	\$2,037.64	\$3,056.47	\$3,667.76	
Zeidler	175-0071-01282	0.3	\$546.13	\$819.19	\$983.03	\$611.29	\$916.94	\$1,100.33	
Knoll	175-0071-01290	0.1	\$182.04	\$273.06	\$327.68	\$203.76	\$305.65	\$366.78	
Richter	175-0061-00160	0.2	\$364.08	\$546.13	\$655.35	\$407.53	\$611.29	\$733.55	
Pellitier	175-0061-00170	0.3	\$546.13	\$819.19	\$983.03	\$611.29	\$916.94	\$1,100.33	
Werner	175-0061-00180	0.3	\$546.13	\$819.19	\$983.03	\$611.29	\$916.94	\$1,100.33	
Wilkins	175-0061-00090	0.2	\$364.08	\$546.13	\$655.35	\$407.53	\$611.29	\$733.55	
Kerntz	175-0061-00100	0.3	\$546.13	\$819.19	\$983.03	\$611.29	\$916.94	\$1,100.33	
Kohlhase	175-0061-00110	0.2	\$364.08	\$546.13	\$655.35	\$407.53	\$611.29	\$733.55	
Lambert	175-0017-00090	0.2	\$364.08	\$546.13	\$655.35	\$407.53	\$611.29	\$733.55	
Skalko	175-0017-00170	0.2	\$364.08	\$546.13	\$655.35	\$407.53	\$611.29	\$733.55	
Road		0.6	\$1,092.25	\$1,638.38	\$1,966.05	\$1,222.59	\$1,833.88	\$2,200.66	
		26.6	100.0%	\$48,423.20	\$72,634.79	\$87,161.75	\$54,201.34	\$81,302.01	\$97,562.41
				\$48,423.20	\$72,634.79	\$87,161.75	\$54,201.34	\$81,302.01	\$97,562.41



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SHEET NO.

HEATHER AVENUE DRAINAGE PLAN
MOUNTAIN IRON

DRAINAGE AREA OWNERSHIPS

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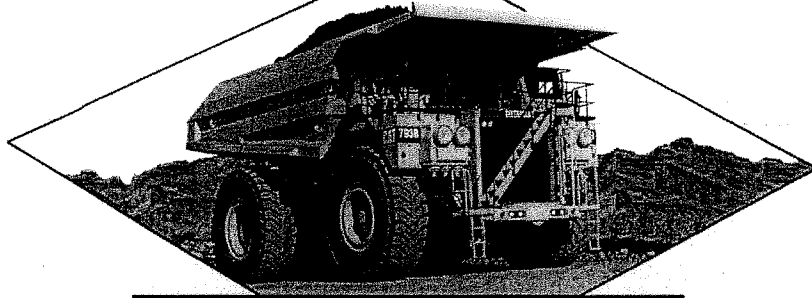
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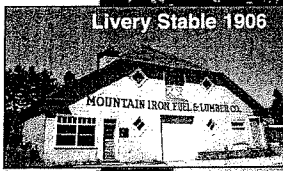
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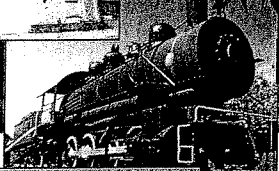
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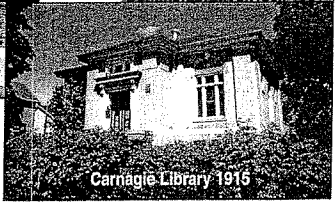
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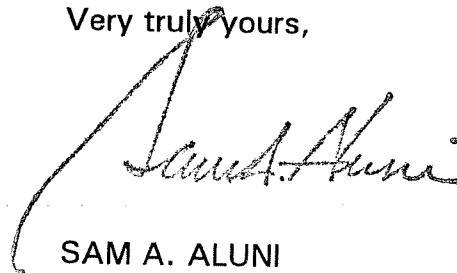
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RE: City of Mountain Iron vs. Harry's Bon Air, Inc.
Our File No. 55,337-2
Your File No. 22653

Dear Mr. Cope:

Enclosed herewith please find original and three (3) copies of revised Confession of Judgment in connection with the above matter. Please have your client sign all four (4) copies, sign all copies on behalf of Defendant Harry's Bon Air, Inc., and return the same to me as soon as possible for entry of the judgment herein per the agreement of the parties.

