

**MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COMMUNITY CENTER
MOUNTAIN IRON ROOM
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2011 - 6:30 P.M.
A G E N D A**

- I. Roll Call
- II. Consent Agenda
 - A. Minutes of the February 2, 2011, Regular Meeting (#1-13)
 - B. Receipts
 - C. Bills and Payroll
 - D. Communications (#42-47)
- III. Public Forum
- IV. Committee and Staff Reports
 - A. Mayor's Report
 - B. City Administrator's Report
 - C. Director of Public Work's Report
 - D. Sheriff's Department Report
 - E. City Engineer's Report
 - 1. Change Order Number 1 – Forest Drive (#14-157)
 - 2. Pay Request Number 5 – Forest Drive (#16-17)
 - 3. Pay Request Number 1 – Gravel Access Road Improvements (#18-22)
 - F. Personnel Committee
 - 1. Appointment to Personnel Committee (#23)
 - 2. Library Substitute Position (#24)
 - G. Liaison Reports
- V. Unfinished Business
- VI. New Business
 - A. Resolution Number 02-11 Supporting Grant Application(#25-36)
 - B. Requests to Waive Fees (#37-39)
 - C. Request to Serve Alcohol (#40)
 - D. Valspar Foundation Paint Grants (#41)
- VII. Communications (#42-47)
- VIII. Announcements
- IX. Adjourn

MINUTES
MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 2, 2011

Mayor Skalko called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Joe Prebeg, Jr., Tony Zupancich, Susan Tuomela, Ed Roskoski, and Mayor Gary Skalko. Also present were: Craig J. Wainio, City Administrator; Jill M. Anderson, Municipal Services Secretary; Don Kleinschmidt, Director of Public Works; Rod Flannigan, City Engineer; and John Backman, Sergeant.

It was moved by Skalko and seconded by Prebeg that the consent agenda be approved as follows:

1. Add the following to the Agenda:
 - IV. A. Mayor's Report
 4. Temporary Appointment-Personnel Committee
 5. Temporary Appointment-Planning & Zoning Liaison
 6. Resolution Number 01-11, Local Government Aid
2. Approve the minutes of the January 18, 2011, regular meeting with the following additions (noted in italics) to the recognitions:

Page 3, "He recognized Ray Saari, Co-Chair; Bernadette Suomi, Treasurer; Kathy Irish, Secretary; Ted Newberg, member; Vi Newberg, *Executive Committee* Member; William Buria, *Executive Committee* Member; and Dale Irish, *Executive Committee* Member. Also, a thank you to *Rod Flannigan of Benchmark Engineering* for assisting with the expertise and planning for the canopy project. Also, a thank you to *Mary Somnis of the Iron Range Resource Culture and Tourism Board* for the funding."
3. To acknowledge the receipts for the period January 15-31, 2011, totaling \$294,887.61, (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).
4. To authorize the payments of the bills and payroll for the period January 16-31, 2011, totaling \$180,063.03, (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).

The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

The Mayor commented on the following items:

- Mesabi Daily News Editorial. He commented on the Mesabi Daily News Editorial regarding the Board and Commission appointments made at a recent City Council meeting. He said that Mr. Hanna, Editor at the Mesabi Daily News, did not complete any research to determine how the Mountain Iron City Council makes those appointments. He said that the Mayor makes nominations for appointments and the Council votes on those nominations for a formal appointment.
- Locomotive Park. He commented on the recent consideration of the Saint Louis County Community Development Block Grant Application for a grant for \$50,000 for Locomotive Park. He expressed displeasure with Councilor Roskoski addressing the

Saint Louis County Board and thanking them for not awarding the City the grant funds. He said that all the residents in Mountain Iron lose out when the City is not awarded grant funds. Councilor Roskoski responded with a historical overview of the grant funds that have been awarded to the City for Locomotive Park. Councilor Roskoski said that this Council has changed Locomotive Park from an historical site into a picnic area and he is not supportive to this change and does not support any grant funding being awarded to accomplish this. Councilor Prebeg also expressed his displeasure with Councilor Roskoski's comments made to the St. Louis County Board.

At 6:55 p.m., Councilor Roskoski left the meeting.

Councilor Zupancich also expressed displeasure with Councilor Roskoski's comments made to the St. Louis County Board. He said that Councilor Roskoski did not respect the majority decision of the Council and the Taxpayers of Mountain Iron. He thanked the St. Louis County Board for considering the City's grant application.

Councilor Tuomela asked Mayor Skalko why he brought the issue to a public meeting rather than speaking with Councilor Roskoski privately. The Mayor said that the people of Mountain Iron have a right to know what Councilor Roskoski is doing against the City.

At 7:01 p.m., Councilor Roskoski returned to the meeting.

It was moved by Zupancich and seconded by Tuomela to authorize a contribution of \$250 to the Virginia Regional Medical Center Diabetes Center for the Mark "Bush" Prebeg Memorial Snowmobile Ride with the funds being expended from the Charitable Gambling Fund. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

It was moved by Skalko and seconded by Zupancich to adopt the Proclamation for the Prebeg Memorial Snowmobile Ride on February 19, 2011, (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes), and publish one time, in the February 18, 2011, edition of the Hometown Focus. It was moved by Roskoski to amend the motion and seconded by Prebeg to also publish the Proclamation in the Mesabi Daily News. The amendment for the motion carried with Mayor Skalko voting no. The amended motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Roskoski and seconded by Tuomela to authorize the assistance of the Sheriff's Department for traffic control along Highway 169 on February 19, 2011, for the Prebeg Memorial Snowmobile Ride. The motion carried.

It was moved by Zupancich and seconded by Tuomela to authorize the assistance of the Public Works Department with some snow removal along Highway 169 on February 19, 2011, for the Prebeg Memorial Snowmobile Ride. The motion carried.

Councilor Prebeg personally thanked the Council for all of their assistance to the Prebeg Memorial Snowmobile Ride.

It was moved by Skalko and seconded by Prebeg to temporarily appoint Councilor Tuomela for the period February through April, 2011 and Mayor Skalko for the period May through July, 2011, to serve on the Personnel Committee in the absence of Councilor Zupancich. The motion carried.

It was moved by Skalko and seconded by Zupancich to temporarily appoint Councilor Prebeg to the Planning and Zoning Commission in the absence of Councilor Zupancich, for approximately a six month period. The motion carried.

It was moved by Zupancich and seconded by Prebeg to adopt Resolution Number 01-11, Supporting Local Government Aid, (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to authorize the Municipal Services Secretary to attend the Municipal Clerks and Finance Officers Association Annual Conference from March 15-18, 2011, at City expense. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

The City Administrator commented on the following:

- Maintenance Position. He said that there have been a large number of applicants and the Personnel Committee should have a recommendation for the Council to consider at the next regular meeting.
- Hydrants. He thanked the residents for cleaning the snow from around the hydrants in the City.

The Council reviewed the December 2010 Sheriff's Department monthly statistics.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Zupancich to authorize the purchase of a 2011 Ford Crown Victoria from Lundgren Motors at the state bid quoted price of \$22,057.64. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Sergeant Backman wanted to recognize Deputy Shackman for his efforts in arresting a person that was involved in a theft in Mountain Iron. He said that the person that was arrested had committed 20 felonies in a one month period. Deputy Shackman's initiative in this matter was what brought this person to justice and he wanted him to be recognized.

Sergeant Backman informed the public that the Saint Louis County Sheriff's Department was accepting applications for qualified Deputy Sheriffs.

Sergeant Backman also advised the public that there are new waves of scams going around with phone calls requesting money for sweepstakes. He said that if something sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

It was moved by Roskoski that in regard to the water pressure situation at the Energy Park, that the City Council be reported to, in writing, what that problem is and at the same time, various options be explored by Benchmark Engineering along with associated costs on what can be done to rectify that low water pressure situation; with a deadline of March 1, 2011, so potential grant applications could be submitted. The Mayor would not allow the motion, as it was out of order and not placed on the agenda. The City Engineer informed the Council that Benchmark Engineering had completed a water analysis and that analysis should be submitted by March 1, 2011 to the City Council.

It was moved by Zupancich and seconded by Prebeg to allow City Staff to work with the Public Health and Safety Board to complete the research necessary and to look for an organization and consultants to develop a long range plan for the City. The motion carried with Roskoski voting no.

It was moved by Roskoski and seconded by Skalko to authorize Benchmark Engineering to prepare a Drainage and Improvement Plan for the Westgate/West Virginia and other areas deemed necessary, and if there is work that needs to be completed, to propose the completion of the work in three or four phases, at a cost not to exceed \$15,000. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

During the Liaison Reports, Councilor Roskoski questioned the proposed rental ordinance being reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission. He requested that affected property owners should be contacted for their input. Councilor Zupancich said that the Planning and Zoning Commission have not yet completed the review of the Ordinance. He said that once the review is completed, that other affected Boards and Commissions will also be able to review the Ordinance.

It was moved by Zupancich and seconded by Tuomela to adopt Ordinance Number 01-11, Amending Chapter 70 of the Mountain Iron City Code, (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes).

At 7:46 p.m., Mayor Skalko left the meeting.

At 7:47 p.m., Mayor Skalko returned to the meeting.

The motion carried with Roskoski voting no.

