

MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020 6:30 P.M. MOUNTAIN IRON COMMUNITY CENTER MOUNTAIN IRON ROOM

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I.	Roll Call			
II.	Pledge of Allegiance			
III.	Consent Agenda A. Minutes of the August 3, 2020, Regular Meeting (#B. Receipts C. Bills and Payroll D. Communications	[‡] 1-12)		
IV.	Public Forum			
V.	Committee and Staff Reports A. Mayor's Report 1. Senior Citizen Club Request (#13) B. City Administrator's Report 1. AEOA Energy Vendor Agreement (#14-17) C. Director of Public Works Report 1. Vivix Utility Locator (#18-20) D. Library Director/Special Events Coordinator's Rep 1. Resignation (#21) 2. Monthly Report (#22-24) 3. Authorize Posting and Advertisement E. Sheriff's Department Report F. City Attorney's Report G. City Engineer's Report H. Liaison Reports			
VI.	Unfinished Business			
VII.	New Business A. Resolution Number 15-20 Supporting a Bonding Bi B. Resolution Number 16-20 Primary Election Results	•		
VIII.	Communications (#30-33)			
IX.	Announcements A. Joint Meeting August 18, 2020 at 6:30			
X.	Adjourn	# Page Number in Packet *Enclosed		

MINUTES MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL August 3, 2020

Mayor Skalko called the City Council meeting to order at 6:32p.m. with the following members present: Councilor Joe Prebeg Jr., Alan Stanaway, Julie Buria, Steve Skogman, and Mayor Gary Skalko. Also present were: Craig Wainio, City Administrator; Tim Satrang, Director of Public Works; Anna Amundson, Library Director/Special Events Coordinator; Amanda Inmon, Municipal Services Secretary; Al Johnson, City Engineer; Bryan Lindsay, City Attorney; and SGT Backman, Sheriff's Department.

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

- 1. Add the following items to the agenda:
 - V. A. 1. Facebook post by Council member
 - VII. C. Fire Department report
- 2. Approve the minutes of the July 20, 2020, regular meeting as submitted.
- 3. That the communications be accepted and placed on file and those requiring further action by the City Council be acted upon during their proper sequence on the agenda.
- 4. To acknowledge the receipts for the period July 16-31, totaling \$1,870,399.26 (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).
- 5. To authorize the payments of the bills and payroll for the period July 16-31, totaling \$292,145.81 (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).

The motion carried.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by to recess the City Council meeting and enter into the Public Hearing for the Tax Abatement. The motion carried.

Ed Roskoski spoke regarding the renewable energy location, if it would be affected by the Tax Abatement.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Skogman to close the Public hearing and reconvene the City Council meeting. The motion carried.

Public Forum:

> No one spoke during the forum

The Mayor reported on the following:

- > Condolences to the family and friends of Tom Peterson
- > Condolences to the family and friends of Rick Erchul
- > Condolences to the family and friends of Marty Kaivola
- ➤ Happy birthday to Helen Kaivonen-Sainio turning 96 years old August 7th
- > Thank you to all those who are keeping the country moving forward!

Conversation regarding a Council member's personal Facebook post regarding comparing the way the Governor is handling the current COVID-19 to Holocaust on her personal page. The Facebook post comparison commented in such a manner that it compared the Jewish population during the Holocaust being forced to relinquish their personal rights, liberties and freedom, which is what is occurring currently

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amidst the current pandemic, what happened during then should not be allowed to happen again. City Attorney and Mayor Skalko stated that Council members are elected public officials, which are a representation of the City and are Council members 24/7; personal statements can be viewed or perceived as related to the City, while they may not be. Discussion ensued regarding the comparison.

City Administrator:

- > City received funding from the CARES Act
 - o Installing new window in front office
 - o Increasing infrastructure for possible work from home in the future
 - o PP equipment ordered and in place for now and the future
 - o Precautions and supplies ordered for the upcoming Elections

It was moved by Stanaway and seconded by Prebeg to approve the update to the City of Mountain Iron's COVID-19 Preparedness Plan as presented. The motion carried.

Director of Public Works:

- Many projects underway throughout the City of Mountain Iron:
 - o Mountain Iron Drive curb work completed this week, paving to start shortly afterwards
 - o Water Tower fabricating complete, new rail around top, more activity on outside of tower
 - Kinross area City crews are replacing old dilapidated culverts
 - Down Sanitary sewer project 3-4 areas determined that could collapse, repair work will begin before winter, recommend that these get lined in the future

Library Director/Special Events Coordinator:

- > No formal report
- Residents any pictures taken of the Water Tower progress, please submit to the Library
 - o Working on creating a progress slide show of the Water Tower project
- Roughly 16,000 books, magazines, media, etc. have been circulated throughout the Iron Range
- Larry Nanti 5K/10K, "Pumpkin Run," possibly virtual

City Attorney:

> No formal report

Sheriff's Department:

> No formal report

City Engineer:

> Water Tower project,

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Buria to approve Change Order #2 for the Downtown Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project in the amount \$3,217.70, to Insituform Technologies USA, Inc. The motion carried on roll call vote.

It was moved by Stanaway and seconded by Skogman to approve Pay Request #2-Final Payment for the Downtown Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project in the amount of \$19,103.32 to Insituform Technologies USA, Inc., Chesterfield, MO. Payment is contingent upon the City receiving the C315 Forms. The motion carried on a roll call vote.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Stanaway to approve Change Order #1, which increase the amount by \$1,462 to KGM Contractors for the Mountain Iron Drive Reconstruction Project. The motion carried on roll call vote.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Skogman to approve Pay Request #1 for the Mountain Iron Drive Reconstruction Project in the amount of \$235,535.40 to KGM Contractors, Angora Township, MN. The motion carried on a roll call vote.

It was moved by Stanaway and seconded by Buria to approve Change Order #1 for the amount of \$4,800 to replace the door at the base of the tower, and Change Order #3 for the amount of \$500 to replace a leaky condensate line in tower base for Water Tower Improvement Project, to Viking Painting LLC, Omaha, NE. The motion carried on roll call vote.