Very truly yours,



SAM A. ALUNI

SAA:skf

Encs.

cc City of Mountain Iron w/encs.

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Re: City of Mountain Iron v. Harry's Bon Air, Inc. and Beverly Nadolske Allis
Our File No. 22653

Dear Mr. Aluni:

I received the proposed Confession of Judgment in connection with the above-entitled matter. I would request that the Judgment indicate that the City will only attempt to collect this Judgment from the portion of the proceeds of the insurance policy covering clean-up and will in no way attempt to recover Judgment individually from Ms. Allis.

Sincerely,


JAMES R. COPE

JRC/cks

cc: Beverly Allis

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STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS

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DISTRICT COURT
SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

City of Mountain Iron,
Plaintiff,

v.

CONFESSION OF JUDGMENT

Harry's Bon Air, Inc.,

Court File #C7-03-101631

Defendant.

Based upon the files, records and proceedings herein the parties do stipulate and agree as follows:

1. Defendant **Harry's Bon Air, Inc.**, a Minnesota Corporation, does hereby confess judgment in favor of Plaintiff **City of Mountain Iron** in the amount of TWELVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY AND 00/100THS DOLLARS (\$12,180.00) representing the amount contained in Plaintiff's Complaint of Eleven Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty and 00/100ths DOLLARS (\$11,830.00) plus THREE HUNDRED FIFTY AND 00/100THS DOLLARS (\$350.00) statutory costs and disbursements and the district court administrator is hereby authorized to enter judgment accordingly without further

notice, hearing or further proceedings in this matter. Plaintiff will only attempt to collect this Judgment from the portion of any insurance policy covering clean-up costs and any other assets of the corporation including the subject real property and Plaintiff has no claim and will not recover Judgment against Beverly Nadolske Allis individually.

Dated: _____

HARRY'S BON AIR, INC.

By: _____
Its _____

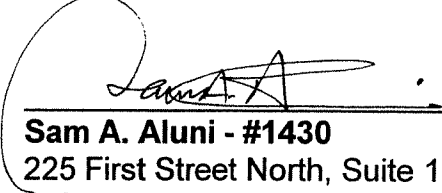
Dated: _____

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Dated: January 14, 2004

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Attorneys for Plaintiff



December 9, 2003

Mr. Craig Wainio
City Administrator
City of Mountain Iron
8586 Enterprise Drive South
Mountain Iron, Minnesota 55768

RE: Remediation of Open Dumpsite 1

Dear Mr. Wainio,

As you are aware the Phase II Subsurface Investigation of Open Dump 1 located on the USX property contains materials that exceed MPCA established industrial and residential limits. Should the City move forward with economic redevelopment and utilization of the subject property, Wenck Associates, Inc. (Wenck) has these recommendations to address the findings of our Phase II Investigation.

A Remedial Action Plan (RAP) should be prepared for the subject property. A RAP is a detailed site-specific plan to remediate or clean-up known and defined contaminants on a property. Remediation alternatives include: (1) capping the material in place or (2) removal of the material for off-site disposal. The RAP would include developing and selecting the most appropriate alternative for the City based on the costs, redevelopment plans and the long-term liability issues. Once completed, the RAP is submitted for approval by the MPCA's "fee for service" Voluntary Investigation Program (VIC).

Cost for the preparation and submittal of the RAP to the MPCA is approximately \$7,500.00. This includes review of the possible remediation methods, feasibility of remediation methods, determination of any possible long-term liabilities associated with the remediation proposals and discussions with the City on the selection of a remedial action.

After the selection of the remediation action, it is recommended that the City request funding for the implementation of the RAP from the Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development (DTED). DTED funding requests for RAP implementation is similar to the City's original grant request for the Phase II investigation. However, funding requests for RAP implementation requires supporting documentation of the community economic gains from the completion of the project. An application should demonstrate actual development plan for the subject property and its economic benefits to the community. Wenck would prepare and submit the grant application with the assistance of the Quad Cities Economic Development Authority and the City of Mountain

December 10, 2003

Iron. Wenck can prepare and submit a DTED grant application for the City for approximately \$2,500.00.

