

**MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COMMUNITY CENTER
MOUNTAIN IRON ROOM
MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2007 - 6:30 P.M.
A G E N D A**

- I. Roll Call
 - II. Consent Agenda
 - A. Minutes of the April 2, 2007 Regular Meeting (#1-14)
 - B. Communications
 - C. Receipts
 - D. Bills and Payroll
 - III. Public Forum
 - A. Service Territory Acquisition (#15-17)
 - IV. Committee and Staff Reports
 - A. Mayor's Report
 - 1. SWOP Donation (#18)
 - B. City Administrator's Report
 - C. Director of Public Works Report
 - 1. Equipment Disposal (#19)
 - 2. Crack Sealing (#20)
 - D. Director of Parks and Recreations Report
 - E. Sheriff's Department Report (#21)
 - F. City Attorney's Report
 - G. City Engineer's Report
 - H. Utility Advisory Board
 - 1. Proposed Fee Schedule (#22-25)
 - I. Liaison Reports
 - V. Unfinished Business
 - A. Service Territory Acquisition Agreement (#26-30)
 - B. Resolution 17-07 Ordering Improvement (#31-33)
 - VI. New Business
 - A. First Responders Articles of Organization (#34-36)
 - B. Resolution 19-07 Public Safety Board (#37-39)
 - C. Resolution 20-07 Ordering Bids (#40-41)
 - D. Resolution 21-07 Ordering Hearing (#42-43)
 - E. Ball Field Lease with Mountain Iron-Buhl School District (#44-46)
 - F. Temporary Liquor License (#47)
 - G. Communications
 - VII. Open Discussion
 - VIII. Announcements
 - A. Reconvene Board of Review – April 18, 2007 – 6:30PM
 - IX. Closed Meeting (#48)
 - X. Adjourn
- # Denotes page number in packet

MINUTES
MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 2, 2007

Mayor Skalko called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Joe Prebeg, Jr., Tony Zupancich, Alan Stanaway, 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; Rod Flannigan, City Engineer; Tom Cvar, Fire Chief; and Greg Chad, Mountain Iron Relief Association.

The Mayor welcomed the audience and the television viewing audience to the meeting.

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

1. Make the following change to the agenda:
IV. H. 1. Public Hearing on the April 16, 2007 for Service Territory Acquisition
Remove the following item from the agenda:
VI. G. IRRR Housing Participation
Move the following item on the agenda:
VI. D. One Day Liquor License to III. Public Forum
2. Approve the minutes of the March 19, 2007, City Council meeting with the following correction:
Page 2, paragraph 6, "It was moved by Skalko *and supported by Roskoski* to authorize.....Mayor Skalko withdrew his motion *and Councilor Roskoski withdrew his support.*"
2. 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.
3. To acknowledge the receipts for the period March 16-31, 2007, totaling \$165,020.34, (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).
4. To authorize the payments of the bills and payroll for the period March 16-31, 2007, totaling \$251,647.22, (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).

The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

During the public forum, Pat Meinzer, owner of the Magic Bar in Virginia, requested the Council to authorize a one day liquor license for the Mountain Iron Community Center.

It was moved by Prebeg and supported by Zupancich to grant a one day liquor license to the Magic Bar for May 2, 2007, for use at the Mountain Iron Community Center, under Minnesota Statute 340A.404, Subdivision 4. The motion carried unanimously.

At 6:37 p.m., it was moved by Prebeg and supported by Stanaway to recess the regular meeting and open the public hearing on the 2007 Street Improvement Projects. The motion carried.

The Mayor said he would conduct the public hearing one street at a time.

LOCOMOTIVE STREET:

No one spoke during the public hearing and no communications were received regarding Locomotive Street.

TAMARACK DRIVE:

Jerry Postudensek, Lots 25, 26, & 27, Block 3, Ann's Acres Addition, all located on Tamarack Drive and has owned the lots for one year. He said that he would be paying about 13% of the total costs of the project. Mr. Postudensek opposed the street improvement project.

Donna Draze, 8396 Tamarack Drive, has lived there for 18 years. She felt that the overlay project would be just a quick fix when the road needs some major repairs. She said there are timbers coming up in the middle of the street. Ms. Draze was opposed to the street improvement project.

Bob Voss, 8397 Tamarack Drive, said that he submitted some pictures of Tamarack Drive to the City Administrator. He said that there are portions of the gutter missing from Tamarack Drive. Mr. Voss said that he just spent approximately \$700 on the overlay of Aspen Lane and the street was already starting to break up. He asked if the curbs could be repaired, have the street milled off, and overlay with bituminous. Mr. Voss would like the project completed correctly and he is opposed to the overlay being completed.

No communications were received regarding Tamarack Drive.

CORAL STREET:

No one spoke during the public hearing and no communications were received regarding Coral Street.

UNITY DRIVE FROM COUNTY ROAD 7 TO THE RAILROAD:

A letter was received from Harold and Doris Moe, 5499 Daffodil Avenue, opposing the Unity Drive street improvements.

No one spoke during the public hearing regarding Unity Drive.

CENTENNIAL DRIVE:

A letter was received from Larry Lindholm, 8430 Centennial Drive, opposing the Centennial Drive street improvements.

No one spoke during the public hearing regarding Centennial Drive.

ENTERPRISE DRIVE NORTH:

No one spoke during the public hearing and no communications were received on Enterprise Drive North.

GRANITE STREET:

No one spoke during the public hearing and no communications were received regarding Granite Street.

HEATHER AVENUE NORTH (from Centennial Drive):

Tammy Petersen, 5482 Heather Avenue, stated that she was opposed to the project.

Petronilo Landicho, 5481 Heather Avenue, stated that he and his wife were opposed to the project.

Councilor Roskoski stated that Dean Niska, 5485 Heather Avenue, had contacted him and stated that he was opposed to the project.

HEATHER AVENUE SOUTH (from Centennial Drive):

Donna Luzovich, 5456 Heather Avenue, stated that she would like to see the project completed.

A letter was received from RGGS Land and Minerals, Ltd., L.P. Parcel Code 175-0071-01350, opposing the project.

The Mayor read the following motion that was passed by the City Council on June 5, 2006:

“It was moved by Skalko and supported by Prebeg to adopt Resolution #17-06, ordering improvements and preparation of plans, (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes) to include the following projects: Unity Drive from Mud Lake Road to Diamond Lane, Option Number 2; and to have a waterline installed across Heather Avenue near 5439 Heather Avenue and overlay Heather Avenue as one of the next projects in the future. After further discussion, the Mayor amended the motion to have Heather Avenue blacktopped, following a public hearing, when the City has completed the waterline extension. Councilor Prebeg supported the amendment. The amended motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.”

The Mayor commented that Heather Avenue has had a lot of work completed on the road. He said that Heather Avenue is in the center of City and is surrounded entirely by blacktopped streets and should be blacktopped.

Councilor Prebeg said previously during public hearings regarding street improvements there was discussion regarding a drainage improvement project for the Heather Avenue area that would add approximately \$100,000 to the assessments for the project. The City Engineer said that the drainage project would be the ultimate improvement to the area, but because of the additional costs, it probably would not be completed.

Councilor Prebeg said that Heather Avenue South should not be assessed as a cul-de-sac; it is a dead end street and should be assessed 75%. He requested that the Street and Alley Committee review the Heather Avenue assessment classification and make a recommendation to the City Council.

UNITY DRIVE (west from Emerald Avenue):

No one spoke during the public hearing and no communications were received regarding Unity Drive.

At 7:16 p.m., it was moved by Prebeg and supported by Zupancich to adjourn the public hearing on the 2007 Street Improvement Projects and reconvene the regular meeting. The motion carried.

At 7:16, p.m., it was moved by Prebeg and supported by Stanaway to recess the regular meeting and open the public hearing on Unity Second Addition. The motion carried.

Councilor Roskoski asked the City Administrator what the total investment for the development of Unity Second Addition would be including engineering, bonding, and development. The City Administrator said that he did not have a firm cost for the development of Unity Second Addition. The Administrator said that the project costs depend on if the City is awarded any grants.

At 7:20 p.m., Councilor Roskoski left the meeting.

At 7:21 p.m., it was moved by Skalko and supported by Stanaway to adjourn the public hearing on Unity Second Addition and reconvene the regular meeting. The motion carried with Councilor Roskoski absent.

At 7:22 p.m., Councilor Roskoski returned to the meeting.