It was moved by Stanaway and seconded by Prebeg to approve Resolution #14-20; Approving Property Tax Abatement and Approving and Authorizing Execution of Related Documents as presented. The motion carried.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Stanaway to approve the Tax Abatement and Vacant Land Purchase Agreement between the City of Mountain Iron, Mountain Iron EDA and Lakeland Investors, Inc. as presented. The motion carried.

It was moved by Stanaway and seconded by Buria to have the Fire Department submit reports to the City Council on a quarterly basis or they have a representative from the Department attend at least one City Council meeting a month. The motion carried.

At 8:01p.m., it was moved by Skalko and seconded by Buria that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

Submitted by:

Amanda Inmon

Municipal Services Secretary

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Communications:

- 1. Primary Election on August 11, 2020, polls will be open from 7:00am until 8:00pm
 - a) Mountain Iron Community Center: Precinct #1: IROQUOIS ROOM; Precinct #2: WACOOTAH ROOM.
 - b) Absentee ballots are available at City Hall now through August 10, 2020 for those voters unable to vote on Election Day.
 - c) City Hall will also be open for Absentee voting from 10am-3pm on Saturday, August 8th and until 5pm on Monday, August 10th.
- 2. Shared Services Study Joint meeting, Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 6:30pm at the Mountain Iron Community Center
- 3. Mediacom's contract to carry the NFL Network and NFL Redzone channels will expire on July 31st, a new agreement is still being worked on for these channels but as of August 1st the channels will be offered until further notice.

Receipt Register - by Date Receipt Dates: 07/16/2020 - 07/31/2020

Distribution Summary

Category	Distribution	GL Account	Amount
BUILDING RENTALS	BUILDING RENTAL DEPOSITS	101-20607	400.00
BUILDING RENTALS	COMMUNITY CENTER	101-36-6200-089	800.00
CAMPGROUND RECEIPTS	CREDIT CARD FEES	101-36-6200-091	224.02
CAMPGROUND RECEIPTS	FEES	101-36-6200-091	6,750.00
CAMPGROUND RECEIPTS	LODGING TAX PAYABLE - W2 CAMP.	101-20803	201.00
CAMPGROUND RECEIPTS	SALES TAX PAYABLE-W2 CAMPGR.	101-20800	497.99
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 101	101-36-6200-000	1,779.93
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 378	378-36-6210-000	803.84
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 601	601-36-6200-010	28.71
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 602	602-36-2100-062	86,13
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 603	603-34-4400-010	172.25
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	REFUSE REMOVAL-CHG FOR SERVICE	603-34-4400-003	133.76
COPIES	COPIES	101-36-6200-061	.50
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	LOCAL GOVERMENT AID	101-33-3401-000	685,039,00
METER DEPOSITS	ELECTRIC	604-22000	800.00
MISCELLANEOUS	ASSESSMENT SEARCHES	101-36-6200-070	10.00
MISCELLANEOUS	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD PAYABLE	101-21709	3,044.66
MISCELLANEOUS	CABLE TV FRANCHISE FEE	101-36-6200-051	6,206.49
MISCELLANEOUS	CHARITABLE GAMBLING PROCEEDS	230-31-1010-000	181.94
MISCELLANEOUS	DELTA DENTAL PAYABLE	101-21708	193.70
MISCELLANEOUS	REFUSE-SALE OF SCRAP METAL	603-34-4400-011	131.00
MISCELLANEOUS	REIMBURSEMENTS	101-37-7100-022	.50
MISCELLANEOUS	SALE-COPIES, MAPS, LABOR-ADMIN	101-36-6200-061	12.75
MISCELLANEOUS	USABLE LIFE INS. PAYABLE	101-21710	53.14
PERMITS	BUILDING	101-32-2100-000	1,135,70
TAXES	BOND LEVY	101-31-1010-003	115,398,32
TAXES	DUE TO MOUNTAIN IRON EDA	101-20802	27,865.22
TAXES	MISCELLANEOUS TAXES	101-31-1010-007	13,837.59
TAXES	PENALTIES & INTEREST	101-37-7100-023	701.85
TAXES	PENALTIES & INTEREST-378 FUND	378-36-1020-000	259.79
TAXES	SPEC ASSESS-FUND 378-DELINQUEN	378-36-1000-000	1,570.17
TAXES	SPEC. ASSMTS-378 FUND-CURRENT	378-12100	16,745.21
TAXES	SPEC. ASSMTS-ENERGY IMPROVEMEN	101-36-1000-000	1,473.64
TAXES	TAX LEVY	101-31-1010-000	729,119.72
TAXES	TAXES RECEIVABLE-DELINQUENT	101-10700	4,089.34
TAXES	TIF #14 INCREMENT COLLECTED	102-31-1010-014	33,973.43
TAXES	TIF #15 INCREMENT COLLECTED	102-31-1010-015	7,997.68
TAXES	TIF #16 INCREMENT COLLECTED	102-31-1010-016	7,553.81
UTILITY	UTILITY	001-11105	201,126.48
Grand Totals:			1,870,399.26