It was moved by Zupancich and seconded by Tuomela to adopt Ordinance Number 02-11, an ordinance authorizing the City of Mountain Iron to grant permission to holders of On-sale Wine and On-sale 3.2 Percent Malt Liquor Licenses whose gross receipts are at least 60% attributable to the sale of food to sell intoxicating malt liquor (strong beer) at on-sale without obtaining an additional license, (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to accept the recommendation of the Librarian to authorize the continuation of employment for Kelly Belleville, Assistant Librarian, beyond her probation period. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to set a special closed meeting under Minnesota Statute Section 13D.05, Subdivision 2B for the preliminary consideration of allegations or charges against an individual subject to the public body's authority for Tuesday, February 22, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

At 7:55 p.m., it was moved by Skalko and seconded by Zupancich that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

Submitted by:

Jill M. Anderson, CMC
Municipal Services Secretary

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Summary By Category And Distribution

Category	Distribution	Amount
UTILITY	UTILITY	201,982.31
BUILDING RENTALS	BUILDING RENTAL DEPOSITS	600.00
BUILDING RENTALS	COMMUNITY CENTER	500.00
METER DEPOSITS	ELECTRIC	1,200.00
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 101	494.25
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 378	1,482.77
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 603	494.25
MISCELLANEOUS	REIMBURSEMENTS	30,393.70
MISCELLANEOUS	CABLE TV FRANCHISE FEE	6,035.84
MISCELLANEOUS	ELECTRIC RECONNECT FEE	35.00
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	WATER-CHARGE FOR SERVICES	55.19
PERMITS	BUILDING	886.21
METER DEPOSITS	WATER	40.00
MISCELLANEOUS	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD PAYABLE	31,465.15
BUILDING RENTALS	SENIOR CENTER	40.00
TAXES	TAXES RECEIVABLE-DELINQUENT	9,695.37
TAXES	PENALTIES & INTEREST	944.24
TAXES	SPEC ASSESS-FUND 378-DELINQUEN	868.50
TAXES	PENALTIES & INTEREST-378 FUND	87.14
TAXES	BOND LEVY	2,478.66
TAXES	MISCELLANEOUS TAXES	262.10
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	ELECTRIC-CHG FOR SERVICES	2,425.41
MISCELLANEOUS	ASSESSMENT SEARCHES	10.00
FINES	CRIMINAL	1,908.40
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	SPECIAL ASSESS.-BOND MONEY	292.50
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	INTEREST-SP.ASSESS.-BONDS ISSU	210.62
Summary Totals:		<u>294,887.61</u>

Per	Date	Check No	Vendor No	Payee	Check GL Acct	Amount
02/11	02/03/2011	140566	10019	ARMORY SHELL		
02/11	02/03/2011	140567	10010	ARROW AUTO	101-20200	267.20
02/11	02/03/2011	140568	10001	ARROWHEAD ECONOMIC OPPORTUNI	101-20200	6.98
02/11	02/03/2011	140569	5007	ASSURANT EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	101-20200	200.00
02/11	02/03/2011	140570	20022	BENCHMARK ENGINEERING INC	603-20200	678.85
02/11	02/03/2011	140571	20014	BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUPPLY	301-20200	11,687.00
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02/11	02/03/2011	140573	30017	CARQUEST (MOUNTAIN IRON)	101-20200	200.00
02/11	02/03/2011	140574	30072	CW TECHNOLOGY	101-20200	673.16
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02/11	02/03/2011	140576	500012	ERA LABORATORIES INC	101-20200	751.55
02/11	02/03/2011	140577	50005	EXACT EYE CARE	601-20200	498.50
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02/11	02/03/2011	140579	70035	G & K SERVICES	101-20200	70.50
02/11	02/03/2011	140580	70007	GOVERNMENT TRAINING SERVICE	101-20200	49.17
02/11	02/03/2011	140581	70028	GREATER MINNESOTA AGENCY INC	101-20200	200.00
02/11	02/03/2011	140582	70029	GUARDIAN PEST CONTROL INC	101-20200	192.00
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02/11	02/03/2011	140592	130006	MESABI HUMANE SOCIETY	601-20200	620.00
02/11	02/03/2011	140593	130093	MESABI RANGE COMMUNITY	101-20200	200.00
02/11	02/03/2011	140594	130009	MINNESOTA POWER (ALLETE INC)	101-20200	90.00
02/11	02/03/2011	140595	130031	MOUNTAIN IRON ECONOMIC DEV	101-20200	7,767.41
02/11	02/03/2011	140596	140052	NORTHEAST SERVICE COOPERATIVE	101-20200	262.10
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02/11	02/03/2011	140599	170007	QUILL CORPORATION	101-20200	200.00
02/11	02/03/2011	140600	180003	RANGE OFFICE SUPPLY	101-20200	76.06
02/11	02/03/2011	140601	180001	RANGE PAPER	604-20200	106.84
02/11	02/03/2011	140602	190010	SEPPI BROTHERS	101-20200	70.90
02/11	02/03/2011	140603	190045	SERVICE SOLUTIONS	101-20200	2,582.96
02/11	02/03/2011	140604	200003	TACONITE TIRE SERVICE	101-20200	22.34
02/11	02/03/2011	140605	200020	THE TRENTI LAW FIRM	101-20200	853.70
02/11	02/03/2011	140606	210002	UNITED TRUCK BODY COMPANY INC	101-20200	3,460.00
02/11	02/03/2011	140607	220025	VERIZON WIRELESS	101-20200	158.70
02/11	02/03/2011	140608	20026	VIRGINIA REG MEDICAL CENTER	101-20200	21.97
02/11	02/03/2011	140609	2002	VIRGINIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CTR	230-20200	250.00
02/11	02/03/2011	140610	260005	ZEP MANUFACTURING COMPANY	101-20200	200.00
					101-20200	315.02

Totals:

88,773.97

Payroll PP Ending 1/21/11
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES

91,289.06
\$180,063.03

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Mark "Bush" Prebeg, was a resident of the City of Mountain Iron; and

WHEREAS, Mark "Bush" Prebeg was a graduate from Mountain Iron High School; and

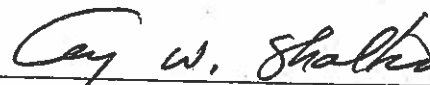
WHEREAS, Mark "Bush" Prebeg passed away on June 4, 2002 from complications related to diabetes.

WHEREAS, Mark "Bush" Prebeg's family has conducted a fundraiser/memorial snowmobile ride annually following his death with the funds being dedicated to the Diabetes Center at the Virginia Regional Medical Center.

NOW, THEREFORE in recognition of the 8th Annual Mark "Bush" Prebeg Memorial Snowmobile Ride, I, Gary Skalko, Mayor of the City of Mountain Iron, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim February 19, 2011 as:

"MARK "BUSH" PREBEG DIABETES AWARENESS DAY".

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Mountain Iron this 2nd day of February, 2011.



Mayor Gary Skalko

(Seal)



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 01-11

SUPPORTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT AID

WHEREAS, LGA is a state funded property tax relief program that helps reduce the property tax burden on homeowners and businesses in Mountain Iron; and,

WHEREAS, without LGA property taxes would have to be increased by 100% or services would have to be cut even more in Mountain Iron; and,

WHEREAS, LGA to Mountain Iron has already been cut \$342,640 since; and,

WHEREAS, the city will have to increase taxes on its residents and businesses and lower services if LGA is cut or eliminated; and,

WHEREAS, higher property taxes and lower services in Mountain Iron will make it even less competitive for jobs and economic growth with suburban cities in Minnesota and in cities in other states; and,

WHEREAS, the state has certified that Mountain Iron will receive \$1,354,430 in LGA for 2011; and

WHEREAS, the city has set its budget and will be several months into its budget year before the Legislature acts on the state budget; and,

WHEREAS, LGA has already been cut over \$1 billion and city property taxes are up 59% since 2003.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL, that the City of Mountain Iron urges the Legislature to keep its promise and pay the city the \$1,354,430 of LGA it already certified to the city for 2011.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature maintain funding for LGA at its current funding level for 2011 and 2012.

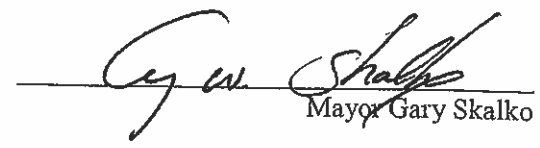
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon passage, this resolution be forwarded to the Governor, the Speaker of the House, the Senate Majority Leader, and to the members of the State Legislature representing the city of Mountain Iron.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 20th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2010.

ATTEST:



City Administrator



Mayor Gary Skalko



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ORDINANCE NUMBER 01-11

AMENDING CHAPTER 70 OF THE MOUNTAIN IRON CITY CODE

THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amending Section 70.11. Section 70.11 of the Mountain Iron City Code is hereby repealed and replaced with the following:

70.11 Unlawful Overtime Parking. It shall be unlawful to park a car, pick-up truck, van or motorcycle on any City street, alley or public parking lot for longer than:

- Subd. 1. 24 consecutive hours from during calendar parking.
- Subd. 2. 72 consecutive hours from during the remainder of the year.

Section 2. Adding Section 70.13. Section 70.13 is hereby added to the Mountain Iron City Code and shall read as follows:

70.13 CALENDAR PARKING.

Subd. 1. The calendar system of parking is adopted which means that all parking from 12:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m. on even days of the month shall be allowed only on the even side of the street or avenue and on the odd days of the month on the odd side of the street or avenue commencing November 1st and continuing until April 1st of each year. The allowed changeover period during each day shall be from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Subd. 2. During calendar parking any Law Enforcement officer may remove a vehicle from a street to a garage or other place of safety when the vehicle is left unattended and constitutes an obstruction to traffic or hinders snow removal or street improvement or maintenance operations. Such vehicle shall not be released until the fees for towing and storage are paid in addition to any fine imposed for a violation of this schedule. Violation of this schedule shall result in fines to be established by Council Resolution from time to time.

Section 3. Adding Section 70.14. Section 70.14 is hereby added to the Mountain Iron City Code and shall read as follows:

70.14 Parking Restrictions on Marble Avenue and Main Street.

- Subd. 1. There shall be no parking on east side of Marble Street from Coral Street to Main Street except when the Mountain Iron-Buhl High School has scheduled events.
- Subd. 2. There shall be no parking between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on the west side of Marble Avenue from Coral Street to Main Street between November 1st and April 1st of each year.
- Subd. 3. **Parking Permits.** The west side of Marble Avenue between Main Street and Coral Street shall be posted and reserved for the parking of residents. To facilitate enforcement of the parking regulations, the City shall issue numbered parking permits to the residents along Marble Avenue between Main Street and Coral Street. Residents to whom such permits are issued are responsible for displaying the permits on the vehicle for which they are issued on the windshield or visor where they can be clearly seen. Loss or theft of the permit shall be reported to the Sheriff or City Administrator.
- Subd. 4. There shall be no parking between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on Main Street from Mineral Avenue to Mesabi Avenue between November 1st and April 1st of each year.