The Mayor said that he met with Saint Louis County Commissioner Nelson regarding County Road 7 and he informed the Council that County Road 7 would have significant improvements made to the road in 2007 and 2008.

The Mayor said that he had attended a meeting with the Mountain Iron Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT's) and he felt that the technicians were making progress in the right direction.

The Mayor also said that he met with Yvonne Dall, her and her husband Russell are caretakers for the Mountain Manor. He said that there are currently 29 apartments rented at the Mountain Manor. The Caretakers said that there are also five apartments that can not be used because of damages in the apartments. By May, the Caretakers felt that there would be over 30 apartments rented.

The Mayor also informed the Council that he had contacted Mr. Sauter, Superintendent of Mountain Iron-Buhl School District, to get an accurate count of students in Unity Addition attending the Mountain Iron-Buhl School District. Mr. Sauter stated there are currently 26 children living in Unity Addition; 16 are attending Merritt Elementary, 8 are in Elementary School and 8 are enrolled in Early Family Childhood, 3 are attending school in Virginia, 6 are too young to go to school, and 1 is home schooled. The Mayor advised people interested in the lots at Unity Second Addition to contact the City Administrator for information on the proposed project.

The Mayor discussed redirecting the Saint Louis County Recreation Grant to be used for the Mountain Iron ATV/OHM Trail to the South Grove Playground Project. The Mayor asked Dale Irish why a letter was sent to him regarding the Saint Louis County Recreation Grant and nothing was sent to the City. Mr. Irish stated that he was appointed the ATV Trail Coordinator by the City Council and he had sent a letter to the Saint Louis County Land Department requesting an extension on the grant. The Mayor advised Mr. Irish to have any further information regarding the grant to go through City Staff because this is City business.

Councilor Roskoski asked the Administrator if there were any more applications for the Emergency Medical Technicians. The City Administrator said that he had received a total of three applications.

Councilor Roskoski asked the Administrator what the status of the Mineland Reclamation Grant to repair the fence by Locomotive Park was. The Administrator said that he did not know what the status of the fence was, that he would have to speak to the Recreation Director.

Councilor Roskoski asked the Director of Public Works about a power outage Sunday, March 25, 2007, regarding the cause of the power outage. The Director of Public Works stated that there were some fuses blown and he did not know the specific cause of the outage.

It was moved by Prebeg and supported by Stanaway to accept the recommendation of the Mountain Iron Volunteer Fire Department and hire Joe Golden as a paid on call fire fighter for the City of Mountain Iron. The motion carried.

It was moved by Stanaway and supported by Roskoski to accept the recommendation of the Mountain Iron Fire Department Relief Association and amend the By-Laws as follows:

Each member of the Mountain Iron Fire Department shall have no less than 24 hours of in-house training per year. Exception will be new firefighters hired after the first of the year. The required in-house training for new firefighters will be prorated to the number of full quarters for the year in which they start. The training period is from January 1 to December 31. Each member will have mandatory blood-borne pathogens and hazmat training yearly. No member shall miss more than three (3) consecutive in-house training sessions. Make-up of training is the responsibility of the firefighter. Failure to have the above training requirements will result in the loss of the firefighter's pension for that year.

The motion carried.

It was moved by Roskoski to direct Benchmark Engineering to draw up conceptual plans showing how Unity Second Addition could potentially be developed in two or three phases and what the projected cost of each phase could potentially be. The **motion died** for lack of support.

It was moved by Roskoski and supported by Zupancich that, because of citizen complaints and safety concerns, that Benchmark Engineering study the Aspen Lane/Spruce Drive/County Road 7 Intersection area for proper water flow from the street center crown area outwards towards the gutter/catch basin areas during all seasons. And further, cost estimates be provided for taking care of this water flowage/drainage problem once and for all. The **motion failed** with Prebeg, Zupancich, Stanaway and Skalko voting no.

It was moved by Skalko and supported by Roskoski to set a public hearing for April 16, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. regarding the Lake Country Power acquisition notifying the affected customers and include a copy of the City's electrical rates. After further discussion, Mayor Skalko amended the motion to include the information on pages 28-38 in the packet be sent to the affected customers. Councilor Roskoski supported the amendment. The amended motion carried with Councilors Prebeg and Stanaway voting no.

During the Liaison Reports, Councilor Roskoski advised the Council that the Utility Advisory Board discussed the implementation of smaller garbage canisters. He said that it is not possible for our City garbage truck to pick up a can smaller than the 30 gallon canister. He also said that there was no insert available to install in the present cans to make them smaller than 30 gallons. He also said that it is not possible to cut the garbage bill in half due to the rate structure because of the Saint Louis County fees incorporated into the charges.

At 8:04 p.m., Councilor Prebeg left the meeting.

At 8:05 p.m., Councilor Prebeg returned to the meeting.

Reynold Renzaglia, Chairman of the Utility Advisory Board, advised the Council that when the meeting occurred with Lake Country Power Representatives, they expressed interest in being part of the notification process to the affected customers.

At 8:07 p.m., Councilor Prebeg left the meeting.

At 8:08 p.m., Councilor Roskoski left the meeting.

At 8:09 p.m., Councilor Prebeg returned to the meeting.

At 8:11 p.m., Councilor Roskoski returned to the meeting.

It was moved by Prebeg and supported by Zupancich to adopt Resolution Number 14-07, Non-binding Resolution of Commitment for the Iron Range Community FiberNet, (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried with Mayor Skalko and Councilor Roskoski voting no.

It was moved by Skalko and supported by Zupancich to table Resolution Number 17-07, Ordering Improvements and Preparation of Plans for various street improvements until the Street and Alley Committee have an opportunity to meet and put it back on the April 16, 2007, City Council agenda. The motion carried.

It was moved by Zupancich and supported by Skalko to adopt Resolution Number 18-07, Ordering Improvement and Preparation of Plans for Unity Second Addition and Unity Drive Extension, (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried.

It was moved by Skalko and supported by Zupancich to adopt Ordinance 02-07, Amending Chapter 154 of the Mountain Iron City Code regarding Prefabricated Utility Structures, (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried with Councilor Roskoski voting no.

Councilor Prebeg informed the Council that the Personnel Committee was still negotiating with some of the Management Personnel and there was no Council action required at this time.

It was moved by Roskoski and supported by Stanaway that the Mountain Iron City Council, via a resolution, on behalf of all those from Mountain Iron who have served in the Armed Forces,

contributes \$1,000 to the Iron Range Veterans Memorial Project to be located in Virginia. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

It was moved by Roskoski that being Mountain Iron has had to abandon miles of public streets, sewer, water, and electrical lines in Parkville because of mining expansion and more is anticipated; that Staff explore any and all opportunities for Mineland Reclamation, Department of Natural Resources, or IRRR grants that could apply towards our City because of how we are impacted by mining. The **motion died** for lack of support.

It was moved by Roskoski to direct Staff to seek quotes from at least two firms as to the cost of doing an appraisal as to the value of the lots in the Unity Second Addition expansion area and an opinion as to the market place sale ability of the lots and at what price. The **motion died** for lack of support.

It was moved by Roskoski that because the proposed Unity Second Addition expansion appears to pose a large financial risk to the City, that Staff contact some one/some firm and get a quote as to the cost of doing a financial analysis/feasibility study on how the project will cash flow out. The **motion died** for lack of support.

The Council reviewed the list of communications.

The Mayor requested that Staff set up a Street and Alley Committee meeting.

During the open discussion, Councilor Roskoski asked if there was going to be a closed session to update the Council on the Management negotiations. Councilor Prebeg said that if there is new information to provide the Council then a closed meeting would be scheduled.

At 8:53 p.m., it was moved by Roskoski and supported by Zupancich that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:



Jill M. Forseen, CMC/MMCA
Municipal Services Secretary

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COMMUNICATIONS

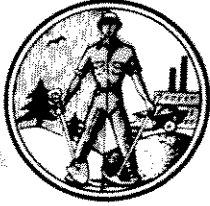
1. Virginia Regional Medical Center Foundation, a thank you for the support of the 5th Annual Mark "Bush" Prebeg Memorial Snowmobile Ride.