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08/20	08/07/2020	154951	10068	ADVANCED OPTICAL	101-20200	800,00
08/20	08/07/2020	154952	10060	AFFORDABLE ROLL-OFFS	101-20200	1,000.00
08/20	08/07/2020	154953	10058	ALEX AIR APPARATUS, INC	101-20200	1,606,55
08/20	08/07/2020	154954	130017	AMERICAN BANK	101-20200	381.16
08/20	08/07/2020	154955	10009	ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES	101-20200	1,727,50
08/20	08/07/2020	154956	20022	BENCHMARK ENGINEERING INC	601-20200	3,956,00
08/20	08/07/2020	154957	30055	BTAC ACQUISITION CORP.	101-20200	377.79
08/20	08/07/2020	154958	30082	CITY OF EVELETH	101-20200	785.40
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08/20	08/07/2020	154961	30072	COMPUTER WORLD	101-20200	8,140.30
08/20	08/07/2020	154962	40060	DELTA DENTAL OF MINNESOTA	101-20200	1,852.40
08/20	08/07/2020	154963	40015	DULUTH NEWS TRIBUNE	101-20200	349.84
08/20	08/07/2020	154964	50044	ENVIROTECH SERVICES INC	101-20200	2,554,20
08/20	08/07/2020	154965	50049	ESSENTIA HEALTH	101-20200	60.00
08/20	08/07/2020	154966	60029	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC	101-20200	205.88
08/20	08/07/2020	154967	70016	GOPHER STATE ONE CALL INC	604-20200	67.50
08/20	08/07/2020	154968		HAWKINS INC	602-20200	496.03
08/20	08/07/2020	154969		HILLYARD/HUTCHINSON	101-20200	2,122.29
08/20	08/07/2020	154970		HOMETOWN MEDIA PARTNERS	101-20200	94,50
08/20	08/07/2020	154971	100027	JK MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS INC	301-20200	2,939.61
08/20	08/07/2020	154972		LEAGUE OF MN CITIES INS TRUST	602-20200	86,532.00
08/20	08/07/2020	154973		LISA STEVENS	101-20200	30.57
08/20	08/07/2020	154974		LOIS AVERILL	101-20200	68,22
08/20	08/07/2020	154975	130030	MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT	101-20200	704.52
08/20	08/07/2020	154976	130004	MESABI DAILY NEWS	101-20200	54.84
08/20	08/07/2020	154977	130006	MESABI HUMANE SOCIETY	101-20200	1,791.67
08/20	08/07/2020	154978	110035	MIDWEST COMMUNICATIONS	101-20200	1,090.00
08/20	08/07/2020	154979	130008	MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	101-20200	641,25
08/20	08/07/2020	154980	130009	MINNESOTA POWER (ALLETE INC)	101-20200	2,142.71
08/20	08/07/2020	154981	130079	MN ASSOCIATION OF SMALL CITIES	101-20200	1,501,85
08/20	08/07/2020	154982	130086	MN RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION	601-20200	300.00
08/20	08/07/2020	154983		NORTHEAST SERVICE COOPERATIVE	101-20200	200.00
08/20	08/07/2020	154984	14001	NORTHERN ACRYLICS, INC.	101-20200	742.20
08/20	08/07/2020	154985	140004	NORTHERN ENGINE & SUPPLY INC	601-20200	51.64
08/20	08/07/2020	154986		NORTHERN FITNESS GROUP	101-20200	208.08
08/20	08/07/2020	154987		NORTHLAND FIRE & SAFETY, INC	101-20200	331,00
08/20	08/07/2020	154988		PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES, LLC	602-20200	232.00
08/20	08/07/2020	154989		PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL	101-20200	272.40
08/20	08/07/2020	154990		PRECISION MACHINE	602-20200	110.00
08/20	08/07/2020	154991		QUILL CORPORATION	101-20200	374.02
08/20 08/20	08/07/2020 08/07/2020	154992		RANGE OFFICE SUPPLY	101-20200	165.42
		154993		SERVICE SOLUTIONS	101-20200	23.00
08/20 08/20	08/07/2020	154994		ST LOUIS COUNTY RECISTRAN OFFICE	101-20200	42,500.00
08/20	08/07/2020	154995		ST LOUIS COUNTY REGISTRAR OFFICE	101-20200	46.00
08/20	08/07/2020 08/07/2020	154996		TACONITE TIRE SERVICE	101-20200	52.00
08/20	08/07/2020	154997 154998		TIMOTHY D BROOKS UNITED ELECTRIC COMPANY	101-20200	102.40
08/20	08/07/2020				604-20200	2,029.46
	08/07/2020	154999 155000		USA BLUE BOOK VERIZON WIRELESS	602-20200 602-20200	47.79 18.18
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08/20	08/07/2020	155002	230033	WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP, INC.	101-20200	213.97
08/20	08/07/2020	155003	240001	XEROX CORPORATION	101-20200	57.13
Gran	d Totals:				=	176,088.63
				PP-Ending 07/24		116,057.18
				TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$292,145.81

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-20

APPROVING PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF RELATED DOCUMENTS

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

- Section 1. <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this resolution capitalized terms have the meanings assigned below, unless the context requires otherwise:
- "Abatement" means the City's payment to the Developer of the City's share of ad valorem property taxes levied against the Abatement Property and paid by the Developer for property taxes payable in calendar years 2021 through 2030, in a total amount not to exceed \$5.000, as further described in the Agreement.
- "Abatement Property" means the real property substantially as described in **Exhibit A** to this Resolution.
- "Agreement" means the Tax Abatement and Vacant Land Purchase Agreement to be entered into by and between the City, the EDA and the Developer.
 - "Authorized Officers" means the Mayor and City Administrator of the City.
 - "City" means the City of Mountain Iron, Minnesota.
 - "City Code" means the City's Code of Ordinances.
 - "Council" means the City Council as the governing body of the City.
- "Developer" means Lakeland Investors, Inc., a Minnesota corporation, an affiliate of Pan-O-Gold Baking Co., a Minnesota corporation currently based in St. Cloud, Minnesota.
- "Development Counsel" means the law firm of Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A.
 - "Development Property" means the Abatement Property.
- "EDA" means the Mt. Iron Economic Development Authority, St. Louis County, Minnesota.

"Project" means the construction of an approximately 2,400 square foot distribution warehouse for bread and bakery products and related site improvements to be located on the Abatement Property.

"Tax Abatement Act" means Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.1812 through 469.1815, as amended.

"Tax Abatement Program" means the use by the City of its powers under the Tax Abatement Act to encourage economic and other development within the City.

Section 2. Recitals. The Council makes the following recitals of fact:

- A. The City Council has received a request from the Developer to provide financial assistance for the purposes of the Developer's acquisition of the Development Property from the EDA on which the Developer proposes to construct and equip the Project.
- B. The terms and conditions of the financial assistance proposed to be provided to the Developer are included in the Agreement, including the agreement of the City to abate ad valorem taxes on the Development Property for a period of 10 years. The proceeds of the abatement will be paid by the City to the Developer to offset the purchase price of the Development Property.
 - C. A copy of the Agreement has been made available to the City Council.
- D. The City Council held a public hearing on the proposed Abatement on August 3. 2020, after no less than 10 days nor more than 30 days published notice in the *Hometown Focus*. The views of all interested persons were heard at the public hearing.