Section 4. Repealing Chapters 74 and 75. The following Chapters are hereby repealed and shall be removed in their entirety from the Mountain Iron City Code:

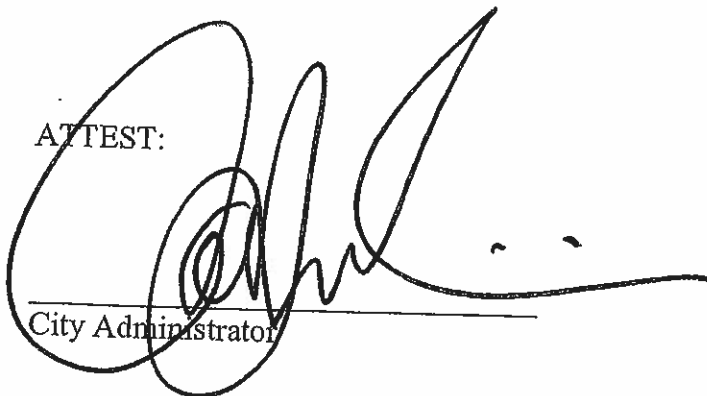
- Subd. 1. Chapter 74 - Traffic Schedules
 Subd. 2. Chapter 75 - Parking Schedules

Section 5. Inconsistent Ordinances. All Ordinances or portions thereof inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be repealed and replaced with the provisions of this Ordinance.

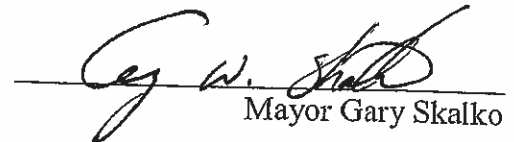
Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective in accordance with State Statute.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 2nd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2011.

ATTEST:



 City Administrator



 Mayor Gary Skalko



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ORDINANCE NUMBER 02-11

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON TO GRANT PERMISSION TO HOLDERS OF ON-SALE WINE AND ON-SALE 3.2 PERCENT MALT LIQUOR LICENSES WHOSE GROSS RECEIPTS ARE AT LEAST 60% ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE SALE OF FOOD TO SELL INTOXICATING MALT LIQUOR (STRONG BEER) AT ON-SALE WITHOUT OBTAINING AN ADDITIONAL LICENSE.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON DOES ORDAIN:

Section 1. City Authorized to Grant Holders of On-Sale Wine and 3.2 On-Sale Beer Licenses to Sell Strong Beer at On-Sale. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 340A.404, the Mountain Iron City Council is hereby authorized to permit holders of both on-sale wine and on-sale 3.2 percent malt liquor licenses, whose gross receipts are at least 60% attributable to the sale of food, to sell intoxicating malt liquor (strong beer) at on-sale without obtaining an additional license, with no additional fee to be charged.

Section 2. Definition of Intoxicating Malt Liquor (Strong Beer). Intoxicating malt liquor (strong beer) is any beer, ale, or other beverage made from malt by fermentation and containing more than one-half of one percent alcohol by volume or more than 3.2 percent alcohol by weight.

Section 3. Sunday Sales Permitted. Sale of on-sale wine and on-sale strong beer are permitted on Sundays, pursuant to State Law.

Section 4. Insurance Requirement. Holders of both on-sale wine and on-sale 3.2 percent malt liquor licenses, who have been granted permission to sell intoxicating malt liquor (strong beer) shall carry liability insurance as is required pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 340A, and the City of Mountain Iron City Code Chapter 114.

Section 5. Penalties. Persons who are holders of both on-sale wine and on-sale 3.2 percent malt liquor licenses, who have been granted permission to sell intoxicating malt liquor (strong beer), who violate provisions of Minnesota Statutes 340A, and the City of City of Mountain Iron City Code Chapter 114, as may be amended from time to time, is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished as provided by law.

Section 6. Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinance. All Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and replaced with the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective according to State Statute.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 2nd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2011.

Attested:

City Administrator

Mayor Gary Skalko



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February 16, 2011

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

Re: City of Mountain Iron, MN
Forest Drive
Project No. MI09-16

Dear Mr. Wainio;


Enclosed please find final Pay Request No. 5 for the Forest Drive project in the amount of **\$36,775.01**, for approval at your next scheduled City Council meeting. All work has been completed in accordance with the contract documents.

Also enclosed for approval is final compensating Change Order #1 that *increases* the final project cost by \$21,526.45. The change order is due to additional borrow material, Class 5, and bituminous paving for the street surface. Once approved, please sign and date the change order and return three (3) copies to our office. Our office will have the change order executed by the Contractor and send a fully executed copy to the City.

In addition, enclosed are the project IC-134 forms for your files. It is recommended that the City Council first approve the final change order and then the final pay request for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions or need additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Benchmark Engineering, Inc.



Paul R. Tokarczyk, P.E., P.L.S.

Enclosures

Cc: Mr. Matt Jamnick, Mesabi, Bituminous, Inc.

CHANGE ORDER

Order No. 1

Date: 2/16/11

NAME OF PROJECT/PROJECT NO: Forest Drive
OWNER: City of Mountain Iron
CONTRACTOR: Mesabi Bituminous, Inc.
P.O. Box 728, Gilbert, MN 55741
ENGINEER: Benchmark Engineering, Inc.

Reason for Change Order:

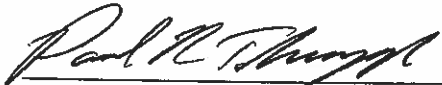
Compensating Change Order for additional borrow material, Class 5, and bituminous paving used on the project for the street surface.

The following changes are hereby made to the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:

A total of **\$21,526.45** is added to the contract amount.

Change to CONTRACT PRICE:

Original CONTRACT PRICE	\$ <u>431,886.15</u>
Current CONTRACT PRICE adjusted by previous CHANGE ORDERS	\$ <u>431,886.15</u>
The CONTRACT PRICE due to this CHANGE ORDER will be <u>increased</u> by:	\$ <u>21,526.45</u>
The new CONTRACT PRICE including this CHANGE ORDER will be:	\$ <u>453,412.60</u>

Recommended by:  2/16/11
Engineer (Authorized Signature) Date:
Approved by: _____ Date:
Owner (Authorized Signature)
Accepted by: _____ Date:
Contractor (Authorized Signature)

RECOMMENDATION OF PAYMENT

No. 5-Final

Owner's Project No.: _____

Engineer's Project No.: MI09-16

Project: Forest Drive

CONTRACTOR: Mesabi Bituminous, Inc., P.O. Box 728, Gilbert, MN 55741

For Period Ending: February 16, 2011

To City of Mountain Iron
Owner

Attached hereto is the CONTRACTOR's Application for Payment for Work accomplished under the Contract through the date indicated above. The application meets the requirements of the Contract Documents for the payment or work completed as of the date of this Application.

In accordance with the Contract the undersigned recommends payment to the CONTRACTOR of the amount due as shown below.

BENCHMARK ENGINEERING, INC.

Dated February 16, 2011

By 

STATEMENT OF WORK

Original Contract Price	\$ <u>431,886.15</u>	Work & Materials to Date	\$ <u>453,412.60</u>
Net Change Orders	\$ <u>21,526.45</u>	Amount Retained (2%)	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Current Contract Price	\$ <u>453,412.60</u>	Subtotal	\$ <u>453,412.60</u>
		Previous Payments	\$ <u>416,637.59</u>
		Amount Due this Payment	\$ <u>36,775.01</u>