Wenck appreciates the opportunity to assist the City with the remediation of this dumpsite. We would recommend that the City proceed with these matters in a timely matter so the RAP can be implemented during the 2004 construction season. The MPCA has a landfill project in Virginia that could utilize the dump material for fill, but they would like to have preliminary information of your intentions by January 15th. If this is determined to be the most feasible remediation, this alternative has a limited time frame for implementation.

Should you have any questions concerning these proposals please feel free to contact Joseph Palo at (218) 865-0120.

Sincerely,

WENCK ASSOCIATES, INC.



Brian Hayden, P.G.
Project Hydrogeologist

**COUNCIL LETTER 010504-VIA
CITY COUNCIL
PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS**

DATE: January 14, 2004
FROM: City Council
Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

At the last City Council meeting the plans and specifications for the library roof repairs were presented and tabled until the Library Board had a chance to review the plans. If the City Council would like to proceed with the project they need to approve the Plans and Specifications and Authorize seeking Bids.

Mayor Skalko also requested this item be placed on the agenda with the background of what was stated at our last meeting on January 5th.

COUNCIL LETTER 010504-VIB

**MAYOR SKALKO
COUNCILOR ROSKOSKI**

ACCESSIBILITY GRANT

DATE: January 14, 2004

FROM: Mayor Skalko

Councilor Roskoski

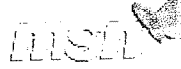
Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Mayor Skalko and Councilor Roskoski requested this item be placed on the agenda. Background information enclosed.

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From: Craig J. Wainio <cityadmn@mtiron.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 6, 2004 6:10 PM
To: "Gary Skalko" <gwsalko@hotmail.com>
Subject: FW: Public Library Accessibility Grant

Inbox



Attachment: Application2004-April.doc (90 KB), Criteria2002-09.doc (42 KB)

-----Original Message-----

From: Pomerantz, Bruce [mailto:Bruce.Pomerantz@state.mn.us]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2004 10:55 AM
To: 'cityadmn@mtiron.com'
Subject: Public Library Accessibility Grant

I mis-addressed the below.

-----Original Message-----

From: Pomerantz, Bruce
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2004 10:54 AM
To: 'cityadmin@mtiron.com'
Cc: Karen Luoma (E-mail)
Subject: Public Library Accessibility Grant

The next submission date for a public library accessibility grant is April 26, 2004. Below is an announcement I posted to all public library directors yesterday. I have also attached the grant application and the criteria. The criteria have not changed. I have altered the application slightly, mostly in rearranging the sequence and renumbering the attachments.

Because of the file size, I am emailing you the building survey separately. It has not changed. Some email boxes reject it because of its size. If that occurs, I will mail you a copy.

Please inform me if you intend to apply for a grant.

PUBLIC LIBRARY BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY MATCHING GRANTS

Public libraries, or cities or counties on behalf of their public libraries, have until April 26, 2004 to submit competitive proposals for matching state grants to renovate an existing building to remove architectural barriers in public areas.

The renovations must alter the building to comply with Americans With Disability Act Architectural Guidelines and the state building code regarding persons with disabilities. Renovation of an existing building may include an addition to the building if the additional space is necessary to provide accessibility or if relocating public spaces to the ground level provides improved overall accessibility

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Applicants may apply for up to \$150,000 per site. Applicants must match the state grant dollar for dollar with non-state funds and no in-kind match. The grant program is competitive. Approximately \$500,000 is available.

Applicants are strongly urged to contact Bruce Pomerantz, Library Development and Services (LDS) grant administrator, Minnesota Department of Education (MDE), while they are in the early stages of preparing their proposals. Cost estimates should be based on soliciting bids in August 2004. Additional information, the application, criteria, and mandatory building survey form are available as electronic files by contacting Bruce Pomerantz at 651-582-8890 or by email at bruce.Pomerantz@state.mn.us <<mailto:bruce.Pomerantz@state.mn.us>> .

<<Application 2004-April.doc>>

<<Criteria 2002-09.doc>>

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Library Development and Services
Minnesota Department of Education F28
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COUNCIL LETTER 010504-VIC

COUNCILOR ROSKOSKI

GRANTS FOR INFLOW

DATE: January 14, 2004
FROM: Councilor Roskoski
Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Councilor Roskoski requested this item be placed on the agenda. No further background information was provided.