Section 3. Findings. This Council finds and determines that:

- A. the benefits to the City from the Abatement as proposed will be at least equal to the costs to the City of the Agreement:
- B. the Abatement is in the public interest because it will increase the tax base, help retain and expand commercial and industrial enterprise in the City, and provide employment opportunities in the City;
 - C. the Abatement Property is not located in a tax increment financing district; and
- D. the development of the Project in the City and the Abatement are vital and are in the best interests of the City and the health, safety, morals and welfare of its residents: (i) to help provide access to services for residents of the City; (ii) promote and carry out the objectives for which development in the City has been undertaken; and (iii) in accordance with the public purpose and provisions of the applicable state and local laws, including requirements of the City Code, under which the Project will be undertaken and is being assisted.

Section 4. Approvals.

4.01. The Agreement is approved in substantially the form on file with the City

Administrator and is incorporated by reference and made a part hereof.

- 4.02. The Abatement is approved, subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement and this Resolution, including but not limited to the following:
 - (a) The Abatement shall be for a period of 10 years commencing with real estate taxes payable in 2021 and continuing through 2030.
 - (b) The aggregate total Abatement paid by the City shall not exceed \$5,000.
 - (c) The Abatement shall at all times be subject to the requirements of the Tax Abatement Act and will be paid or credited to the Developer as provided in the Agreement.
 - (d) In order to be entitled to the benefits of Abatement, the Developer must not be in default under the Agreement, which requires the Developer to meet all its payment obligations to the City respecting taxes, assessments, utility charges or other governmental impositions.
 - (e) The City will add to its levy in each year during the term of the Abatement the total estimated amount of current year portion of the Abatement.
 - (f) In no year shall the Abatement, together with all other abatements approved by the City under the Tax Abatement Act and paid in that year, exceed the greater of (i) ten percent of the City's net tax capacity for the taxes payable year to which the Abatement applies or (ii) \$200,000; provided that the foregoing limit does not apply to uncollected abatement from a prior year that is added to the abatement levy.

Section 5. Execution of Documents.

- A. The Authorized Officers are authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Agreement on behalf of the City, with changes, insertions and omissions approved by the Executive Director in consultation with Development Counsel.
- B. The Authorized Officers and other officers and members of the City Council (individually or with one or more other officers and members of the City Council) are authorized and directed to (i) execute and deliver all other documents which may be required under the terms of the Agreement or by Development Counsel; (ii) take any other action required or deemed appropriate on the advice of Development Counsel for the performance of the City's duties necessary to carry out the purposes of the Agreement; and (iii) furnish certified copies of this Resolution. all proceedings and records of the City relating to the Agreement and the Abatement, and any other affidavits and certificates required, in the opinion of Development Counsel, to show the facts relating to the City respecting the Agreement and the Abatement, as the facts appear from the books and records in the City's custody and control or as otherwise known to them.
- C. The execution by the Authorized Officers of the Agreement is conclusive evidence of their approval in accordance with the terms of this Resolution.

- D. If any of the Authorized Officers or any other officer, employee or agent of the City authorized to execute certificates, instruments or other written documents on behalf of the City:
 - a. ceases to be an officer, employee or agent of the City after he or she has executed any certificate, instrument or other written document, the validity or enforceability of the certificate, instrument or other written document signed by them is not affected; and
 - b. is unavailable to execute certificates, instruments or other written documents, the certificates, instruments or other written documents may be executed by a deputy or assistant to the unavailable officer, or any other officer of the City who is, in the opinion of Development Counsel, authorized to sign the certificates, instruments or other written documents, with full force and effect.
- Section 6. <u>Ratification</u>. The actions of the Executive Director and Development Counsel with respect to preparation of and publishing the notice of public hearing on the sale of the Development Property are ratified and approved.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Mountain Iron, Minnesota, this 3rd day of August, 2020.

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EXHIBIT A

Part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter. Section 10, Township 58 North, Range 18 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, St. Louis County, Minnesota described as follows:

Commencing at the northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter; thence North 88 degrees 11 minutes 07 seconds West, assumed bearing, along the north line of said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter 399.88 feet; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 179.20 feet to the southerly right of way of County Road 102 as presently constructed and existing; thence North 88 degrees 21 minutes 55 seconds West, along said southerly right of way, 265.00 feet to the intersection with the easterly right of way of Silicon Way, as presently constructed and existing; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, along said easterly right of way 240.00 feet; thence South 88 degrees 21 minutes 55 seconds East, parallel with said southerly right of way of County Road 102. a distance of 265.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, parallel with said easterly right of way of Silicon Way 240.00 feet, to the point of beginning.

Subject to easement, restrictions, or reservations of record, if any.

August 07, 2020

Dear Mayor Skalko and Councilors,

! am writing on behalf of the Mountain Iron Senior Citizen's Club of which at this time, I am the President. I am also representing the Senior sponsored Mtn. Iron TOPS club.

We are asking that the Mtn. Iron Senior Center building be opened in September for our use. We certainly would follow the Minnesota health guideline requirements and any others that the council may deem necessary.

As you are probably aware, socialization for Seniors is extremely important to their well being. We are aware that the city of Virginia is allowing the Senior center building to be open for card playing and some activities. Also, the Fayal Township center has been opened to TOPS weigh-ins there.

The Mountain Iron Seniors would like to do some small activities. too.

Thank You for your consideration,

Carolyn Olsen,

5430 Giorgis Road

Mtn Iron, Mn 55768



Energy Assistance Program 702 3rd Ave S Virginia, MN 55792

Dear Energy Vendor:

The Energy Assistance Program (EAP) for the upcoming heating season will start October 1, 2020. Enclosed you will find a copy of the EAP FFY2021 Chapter 3-Energy Vendors, Agreement Between Energy Vendor and Service Provider (for your reference) and a Vendor Price List.