PAY REQUEST #5-FINAL
 FOREST DRIVE
 PROJECT NO.: M109-16
 CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA

SPEC. NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	QUANTITY THIS PAYMENT	TOTAL THIS PAYMENT	QUANTITY TO DATE	TOTAL TO DATE
2101.502	CLEARING AND GRUBBING	LUMP SUM	1.0	\$5,000.00		\$0.00	1.00	\$5,000.00
2105.501	COMMON EXCAVATION (CV)	CU. YD.	2,685.0	\$6.50		\$0.00	2685.00	\$17,452.50
2105.503	ROCK EXCAVATION	CU. YD.	10.0	\$10.00		\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00
2105.522	SELECT GRANULAR BORROW (CV)	CU. YD.	1,775.0	\$9.50	600.0	\$5,700.00	2375.00	\$22,562.50
2105.525	TOPSOIL BORROW (CV)	CU. YD.	95.0	\$8.00	95.0	\$760.00	95.00	\$760.00
2105.604	GEOTEXTILE FABRIC TYPE V, WOVEN	SQ. YD.	4,445.0	\$1.00		\$0.00	4445.00	\$4,445.00
2211.503	AGGREGATE BASE (CV) CL 5	CU. YD.	1,240.0	\$13.00	143.0	\$1,859.00	1383.00	\$17,979.00
2350.503	TYPE LV 5 WEARING COURSE MIXTURE B, 1.5" THICK	SQ. YD.	3,825.0	\$6.30	348.0	\$2,192.40	4173.00	\$26,289.90
2350.503	TYPE LV 3 NON-WEARING COURSE MIXTURE B, 1.5" THICK	SQ. YD.	3,825.0	\$5.85		\$0.00	4210.00	\$24,628.50
2350.503	TYPE LV 3 NON-WEARING COURSE MIXTURE B, 2" THICK	SQ. YD.	3,825.0	\$7.80	386.0	\$3,010.80	4596.00	\$35,848.80
2357.502	BIT. MATERIAL FOR TACK COAT	GAL.	439.0	\$3.00		\$0.00	375.00	\$1,125.00
2501.511	24" PE PIPE CULVERT	LIN. FT.	16.0	\$30.00		\$0.00	16.00	\$480.00
2501.511	24" RC PIPE CULVERT	LIN. FT.	120.0	\$40.00		\$0.00	120.00	\$4,800.00
2501.515	24" CS PIPE APRON	EACH	2.0	\$450.00		\$0.00	2.00	\$900.00
2501.515	24" RC PIPE APRON	EACH	4.0	\$450.00		\$0.00	4.00	\$1,800.00
2502.541	4" PERF. P.E. PIPE DRAIN	LIN. FT.	2,208.0	\$5.00		\$0.00	2208.00	\$11,040.00
2503.511	6" PVC PIPE SEWER - SCHEDULE 40 (LOT SERVICE)	LIN. FT.	997.0	\$20.00		\$0.00	989.00	\$19,780.00
2503.511	8" PVC PIPE SEWER - SDR 35	LIN. FT.	1,088.0	\$20.00		\$0.00	1088.00	\$21,760.00
2503.541	15" RC PIPE SEWER DES. 3006 CL. III	LIN. FT.	56.0	\$37.00		\$0.00	56.00	\$2,072.00
2503.541	18" RC PIPE SEWER DES. 3006 CL. III	LIN. FT.	115.0	\$37.00		\$0.00	115.00	\$4,255.00
2503.602	8" x 6" PVC WYE	EACH	19.0	\$100.00		\$0.00	18.00	\$1,800.00
2503.602	CONNECT TO EXISTING SANITARY MANHOLE	EACH	1.0	\$550.00		\$0.00	1.00	\$550.00
2503.603	TRACER WIRE ACCESS BOX	EACH	19.0	\$50.00		\$0.00	18.00	\$900.00
2503.603	2" STEEL CASING PIPE	LIN. FT.	90.0	\$20.00		\$0.00	90.00	\$1,800.00
2503.603	6" STEEL CASING PIPE	LIN. FT.	25.0	\$20.00		\$0.00	25.00	\$500.00
2503.603	8" STEEL CASING PIPE	LIN. FT.	90.0	\$40.00		\$0.00	90.00	\$3,600.00
2503.603	10" STEEL CASING PIPE	LIN. FT.	25.0	\$40.00		\$0.00	25.00	\$1,000.00
2503.603	4" HDPE FORCEMAIN, DR11	LIN. FT.	420.0	\$16.00		\$0.00	420.00	\$6,720.00
2504.602	HYDRANT ASSEMBLY	EACH	3.0	\$3,350.00		\$0.00	3.00	\$10,050.00
2504.602	6" GATE VALVE AND BOX	EACH	1.0	\$1,000.00		\$0.00	1.00	\$1,000.00
2504.602	3/4" CORPORATION STOP	EACH	19.0	\$150.00		\$0.00	18.00	\$2,700.00
2504.602	3/4" CURB STOP & 1.5" BOX	EACH	19.0	\$150.00		\$0.00	18.00	\$2,700.00
2504.602	CONNECT TO EXISTING WATERMAIN	EACH	1.0	\$1,000.00		\$0.00	1.00	\$1,000.00
2504.603	8" D.I. WATERMAIN CL. 52	LIN. FT.	1,100.0	\$30.00		\$0.00	1100.00	\$33,000.00
2504.603	3/4" TYPE K COPPER PIPE	LIN. FT.	960.0	\$20.00		\$0.00	1190.00	\$23,800.00
2504.604	2" INSULATION	SQ. YD.	240.0	\$10.00		\$0.00	150.00	\$1,500.00
2504.608	DUCTILE IRON FITTINGS	POUND	160.0	\$3.00		\$0.00	167.00	\$501.00
2506.501	CONSTRUCT DRAINAGE STRUCTURE DESIGN 4007	LIN. FT.	63.8	\$220.00		\$0.00	63.80	\$14,036.00
2506.501	CONSTRUCT DRAINAGE STRUCTURE DESIGN G	LIN. FT.	18.8	\$220.00		\$0.00	18.80	\$4,136.00
2506.601	CONSTRUCT CONTROL STRUCTURE A	LUMP SUM	1.0	\$4,000.00		\$0.00	1.00	\$4,000.00
2506.601	CONSTRUCT CONTROL STRUCTURE B	LUMP SUM	1.0	\$5,000.00		\$0.00	1.00	\$5,000.00
2506.516	CASTING ASSEMBLY	EACH	10.0	\$500.00	1.0	\$500.00	11.00	\$5,500.00
2506.601	CONSTRUCT LIFT STATION	LUMP SUM	1.0	\$57,000.00	0.3	\$14,250.00	1.00	\$57,000.00
2511.501	RANDOM RIPRAP CLASS III	CU. YD.	50.0	\$35.00		\$0.00	50.00	\$1,750.00
2531.501	CONCRETE CURB & GUTTER, DES. D418 MOD.	LIN. FT.	2,204.0	\$10.35		\$0.00	2204.00	\$22,811.40
2563.601	TRAFFIC CONTROL	LUMP SUM	1.0	\$18,000.00		\$0.00	1.00	\$18,000.00
2564.602	F&I SIGN PANEL (STOP SIGN) AND STEEL POST	EACH	1.0	\$500.00		\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00
2573.502	SILT FENCE, PREASSEMBLED	LIN. FT.	530.0	\$3.00		\$0.00	260.00	\$780.00
2573.530	STORM DRAIN INLET PROTECTION	EACH	4.0	\$100.00		\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00
2573.540	BIOROLL DITCH CHECK	LIN. FT.	50.0	\$10.00		\$0.00	50.00	\$500.00
2575.555	TURF ESTABLISHMENT	LUMP SUM	1.0	\$1,900.00		\$0.00	2.00	\$3,800.00

CONTRACT AMOUNT

\$431,886.15

THIS PAYMENT

\$28,272.20

TO DATE

\$453,412.60

LESS RETAINAGE (0%): \$0.00
 SUBTOTAL PAY REQUEST #5-FINAL: \$453,412.60
 LESS PREVIOUS PAYMENTS: -\$416,637.59
TOTAL PAY REQUEST #5-FINAL: \$36,775.01

Paul H. Thompson
 Benchmark Engineering, Inc.



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February 15, 2011

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

Re: City of Mountain Iron, MN
Gravel Access Road Improvements
Project No. MI10-07

Dear Mr. Wainio;

Enclosed please find Pay Request No. 1 for the Gravel Access Road Improvements project in the amount of **\$29,533.12**, for approval at your next scheduled City Council meeting. This amount includes withholding retainage on work completed to date.

Please refer to the enclosed pay request breakdown for a summary of items completed.

If you have any questions or need additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Benchmark Engineering, Inc.



Alan J. Johnson, P.E.

Enclosure

Pc: Mr. Matt Jamnick, Mesabi Bituminous Inc.



PAY REQUEST #1
GRAVEL ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS - DOWNTOWN MT. IRON ADJACENT TO RAILROAD SIDING
PROJECT NO.: MI10-07

PROJECT COSTS

SPÉC. NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNIT	ESTIMATED QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL QUANTITY	TOTAL AMOUNT
2021.601	RR INSURANCE	LUMP SUM	1.0	\$8,250.00	1.0	\$8,250.00
2104.501	REMOVE CONC. CURB & GUTTER	LIN. FT.	24.0	\$10.00	0.0	\$0.00
2104.503	REMOVE CONCRETE SIDEWALK	SQ. FT.	103.0	\$1.50	0.0	\$0.00
2104.521	SALVAGE FENCE	LIN. FT.	20.0	\$20.00	0.0	\$0.00
2104.601	SUBGRADE PREPARATION	LUMP SUM	1.0	\$1,500.00	0.0	\$0.00
2105.501	COMMON EXCAVATION (PV)	CU. YD.	1,600.0	\$8.50	0.0	\$0.00
2105.603	CONSTRUCT DRAINAGE DITCH	LIN. FT.	1,000.0	\$8.00	0.0	\$0.00
2105.604	GEOTEXTILE FABRIC TYPE V	SQ. YD.	4,800.0	\$1.25	0.0	\$0.00
2211.502	AGGREGATE BASE (LV) CLASS V	CU. YD.	5,075.0	\$11.00	0.0	\$0.00
2506.522	ADJUST FRAME & RING CASTING	EACH	3.0	\$200.00	0.0	\$0.00
2531.501	CONCRETE CURB AND GUTTER, DES. B618	LIN. FT.	24.0	\$30.00	0.0	\$0.00
2531.507	7" CONCRETE DRIVEWAY PAVEMENT (REINFORCED)	SQ. YD.	12.0	\$80.00	0.0	\$0.00
2563.601	TRAFFIC CONTROL	LUMP SUM	1.0	\$750.00	0.0	\$0.00
2563.61	FLAG PERSON	HOUR	120.0	\$100.00	0.0	\$0.00
2573.502	SILT FENCE PREASSEMBLED	LIN. FT.	210.0	\$4.50	0.0	\$0.00
2573.512	TEMPORARY DITCH CHECK TYPE 2	LIN. FT.	80.0	\$4.50	0.0	\$0.00
2573.602	TEMPORARY ROCK CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE	EACH	2.0	\$500.00	0.0	\$0.00
2575.555	TURF ESTABLISHMENT	LUMP SUM	1.0	\$1,000.00	0.0	\$0.00

COMPLETED TO DATE: \$8,250.00
 MATERIALS ON HAND: \$22,837.50
 LESS MATERIALS USED: \$0.00
 SUBTOTAL: \$31,087.50
 LESS RETAINAGE: (\$1,554.38)
 SUBTOTAL PAY REQUEST #1: \$29,533.12
 LESS PREVIOUS PAYMENTS: \$0.00

TOTAL PAY REQUEST #1: \$29,533.12

Benchmark Engineering, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION OF PAYMENT

No. 1

Owner's Project No.: _____

Engineer's Project No.: MI10-07

Project: GRAVEL ACCESS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

CONTRACTOR: Mesabi Bituminous, Inc., P.O. Box 728, Gilbert, MN 55741

For Period Ending: February 15, 2011

To: City of Mountain Iron
Owner

Attached hereto is the CONTRACTOR's Application for Payment for Work accomplished under the Contract through the date indicated above. The application meets the requirements of the Contract Documents for the payment or work completed as of the date of this Application.

In accordance with the Contract the undersigned recommends payment to the CONTRACTOR of the amount due as shown below.

BENCHMARK ENGINEERING, INC.