Staff Note: The contracts for the CDBG Grant have been signed, the reporting procedures are in place and the next step will be the notification to the public. A letter should be sent to the residents that this is available also it should be advertised in the Mesabi Daily News and it will be placed on the City's web site at www.mtniron.com.

COUNCIL LETTER 010504-VIIA

ADMINISTRATION

RESOLUTION 01-04

DATE: January 14, 2004
FROM: Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Resolution Number 01-04 Authorizing the Sale of Property, is a reissuance of a previous Resolution with an updated legal description. This property is located within the recently recorded West Mountain Iron Expressway Addition. The City had previously authorized the sale of this property however the deed could not be recorded until such time as the area was platted. Now based upon the plat a new resolution is required updating the legal description. Resolution Number 19-99 was the previous resolution authorizing the sale.

It is recommended that the City Council approve Resolution Number 01-04 Authorizing the Sale of Property.



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 01-04

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the City Council has heretofore determined that it is beneficial to the City of Mountain Iron to convey certain property to Range Regional Health Services (d/b/a University Medical Center-Mesabi), a Minnesota nonprofit corporation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA, that the Mayor and City Administrator execute the deed to convey to Range Regional Health Services d/b/a University Medical Center-Mesabi, a Minnesota corporation, all of the interest of the City of Mountain Iron, including without limitation, its interest under Final Certificate Number 415498 as amended by Document Number 443022 pursuant to Quit Claim Deed Document Number 662789 in and to the real property in St. Louis County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Lot 1 Block 3, West Mountain Iron Expressway Development, Saint Louis County, State of Minnesota, in accordance with the plat on file in the St. Louis County Records Office.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2004.

Mayor Gary Skalko

ATTEST:

City Administrator

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MOUNTAIN IRON EXPRESSWAY DEVELOPMENT