Please do the following:

- Read Chapter 3 Energy Vendors
- Read the 2020 Vendor agreement
- Complete the Vendor Price List and return with other requested documents
- Connected utilities Send a copy of your company's cold weather rule and disconnection policies
- Delivered fuel -Send a copy of your company's delivery policy

*** New for FFY21- the vendor agreements will be signed electronically in eHEAT Next Generation***

Please return all completed documents to AEOA.

EAP 2021 applications will be mailed to all previous year (EAP 2020) eligible households by mid-September. The early mailing will allow AEOA time to process applications prior to the onset of cold weather and prepare them for payment once federal funding is received.

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions at 218-748-7352. The Energy Assistance Program Staff looks forward to working with you!

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Jean Pelletier Energy Assistance Manager 800-662-5711 7352 218-748-7352 Fax 612-465-5869 Jean.pelletier@aeoa.org



Energy Assistance Program 702 3rd Ave S Virginia, MN 55792

Energy Vendor Info:

Company Contact Person:	
Phone Number:	
Fax Number:	
E-mail Address:	



Energy Assistance Program

Agreement Between Energy Vendor and Service Provider

(Energy supplier) at (address), and successor home energy providers, hereafter referred to as "the energy vendor", hereby agrees to cooperate with (local EAP Service Provider) hereafter referred to as "the Service Provider", and the Minnesota Department of Commerce (COMM), Energy Assistance Programs, hereafter referred to as "the State" to deliver the Minnesota Energy Assistance Program for Federal Fiscal Year 20201 (FFY21), October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

I. The energy vendor and the Service Provider will:

- 1. Follow Energy Assistance Program (EAP) policies and procedures in the EAP Policy Manual (in particular Chapter 3).
- 2. Maintain accurate client and consumption information.
- 3. Comply with the Minn. Government Data Practices Act (MGDPA), Minn. Stat. Ch. 13, as it applies to all data provided by the energy vendor, the State, or its contractors under this agreement and as it applies to all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained or disseminated by the energy vendor or the Service Provider, in performing the duties under this agreement. To administer this program, the energy vendor and the service provider utilize a secure database with private information on individuals protected under the MGDPA. The energy vendor and Service Provider agree to not release any private data, including from the database, to any third party without written authorization from the subject of the data. By signing the application, applicants consent to the use of their private information for purposes of this agreement.
- 4. Use information obtained from energy vendor, the State, or its contractors for the sole purpose of performing responsibilities and duties for energy programs run by the State. Further, Service Provider and energy vendor shall implement and maintain appropriate and reasonable administrative, technical and physical safeguards to protect such information from accidental or unauthorized access, use, disclosure, and loss or destruction.
- 5. Negotiate for continuation or reconnection of service to households determined eligible for EAP benefits.
- 6. Establish a dispute resolution process to resolve issues arising during the term of this agreement.
- 7. Collaborate and do everything possible to ensure the customer has continuous access to home heating.
- 8. Minimize the risks of a customer's home energy crisis through the use of the EAP benefits.
- 9. Encourage regular payments from the household.
- Collaborate to reduce home energy costs.
- 11. Work together to ensure EAP payments are appropriately applied to accounts and used for EAP services as designated by the Service Provider.

II. The Service Provider will:

- 1. Determine customer eligibility.
- 2. Provide new and existing energy vendors with information about the eHEAT software system.
 - Work to ensure all energy vendors become eHEAT users
 - Provide necessary and/or ongoing training to energy vendors using eHEAT.
- 3. Make authorization through eHEAT, telephone, fax or electronic communication of payments for:
 - Electricity, heating sources and delivery of fuel.
 - Continuation or reconnection of connected utilities.
 - Fees including: service deposits, pressure tests, line bleeding, tank setting, tank rental, membership, if applicable.
 - Removal from load limiters.
 - Due and past due amounts for electricity and heating fuels.
- 4. Maintain customer authorizations for exchange of private data between the Service Provider and the energy vendor.
- Enter account number into eHEAT in the format supplied by the energy vendor.

III. The energy vendor will:

- Ensure EAP eligible households are not treated adversely compared to other households. Oil and propane dealers are required to comply with the <u>Discrimination Prohibition</u> in Minn. Stat. §325E.027. In addition, propane dealers are required to comply with the following: <u>Price and Fee Disclosure</u>, <u>Budget Payment Plan</u>, <u>Propane Purchase Contracts</u>, and <u>Terms of Sale</u> in Minn. Stat. §§216B.0992 .0995. This includes making available the cash price or other applicable discount programs to EAP households.
- 2. Supply account number format to the Service Provider.

Energy Assistance Program



Energy Vendor Price List

Energy Vendor Name:	Date:		
Please provide what your company charges for the following services (mark "NA" if not-applicable as well as normal and customary services for home energy costs eligible for payment with EAP funds:			
Energy Vendor Service and Price Inform	ation		
Leak seek and pressure tests:			
Bleeding lines:			
Tank setting:			
Service deposits:			
Reconnection fees:			
Membership fees:			
Minimum delivery requirements and costs:			
Emergency fuel and after hours delivery costs:			
Other charges:			
Cash discount:			

Energy Vendors must provide price information upon request, using this form or another format as long as it contains necessary information.



A Copperhead Company

PO Box 1081 Monticello, MN 55362 Ph 877-544-2700 Fax 763-271-3694

Quote

Date	Quote #	
8/6/20	10516	

Ship To	
City of Mountain Iron	
8586 Enterprise Drive S	
Mountain Iron, MN 55768	

	Terms		FOB
	Net 30		Warehouse
	Cost		Total
1	9,73	6.00	9,736.00

Item	Description	Qty		Cost	Total
CI-vLoc3 RTK-Pro	Vivax-Metrotech vLoc3 RTK Pro 5-watt Kit - Includes - Survey Grade GNSS RTK Receiver, vLoc3-5watt ALKALINE BATTERY Transmitter with carry bag, direct connection leads, grounding stake, 5inch induction clamp and user manual.		1	9,736.00	9,736.00
CI-vLoc3 RTK-Pro			1	10,239.00	10,239.00
	Training Included				;
	Shipping Not Included			722	
	Lead Time 7-10 Business Days				

Thank you for your business. Quote pricing is valid for 90 days.