Dated: February 15, 2011

By 

STATEMENT OF WORK

Original Contract Price	\$ <u>112,304.50</u>	Work & Materials to Date	\$ <u>31,087.50</u>
Net Change Orders	\$ <u>5,360.00</u>	Amount Retained	\$ <u>1,554.38</u>
Current Contract Price	\$ <u>117,664.50</u>	Subtotal	\$ <u>29,533.12</u>
		Previous Payments	\$ <u>0.00</u>
		Amount Due this Payment	\$ <u>29,533.12</u>

REQUEST FOR PAYMENT

From: Mesabi Bituminous Inc
 P.O. Box 728
 Gilbert, MN 55741

To: CITY OF MT. IRON
 8586 ENTERPRISE DR. S.
 MT. IRON, MN 55768

Invoice: 104094
 Draw: 1
 Invoice date: 11/30/2010
 Period ending date:

Contract For:

Request for payment:

Original contract amount \$112,304.50
 Approved changes \$0.00
 Revised contract amount \$112,304.50

Project: 104094
 Gravel Access Rd MI10-07

Contract completed to date \$31,087.50
 Contract date: 10/19/2010

Add-ons to date \$0.00
 Taxes to date \$0.00
 Less retainage \$1,554.38
 Total completed less retainage \$29,533.12
 Less previous requests \$0.00
 Current request for payment \$29,533.12
 Current billing \$31,087.50

Architect:
 Scope:

Current additional charges \$0.00
 Current tax \$0.00
 Less current retainage \$1,554.38
 Current amount due \$29,533.12
 Remaining contract to bill \$82,771.38

CHANGE ORDER SUMMARY	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS
Changes approved in previous months by Owner		
Total approved this Month		
TOTALS		
NET CHANGES by Change Order		

I hereby certify that the work performed and the materials supplied to date, as shown on the above represent the actual value of the accomplishment under the terms of the Contract (and all authorized changes thereof) between the undersigned and the CITY OF MT. IRON relating to the above referenced project. I also certify that the contractor has paid all amounts previously billed and paid by the owner.

CONTRACTOR: Mesabi Bituminous Inc

County Of St Louis

State Of Minnesota

By: 

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____

Date: 1-17-11

Notary Public
 My commission expires:

REQUEST FOR PAYMENT DETAIL

Project: 104094 / Gravel Access Rd MI10-07 Invoice: 104094 Draw: 1 Period Ending Date: Detail Page 2 of 2 Pages

Item ID	Description	Unit of Measure	CONTRACTED			CURRENT		TOTAL TO DATE		Units to Finish
			Bid Quantity	Unit Price	Amount	Quantity	Amount	Quantity	Amount	
1	RR Insurance	LS	1.00	8,250.00	8,250.00	1.00	8,250.00	1.00	8,250.00	
2	Remove conc curb & gutter	LF	24.00	10.00	240.00					24.00
3	Remove conc sidewalk	SF	103.00	1.50	154.50					103.00
4	Salvage Fence	LF	20.00	20.00	400.00					20.00
5	Subgrade preparation	LS	1.00	1,500.00	1,500.00					1.00
6	Common excavation	CY	1,600.00	8.50	13,600.00					1,600.00
7	Construct drainage ditch	LF	1,000.00	8.00	8,000.00					1,000.00
8	Geotextile fabric type V	SY	4,800.00	1.25	6,000.00					4,800.00
9	Aggregate base class V	CY	5,075.00	6.50	32,987.50					5,075.00
10	Adjust frame & ring casting	EA	3.00	200.00	600.00					3.00
11	Conc curb & gutter B618	LF	24.00	30.00	720.00					24.00
12	Conc drwy pavement reinforce	SY	12.00	80.00	960.00					12.00
13	Traffic control	LS	1.00	750.00	750.00					1.00
14	Flag person	HR	120.00	100.00	12,000.00					120.00
15	Silt fence preassembled	LF	210.00	4.50	945.00					210.00
16	Temporary ditch check type 2	LF	80.00	4.50	360.00					80.00
17	Temporary rock construction en	EA	2.00	500.00	1,000.00					2.00
18	Turf Establishment	LS	1.00	1,000.00	1,000.00					1.00
9a	Materials on hand CV (LV)	CY	5,075.00	4.50	22,837.50	5,075.00	22,837.50	5,075.00	22,837.50	
Totals					112,304.50		31,087.50		31,087.50	

COUNCIL LETTER 022211-IVF1

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

APPOINTMENT

DATE: February 17, 2011
FROM: Personnel Committee
Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

The Personnel Committee is recommending that Mr. Mike Downs be appointed to the Personnel Committee.

COUNCIL LETTER 022211-IVF2

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

LIBRARY SUBSTITUTE

DATE: February 17, 2011
FROM: Personnel Committee
Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

The Personnel Committee and the Library Board recommend that Ms. Tracy Kenyon be hired as the Library Substitute.

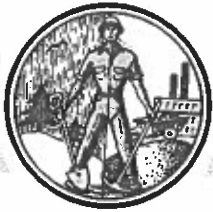
COUNCIL LETTER 022211-VIA

ADMINISTRATION

RESOLUTION 02-11

DATE: February 17, 2011
FROM: Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Resolution Number 02-11 supports a grant application to the Department of Natural Resources for a trail grant. The project presented in the application is the link between South Grove and Merritt Elementary. This trail segment is identified as a priority in the City Trail Plan.



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 02-11

SUPPORTING THE GRANT APPLICATION MADE TO THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE FEDERAL RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain Iron supports the grant application made to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the Federal Recreational Trail Program. The application is to construct one-half (1/2) mile of paved trail for the City of Mountain Iron; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain Iron recognizes the fifty (50) percent match requirement for the Federal Recreational Trail Program, and has secured the matching funds

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, if the City of Mountain Iron is awarded a grant by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, the City of Mountain Iron agrees to accept the grant award, and may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above referenced project. The City of Mountain Iron will comply with all applicable laws, environmental requirements and regulations as stated in the grant agreement, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Mountain Iron names the fiscal agent for the City of Mountain Iron for this project as:

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator
City of Mountain Iron
8586 Enterprise Drive South
Mountain Iron, MN 55768

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Mountain Iron hereby assures the Mountain Iron trail will be maintained for a period of no less than 20 years.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 22nd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2011.

ATTEST:

Mayor Gary Skalko

City Administrator



FEDERAL RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM

Trail Grants

2011 APPLICATION



Before completing this application read the program manual that contains instructions on completing this form.

*Type all responses within the boxes associated with each question.
Handwritten applications will not be accepted.
DO NOT change the format of this document.*

GENERAL CONTACT INFORMATION:

1.	Grant Applicant (Unit of Government required):	City of Mountain Iron
2.	Contact Person:	Craig J. Wainio
3.	Contact Title:	City Administrator
4.	Mailing Address:	
	Building Name (if applicable):	
	Street:	8586 Enterprise Drive South
	City, State Zip:	Mountain Iron, MN 55768
5.	Daytime Phone:	218-748-7570
6.	Fax Number:	218-748-7573
7.	E-mail Address:	cwainio@ci.mountain-iron.mn.us
8.	Website (if available):	www.ci.mountain-iron.mn.us

TRAIL CLUB OR ORGANIZATION/PROJECT PARTNER (If applicable):

9.	Contact Person and Title:	
10.	Organization/Club Name:	
11.	Mailing Address	
	Building Name (if applicable):	
	Street:	
	City, State Zip:	
12.	Daytime Phone:	
13.	Fax Number:	
14.	E-mail Address:	
15.	Website (if available):	

LOCATION OF PROJECT:

16.	County Project is located in:	Saint Louis
17.	State Legislative (House) District:	5B
18.	Legislative House Representative:	Rep. Tom Rukavina
19.	State Senate Representative:	Sen. Dave Tomassoni
20.	Congressional District:	8
21.	Congressional Representative:	Rep Chip Cravaack

GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION:

22.	Project Title:	Mountain Iron Bicycle and Pedestrian Connection		
23.	Total Project Cost:	\$200,000		
24.	Amount Requested:	\$100,000		
25.	Local Match:	\$100,000		
26.	Source of Local Match:	General Fund		
27.	Has the local match been secured? (mark one)	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
28.	Will other non-local funds be used for this project? (mark one)	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO X
	If yes, give amount:			
29.	What is the source of the non- local funds?			
30.	Have the non-local funds been secured? (mark one)	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
31.	If this project has received federal funding through the Enhancements Program, please indicate which year your organization is programmed for construction? <i>(please include a copy of the award notification as attachment "G")</i>		FFY:	
32.	If this project has received DNR Grants-in-Aid funds for capital development, please indicate when the project must be completed by: <i>(Please include a copy of the award letter as attachment "H")</i>		Date of Award Letter:	
33.	If this project is for a new trail development, please indicate estimated length:	Feet (if less than ½ mile):	2725	Miles:

34.	Below, indicate which primary and secondary recreation uses will directly benefit from the proposed project:		
	Primary Use	Secondary Use	
	X		Walking/Hiking
	X		Bicycling
			Mountain Bicycling
			Horseback Riding
			Cross-Country Skiing
		X	In-Line Skating
			Snowmobiling
			ATV Riding
			Off-Highway Motorcycling
			4 X 4 Trucking
			Other (specify):

QUALIFYING REQUIREMENTS

All applications must address each of the following five qualifying requirements. Failure to provide information on each of the requirements will result in the disqualification of the application.

Please complete each section as outlined in the instructions.

35. Project Description:
 This project consists of the construction of a 10 foot wide paved trail following the planned Unity Drive corridor heading east from the South Grove neighborhood. This trail would connect to the sidewalk system which ends at the intersection with Diamond Lane. The proposed trail system will connect the City's neighborhoods together. The South Grove neighborhood is home to many Mountain Iron Residents and does not have pedestrian or bicycle connections to the community center, schools, or other important destinations. Currently no connection exists in this area. Once completed, the project will be immediately available to the public.

36. Costs Associated with the Project:
 \$75,000 in earthwork, \$50,000 in paving, \$50,000 for select fill and \$25,000 Engineering. Matching funds will be budgeted by the City in 2012. The five year maintenance will be of minimal cost and be in conjunction with the maintenance the City performs on other trails within its jurisdiction.

37. Project Timeline:
 Design will take place the beginning of 2012 with construction taking place during the Summer of 2012 and project completion will be in October of 2012.

38. Project Readiness:
 Project is ready to proceed on the timeline presented in item 37. The City currently owns the right-of-way and there are no permit issues.

39.	Year Round Trail Usage:
At this time the trail will not be maintained for year round use.	

EVALUATION CRITERIA

All applicants must address each of the following six evaluation criteria that are listed, and in the order that they are presented below. *Failure to provide information on each of the criterion will result in the disqualification of the application.*

40. Site and Project Quality:

The Trail would run through an undeveloped corridor with a few residential properties adjacent. This corridor is wooded and rustic in nature.