Summary By Category And Distribution

Category	Distribution	Amount
UTILITY	UTILITY	128,005.63
BUILDING RENTALS	BUILDING RENTAL DEPOSITS	500.00
MISCELLANEOUS	REIMBURSEMENTS	3,580.60
METER DEPOSITS	ELECTRIC	1,600.00
CAMPGROUND RECEIPTS	FEES	45.00
COPIES	COPIES	13.00
LICENSES	CIGARETTE	100.00
BUILDING RENTALS	COMMUNITY CENTER	525.00
MISCELLANEOUS	ELECTRIC RECONNECT FEE	25.00
BUILDING RENTALS	NICHOLS HALL	180.00
PERMITS	BUILDING	184.60
LICENSES	ANIMAL	5.00
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 101	1,245.65
MISCELLANEOUS	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD PAYABLE	28,253.55
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 378	501.84
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 602	76.36
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 603	109.11
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	ELECTRIC-CHG FOR SERVICES	60.00
MISCELLANEOUS	ASSESSMENT SEARCHES	10.00
Summary Totals:		<u>165,020.34</u>

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Per	Date	Check No	Vendor No	Payee	Check GL Acct	Amount
Totals:						<u>167,019.89</u>
Payroll-PP Ending 3/23/07						<u>84,627.33</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES						<u>\$251,647.22</u>



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-07

NON-BINDING RESOLUTION OF COMMITMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain Iron is a member of the Iron Range Community FiberNet, an entity operating under a joint powers agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain Iron believes that communication infrastructure is as essential as transportation, electricity, water and sewer infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain Iron believes that the availability of advanced communication infrastructure capable of delivering a minimum of 100 megabits per second to every resident is essential to a successful economic future, and

WHEREAS, Iron Range Community FiberNet believes that the development and operation of a wholesale telecommunication infrastructure that allows private companies to provide competitive voice, video and data services to local residents is the most efficient and lowest cost method of delivering communication services, and

WHEREAS, Iron Range Community FiberNet has proposed a financing structure for a fiber optic network that requires each community to contribute towards the costs of installing the fiber optic network in each own community; and

WHEREAS, Iron Range Community FiberNet needs a non-binding conditional commitment from each community to continue to pursue financial support from governmental and philanthropic investors for the proposed network, and

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain Iron will have an opportunity to make a final, binding financial commitment to the fiber optic network after it has reviewed final legal, financial, design and cost data at a future date,

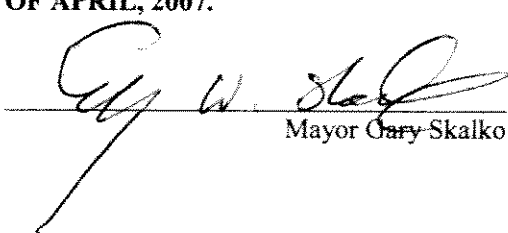
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA, that the City of Mountain Iron makes a conditional commitment to guarantee \$802,145 of the senior debt issued by Iron Range Community FiberNet and contribute \$762,038 to the project as an equity investment, and reserves the right to withdraw this commitment at any time.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 2nd DAY OF APRIL, 2007.

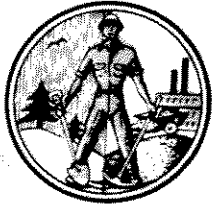
ATTEST:



City Administrator



Mayor Gary Skalko



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 18-07

ORDERING IMPROVEMENT AND PREPARATION OF PLANS

WHEREAS, a Resolution of the City Council adopted on the 19th day of March, 2007, fixed a date for a Council Hearing in reference to the development of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 58 North, Range 18 West in the City of Mountain Iron as single family housing lots as general presented in Attachment A, which includes the installation of water lines, waste water lines, storm sewer system, paved roads and curb and gutter, and;

WHEREAS, ten days' mailed notice and two weeks' published notice of the hearing was given, and the hearing was held thereon on the 2nd day of April, 2007, at which all persons desiring to be heard were given an opportunity to be heard thereon.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA:

1. Such improvement is necessary, cost-effective, and feasible as detailed in the feasibility report.
2. Such improvement is hereby ordered as proposed in the Council Resolution adopted the 5th day of March, 2007.
3. Benchmark Engineering is hereby designated as the engineer for this improvement. The engineer shall prepare plans and specifications for the making of such improvement.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 2nd DAY OF APRIL, 2007.

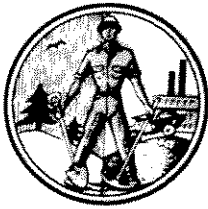
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City Administrator



Mayor Gary Skalko



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ORDINANCE NUMBER 02-07

AMENDING CHAPTER 154 OF THE MOUNTAIN IRON CITY CODE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNTAIN IRON ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amending Section 154.002. Section 154.002 of the City Code for City of Mountain Iron is hereby amended by adding the following:

PREFABRICATED UTILITY ENCLOSURE. Structure consisting of a tubular framework covered with fabric or sheet metal panels or constructed entirely of sheet metal panels.

Section 2. Amending Section 154.022. Section 154.022(B) of the City Code for City of Mountain Iron is hereby amended by adding the following:

- (11) Prefabricated utility enclosure.

Section 3. Amending Section 154.023. Section 154.023(B) of the City Code for City of Mountain Iron is hereby amended by adding the following:

- (7) Prefabricated utility enclosure up to 400 square feet in area.

Section 4. Amending Section 154.023. Section 154.023(C) of the City Code for City of Mountain Iron is hereby amended by adding the following:

- (8) Prefabricated utility enclosure over 400 square feet in area.

Section 5. Amending Section 154.023. Section 154.023(D)(6)(a) of the City Code for City of Mountain Iron is hereby amended by adding the following:

- 3. Prefabricated utility enclosure 25 feet;

Section 6. Amending Section 154.023. Section 154.023(D) of the City Code for City of Mountain Iron is hereby amended by adding the following:

- (8) Front Setback Prefabricated utility enclosure 150 feet.

Section 7. Amending Section 154.024. Section 154.024(B) of the City Code for City of Mountain Iron is hereby amended by adding the following:

- (7) Prefabricated utility enclosure up to 400 square feet provided lot size and setbacks meet the requirements of 154.023 (D).

Section 8. Amending Section 154.024. Section 154.024(C) of the City Code for City of Mountain Iron is hereby amended by adding the following:

- (7) Prefabricated utility enclosure over 400 square feet provided lot size and setbacks meet the requirements of 154.023 (D).

Section 9. Amending Section 154.084. Section 154.084 of the City Code for City of Mountain Iron is hereby repealed and replaced with the following:

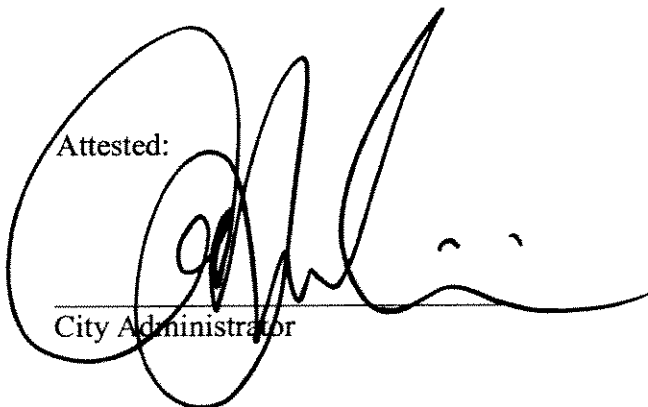
Prefabricated utility enclosures may be used without a permit in any district as temporary protection for construction equipment and materials being used to construct a structure for which a building permit has been issued.

Section 10. Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinance. All Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and replaced with the provisions of this Ordinance.

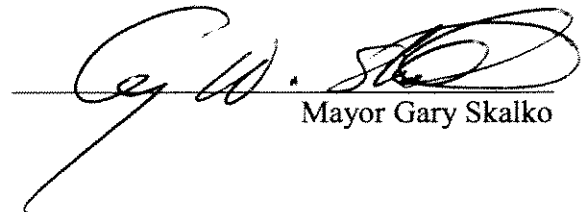
Section 11. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective according to State Statute.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 2nd DAY OF APRIL, 2007.