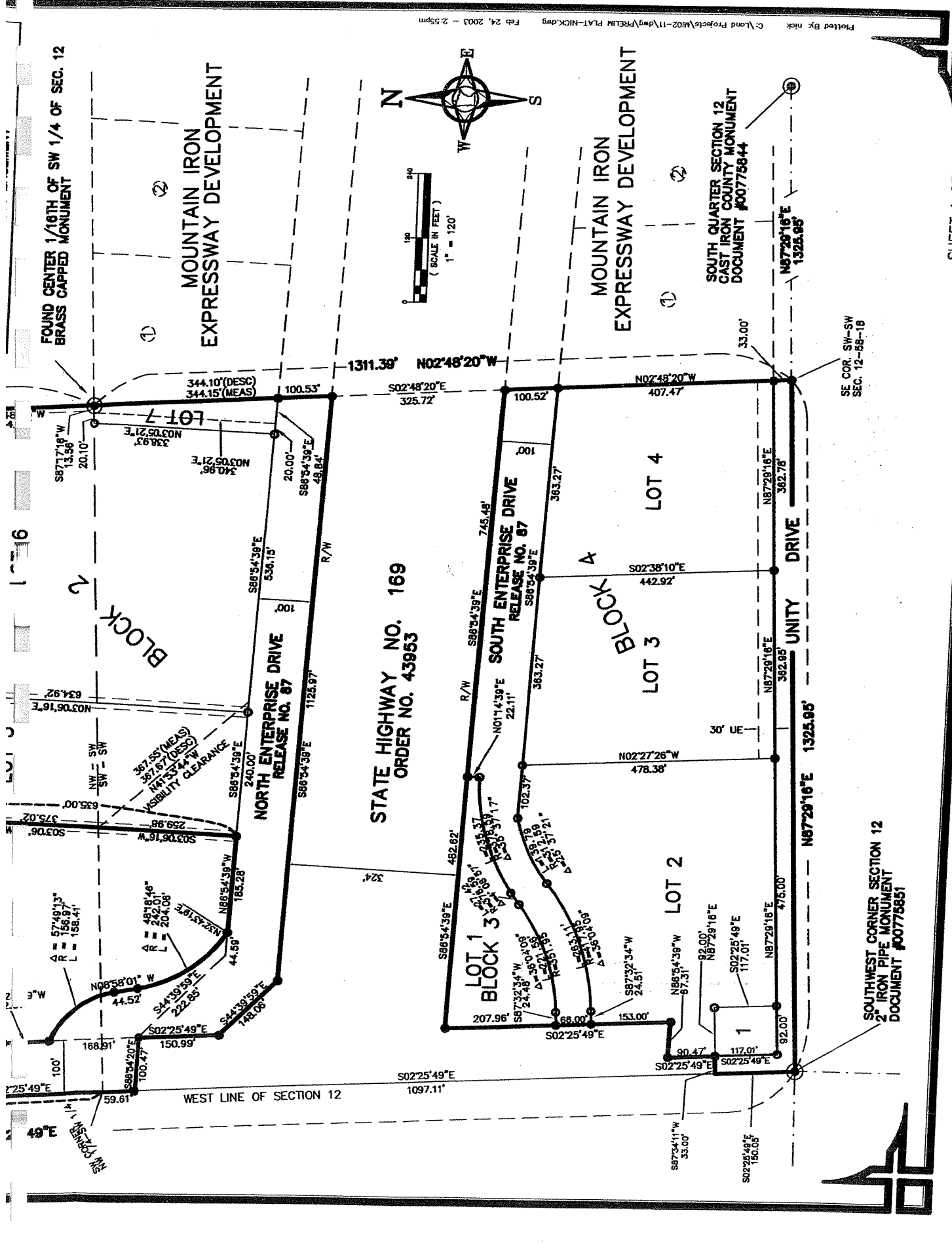
MOUNTAIN IRON EXPRESSWAY DEVELOPMENT

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SHEET 1 OF 2



COUNCIL LETTER 010504-VIIB

ADMINISTRATION

RESOLUTION 02-04

DATE: January 14, 2004

FROM: Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Resolution Number 02-04 authorizes the submission of a grant application to the Secretary of State for funding election assistance for individuals with disabilities. This application is for \$4,000 to install a door opener on the front door of the Community Center and for various signage within the building. Total project cost is \$4,000 and the application is for the grant to fund the entire project.

It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution Number 02-04 Authorizing a Grant Application.



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 02-04

AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL, that the City of Mountain Iron hereby supports the submission of grant application to the Minnesota Secretary of State for the program entitled Election Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL, that the Mayor and City Administrator are authorized to execute and sign any agreements and any amendments hereto as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of the City of Mountain Iron

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2004.

Mayor Gary Skalko

ATTEST:

City Administrator

ELECTION ASSISTANCE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES (EAID) GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

**DEADLINE: ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
4:00 PM ON APRIL 30, 2004**

In accordance with the requirements of
Title II, Subtitle D, Section 261 of Help America Vote Act (42 USC 15461)

Minnesota Secretary of State, Mary Kiffmeyer

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A. General Instructions

The State of Minnesota Office of Secretary of State (OSS) is currently soliciting proposals from cities and townships for accessibility improvements to polling places in Minnesota. The accessibility improvement may be specifically agreed upon by the political subdivision and the OSS and an amount determined by OSS so that improvement might be granted to the political subdivision.

The Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Election Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities (EAID) has allocated to the OSS a cumulative allotment of \$202,382. These funds are available to pay for actual polling place improvements to assist individuals with disabilities to vote privately and independently, for election official training and information about the accessibility of polling places.

Political subdivisions will be responsible for selecting a contractor to produce the awarded accessibility improvement and to pay the contractor, including any cost overruns. The political subdivision will report the expenditures for the specific accessibility improvement to OSS in order to receive reimbursements up to the amount awarded. Any unspent awarded funds will be used for potential use in similar accessibility projects elsewhere within Minnesota. Political subdivisions will also be required to fully cooperate in any and all federal audits of the grant funds.

In order to apply for these EAID funds, political subdivisions must answer all questions fully and completely. An unanswered question will result in the disqualification of the application.

See last page of this document for contact information.

B. Logistical Questions

No	Question	Response		
1	Application date:	January 21, 2004		
2	Name of political subdivision:	City of Mountain Iron		
3	Name of the County(s) in which the political subdivision is located in:	St. Louis		
4	Name of individual completing this application:	Craig J. Wainio		
5	Title of individual completing this application:	City Administrator		
6	List names and contact information for the individuals and offices of your political subdivision responsible for:			
	Adminstrating & implementing the grant:	Authorizing the purchase of accessibility improvements:	Training and education plan for the improvement:	
Name:	Craig J., Wainio	City Council	Craig J. Wainio	
Title:	City Administrator	City Council	City Administrator	
Address:	8586 Enterprise Dr S Mountain Iron MN 55768	8586 Enterprise Dr S Mountain Iron MN 55768	8586 Enterprise Dr So. Mountain Iron MN 55768	
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E-Mail:	cityadm@mtniron.com	cityadm@mtniron.com	cityadm@mtniron.com	
Fax:	218-748-7573	218-748-7573	218-748-7573	

C. Application Questions

Complete the attached Improvements Worksheet (one worksheet for each polling place) explaining the proposed improvements to be made to the polling place.

