



**MOUNTAIN IRON  
CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2022  
6:30 P.M.**

**MOUNTAIN IRON COMMUNITY CENTER  
MOUNTAIN IRON ROOM**

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2022 - 6:30 P.M.  
A G E N D A**

- I. Roll Call
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Consent Agenda
  - A. Minutes of the February 7, 2022, Regular Meeting (#1-6)
  - B. Receipts
  - C. Bills and Payroll
  - D. Communications
- IV. Public Forum
- V. Committee and Staff Reports
  - A. Mayor's Report
    - 1. Appointment (#7)
  - B. City Administrator's Report
  - C. Director of Public Works' Report
  - D. Library Director/Special Events Coordinator's Report
  - E. Sheriff's Department Report
  - F. City Engineer's Report
  - G. City Attorney's Report
  - H. Liaison Reports
- VI. Unfinished Business
- VII. New Business
  - A. Resolution Number 1-22 Grant Application (#8-12)
  - B. Cooperative Agreement with St. Louis County (#13-20)
- VIII. Communications (#21)
- IX. Announcements
- X. Adjourn

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MINUTES  
MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL  
February 7, 2022

Mayor Anderson called the City Council meeting to order at 6:36p.m. with the following members present: Councilor Ed Roskoski, Julie Buria, Joe Prebeg Jr. and Mayor Peggy Anderson. 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; and Grant Toma, Sheriff's Department. Absent members: Councilor Steve Skogman.

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

1. Approve the minutes of the January 18, 2022 regular meeting as submitted.
2. 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.
3. To acknowledge the receipts for the period January 16-31, totaling \$179,308.24 (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes),
4. To authorize the payments of the bills and payroll for the period January 16-31, totaling \$716,048.93 (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).

The motion carried with Councilor Skogman absent.

Public Forum:

- No one spoke during the public forum

The Mayor reported on the following:

- No formal report

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Buria to accept Councilor Roskoski's resignation from the Library Board as a Board member; however, Councilor Roskoski will stay on as the City Council member Liaison. Additionally to advertise for a new Board member. The motion carried (3:0) with Councilor Roskoski abstaining and Councilor Skogman absent.

City Administrator:

- No formal report

Director or Public Works:

- Frost measurements are roughly 60 inches, do not see it getting any worse
- Delay in snow removal, crews out removing snow, please be patient and if possibly remove vehicles from the streets
- Hoist project at the City Garage is currently underway

Library Director/Special Events Coordinator:

- Library Hours
  - Mon- Thurs -10:00am – 6:00pm
  - Friday - 10:00am – 2:00pm
- “I Love to Read,” & “Love Your Library” month
- Funding from Arrowhead Library Service, able to purchase books for the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> MIB Students

Sheriff’s Department:

- No formal report

City Engineer:

- No formal report

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Roskoski to approve Pay Request No. 4 – for the Proposed Well #3 project in the amount of \$15,941.00, to Bougalis Inc., Hibbing, MN. This amount includes a 5% retainage. The motion carried on roll call vote (4:0) with Councilor Skogman absent.

Fire Department:

- Low response time for First Responders, due to a large number of day-time, week-day call-outs two First responders out with COVID, as well as responders currently in EMT classes
- Fire Department has had several auto accident call-outs
- Fire department training conducted “live” burn training at a house located on Mud Lake Road, thank you to all those that helped with this training, including City Crew

It was moved by Roskoski and seconded by to accept the the Mountain Iron Fire Department report as presented. The motion failed due to lack of support.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Buria to approve the recommendation of the Personnel Committee and hire Dean Ronkainen to the Mountain Iron Fire Department as paid on call firefighters, contingent on physical and background check. The motion carried with Councilor Skogman absent.

It was moved by Roskoski and seconded by Prebeg to reschedule the Monday, February 21, 2022 meeting due to the Presidents Day Holiday to Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm at the Mountain Iron City Hall. The motion carried with Councilor Skogman absent.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Buria to donate \$250.00 to the Mountain Iron-Buhl Archery, funds helping with the purchase of equipment and program continuation, monies to come from the Charitable Gambling Fund. The motion carried on roll call vote (4:0) with Councilor Skogman absent.

Announcements:

- Merritt Days Celebration will be held August 7<sup>th</sup> – August 13<sup>th</sup>

At 7:05p.m., it was moved by Buria and seconded by Prebeg that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried with Councilor Skogman absent.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amanda Inmon". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Amanda Inmon  
Municipal Services Secretary  
[www.mtniron.com](http://www.mtniron.com)

Distribution Summary

Category	Distribution	Amount
BUILDING RENTALS	BUILDING RENTAL DEPOSITS	800.00
BUILDING RENTALS	COMMUNITY CENTER	1,000.00
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 101	2,589.37
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 378	1,169.40
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 601	41.76
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 602	125.29
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 603	250.59
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	IRRRB-DEMOLITION GRANT	4,500.00
LEASES	LEASES	20.00
METER DEPOSITS	ELECTRIC	850.00
MISCELLANEOUS	ASSESSMENT SEARCHES	20.00
MISCELLANEOUS	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD PAYABLE	2,331.93
MISCELLANEOUS	CABLE TV FRANCHISE FEE	6,493.55
MISCELLANEOUS	CHARITABLE GAMBLING PROCEEDS	173.18
MISCELLANEOUS	DELTA DENTAL PAYABLE	220.00
MISCELLANEOUS	DUE FROM EDA (HRA)	1,519.65
MISCELLANEOUS	EDA REIMBURSEMENT	9,007.64
MISCELLANEOUS	FAX CHARGES	.00
MISCELLANEOUS	REIMBURSEMENTS	2,834.32
UTILITY	UTILITY	145,361.56
Grand Totals:		<u>179,308.24</u>