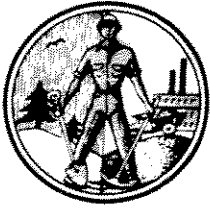
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April 5, 2007

To those Mountain Iron residents that may be affected by the proposed acquisition of certain Lake Country Power service territory by the City of Mountain Iron Public Utilities:

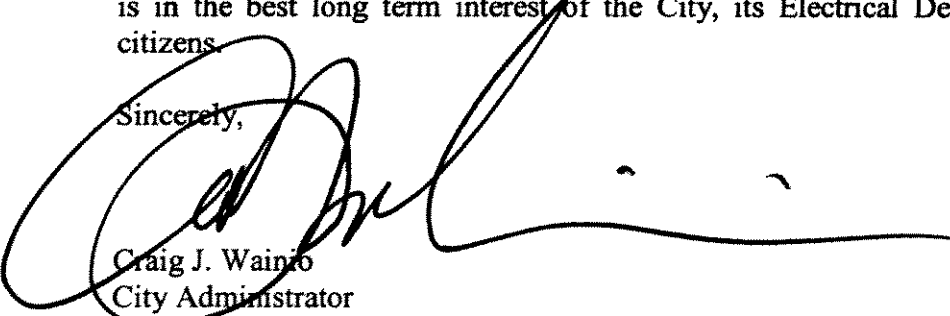
The Mountain Iron City Council will be considering a proposal to acquire certain Lake Country Service Territory at their regular meeting to be held on April 16, 2007 at 6:30PM at the Mountain Iron Community Center, 8586 Enterprise Drive South, Mountain Iron, MN 55768. The City Council will consider all verbal and/or written comments at this meeting.

Enclosed, please find a copy of the City of Mountain Iron's current electrical rate sheet for your review. Also enclosed are other supporting materials for the proposed acquisition.

If you do have any questions or would like a rate comparison, we strongly encourage you to contact Mr. Don Kleinschmidt at 218-748-7570 or email him at dkleinschmidt@ci.mountain-iron.mn.us.

The proposed acquisition is an amicable agreement between the City of Mountain Iron and Lake Country Power who have worked cooperatively to make this proposal a reality. Mountain Iron is undertaking this project for what we believe is in the best long term interest of the City, its Electrical Department and its citizens.

Sincerely,


Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

ELECTRIC RATES – As Of October 1, 2004

Residential Service Rate

First 200 kwh \$.078 per kwh
Next 800 kwh \$.064 per kwh
Over 1000 kwh \$.052 per kwh

Minimums: City - \$4.49/mo.
 Rural - \$6.74/mo.
 Elec. Heat - \$13.48/mo.

Vacant Apartments in Apt. Complexes –
\$6.74/mo.

General Service Rate

First 100 kwh \$.105 per kwh
Next 900 kwh \$.078 per kwh
Over 1000 kwh \$.053 per kwh

Minimums: \$5.62/mo.
 or
 \$1.12per hp of installed
 3 phase capacity for the first
 10 hp plus \$.85 per hp for
 each additional hp

Power Service Rate

Energy Charge \$.037 per kwh
Demand Charge \$12.36 per KW

Municipal Service Rate

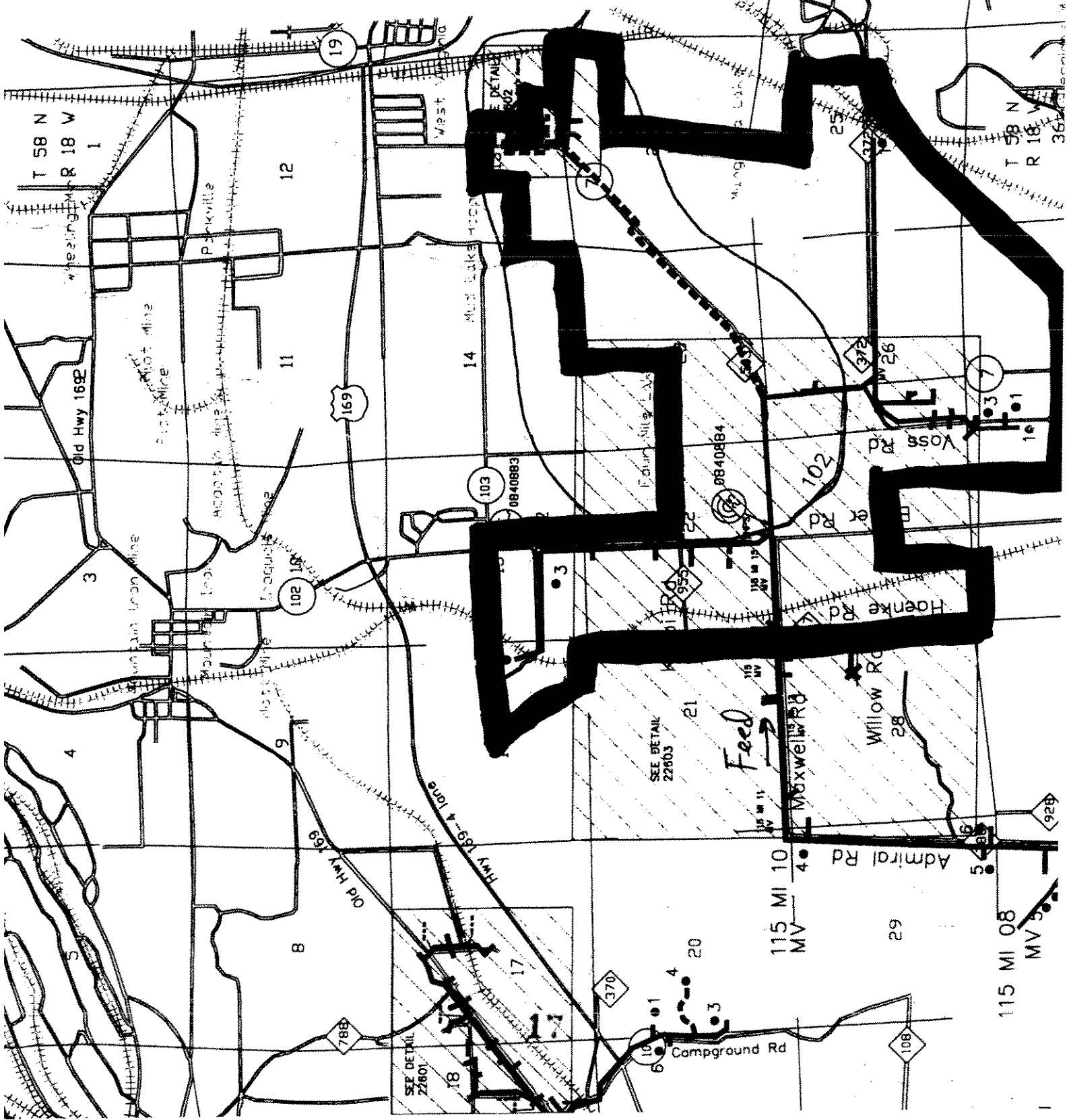
Energy Charge \$.069 per kwh
Demand Charge None

Security Lighting Rate

175 Watt Mercury Vapor \$5.57/month
250 Watt Mercury Vapor \$7.95/month
400 Watt Mercury Vapor \$9.28/month

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- FUSE
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- # OF DEVICES
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- 1# OCR-TYPE H
- 1# OCR-TYPE 4H
- STEP-DOWN TRANSFORMER
- NORMALLY OPEN DISCONNECT, ID NUMBER
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- FAULT INDICATOR
- MIN MAX
- SWITCHED CAPACITOR, RATING
- FIXED CAPACITOR, RATING
- CONSUMER
- OVERHEAD LINE
- UNDERGROUND LINE
- 3 PHASE
- A PHASE

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SEE DETAIL 22801

SEE DETAIL 22803

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115 MI 10 MV 4

Campground Rd

Maxwell Rd

Willow Rd

Hoenke Rd

Voss Rd

14 Mus Lake Hwy

Perryville

Old Hwy 169

T 58 N R 18 W

T 58 N R 18 W

COUNCIL LETTER 041607-IVA1

MAYOR SKALKO

SWOP DONATION

DATE: April 11, 2007

FROM: Mayor Skalko

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Mayor Skalko requested this item be placed on the agenda with this background information:

SWOP (Summer Work Outreach Program) is a program serving youths between the ages of 11 & 14 the communities of Mountain Iron, Buhl and this year Chisholm. SWOP is a partnership between the cities, businesses and all churches to provide a 6 week experience for this age group. Skills taught are self-esteem, development, peer acceptance, and career interest examination. Part of this program involves working with the elderly in such environments as assisted living facilities, nursing homes, shut-ins, etc.

Last year, I believe the City donated \$500 to this program, using our Charitable Gambling Funds.