ATTENTION: Copperhead Innovations has changed its name to Utility Logic. Please update your records.



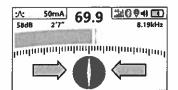
RTK-Pro Utility Locator with Survey-Grade GNSS

- Fully-integrated RTK GNSS
- · One-hand locating and mapping
- Cloud-based data management
- Survey-grade GNSS accuracy
- Simplistic locating modes
- Reduces excess field equipment

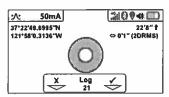
The **vLoc3 RTK-Pro receiver** is the first to add RTK GNSS accuracy to a utility locator. Using the RTK-Pro internal cellular module with 4G LTE capabilities, the operator has the ability to connect to NTRIP RTK (Real-Time Kinematic) caster that provides RTCM 3 corrections. By utilizing these corrections, the operator can collect both utility location data along with the geographical location of the utility with survey-grade accuracy.

The RTK-Pro is designed for all operator levels, utilizing user-friendly and intuitive locate screens. Operators simply confirm the utility data with the press of a button and align the electronic spirit level to store the data. All field data is sent to the cloud and retained in the receiver's on board storage for review and exporting to external mapping programs.

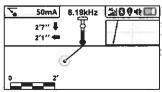
The user-configurable vLoc3 series receivers contain eight passive locate modes, fault find mode, and a range of configurable frequencies from 16Hz to 200 kHz. Visual and mechanical vibration alerts can also be configured by the user providing warnings for shallow depth, overload, overhead cables, and excessive swinging. Optional features include Tx-Link that enables the user to change the frequencies of the transmitter, power output and operate most of the features of the transmitter remotely.



Classic Screen - bar graph indicator with the addition of three colorcoded distortion levels. Peak, Null, Simultaneous Peak with Arrows, Omni Peak locating modes.



All relevant utility data is directly sent to the cloud along with RTK position of the utility.



Vector Screen for use when access directly over the utility is not possible. Using two sets of omni directional antennas the utility offset and depth are displayed.



RTK Base Station

	vLoc3 RTK-Pro Receiver Specifications			
Display	High-Visibility Color Display 4.3"/10cm with 480 x 272 resolution			
Battery life	Lithium-ion — 16 hours of continuous use			
Operating frequencies	Configurable frequencies from 16Hz to 200kHz Power - 50Hz and 60Hz Radio - 10kHz - 22.7kHz bandwidth			
Receiver Antennas and Locate Modes	Two sets of Omni Directional antennas Classic Screen with bar graph indicator with Peak, Null, Simultaneous Peak with Arrows, and Omni Peak Vector Screen for when access directly over the utility is not possible, the locator offset and depth are displayed Plan View displays the theoretical line in 2D from above ground in omnidirectional mode Transverse Graph is used to analyze the shape of the fields Sonde Screen guides you directly to the sonde with minimal control adjustment			
Data logging and transfer	- Real Time upload connection to VMMAP server via cellular connection - Run analysis from VMMAP web portal to determine best practices - Export data to .csv, shapefile, KML			
GNSS Features	- Satellite Tracked: - GPS/QZSS, GLONASS, Galileo, BeiDou - GPS L1C/A L2C, GLO L1OF L2OF, GAL E1B/C E5b, BDS B1I B2I, QZSS L1C/A L2C - Position accuracy RTK 0.01 m + 1 ppm CEP - Convergence time RTK < 10 sec - Acquisition: Cold starts = 24s, Reacquisition = 2s - Dependent on atmospheric conditions, baseline length, GNSS antenna, multipath conditions, satellite visibility, and geometry			
NTRIP	- Compatible with Casters with RTCM3 output messages - Real time reference station connection status displayed on the receiver - Real time horizontal accuracy in 2DRMS			
Cellular Connection	- 4G with 3G fallback - LTE FDD bands 2, 4, 5, 7, 17 - UMTS/HSPA [MHz]850, 900, 1700, 1900, 2100			
Weight	- 5.5 lbs. / 2.4kg.			
Environmental	- IP65 and NEMA 4 What's in the Box:			
Dimensions	- Custom Li-ion battery with charger - Alkaline battery pack - Mini USB lead - User manual - Soft shell hard carry case			

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Anna Amundson

I am resigning from my position as a part-time library clerk. My last day will be Friday, August 14th. Thank you.

Anne Grierson

CC: Mountain Iron City Council

Mountain Iron Public Library

Monthly Report

July 2020

Circulation (COVID-19/ Stay-at-Home Order per the State of MN in place):

Items checked out: 1,144 Items checked in: 1,160

Total Circulation of materials in July: 2,304

Attendance:

Adults: - Youth: - Patrons in July: 252

Special Events/Programs held: 2 (15 people)

Reference Desk visits (email, phone, and messenger): 361 Computer Use Sessions: 0

Total Library Usage: 628

Meet Up & Chow Down (Summer Lunch Program): lunches served 218

Events and Activities at the library in July:

July 6th: City Council Meeting (Anna)

July 20th & 27th: Outdoor Story Strolls



State Library Services 1500 Highway 36 West Roseville, MN 55113 v: 651-582-8791 f: 651-582-8752 jennifer.r.nelson@state.mn.us

July 2020

CERTIFICATION OF MINIMUM LOCAL SUPPORT REQUIREMENT: 2021

This is to certify the 2021 minimum level of financial support to be provided for operating expenses for public library services and participation in the regional public library system programs pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 134.34 for the city of:

Mountain Iron

The state-certified level of library support for 2021 is: \$117,000

This amount represents the equivalent of 90% of the official 2011 state-certified level of library support.