41. Accessibility:

The trail will be available for use by all individuals and will provide a much needed link between neighborhoods for individuals to use whether disabled or not.

42. Public Need for and Benefit of Project:

The City of Mountain Iron is spread out between several neighborhood nodes and separated by Highway 169 and other roads. South Grove is home to many residents, and recreation facilities and is approximately 1/2 mile from important community destinations such as the elementary school, community center, clinic, recreation facilities, residential neighborhoods, and businesses.

The trail will connect to the elementary school, community center, and other neighborhoods. The City will seek to complete this phase of the local trails plan using other funding sources.

The recently completed Safe Routes to School plan found that lacking non-motorized transportation facilities were among the major reasons that parents did not let their children walk or bike to school. Connecting the elementary school is likely to increase the number of students walking and biking to school since parents are more likely to let older students partake in these activities.

43. Community Commitment to Trail Use:

Enclosed, please find the City of Mountain Iron's Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan which has been implemented and outline the actions we are taking.

44. Impact on Adjoining Landowners in the Vicinity of the Project:

The project will have minimum impacts on adjacent property owners, since the project is non-motorized it is similar to having a sidewalk in front of your property

45. Attention to the Potential Environmental Impact of the Project and Efforts to Avoid or Mitigate Adverse Effects:

Environmental impacts are expected to be limited. About 1/2 acre of impervious surface will be added. However, this will be spread out over 1/2 mile. The trail will be constructed within public right of way that is already cleared and partially graded.

ATTACHMENT CHECKLIST

Required Attachments (All attachments MUST be 8 ½ by 11 ONLY)	
	Attachment A – Required Certifications
	Attachment B – Resolution Supporting Application
	Attachment C – Letters of Support
	Attachment D – Project Location Map (8 ½ X 11 ONLY)
	Attachment E – Site Level Map (8 ½ X 11 ONLY)
	Attachment F – 20 Year Operations and Routine Maintenance Plan
Additional Attachments (if applicable)	
	Attachment G – Transportation Enhancement Award Letter
	Attachment H – Grant-in-aid Award Letter

APPLICATION DUE DATE: All applications must be received at the Department of Natural Resources St. Paul Central Office no later than 4:30 pm on Monday, February 28th, 2011.

Send 6 copies of the application with attachments to the following address:

Traci Vibo, Grant Coordinator
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Parks and Trails
500 Lafayette Road, Box 52
St. Paul, MN 55155-4052
Phone: (651) 259-5619

Attachment A

REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS

For Grant Applicants:

"I hereby certify that all of the information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I recognize that in the event of the proposed project being funded, this document will be used as an addendum to the agreement between the sponsoring unit of government and the state to guide project scope and reimbursement. I also acknowledge that all work must be completed by **June 30, 2013**, and no reimbursement will be sought for an in-house labor services and/or to meet existing payroll."

Name:	Craig J. Wainio	Title:	City Administrator
Unit of Government:	City of Mountain Iron		
Signature:		Date:	

For Trail and Park Administrators:

"I substantially agree that the proposed trail related project will be mutually beneficial to the local community, as well as to the goals and purposes for which this recreation unit was established. I will cooperate in its provision if the project proposal should be funded."

Name:	Donald V. Kleinschmidt	Title:	Director of Public Works
Unit of Government:	City of Mountain Iron		
Signature:		Date:	

For All Administrators of Public Lands Crossed/Utilized in the Proposed Linkage:

"I preliminarily agree with plans to develop the proposed trail related project on land administered by my agency, and I will cooperate in seeking more formal authorization in the event the project proposal is authorized for reimbursement."

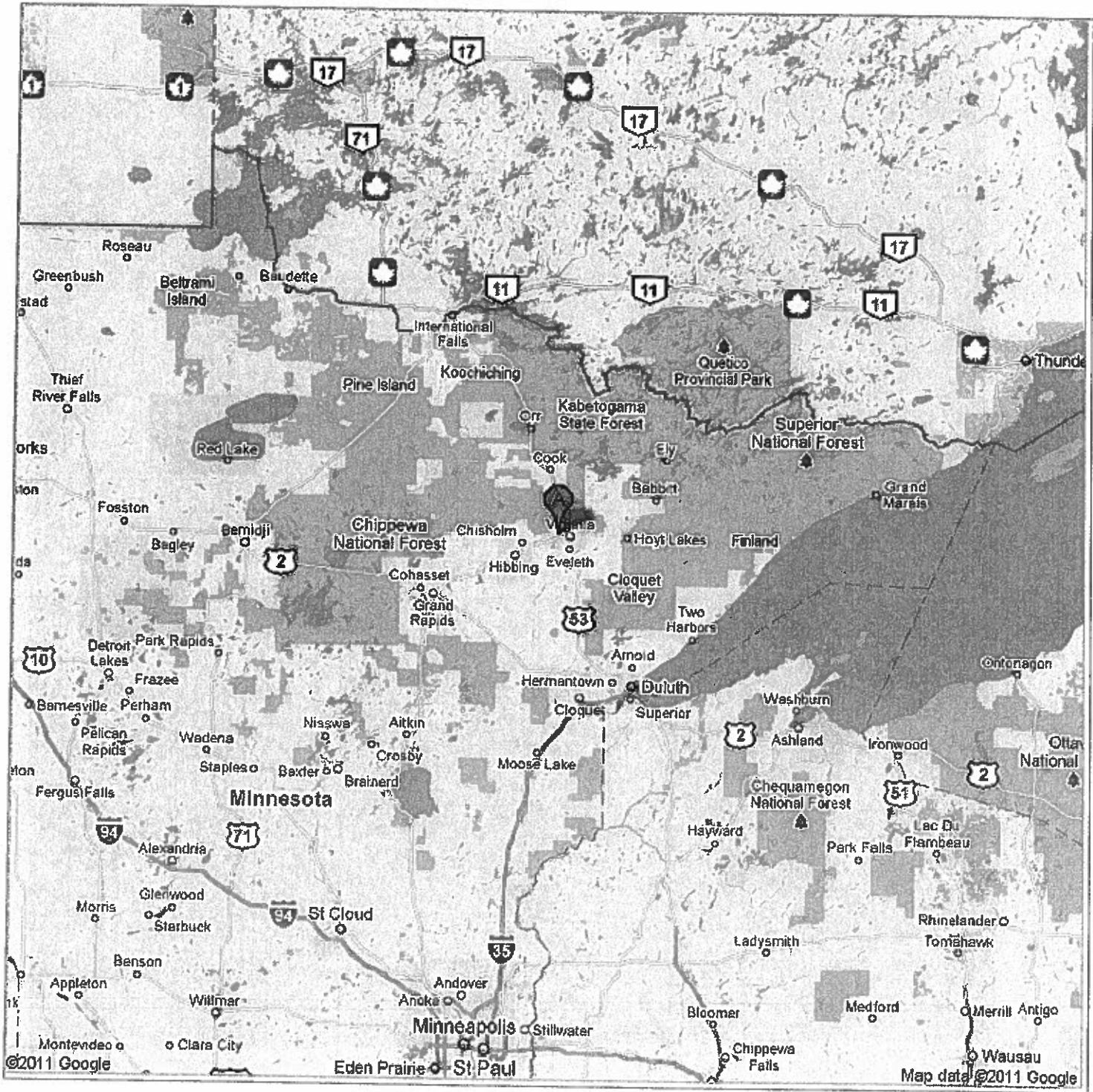
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Unit of Government:			
Signature:		Date:	

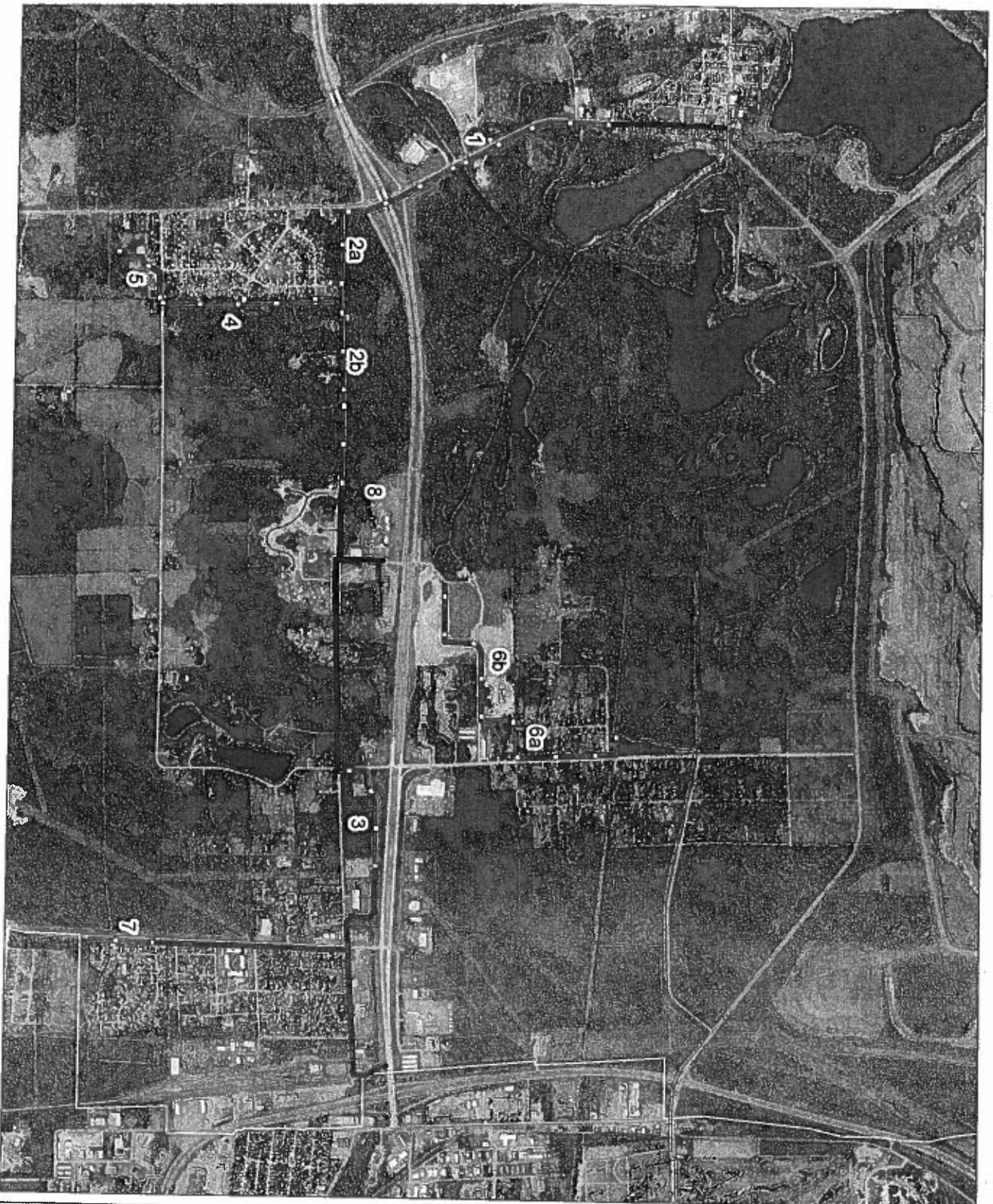
Attachment F

20 YEAR OPERATIONS AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE PLAN

Please explain the 20-year maintenance plan for the project.