COUNCIL LETTER 041607-IVC1

PUBLIC WORKS

EQUIPMENT DISPOSAL

DATE: April 11, 2007

FROM: Donald V. Kleinschmidt
Director of Public Works

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

The City of Eveleth is interested in acquiring an old sewer rodding machine from the City. This machine is surplus equipment that did not receive a bid when we listed it for disposal. The machine would be used as spare parts by the City of Eveleth.

Staff is recommending City Council authorization to dispose of this piece of equipment to the City of Eveleth.

COUNCIL LETTER 041607-IVC2

PUBLIC WORKS

CRACK SEALING

DATE: April 11, 2007

FROM: Street Committee

Donald V. Kleinschmidt
Director of Public Works

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

The Street Committee is recommending that the City Council authorize up to \$10,000.00 plus for asphalt crack sealing for 2007. Staff request authorization to seek quotes for the 2007 street crack sealing program.

The City Council might also want to include \$5,000.00 for asphalt crack sealing on the Mesabi Trail.



Saint Louis County

Office of the Sheriff - 100 North 5th Avenue West, Room 103 • Duluth, Minnesota 55802
Phone: (218) 726-2337 - Fax: (218) 726-2171

Ross Litman
Sheriff

TO: Mt. Iron Mayor and City Council
FROM: Sgt. R. Feiro/5171
RE: Stats for March 2007
DATE: April 11, 2007

The St. Louis County Sheriff's Office in Mt. Iron responded to the following calls for service during the month of March.

Deputies also performed 103 traffic stops, issuing 42 citations for traffic and criminal offenses and 61 traffic warnings.

CALLS FOR SERVICE:

- 6-Fire Calls
- 10-Drug Related Calls
- 22-On Views (Officer initiated contacts, checking on persons, vehicles, properties)
- 7-Public Assists (Hotrodders, Loud Music, Car Unlocks)
- 24-Custodial Arrests
- 15 Disturbances (Verbal Arguments/Domestics/Threats)
- 25-Suspicious Persons/Vehicles/Unwanted Persons/Warrant Attempts
- 9-Theft
- 24-Assists to Sheriff's Office (Vir/Hib/Buhl)-(14 of these were in Mt. Iron's Area)
- 23-Assists to VIPD/EVPD(9 of these were in MT. Iron's area)
- 17-Welfare Checks upon Persons or Suicide Threats
- 7-Medical Assists
- 17-Motor Vehicle Crashes
- 7-Alarm Calls
- 1-Assault
- 3-Damage to Property
- 1-Burglary
- 7-Animal Complaints
- 0-Search Warrants
- 35-Other Misc Calls(ie: Harassment, Civil Disputes, ATLS, Assist State Patrol)
- 2-Runaway Reports

Reply to:

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Fax: (218) 726-2171

County Jail

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Duluth, MN 55811
Phone: (218) 726-2345
Fax: (218) 725-6134

Emergency Management

5735 Old Miller Trunk Hwy
Duluth, MN 55811
Phone: (218)
Fax: (218)

Sheriff's Office

300 South 5th Avenue
Virginia, MN 55792
Phone: (218) 749-7134
Fax: (218) 749-7192

Sheriff's Office

1810 12th Ave. E
Hibbing, MN 55746
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COUNCIL LETTER 041607-IVH1

UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD

**PROPOSED FEES FOR MISCELLANEOUS
UTILITY SERVICES**

DATE: April 11, 2007

FROM: Utility Advisory Board

Donald V. Kleinschmidt
Director of Public Works

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

At their meeting on March 27, 2007, the Utility Advisory Board approved the proposed fees for miscellaneous utility services per attached.

It is recommended that the City Council approve the fee schedule as presented.

CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON
PUBLIC UTILITIES

PROPOSED FEES FOR MISCELLANEOUS
UTILITY SERVICES

3/27/07

Street Cut or Curb Cut Permit \$25.00
(If City makes street or curb cut it will be charged at actual cost of labor & materials)

ISTS Permit (Septic Tank) \$300.00

Privy Permit \$ 50.00

Water Tap-In Fee Actual cost of materials and labor
or \$125.00, whichever is greater

(The City provides a water meter and meter horn for residential service. The property owner is responsible for the line from the property side of the curb stop to the structure.)

Water Meter Test \$ 50.00
(If homeowner requests test, no charge if the meter tested high. Charge if the meter is found to be correct or registering slow.)

Water Turn On \$ 35.00 during normal hours
\$140.00 after normal hours
(Property owner must be present when done.)

Water Turn Off \$ 35.00 during normal hours
\$140.00 after normal hours
(Property owner must be present when done.)

Sewer Tap Inspection Fee \$50

(All sewer taps have to be approved by utility personnel before they are buried or covered. The property owner is responsible for the installation and maintenance of the sewer service line from the main, including the tap to the house.)

The City does not install any sewer service lines.

Eliminate temporary stoppage of refuse pickup and sewer monthly charges for residents leaving for more than one month.

Sewer Disconnect Inspection \$35.00

<u>New Electrical Service Installation Fee</u> (a new 200 amp service must have a by-pass meter base)	The actual cost of installation, for labor and materials less \$200.00, for single phase services and actual cost less \$500.00, for three phase installations.
Unity Addition Electric Connection	\$300.00
Unity West Addition Connection	\$(not set yet)
Electric Connect	\$ 35.00 during normal hours \$140.00 after normal hours
Electric Disconnect	\$ 35.00 during normal hours \$140.00 after normal hours
Electric Meter Testing (If homeowner requests test, no charge if the meter tested high. Charge if the meter is found to be correct or registering slow.)	\$ 50.00
Electrical Affidavit form	\$ 1.00

Equipment Rentals:

(Operated by Certified City Personnel only)

Trencher	\$ 75.00/hour	
Trencher	\$100.00/hour	
Bucket Truck	\$100.00/hour	
Auger Truck	\$100.00/hour	
Dump Truck	100.00/hour	
Backhoe	\$100.00/hour	
Grader	\$125.00/hour	+ actual labor costs
Sweeper	\$100.00/hour	
Loader	\$100.00/hour	
Bobcat	\$75.00/hour	
Roller	\$75.00/hour	
Tractor/mower	\$100.00/hour	
Air Compressor	\$75.00/hour	

Meter Deposits for Rental Units:

Electric	\$150.00
Electric (all-electric heat)	\$350.00
Electric (Park Villa Apts. per agreement)	\$150.00
Water	\$ 40.00

Equipment costs charged to customers are according to the latest prices charged to the City.

Large trash pickup	\$ 10.00 per household during large pickup
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Extra garbage pickups are charged according to the rate established for the size can dumped.

300 gal. -	\$20.00
90 gal. -	\$15.00
60 gal. -	\$10.00
30 gal. -	\$5.00

Residential customers requesting a 300 gallon can to assist them in cleaning out a home are charged according to the number of pickups made for the can. There will be a one month maximum on availability of the can.

Delivery and return charge	\$50.00
Charge per container dump	\$15.00

It is the responsibility of the customer to call for delivery of and emptying of the canister.

Residential customers who wish to change the size of their refuse canister will be allowed one exchange without any additional charge. Customers requesting exchanges, in excess of one time, will be charged an exchange fee of \$25.00 per exchange.

COUNCIL LETTER 041607-VA

UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD

SERVICE TERRITORY ACQUISITION

DATE: April 11, 2007

FROM: Utility Advisory Board

Donald V. Kleinschmidt
Director of Public Works


Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

As requested at the last regular meeting of the City Council, the residents of the area affected have been notified that the City Council will be considering this agreement at this meeting.

Based upon Resolution Number 28-02 adopted by the City Council on July 15, 2002, staff has been negotiating with Lake Country Power on the acquisition of service territory in the Mashkeode Lake area. At their meeting on Tuesday, March 27th the enclosed agreement was review and unanimously approved and recommended to the City Council for approval by the Utility Advisory Board. Staff reviewed the agreement with the Minnesota Municipal Utility Association. MMUA indicated that the terms of the agreement are consistent with other recent service territory acquisition agreements around the State. Enclosed in your packet is a fax from the City Attorney approving the agreement as to form.

It is recommended that the City Council approve the agreement as presented.