Federal law requires that all grantees receiving Federal funds, including State and local governments shall clearly state the dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program and the percentage of the total cost that will be financed by nongovernmental sources.

No	Question	Response
7	Total cost of improvement project.	\$ 4000.00
8	Total amount of funds requested: (Total all EAID Grant Program Application Worksheets):	\$ 4000.00
9	If any, total amount to be used to match a grant from the EAID Grant Program:	\$ 0
10	If any, name the match source(s):	N/A
11	Does your political subdivision have insufficient resources to purchase the accessibility enhancement without obtaining a grant.	Yes
12	Has the political subdivision previously applied for this grant? If yes, date of previous application?	No
13	Attach a proposed timeline for purchasing and implementing this accessibility improvement. The project will be implimented by September 1, 2004	
14	Attach a proposed timeline for training election judges and administrators to use the new accessibility improvement. No training necessary.	
15	Attach a proposed plan to educate voters, the media, and the general public concerning the new accessibility improvement.	
16	Attach a resolution of support from the governing body, and if applicable, list any amount appropriated by the governing board of the political subdivision submitting this application.	
17	If applicable, attach commitment letter or resolution from other sources.	

D. Certification

I certify that only the polling places listed on the attached worksheet (s) will use the Election Assistance to Individuals with Disabilities (EAID) Grant to purchase:

- Accessibility improvements to polling places in Minnesota, and
- Improvements to assist individuals with disabilities to vote privately and independently.

Printed Name: Craig J. Wainio

Signature: _____ **Date:** January 21, 2004

All questions must be completely answered. An unanswered question will result in the disqualification of the application.

All information must be submitted in writing as part of this application.

Fax or mail completed application and all accompanying worksheets and documents to:

**Kathy Sibbel
HAVA Project Manager
MN Secretary of State
180 State Office Building
100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55155-1299
FAX: (651) 215 - 0682**

All submissions must be received by 4:00 PM on Friday, April 30, 2004.

COUNCIL LETTER 010504-VIIC

MAYOR SKALKO

DOWNTOWN PARK

DATE: January 14, 2004

FROM: Mayor Skalko

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Mayor Skalko requested this item be placed on the agenda.

Background Information: As discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting, on January 13th, appropriated up to \$25,000 for equipment for the downtown park.

Staff Note: \$25,000 for playground equipment is already appropriated through the 2004 Capital Improvement Budget. It is the ultimate authority of the City Council to determine where the equipment is to be placed.

COUNCIL LETTER 010504-VIID

COUNCILOR NELSON

APPOINTMENT PROCEDURE

DATE: January 14, 2004

FROM: Councilor Nelson

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Councilor Nelson requested this item be placed on the agenda.

Background Information: Requesting a review and modification to the way appointments to various boards and commissions is currently undertaken.

COUNCIL LETTER 010504-VIIE
COUNCILOR ROSKOSKI
EXCESS 2003 BUDGET FUNDS

DATE: January 14, 2004
FROM: Councilor Roskoski
Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Councilor Roskoski requested this item be placed on the agenda. No background information was provided.

COMMUNICATIONS
JANUARY 20, 2004

1. Paul Tynjala, Deputy Auditor/Clerk of County Board for Saint Louis County, requesting information regarding the use of the Community Center for a County Board meeting on July 27, 2004.
2. Ross Wagner, Economic Development & Forest Industry Coordinator, an e-mail advising the City of a JOBZ session on Tuesday, January 27th at the Hibbing Park Inn.
3. Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, an invitation to a Town Hall meeting with the Senate Health, Human Services and Corrections Budget Division on January 27, 2004, at the DECC in Duluth.