To: Min

Minnesota City Clerks

From:

Jennifer R. Nelson, Director, State Library Services and Charter Center

Date:

July 31, 2020

Subject:

2021 state-certified level of library support

Thank you for your commitment to ensuring your city's residents have access to library services. Your financial support makes possible the significant impact that libraries make each year.

The attached form provides documentation of your city's state-certified level of library support for 2021. Minnesota Statutes 134.34 and 275.761 establish the amount at 90% of the state-certified level of support set in 2011.

The Minnesota Department of Education, through State Library Services, distributes state aid to regional library systems based on factors that include population and geographic area served. If a county or city does not meet its state-certified level of library support, Minnesota Statutes 134.34 Subd 4 requires that we remove the entity from our funding formulas, which reduces the annual allocation to the regional public library system.

Thank you again for your continued support of Minnesota's libraries. Together, we can ensure that all Minnesota residents benefit from quality library services.

Craig Wainio

From:

CGMC Communications < CGMC_Communications@flaherty-hood.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, August 12, 2020 2:05 PM

Subject:

ACTION ALERT - Pass a resolution in support of the bonding bill!

Attachments:

Sample City Resolution on Bonding Bill.docx

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DEDICATED TO A STRONG GREATER

ACTION ALERT – Pass a resolution in support of the bonding bill!

As our communities and state continue to grapple with the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is more important than ever that our lawmakers come together to pass a large bonding bill. One important way that your city can help nudge lawmakers in that direction is by passing a resolution affirming your city's support for a bonding bill.

Due to legal requirements regarding a previously scheduled bond sale, the Legislature cannot pass a new bonding bill during its August special session (which began today). However, we remain hopeful that the bonding bill will be a top priority in the next special session, which is anticipated to be held in mid-September.

Take Action Now!

At an upcoming City Council meeting (and definitely before September), please pass a resolution in support of a bonding bill. You can use this <u>sample resolution</u> as a guide (a Word doc is also attached to this email).

Contact Info

Once your city passes a resolution, please send a copy to each of the following:

Your local state senator and state representative (find their contact info at <u>Who Represents</u> <u>Me?</u>)

- Governor Tim Walz

130 State Capitol
75 Rev Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55155
Email Contact Form

- Speaker of the House Melissa Hortman

463 State Office Building St. Paul, MN 55155

rep.melissa.hortman@house.mn

- Senate Majority Leader Paul Gazelka

95 University Avenue W. Minnesota Senate Bldg, Room 3113 St. Paul, MN 55155

E-mail: Use Email Form

- House Minority Leader Kurt Daudt

267 State Office Building St. Paul, MN 55155 rep.kurt.daudt@house.mn

- Senate Minority Leader Susan Kent

95 University Avenue W.
Minnesota Senate Bldg, Room 2227
St. Paul, MN 55155

E-mail: Use Mail Form

In addition, please email a copy to the CGMC at CGMC Communications@flaherty-hood.com.

Questions?

Please contact CGMC Executive Director Bradley Peterson at bmpeterson@flaherty-hood.com or 651-225-8840.



CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON

"TACONITE CAPITAL OF THE WORLD"

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 15-20

SUPPORTING A STATE BONDING BILL

WHEREAS, the people of Minnesota need basic infrastructure such as drinking water, sewage treatment, roads, bridges, and

WHEREAS, our state and nation is facing one of the worse economic struggles in its history and one of the best and only tools that the state has to stimulate the economy is a bonding bill that will create jobs and inject much needed funding into our state economy; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature failed to pass a bonding bill in the 2019 legislative session, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature failed to pass a bonding bill in the regular 2020 legislative session and two subsequent special sessions, and

WHEREAS, interest rates are at an all-time low, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Mountain Iron, Minnesota urges through this Resolution to its lawmakers to work in a bipartisan way to pass a bonding bill in the special session to be held in September 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be transmitted to Representative Dave Lislegard, Senator David J. Tomassoni Speaker of the House Melissa Hortman, Senate Majority Leader Paul Gazelka, House Minority Leader Kurt Daudt, Senate Minority Leader Susan Kent, and Governor Tim Walz.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 17th DAY OF AUGUST, 2020.

ATTEST:	Mayor Gary Skalko
7111201.	
City Administrator	

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 16-20

PRIMARY ELECTION

WHEREAS. at the Municipal Primary Election of the City of Mountain Iron. County of St. Louis. State of Minnesota, held in the City of Mountain Iron. Minnesota on August 11, 2020, and being the place where it was directed to be held by the City Council after giving due notice thereof as provided by law, and:

WHEREAS, eight qualified voters of said City to act as judges of said Municipal Election, each of whom has within the time limit subscribed by law, been designated and appointed by the City Council to act as judges of the election. And, each of whom being present at the designated hour and each of whom duly took and subscribed an oath to faithfully discharge the duties required of them at such election. The judges being duly qualified, forthwith opened the polls by proclamation at 7:00 a.m. and the election proceeded by ballot without adjournment or intermission until closed at 8:00 p.m., and;

WHEREAS, the subjects voted at such election, as stated in notice thereof, were to vote for one (1) Mayor, to a two year term, and two (2) Councilors, to four year terms; the two candidates with the highest votes and the four candidates with the highest votes to proceed to the General Election and:

WHEREAS, at 8:00 p.m.. in the evening of said day, the polls were closed, proclamation thereof, having been made by one of the judges in each of the two precincts, and:

WHEREAS, upon the closing of the polls, the judges then proceeded to publicly tabulate the count and canvass the votes and a true statement thereof was duly proclaimed to the voters as follows:

MAYOR	NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED
Peggy Anderson	273
Steve Skogman	219
Paul Jacobsen	179
COUNCILOR	NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED
Joe Prebeg Jr.	308
Al Stanaway	296
Edmund "Ed" Roskoski	238
Dan Gunderson	196
Mark Madden	182

Resolution Number 16-20 Primary Election Page 2

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON, SAINT LOUIS COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, does hereby accept the foregoing as a true statement of the results of tabulating and canvassing of votes by ballot, at said Municipal Primary Election held on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 and does hereby state the following individuals be placed on the ballot for the Municipal General Election on November 3, 2020 for election to the Office of City Councilor (4 year term) and Mayor (2 year term):

MAYOR

Peggy Anderson Steve Skogman

COUNCILOR

Joe Prebeg Jr.
Al Stanaway
Edmund "Ed" Roskoski
Dan Gunderson

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 17th DAY OF AUGUST, 2020.