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January 9, 2007

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

Dear Mr. Wainio:

Since our meeting on October 3, 2006, we have updated the following costs through December 31, 2006:

Lost Revenue - Existing Customers (same)	\$143,747
Lost Revenue (10 years) - Future Customers @ 27.2 mills per kWh (same)	Unknown
Book Value of facilities – As of December 31, 2005 (same)	\$207,223
Actual cost of closed 2006 work orders (updated)	\$18,579
Estimated re-integration costs (same)	<u>\$5,000</u>
Total (Excluding Lost Revenue – Future Customers)	\$374,549

Enclosed is a draft Service Territory Agreement and the following updated attachments referenced in our letter of October 3, 2006:

- Attachment A Listing of existing customers - including 2005 kWh usage
- Attachment B Summary of the worksheet used to determine the Loss of Revenue Payment
- Attachment C Listing of facilities in place as of January 1, 2003
- Attachment D Listing of closed Work Orders after January 1, 2003

After again consulting with our attorney regarding confidentiality issues, we are providing Attachment B directly to you, rather than submitting it to your attorney as confidential information.

In reviewing my notes from our last meeting, I believe that with this letter we've provided all of the information and documents that have been requested.

I will contact you to set up a meeting to review the attached material.

Best regards,



Richard Lemonds
General Manager

Attachments

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SERVICE TERRITORY AGREEMENT

This Service Territory Agreement is made on January _____, 2007, between the City of Mountain Iron, a municipal corporation (City) and Lake Country Power, an electric cooperative (LCP), as follows:

Recitals

The City and LCP are authorized by Minn. Stat. § 216B.40 to provide electric service to customers on an exclusive basis within their respective service territories;

Part of the assigned service territory of LCP is located within the municipal boundaries of the City;

The City desires to acquire and LCP is willing to transfer that part of LCP's service territory located within the City as described in this Agreement, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

THE PARTIES, THEREFORE, AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Service Territory Transfer.** The service territory to be transferred by LCP to the City is described as follows:

All of the assigned service territory held by LCP located in Sections 13, 15, 16, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35, and 36 of Township 58N Range 18W.

2. **Facilities Transferred.** The facilities to be transferred by LCP to the City are AS IS and consist of poles, wires, meters, transformers, and other miscellaneous hardware necessary to provide service to existing and future customers. The City shall pay to LCP for facilities used to serve existing customers as of September 1, 2006, the amount of \$207,223.00.

The City shall pay to LCP for facilities used to serve customers from January 1, 2006, the amount of \$18,579.00 for construction within the transferred service territory. The transfer of these facilities is on an AS IS basis. Payment for all of these transferred facilities shall be made within 30 days after the execution of this Agreement.

3. **Existing Customers.** Existing customers are defined as customers that were located in the transferred service territory as of December 31, 2005. The City will pay LCP the amount of \$143,747.00 for such existing customers. Payment for these customers will be made within 30 days after the execution of this Agreement. See Attachment A.

4. **Future Customers.** Future customers are defined as customers who located or will locate in the transferred service territory from January 1, 2006 through

December 31, 2015. The City will pay LCP 27.2 mills/kWhs for sales to such future customers. Payments for these customers for the years 2006 through 2015 will be made by March 15 of each year for the previous calendar year.

5. **Reintegration Expenses.** The City will pay LCP for the actual costs of transferring this service territory to the City estimated to be \$5,000.00. Such reintegration expenses will include labor, transportation, materials, and overhead. LCP will submit a final invoice to the City for these costs, and payment will be made within 30 days after receipt of invoice.

6. **Map of Service Territories.** The parties will produce a map that shows their respective service territories adjacent to the City after the completion of the service territory transfers provided for in this Agreement. LCP will file this revised service territory map with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission.

7. **Customer Notification.** The parties will cooperate fully in arranging for the transfer of LCP's customers, including adequate notice to LCP customers of the transfer. These customers will be given at least 30 days notice of their transfer to the City.

8. **Indemnification.** The City agrees to indemnify and hold LCP harmless from any and all claims, actions, or causes of action arising from LCP's transfer of its service territory to the City as described in paragraph 1 of this agreement and LCP's transfer of its facilities to the City as described in Paragraph 2 of this Agreement.

9. **Cooperation.** The parties will take all other actions reasonably necessary to implement the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

10. **Authority.** Each party is fully authorized to execute this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed by a duly authorized officer/officers on behalf of each of the parties.

CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON

LAKE COUNTRY POWER

By: _____

By: _____

Its: _____

Its: _____

By: _____

Its: _____

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FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

TO: Craig Wainio City Administrator	FROM: Sam A. Aluni City Attorney
COMPANY: City of Mountain Iron	DATE: 3/29/2007
FAX NUMBER: 748-7573	TOTAL NO. OF PAGES INCLUDING COVER: ONE (1)
PHONE NUMBER:	SENDER'S REFERENCE NUMBER: 55,337-7
RE: Mountain Iron Fire Department Amendment B	YOUR REFERENCE NUMBER:

- URGENT
 FOR REVIEW
 PLEASE COMMENT
 PLEASE REPLY
 PLEASE RECYCLE


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Craig:

I have reviewed the Lake Country Power Service Territory Agreement contained at Pages 28-38 of the 4/2/07 agenda packet and find the same acceptable as to form and content. If you have any questions, please advise.

Very truly yours,


 SAM A. ALUNI

Email Address: saa@trentilaw.com

COUNCIL LETTER 041607-VB

STREET COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NUMBER 17-07

DATE: April 11, 2007

FROM: Street Committee

Donald V. Kleinschmidt
Director of Public Works

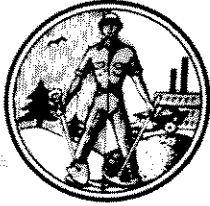
Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Resolution Number 17-07, Ordering Improvement and Preparation of Plans relates to the proposed 2007 Street Program. The Street Committee met on April 11th, 2007 to discuss the 2007 Street Overlay Projects. The Street Committee is recommending the following street projects to be completed in 2007.

1. Locomotive Street
2. Tamarack Drive
3. Coral Street
4. Unity Drive from County Road 7 East to the railroad crossing
5. Centennial Drive (west portion)
6. Enterprise Drive North
7. Granite Street
8. Heather Avenue North and South
9. Unity Drive - West from Emerald Avenue

The Street Committee also discussed reducing the assessment rate on Heather Avenue North from 75% to 50% and Heather Avenue South from 90% to 75%. It was also discussed that no action was required on this until a street assessment public hearing is held, in which the City Council can consider this assessment reduction.

It is recommended that the City Council approve Resolution Number 17-07 Authorizing Plans and Specifications for the 2007 Street Program.



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 17-07

ORDERING IMPROVEMENT AND PREPARATION OF PLANS

WHEREAS, a Resolution of the City Council adopted on the 5th day of March, 2007, fixed a date for a Council Hearing on the proposed improvement of those Street identified in Exhibit A by construction, reconstruction and/or overlay, and;

WHEREAS, ten days' mailed notice and two weeks' published notice of the hearing was given, and the hearing was held thereon on the 2nd day of April, 2007, at which all persons desiring to be heard were given an opportunity to be heard thereon.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA:

1. Such improvement is necessary, cost-effective, and feasible as detailed in the feasibility report.
2. Such improvement is hereby ordered as proposed in the Council Resolution adopted the 5th day of February, 2007.
3. Benchmark Engineering is hereby designated as the engineer for this improvement. The engineer shall prepare plans and specifications for the making of such improvement.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 16th DAY OF APRIL, 2007.

Mayor Gary Skalko

ATTEST:

City Administrator

EXHIBIT A

Heather Avenue from Centennial Drive to South End of Road
Heather Avenue from Centennial Drive to Unity Drive
Coral Street from Marble Avenue to Mountain Avenue
Enterprise Drive North from Nichols Avenue to County Highway 7
Granite Street from Mineral Avenue to Marble Avenue
West End Centennial Street to approximately 400 feet east of Heather Avenue
Tamarack Street from County Road 7 to approximately 600 feet east of County Road 7
Locomotive Street from Mountain Avenue to west edge of Town of Grant plat
Unity Drive from County Road 7 to Mountain Iron Drive

MT. IRON FIRST RESPONDERS ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

PREAMBLE: This organization was originally founded by Roger Scott and Rory King, members of the Mt. Iron Fire Department, to assist and fire department member or any citizen of our city who may have need of medical attention during a fire or fire-related situation. June Ross, a non-fire department person took the same classes as Roger and Rory and has been trained to the same level, EMT-A

During their training they were informed by Bruce Sherman, Director of EMS Services, Hibbing Vocational College, that in order for us to maintain licensure as EMT-A's, we had to be affiliated with an ambulance service. Roger, Rory and June asked the Virginia Ambulance Service (who serves Mt. Iron), if they would like First Responders in Mt. Iron and if they would affiliate with us. They were happy to do so. Roger, Rory and June asked the city of Mt. Iron if they would like us to be First Responders within the city limits of Mt. Iron and to be paged out by the Sheriff's emergency paging system for medical/traumatic emergencies. The city council unanimously agreed. Some medical equipment totaling \$400 per EMT was purchased by the city council at that time. They also agreed to cover the Mt. Iron First Responders under the same liability insurance policy as the Mt. Iron Fire Department. When we are paged to a medical/traumatic emergency we would then be covered by the city insurance for accident or health related injuries from the time of page to the end of the call.