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Phone: (218) 726-2380 Fax: (218) 725-5060 Virginia: (218) 749-7104

St. Louis County Auditor

January 12, 2004

City of Mt. Iron
Attn: Craig Wainio, Administrator/Clerk
8586 Enterprise Drive South
Mt. Iron, MN 55768

RE: County Board meeting

Dear Mr. Wainio:

At the annual organizational meeting of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners, the adopted meeting schedule for 2004 was amended by Commissioner Keith Nelson to include alternate locations for quarterly meetings usually held in the Virginia Courthouse. The meeting scheduled for July 27, 2004, is to be held in the Mt. Iron City Hall Complex, 8586 Enterprise Drive South, Mt. Iron, MN. Please furnish the following information at your earliest convenience:

1. Directions to Mt. Iron City Hall.
2. What type of audio recording equipment is available on site? I will bring a portable cassette recorder unless you have other equipment at the city hall that that we could use. Public Access Television (PACT) will also be present to videotape the proceeding.
3. Will we be required to set up chairs and tables or are these items already in place?

Please send information to Paul Tynjala at: (218) 726-2380 - telephone; (218) 725-5060 - FAX; tynjalap@co.st-louis.mn.us - email.

Thank you in advance for use of your facility and I am sure the Mt. Iron City Hall will be a fine location for a County Board meeting.

Sincerely,

Paul L. Tynjala, Deputy Auditor/Clerk of County Board

c: Keith Nelson, 6th District Commissioner

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CITY COUNCIL

Craig J. Wainio

From: Chris Townsend [ctownsend@ardc.org]
Sent: Wednesday, January 14, 2004 9:14 AM
To: amcdonou@duluthport.com; archres@arimn.com; bfritsinger@ci.cloquet.mn.us; bhiti@irrrb.org; barthur@direcway.com; Bob Palmquist; buhladmin@rangenet.com; businessgrowth@charterinternet.net; chaa@cpinternet.com; christensonc@co.st-louis.mn.us; cityadm@mtniron.com; cityofml@lcp2.net; cityoftower@citlink.net; clerk@hoytlakes.com; cmclynn@uslink.net; ctyclerk@mail.bigfork.net; dave.hart@irrrb.org; ddanz@rangenet.com; dick.walsh@irrrb.org; dnorthagen@ci.hibbing.mn.us; doug.gregor@irrrb.org; eada@elymn.com; elyclerk@cpinternet.com; erjpb@cpinternet.com; etreska@ci.grand-rapids.mn.us; eveleth@evelethmn.com; granda@lakecountrypower.com; harrys@ci.international-falls.mn.us; haydenb@co.st-louis.mn.us; info@babbitt-mn.com; j.jurkovich@mail.mr.mnscu.edu; jack.lavoy@irrrb.org; janet.simonen@co.cook.mn.us; janette.paul@irrrb.org; John Chell; jean.dolensek@irrrb.org; jeanette.wain@irrrb.org; jfoschi@ci.proctor.mn.us; jim.wroblewski@state.mn.us; jorlfedo@uslink.net; jpeterson@ci.hibbing.mn.us; jtourville@ci.hibbing.mn.us; keda@northwinds.net; keewatin@uslink.net; larsonn@co.st-louis.mn.us; lfedo@hibbing.org; llander@hermantownmn.com; lori.spielman@irrrb.org; lutra@mchsi.com; marcel@bujarski.com; marlene.pospeck@irrrb.org; martinson@cookmn.com; marym@entrepreneurfund.org; matt.sjoberg@irrrb.org; mbirkeland@lakecountrypower.com; mconlan@ci.duluth.mn.us; mike.larson@irrrb.org; mphillips@neventures.com; nashwauk@uslink.net; nnorr@mnpower.com; orrmn@rangenet.com; paul.gassert@co.carlton.mn.us; Jeff Lackner; rams@uslink.net; raukars@co.st-louis.mn.us; rep.tom.rukavina@house.mn; richard.anderson@irrrb.org; rick@itascadv.org; Randy Lasky; robert.olson@co.itasca.mn.us; rwagner@co.aitkin.mn.us; sarneson@co.aitkin.mn.us; sdane@cityofbiwabik.com; sen.tom.saxhaug@senate.mn; sertich@ironworld.com; sheryl.kochevar@irrrb.org; steve_bradach@dayton.senate.gov; tcotruvo@ci.duluth.mn.us; teresa.jaksa@co.koochiching.mn.us; thdc@lakenet.com; tobalkan@cpinternet.com; tom@northlandfdn.org; tsmith@silverbay.com; veda@rangenet.com; veda@rangenet.com; Vickie Shea; wilma.rahn@co.lake.mn.us; kcswans@uslink.net; eda@boreal.org; barcpark@uslink.net; colerain@lcp2.net; grtwp@uslink.net; bigfalls@citlink.net; loopperlson@hotmail.com; Tharbors@lakenet.com; clerk@gilbertmn.org; floodwood@mail.meadows.net; drcity@paulbunyan.net; crousseau@msa-ps.com; towncotton@aol.com; cookmn@rangenet.com; rmattei@ci.gran-rapids.mn.us