The City of Mountain Iron Public Works Department will maintain the trail. It will be cleared during all seasons to allow year round use. General maintenance activities will be included in the annual budget for Public Works.

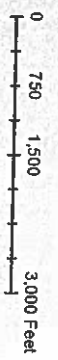




**Mountain Iron
Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan
Proposed Connections**

Legend

- Merritt Elementary School
- Mountain Iron-Buhl High School
- Existing Connection
- Proposed Connection
- Mesabi Trail
- Proposed Connection (Unpaved)
- MountainIronCityLimits



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MIB HOOP CLUB

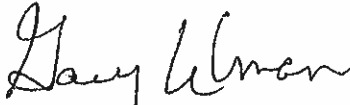
February 13, 2011

Mountain Iron City Council
Attn. Mr. Craig Wainio
Mountain Iron City Hall
Mountain Iron, MN 55768

Dear Council Members:

The MIB Hoop Club is requesting the use of the Community Center for both the boys and girls elementary basketball banquets. This would be for two separate dates, once for the boys and another date for the girls. It is our understanding there is a \$50 rental fee for the center. We are requesting the Council waive the rental fees for these events.

Sincerely yours,



Gary Ulman
President
MIB Hoop Club

Mountain Iron City Council
8586 Enterprise Drive South
Mountain Iron, MN 55768

February 4, 2011

Dear Councilors:

The Virginia Area Alpine Ski Team will be holding its yearly banquet at the Mountain Iron Community Center on March 20, 2011. The team is an area wide team consisting of High School and Middle School students who live in Mountain Iron, Virginia, Eveleth, Gilbert, Biwabik and Aurora.

Our skiers have worked hard since the start of the season back in October and have done very well on the hill this year. Also they have maintained their grades at each of their respective schools. This year as in every year, the Ski Team Boosters are working hard to make sure this event provides years of memories for each of these students. We have hired a Mountain Iron business, BG's Catering, to provide food service for this event. The boosters would like to request the Mountain Iron City Council to consider waiving the facility fee for this event.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 749-1402. Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,



Bob Voss

Treasurer

Virginia Area Alpine Ski Team Boosters

February 2, 2011

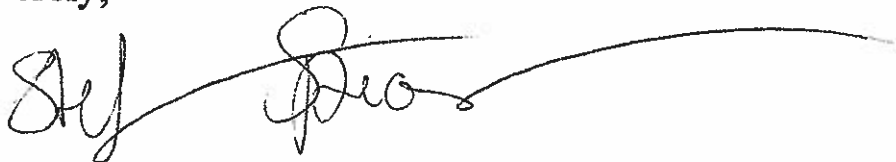
Dear City of Mt. Iron Council Members;

This letter is to request a waiver of the \$100.00 fee to rent the Community Center on May 27, 2011.

We the parents of the MIB graduating class of 2011 will be hosting the 24th annual All Night Chemical Free Graduation Party. It is therefore asked of you to please consider waiving the rental fee of \$100.00. By waiving this fee, you will be a participant in a rewarding project for our youth.

Thank you for helping us make this a safe and memorable night for our graduates, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Stef Spicer', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Stefanie Spicer

BG'S Bar & Grill
P.O. box 74
Virginia, MN 55792

To Whom It May Concern,

In behalf of the Ekholm wedding February 26, 2011, at the Mt. Iron Community Center, BG'S Bar & Grill respectfully request permission to have a bar, at which to serve alcoholic beverages.

All laws apply for the sale of alcohol to minors and will be enforced.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Peterson', written in a cursive style.

Greg Peterson

Mr Mainio -

Please put the following on the Feb 22nd City Council meeting agenda -

New Business: Valspar Foundation Paint Grants

Back up info = Craig, glean what you want from the press release.

Thanks -
Ed Roskoski



Foundations invite grant applications for free paint products

2-6-11

The Northland Foundation is asking for the 14th year with the Minneapolis-based Valspar Foundation to provide free paint and painting products for community restoration or beautification projects. This grant opportunity is available to communities and non-profit organizations in the seven counties of Northeastern Min-

nesota. Applications are due by March 7. Recipients will be notified at the end of March. Projects must be completed by Nov. 1. Applications are available on the Northland Foundation's website: northlandfn.org. If anyone has difficulty downloading the application form or has questions, they are encouraged to contact Jan

Amy at the Northland Foundation at (218) 723-4040 or (800) 433-4045. Approximately 10 projects within Aitkin, Carlton, Cook, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, and St. Louis counties will receive grants. Awards are decided based on visual impact, public benefit, volunteer participation and sup-

port, intended use and benefit to the needy. Projects that may qualify for a grant include historic buildings, senior citizen centers, community centers, public buildings and parks, murals or other visual-impact projects. Projects that do not qualify include churches, city maintenance, privately owned facilities or schools

(with the exception of murals). Since 1998, the Northland Foundation and Valspar Foundation have awarded more than 6,400 gallons of paint to more than 150 projects throughout northeastern Minnesota. Submitted by Jan Amy of the Northland Foundation.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Mountain Iron Senior Citizens Club, a thank you note for the Council's donation to their holiday party and requesting a new coffeemaker for the Senior Citizens Center.
2. Doug Abere, Mn/DOT representative, an email confirming the meeting on Tuesday, February 22, 2011, from 1-3 pm at the IRRRB conference room to discuss the proposed realignment of Highway 53 and forwarding general information on the project.

2/5/11

To Mayor & City Council - Mt. Iron
The Members of the Mt. Iron Sr. Citizens
Club wish to convey their thanks for
for the \$100 check at Christmas time
It is greatly appreciated.

We wish to bring ^{to} your attention
~~the~~ the worn out state of the coffee
maker at the center. It is in con-
stant use so that a new one
should replace it. Hoping you will
be able to do this. Thank you
Mt Iron Sr Citizens Millie
Battini, Sec

Craig J. Wainio

From: Douglas.Abere@CH2M.com
Sent: Friday, February 11, 2011 9:21 AM
To: tourvillej@virginiamn.us; bobv@email.com; wiskowm@evelthmn.com; mikedarrow@gilbertmn.org; Craig J. Wainio; foldesij@co.st-louis.mn.us; jim.plummer@state.mn.us; jcurrie@laurentianchamber.org; julie.elkington@cliffsnr.com; Sandra.karnowski@cliffsnr.com; pheltunen@rggs.us; john.engesser@state.mn.us; peter.leete@state.mn.us; phil.forst@dot.gov; jackie@evelethmn.com; eepeterson2003@yahoo.com; WilkinsE@co.st-louis.mn.us; BoderB@co.st-louis.mn.us
Cc: Brian.Larson@state.mn.us; mike.tardy@state.mn.us; daniel.j.erickson@state.mn.us; Jennie.Ross@state.mn.us; Jason.Alcott@state.mn.us; Timothy.Thoreen@CH2M.com; Joe.Litman@lhbcorp.com; brad.scott@lhbcorp.com; Jeanne.Witzig@kimley-horn.com; Mary.Gute@CH2M.com; bhanna@mesabidailynews.net; Lisa.DePaulis@state.mn.us; Annette.Maki@state.mn.us; Angie.Christy@state.mn.us
Subject: Hwy 53 Realignment Project Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting - February 22; 1:00 PM
Attachments: Stakeholder Handout 01-31-11 v5.pdf; TH 53 Alternatives Map 11x17 01252011.pdf

TO: Project Advisory Committee (PAC) Members and Alternates
CC: Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) and Consultant Project Team; Interested Persons
FR: Doug Abere, Consultant Team Project Manager (representing Mn/DOT)

Meeting Confirmation – Tuesday February 22; 1:00 to 3:00 PM

Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation Board Office Mesabi Conference Room
4261 Highway 53 S; Eveleth <http://www.ironrangeresources.org/contact/directions>

This message is to confirm that we will be holding the first in a series of Project Advisory Committee (PAC) meetings on Tuesday, February 22 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM, to discuss the proposed realignment of Highway 53. This meeting plan is consistent with calls we had made to PAC members over the last couple of weeks. Please note the meeting location and the link to driving directions above. While this meeting will be focused on communications with PAC members, the general public is welcome to observe.

The meeting agenda will be finalized and sent to you next week.

The attached general information briefly addresses the background for the project, the process/timeline to complete the decision-making process, and the alternatives initially being considered. The 2-year project planning process will include several more PAC meetings, general public information meetings, two formal hearings (see the timeline), and other meetings with project stakeholders. Final design and construction actions will be scheduled after this process.

We look forward to working with you on this project and will be in touch again soon. If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact Brian Larson at Mn/DOT in Duluth (brian.larson@state.mn.us; 218-725-2745). Thanks.