Since this service (Mt. Iron First Responders) has operated for one (1) calendar year (1-1-89 through 12-31-89) Roger, Rory and June, with the cooperation of the city of Mt. Iron, would like to form a legal organization. Listed below are the considerations of that organization:

1. This organization will be called the Mt. Iron First Responders
2. This organization was formed for emergency response for medical/traumatic emergencies within the city limits of Mt. Iron.
3. Any other use of this organization will have to be discussed with the members of the First Responders and the Mt. Iron city council. This section is to make certain that the members of the First Responders are compensated fairly and are covered by liability insurance for these other uses.
4. This organization has no written or implied affiliation with the Mt. Iron Fire Department.
5. The Mt. Iron First Responders will be compensated as deemed by the city council on a per call basis.
6. Roger Scott, Rory King and June Ross are to be considered charter members of this organization.

7. Any First Responder while on a call, will conduct themselves in a professional manner and shall carry out their duties as a professional. He or she shall treat his or her patient according to our local protocols and guidelines.

8. All members of the organization must be trained to First Responder level or above. If the training is provided by the city of Mt. Iron, the member must be a viable and active emergency responder for a period of two (2) years or they will reimburse the city for the costs of the training.

9. All members must have a current card of certification indicating their level of training.

10. All members must have a current Health Care Provider CPR Card.

11. This organization shall be limited to ten (10) members, with the members' residences preferably being strategically located around the city of Mt. Iron. All memberships shall be subject to prior approval by the city of Mt. Iron.

12. This organization shall have a Director, Assistant Director and a Secretary/Treasurer, elected every two years.

13. This organization does expect the city of Mt. Iron to cover these members under their liability insurance from the time a medical emergency presents itself to the time the emergency ends.

14. This organization shall expect financial assistance from the city of Mt. Iron for medical supplies used on medical/traumatic emergency calls.

15. Upon the vote of two-thirds of the organization a member may be expelled from the organization. If a member is to be expelled, he or she must attend a meeting of at least two-thirds of the membership. Charges must be discussed and voted on at that meeting. Voting will be done by secret ballot. The member shall not have the right to vote.

16. Business meetings will be held at least quarterly with monthly training meetings.

17. At least annually, the organization shall provide a status report and financial account to the city of Mt. Iron and shall provide such additional information as shall be requested by the city of Mt. Iron from time to time.

Mt. Iron First Responders Articles of Organization
Page 3

Dated this 4th day of April, 2007

City of Mt. Iron

Mt. Iron First Responders

By:

By:

Gary Skalko, Mayor

Alan Mattila, Director

By:

By:

Craig Wainio
City Administrator

Greg Chad
Assistant Director

COUNCIL LETTER 041607-VIB

ADMINISTRATION

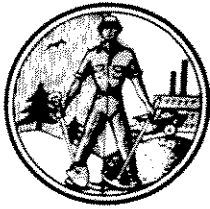
RESOLUTION NUMBER 19-07

DATE: April 11, 2007

FROM: Sam Aluni
City Attorney

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

As requested by the City Council, the City Attorney and the City Administrator have developed Resolution Number 19-07 Creating a Public Safety Board. Please review and if no modifications are need it is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution Number 19-07 Creating a Public Safety Board. The next step in the establishment of this board is the appointment of its members as outlined in the Resolution.



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 19-07

ESTABLISHING A MOUNTAIN IRON PUBLIC SAFETY BOARD

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mountain Iron, St. Louis County, Minnesota as follows:

1. The Mountain Iron Public Safety Board is hereby established to be advisory to the City Council and which Public Safety Board shall have the powers and duties hereinafter set forth.
2. The Mountain Iron Public Safety Board shall consist of five (5) members.
3. Membership and Qualifications. Two (2) members of the Board shall be City Council members and the remaining three (3) members of the Board shall be residents of the City while serving on the Board and shall serve for a term of three (3) years. The two (2) city councilors shall serve during their terms of office. The initial appointment of the three (3) resident citizen members shall be as follows:
 - A. One (1) to a term to expire December 31, 2007;
 - B. One (1) to a term to expire December 31, 2008; and
 - C. One (1) to a term to expire December 31, 2009.

Terms shall expire on December 31st of the appropriate year, provided, however, that members shall continue their terms until new appointments or re-appointments are made by the City Council. The City Council shall make appointments to the Board at its first official meeting in January of each year or as soon thereafter as it desires. Vacancies during the term shall be filled by the City Council for the unexpired portion of the term.

4. Removal of Members. The Council by a four-fifths (4/5) vote of its members shall have the authority to remove any member of the Board from office whenever, in its discretion, the best interests of the City shall be served thereby.
5. Meetings and Officers. The Board will name its own officers to serve at its pleasure from the membership of the Board.
 - A. Regular Meetings. The Board shall meet publicly in regular session at least once each quarter at a time and place selected by a majority of its members.

- B. Special Meetings. The Chairperson or any two (2) members of the Board shall have the authority to call a special meeting of the Board. Written notice of special meetings shall be given to all members at least 24 hours prior to the time of the meeting unless the time and place for the special meeting is set at a regular meeting.
- 6. Board Staff Services. The Board shall receive input and staff services from law enforcement staff, fire department officials, emergency management staff, the first responders group and designated blight officials within the City of Mountain Iron.
- 7. Rules and Procedures. The Board shall adopt a set of rules to govern its own meetings and procedures. The rules may be amended from time to time but only upon notice to all members that the said proposed amendment shall be acted upon at a specified meeting. A majority vote of the Board shall be required for the approval of the proposed amendment.
- 8. Absence of Members. Absence from three (3) consecutive regular meetings without the formal consent of the Board shall be deemed to constitute a resignation of a member, and a vacancy thus created shall be filled thereafter by appointment of the City Council for the remainder of the term of the member so deemed to have resigned.
- 9. Powers and Duties. The Board shall have the following powers and duties:
 - A. To confer with and advise the City Council on all matters concerning the management and operation of the law enforcement unit, the fire department, the emergency management system, first responders, and enforcement of blight ordinances within the City of Mountain Iron.
- 10. Annual Report. The Mountain Iron Public Safety Board shall make a report to the City Council of its activities in December of each year.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 16th DAY OF APRIL, 2007.

Mayor Gary Skalko

ATTEST:

City Administrator

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 20-07

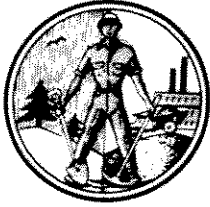
DATE: April 11, 2007

FROM: City Engineer

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Resolution Number 20-07 Accepting Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement for Bids relates to the Park Ridge Drive Project as part of the Park Ridge Project. The upgrading of this road is required through the development agreement with Iron Range Investment Group to develop the Park Ridge Plat. Estimated cost of the improvement is \$250,000. The City received a grant from the Iron Range Resources in the amount of \$150,000 to defray the costs of the improvement.

It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution Number 20-07 Accepting Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement for Bids.



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 20-07

APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDERING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Resolution Number 05-07 passed by the City Council on January 17, 2007, for the improvement of Park Ridge Drive from Nichols Avenue to the east edge of Park Ridge Plat by reconstruction and has presented such plans and specifications to the City Council for approval.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA:

1. Such plans and specifications, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, are hereby approved.
2. The City Administrator shall prepare and cause to be inserted in the official paper an advertisement for bids upon the making of such improvement under such approved plans and specifications. The advertisement shall be published for two days, shall specify the work to be done, shall state that bids will be received by the City Administrator until 10:00 a.m. on May 15, 2007, at which time they will be publicly opened in the Mountain Iron Room of the Community Center by the City Administrator and Engineer, will then be tabulated, and will be considered by the City Council at 6:30 p.m. on May 21, 2007, in the Mountain Iron Room. Any bidder whose responsibility is questioned during consideration of the bid will be given an opportunity to address the City Council on the issue of responsibility. No bids will be considered unless sealed and filed with the City Administrator and accompanied by a cash deposit, cashier's check, bid bond or certified check payable to the City of Mountain Iron for ten (10%) percent of the amount of such bid.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 16th DAY OF APRIL, 2007.