Subject: FW: IREA-JOBZ Questions

Northeast Minnesota JOBZ Participants,

Ross Wagner has asked me to forward the following message to you. If you have any questions, please contact him at (218) 927-7305 or rwagner@co.aitkin.mn.us. Thank you and have a nice day.

Chris Townsend
Arrowhead Regional Development Commission

-----Original Message-----

From: Ross Wagner [mailto:rwagner@co.aitkin.mn.us]
Sent: Wednesday, January 14, 2004 8:27 AM
To: Chris Townsend
Subject: IREA-JOBZ Questions

Hello Chris,
Would you please forward this message to the JOBZ email list recipients. Though not everyone on the list is a member of the IREA, we welcome all guests. The informational part of our meeting will be in the morning with membership business matters to follow. People could attend the morning JOBZ session and leave after that. Of course anyone can stay for the entire meeting if they wish.

Dear IREA Members and Friends,

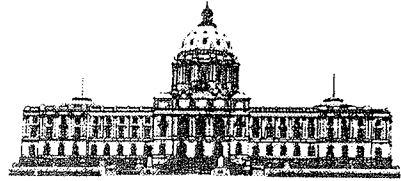
I want to give you notice that the Iron Range Economic Alliance will be holding its first quarterly meeting of 2004 on Tuesday, January 27th at the Hibbing Park Inn, 9:00 AM. A full agenda will be mailed out in the near future. One of our speakers will be Mark Lofthus, of MN DEED. Marks agenda items are JOBZ and Positively Minnesota. There have been many questions generated from the JOBZ program and one of Marks tasks will be to answer as many questions as he can. To facilitate this and allow as much time to Mark as we can, we are requesting that if you have a specific question relating to JOBZ, that you email it to Jim Wrobleski by noon Friday, January 16th. Jim will then compile the questions he has received and bring them down to the DEED Staff meeting. This will allow the DEED staff to review the questions and hopefully provide Mark with the answers. This is not intended to replace any of the training sessions that will be taking place around the region but will allow the opportunity to ask questions and get answers. Jim's email is Jim.Wrobleski@state.mn.us please remember to email him your questions by noon Friday.

Thank you,

Ross Wagner, Chair
Iron Range Economic Alliance

Ross Wagner
Economic Development & Forest Industry Coordinator
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rwagner@co.aitkin.mn.us
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Senate

State of Minnesota

January 10, 2004

Dear Friends:

I am writing to invite you to a *Town Hall meeting with the Senate Health, Human Services and Corrections Budget Division on January 27, 2004 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. in the French River Room of the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center (DECC) in Duluth* to discuss the upcoming legislative session and the many challenges that people across Minnesota are facing due to the severe budget cuts last session and to receive comments on the Senate healthcare cost containment proposal.

This meeting is free and open to the public. As a committee, we will take testimony on issues concerning health, human services and corrections and invite you to participate. Across our state, over 38,000 families lost healthcare coverage on October 1, 2003 under MinnesotaCare, and those who remain enrolled have less benefits and caps on services. Healthcare costs have been going up by double digit inflation for the past four years. This is affecting working families and seniors alike. These issues, among others may be discussed by the committee this session and your input will be critically important.

If you are interested in testifying at the committee hearing please contact me at 651-296-4188 or send a quick email request to sen.yvonne.prettner.solon@senate.mn by January 23, 2003. I look forward to seeing you on January 27th.

Sincerely,

Senator Yvonne Prettnner Solon
State Senator
District 7

Senator Linda Berglin, Chair
Health, Human Services and
Corrections Budget Division of the
Finance Committee

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