Doug Abere
Project Manager
CH2M HILL, Inc.
1295 Northland Drive, Suite 200
Mendota Heights, MN 55120
Direct – 651.365.8511



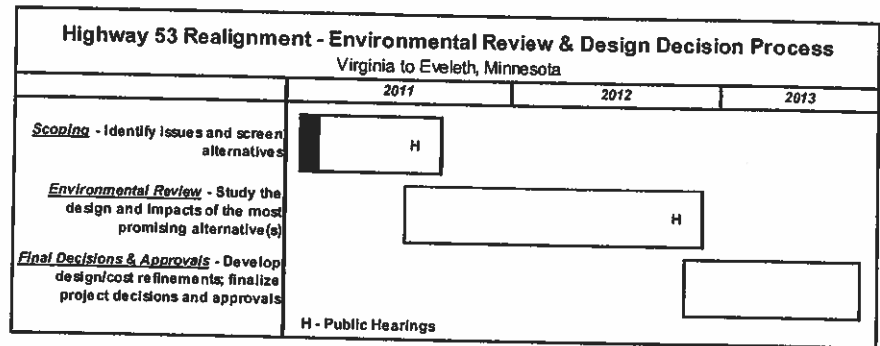
Project Information – Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) SP 6918-80 January 2011

Why is the Highway 53 realignment being planned?

On May 5, 2010, Cliffs Natural Resources provided notice to Mn/DOT that US Highway 53 easement rights across the United Taconite Mine, per a 1960 agreement, would be terminated. United Taconite agreed to allow seven years for the relocation of Highway 53. Therefore, by May 2017, Mn/DOT must vacate the segment of US 53 from about 12th Avenue West to Vermillion Drive in Virginia, Minnesota. Planning for a new Highway 53 alignment, including design changes to the Highway 135 junction and route, will require evaluations of several alternatives and their potential impacts. Some major goals for the project include cost-effectiveness, timely and sound decision-making, maintaining safe and efficient highway connections, avoiding or minimizing negative impacts, and avoiding unacceptable highway-mine conflicts far into the future.

What is the project planning process? – How long will it take?

The project planning process and current status are illustrated here. Current project work is in the "Scoping" phase, where many alternatives will be identified and considered. During Scoping, the Mn/DOT project team will share information and encourage input from local community leaders, many agencies, United Taconite, and the general public. Based on this immediate Scoping process, the number of alternatives will be reduced.



Later this year, the Scoping process will conclude with a public hearing and decisions about which alternative(s) should remain as the most promising for project design studies, detailed impact evaluations, and final project development. The detailed environmental review is planned to take about one year, followed by final project decision-making, approvals, and design refinements. The final project decisions are scheduled for 2013; however, Mn/DOT will seek reasonable opportunities to accelerate the schedule. A final project design and construction process will occur after the above-outlined study process, with the goal to open a new Highway 53 alignment before May 2017.

What alternatives, issues, and criteria will be considered?

While the detailed study of alternatives is just getting started, several alternatives and issues have been identified. For more information, please see the map: Highway 53 Realignment Alternatives. The alternatives and issues initially being considered are based on realignments proposed in work previously completed by Mn/DOT and United Taconite. These alternatives include:

- **West Corridor Alternatives (W-1, W-2, and W-3)**—The West corridors are the only alternatives with the potential to avoid all or most of the iron mining conflicts anticipated with the other alternatives. However, the West alternatives involve construction or reconstruction of at least 10 miles of highway. Some of the issues for these alternatives will include:
 - Questions of whether the re-routing of Highway 53, and Highway 135, would provide transportation benefits or create inefficiencies, especially in regard to community access
 - The importance of avoiding the mine versus the greater scale of West corridor alternatives—including the costs and impacts of West alternatives to private properties, businesses, wetlands, streams, and existing highway/railroad infrastructure
- **Middle or Mine-Area Corridor Alternatives (M-1 and M-2)**—The Middle corridors cross over the United Taconite iron ore pit approximately ½-mile west of existing Highway 53 and are the most direct new routings for the highway.

These alternatives involve construction or reconstruction of up to 2 miles of highway. Issues for these alternatives will include:

- As-yet uncertain impacts and environmental permit requirements (most notably air quality) due to relocation of the highway through the mine
 - Potential conflicts with United Taconite mining operations, including highway design across the mine to allow mining trucks and equipment to cross under/over a new highway and the risk that the highway would need to be relocated again in the future
 - Highway design needed to maintain good access to Highway 135 and to downtown Virginia, similar to the existing 2nd Avenue access
- **East Corridor Alternatives (E-1, E-2, and E-3)**—All East corridors involve routing Highway 53 around and through portions of the “Rouchleau Pit,” a previously mined area that would require construction of a new bridge crossing. A key decision point with the East alternatives is whether to reconnect to existing Highway 53 at approximately 2nd Avenue, or to realign around the north side of Virginia. The East alternatives would require construction or reconstruction of 3-5 miles of highway and the issues would include:
 - The presence of known iron ore reserves in these corridors, which raises the possibility of Highway 53 relocation again in the future
 - The history of underground mines in this area, which creates subsidence risks and could complicate cost estimating, construction, and long-term maintenance
 - The feasibility of reconstructing Highway 53 through or near city of Virginia neighborhoods and business districts

Some of the initial criteria to be considered for all project alternatives will include:

- Highway safety and efficiency, including connections between communities using Highway 53, Highway 135, and other routes
- Cost effectiveness and risks for long-term cost
- Various environmental/community impacts—Air quality, water quality, wetlands, historic sites, effects on the local/regional economy, and compatibility of alternatives with community plans and economic development

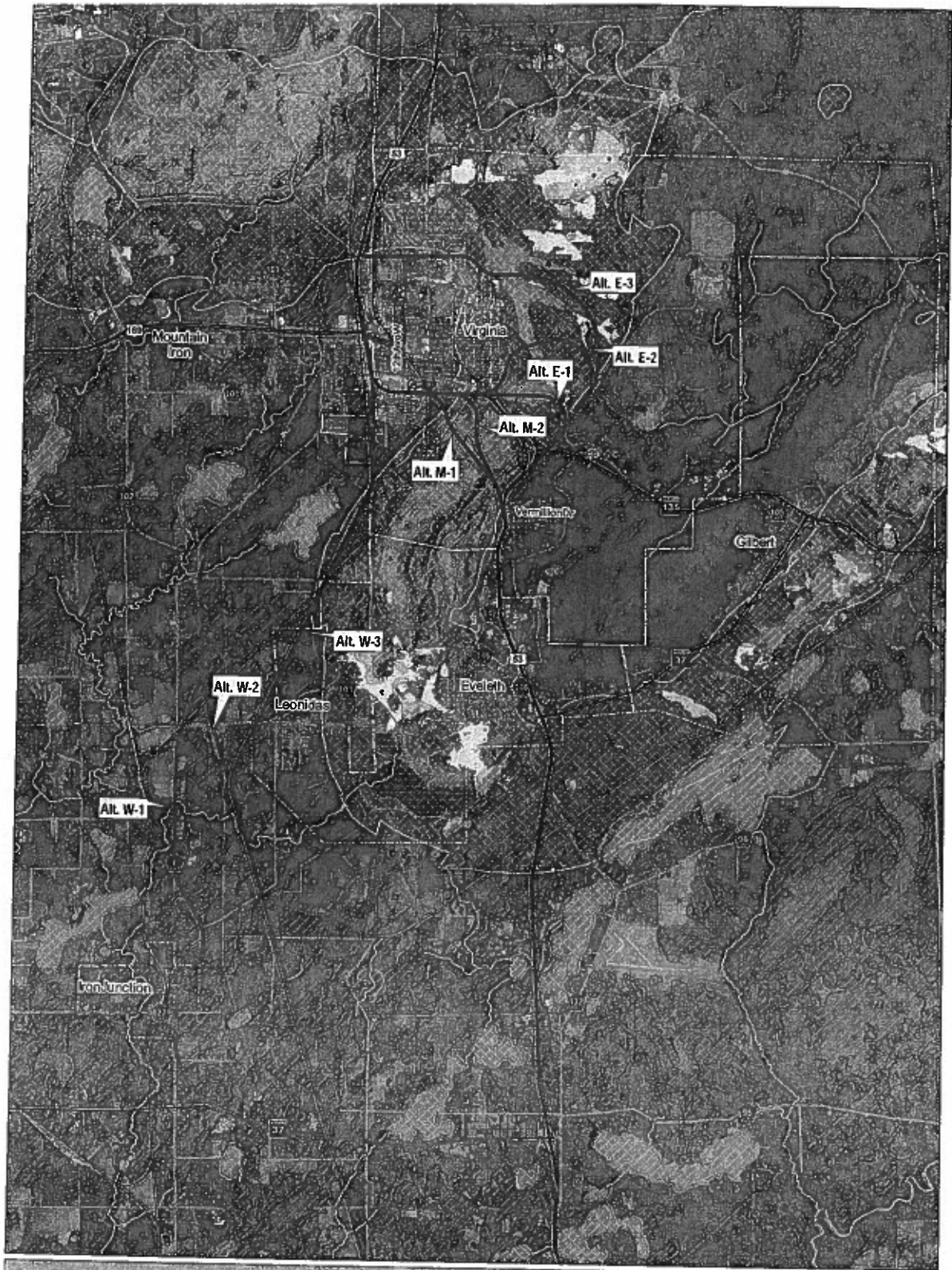
Mn/DOT is committed to balancing these and other criteria to reach timely implementation. The state’s commitment is also supported by \$60 million in trunk highway bonds.

How will community input be provided?

Mn/DOT looks forward to receiving input from those affected by the project and will soon begin a series of committee and public meetings. What issues and evaluation criteria are most important to you? Please feel free to provide input to Brian Larson at Mn/DOT (brian.larson@state.mn.us; 218-725-2745).

Does Mn/DOT have a project web site?

Yes! Project information and updates will be posted at the Highway 53 Relocation web site, which can be found at: www.dot.state.mn.us/d1/projects/hwy53relocation/.



Legend

Railroads	Bjwabik Iron Formation
Previously Considered Alternatives	Taconite Mines
Trunk Highways	Underground Mine Workings (digitized to date)
Co. Hwys. & Co. Rds.	Lakes
Rivers & Streams	NWI Wetlands
	Public Waters

0 0.5 1 2 Miles

01/26/2011

Highway 53 Realignment Alternatives