ATTEST:	Mayor Gary Skalko
City Administrator	

Gary Skalko, Mayor City of Mountain Iron

5372 Mineral Avenue

Mountain Iron, MN 55768

Dear Mayor Skalko,

I am writing to express my anger and outrage over council meeting and Facebook comments by one of our councilors, Julie Buria. Her appalling insensitivity and ignorance shows she does not understand the dangerous and bigoted implications of her stance.

For Ms. Buria to say at a recent city council meeting that the Jewish community is not offended by her Holocaust reference in a political Facebook post is an outright lie. Jewish Community Action Minnesota has gone on record explaining that using inflammatory Nazi imagery to make a political point is inexcusable. The original Facebook post concerning our mask mandate that Ms. Buria shared originated from a Wabasha County GOP board member. That Facebook post resulted in an immediate response in a July 27, 2020 Tweet from Jewish Community Action Minnesota: "Given that Minnesota rabbis recently spoke out in favor of a mask mandate, comparing that mandate to the Holocaust feels especially disgusting. We ask the MNGOP to tell Wabasha Republicans to stop using imagery like this. It betrays a total lack of both empathy and education." This Wabasha County GOP board member was asked to resign and has done so according to Jennifer Carnahan, Minnesota Republican GOP Chairwoman in a July 28, 2020 Fox 9 report.

Ms. Buria further twisted her logic at that same Mountain Iron city council meeting making remarks to suggest that there are nefarious, Holocaust-like, secret motives in Gov. Walz's pandemic mandates. In fact, these mandates have been enacted to follow public health pandemic best-practices in open cooperation with and recommended by the vast majority of our scientific, epidemiological, and medical experts to help slow the spread of COVID-19 and to save precious Minnesota lives.

The City of Mountain Iron needs to demand integrity from our elected officials. Because of Ms. Buria's stubborn refusal to give a sincere apology, I would like to see her resign or be held accountable by enacting a censure of her actions and remarks.

Sincerely,

Karen Tini

5443 Park Drive

Mountain Iron, MN 55768

Mayor Gary Skalko
City of Mt. Iron
8586 Enterprise Drive South
Mountain Iron, MN 55768

Subject: Council meeting of August 3, 2020 concerning Julie Buria

I was present during the council meeting when they discussed Julia Buria's private facebook post. The concern was that she may have accidentally offended the Jewish community. It was never her intention to offend the Jewish community and she is a vigorous supporter of Israel.

To me both the Mesabi Daily newspaper article and the city council meeting were intended to make her step down from her running for the state house and to step down from her council position. All this and she has broken no laws and never intended to offend the Jewish community. In the newspaper article they said that she should resign from her position. The council's position was that someone in politics should always be concerned about what they say or do so as not to offend anyone. At least that was what I perceived them to say and then there was talk about a possible resolution, which I did not fully understand because Julie has done nothing wrong.

I would like to say that you mayor were wearing a Christian cross at the public council meeting. Do you realize that people of the Jewish faith are offended by the cross? To them it is a reminder that they were responsible for putting Jesus to death. According to the council you should always be concerned about what others may think and someone of the Jewish faith could have been at the public meeting and would have been offended. Since your action was intentional and public (not private like Julie's) you should resign from your position as mayor. That is what they wanted Julie to do. Perhaps you should also offer a public apology to the people of Jewish faith for your actions. If you think that is ludicrous then you know how Julie feels.

In my opinion, Steve Giorgi, Mesabi Daily News, the Mt. Iron City Council and you should apologize to Julie for misrepresentation of the facts and because she never intended to hurt anyone.

Sincerely,

Steven K. Lerol

Steven K. Levol



July 27, 2020

Sean Finn

Executive Vice-President Corporate Services and Chief Legal Officer

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

Dear Mr. Wainio:

We at CN hope that you and your family are safe and healthy as the COVID-19 pandemic is ongoing.

This letter is a follow-up to the email we sent to you in May in which we shared an electronic copy of our 2020 edition of CN in your Community publication. We are now happy to share with you the hard copy of this important document.

In reading this report, you will find information about our various regional initiatives, including our strong economic contribution, our capital investments, as well as our community partnerships. Building on our record \$ 7.4 billion capital investment in 2018-2019, we will invest \$ 2.9 billion in new infrastructure this year. These important investments ensure we are serving our customers and the communities safely and efficiently. They will benefit the businesses across our network which employ citizens of your community.

CN continues to operate a safe and efficient railroad while respecting our pandemic plan put in place in February to protect our employees and the communities in which we operate. The Provincial, State and Federal governments have all recognized railroads as essential service providers to their respective economy. We are proud to play our role in moving the critical supplies all citizens are counting on during these difficult times.



Mr. Craig Wainio July 27, 2020 Page 2

Our commitment to building and maintaining strong connections with all of the communities across our network is more important now than ever. Spanning Canada from coast-to-coast through eight provinces and stretching north to south down the middle of the United States through sixteen states to the Gulf of Mexico, our unique network allows us to build precious community relations and to ensure meaningful and respectful interactions with our neighbours.

As a key enabler of the North American economy, we pride ourselves on moving our customers' goods safely, creating and supporting quality jobs, and investing in the many communities we serve. In addition, we continue to have our sights set on becoming the safest railway in North America. Beside reinforcing safety as a core value amongst our 25,000 employees, we also collaborate with communities and local authorities who share with us the responsibility to ensure everyone's safety and that remain good neighbours.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or the CN Public Affairs manager for your region. Our contact information is enclosed on page 6 of this copy of CN in your Community. We look forward to collaborating and building stronger communities with you in 2020.

I hope that you and your community stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Sean Finn

Sean Finn

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