Mayor Gary Skalko

ATTEST:

City Administrator

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-07

DATE: April 11, 2007

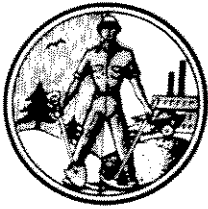
FROM: Street Committee

Donald V. Kleinschmidt
Director of Public Works

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

Resolution Number 21-07 Accepting Report and Calling a Hearing is a part of the assessment process for the improvement of 16th Avenue. This resolution calls for a hearing at the first meeting in May. The hearing will be published and adjoining property owners will be notified. The Street Committee is recommending a 10% assessment for the property owners along 16th Avenue.

It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution Number 21-07 Accepting Report and Calling a Hearing as presented.



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-07

RECEIVING REPORT AND CALLING HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution Number 12-05 of the City Council adopted June 6, 2005, a report has been prepared by Benchmark Engineering with reference to the improvement of all of 16th Avenue by reconstruction, and this report was received by the City Council on June 20, 2005, and

WHEREAS, the report provides information regarding whether the proposed project is necessary, cost effective, and feasible,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA:

1. The City Council will consider the improvement of such streets in accordance with the report and the assessment of abutting property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 429 at an estimated total cost of the improvement of \$450,000.
2. A public hearing shall be held on such proposed improvement on the 7th day of May, 2007, in the Mountain Iron Room of the Community Center at 6:30 p.m. and the City Administrator shall give mailed and published notice of such hearing and improvement as required by law.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 16TH DAY OF APRIL, 2007.

ATTEST:

Mayor Gary Skalko

City Administrator

BALLFIELD LEASE

This Lease is dated _____, 2007. It is a legal agreement between the Lessee and the Lessor to rent the property described below. The word LESSOR as used in this Lease means **City of Mountain Iron**. The word LESSEE as used in this Lease means **Independent School District #712**.

1. **Description of Property.** The Leased Property is the two (2) softball fields and the building located in South Grove, Mountain Iron, Minnesota.
2. **Term of Lease.** This Lease is for a term of five (5) years beginning on January 1, 2007, and ending December 31, 2011.
3. **Rent.**
 - a. **Amount.** The rent for the property is as follows: 1) 2007 – One Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100ths Dollars (\$1,500.00) per year; 2) 2008-2011 – Two Thousand and 00/100ths Dollars (\$2,000.00) per year.
 - b. **Payment.** The rent payment for each year must be paid before January 1 of each year except 2007 in which the rent shall be due upon execution of this Lease.
4. **Quiet Enjoyment.** If Lessee pays the rent and complies with all other terms of this Lease, Lessee shall have nonexclusive use of the property for the term of this Lease. Lessee shall have priority with regard to the use of the Property.
5. **Assignment and Subletting.** Lessee may not assign this Lease, lease the property to anyone else (sublet), sell this Lease or permit any other person to use the Property without the prior written consent of the Lessor. Lessee does hereby agree to hold Lessor harmless and to indemnify Lessor from any loss, claim or liability arising from Lessee's activities on the Property and Lessee shall carry insurance therefore satisfactory to Lessor.
6. **Surrender of Premises.** Lessee shall give Lessor possession of the Property when this Lease ends. When this Lease ends, Lessee shall leave the Property in as good a condition as it was when the Lease started, with the exception of reasonable wear and tear.
7. **Modification.** This Lease may be modified only by a written agreement executed by

the parties hereto.

8. Either party may terminate this Lease by providing a thirty (30) day written notice of termination to the other. In the event of termination of the Lease, the rent payable shall be prorated accordingly.

LESSOR:
City of Mountain Iron

LESSEE:
Independent School District #712

By: _____
Gary Skalko, Mayor

By: _____
Loren Sauter, Superintendent

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS)

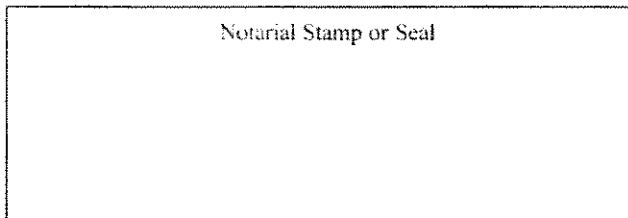
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 2007, by **Gary Skalko, Mayor of the City of Mountain Iron**, Lessor.

Notarial Stamp or Seal

Notary Public

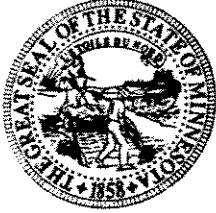
STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____, 2007, by **Loren Sauter, Superintendent of Independent School District #712**, Lessee.



Notary Public

THIS INSTRUMENT DRAFTED BY:
Sam A. Aluni
City Attorney, City of Mountain Iron
TRENTI LAW FIRM
225 First Street North, Suite 1000
P.O. Box 958
Virginia, MN 55792
(218) 749-1962



Minnesota Department of Public Safety
 Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement Division
 444 Cedar St. - Suite 133
 St. Paul, MN 55101-5133



(651) 215-6209 TTY (651) 282-6555

APPLICATION AND PERMIT FOR A TEMPORARY ON-SALE LIQUOR LICENSE

TYPE OR PRINT INFORMATION

NAME OF ORGANIZATION <i>Virginia Regional Medical Center</i>	DATE ORGANIZED <i>1936</i>	TAX EXEMPT NUMBER <i>41-6005596</i>	
STREET ADDRESS <i>901 No. 9th St</i>	CITY <i>Virginia</i>	STATE <i>MN</i>	ZIP CODE <i>55792</i>
NAME OF PERSON MAKING APPLICATION <i>Mary Hooper</i>	BUSINESS PHONE <i>(218) 741-3340</i>	HOME PHONE <i>()</i>	
DATES LIQUOR WILL BE SOLD <i>6/7/07</i>	TYPE OF ORGANIZATION <input type="checkbox"/> CLUB <input type="checkbox"/> CHARITABLE <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER NONPROFIT		
ORGANIZATION OFFICER'S NAME <i>Shelly Lindberg</i>	ADDRESS <i>420 6th St South, Virginia MN 55792</i>		
ORGANIZATION OFFICER'S NAME <i>Keith Harvey</i>	ADDRESS <i>1016 7th Ave So, Virginia MN 55792</i>		
ORGANIZATION OFFICER'S NAME <i>Pat Grabelic</i>	ADDRESS <i>2102 - 14th Ave So, Virginia MN 55792</i>		

Location where license will be used. If an outdoor area, describe:

Mt. Iron Community Center
8586 Enterprise Dr. South
Mt. Iron, MN 55768

Will the applicant contract for intoxicating liquor services? If so, give the name and address of the liquor licensee providing the service.

B6's Bar & Grill
5494 Highway 7
Mt. Iron MN 55768

Will the applicant carry liquor liability insurance? If so, the carrier's name and amount of coverage.

(NOTE: Insurance is not mandatory.) *no, general liability insurance for whole event will be carried*

APPROVAL

APPLICATION MUST BE APPROVED BY CITY OR COUNTY BEFORE SUBMITTING TO ALCOHOL & GAMBLING ENFORCEMENT

CITY/COUNTY _____	DATE APPROVED _____
CITY FEE AMOUNT _____	LICENSE DATES _____
DATE FEE PAID _____	
SIGNATURE CITY CLERK OR COUNTY OFFICIAL _____	APPROVED Alcohol & Gambling Enforcement Director _____

Note: Do not separate these two parts, send both parts to the address above and the original signed by this division will be returned as the license. Submit to the City or County at least 30 days before the event.

COUNCIL LETTER 041607-IX

CITY COUNCIL

CLOSED MEETING

DATE: April 11, 2007

FROM: City Council

Craig J. Wainio
City Administrator

The City Council may enter into a Closed Meeting to discuss contract negotiations strategies concerning the contract with certain management personnel.