## Report Criteria:

Report type: Summary

Check.Type = {&lt;&gt;} "Adjustment"

GL Period	Check Issue Date	Check Number	Vendor Number	Payee	Check GL Account	Amount
02/22	02/08/2022	157170	10067	AQUA-PURE INC.	601-20200	495.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157171	10075	ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES	101-20200	134.35
02/22	02/08/2022	157172	10031	AYERS DISTRIBUTING	101-20200	725.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157173	20022	BENCHMARK ENGINEERING INC	601-20200	20,077.50
02/22	02/08/2022	157174	20043	BOBCAT OF DULUTH, INC.	101-20200	673.09
02/22	02/08/2022	157175	20069	BOUGALIS INC.	601-20200	15,941.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157176	30055	BTAC ACQUISITION CORP.	101-20200	344.30
02/22	02/08/2022	157177	30014	CALVARY CEMETERY ASSOCIATION	101-20200	6,000.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157178	30016	CHAMPION AUTO	101-20200	57.11
02/22	02/08/2022	157179	220003	CITY OF VIRGINIA	101-20200	28.04
02/22	02/08/2022	157180	30026	COMO LUBE & SUPPLIES INC	602-20200	62.50
02/22	02/08/2022	157181	30021	COMPASS MINERALS AMERICA INC.	101-20200	3,846.48
02/22	02/08/2022	157182	30072	COMPUTER WORLD	101-20200	2,926.50
02/22	02/08/2022	157183	50049	ESSENTIA HEALTH	101-20200	180.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157184	60029	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC	101-20200	50.31
02/22	02/08/2022	157185	70016	GOPHER STATE ONE CALL INC	604-20200	22.95
02/22	02/08/2022	157186	180026	GRAND FORKS FIRE EQUIPMENT LLC	101-20200	3,522.80
02/22	02/08/2022	157187	70004	GRANDE ACE HARDWARE	604-20200	12.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157188	70029	GUARDIAN PEST CONTROL INC	101-20200	88.60
02/22	02/08/2022	157189	80022	HAWKINS INC	601-20200	481.99
02/22	02/08/2022	157190	80001	HILLYARD/HUTCHINSON	101-20200	548.99
02/22	02/08/2022	157191	1213	HOLIDAY OUTDOOR DECOR	101-20200	1,370.53
02/22	02/08/2022	157192	80010	HOMETOWN ELECTRIC	601-20200	677.06
02/22	02/08/2022	157193	80037	HOMETOWN MEDIA PARTNERS	101-20200	31.50
02/22	02/08/2022	157194	120006	L & M SUPPLY	602-20200	1,078.23
02/22	02/08/2022	157195	120032	LAKE COUNTRY POWER	101-20200	118.50
02/22	02/08/2022	157196	120005	LEAGUE OF MN CITIES INS TRUST	602-20200	65,839.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157197	130032	MAGNEY CONSTRUCTION, INC.	601-20200	3,515.53
02/22	02/08/2022	157198	130006	MESABI HUMANE SOCIETY	101-20200	1,916.67
02/22	02/08/2022	157199	130004	MESABI TRIBUNE	101-20200	938.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157200	130194	MID-STATE TRUCK SERVICE INC.	602-20200	99.48
02/22	02/08/2022	157201	130014	MINNESOTA BUREAU OF CRIMINAL	101-20200	15.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157202	140026	MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES	602-20200	4,626.22
02/22	02/08/2022	157203	130008	MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	604-20200	3,462.50
02/22	02/08/2022	157204	130009	MINNESOTA POWER (ALLETE INC)	602-20200	141,709.91
02/22	02/08/2022	157205	130031	MOUNTAIN IRON ECONOMIC DEV	101-20200	414.92
02/22	02/08/2022	157206	30001	NAPA AUTO PARTS	101-20200	227.15
02/22	02/08/2022	157207	1901018	NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIES	602-20200	771.35
02/22	02/08/2022	157208	140048	NORTH COUNTRY HEATING	101-20200	164.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157209	140052	NORTHEAST SERVICE COOPERATIVE	101-20200	107,433.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157210	140042	NORTHERN DOOR & HARDWARE INC	101-20200	35.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157211	140005	NORTHERN FITNESS GROUP	101-20200	208.08
02/22	02/08/2022	157212	140043	NORTHLAND AUTO SERVICE	101-20200	2,783.91
02/22	02/08/2022	157213	160066	PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES, LLC	601-20200	406.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157214	160003	PERPICH TV & MUSIC INC	604-20200	493.79
02/22	02/08/2022	157215	160038	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL	101-20200	280.98
02/22	02/08/2022	157216	160023	POHAKI LUMBER	101-20200	165.58
02/22	02/08/2022	157217	160030	PRECISION MACHINE	101-20200	200.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157218	170007	QUILL CORPORATION	101-20200	1,147.84
02/22	02/08/2022	157219	180006	RMB ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES	602-20200	107.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157220	1901025	RODNEY'S RADIATOR SERVICE	101-20200	1,080.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157221	190045	SERVICE SOLUTIONS	101-20200	27.00
02/22	02/08/2022	157222	190024	ST LOUIS CO SHERIFF LITMAN	101-20200	45,833.34

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02/22	02/08/2022	157223	190062	STEVENS WELDING & FABRICATING LLC	101-20200	3,833.95
02/22	02/08/2022	157224	200003	TACONITE TIRE SERVICE	101-20200	1,713.80
02/22	02/08/2022	157225	210001	UNITED ELECTRIC COMPANY	101-20200	317.52
02/22	02/08/2022	157226	210002	UNITED TRUCK BODY COMPANY INC	301-20200	20,837.40
02/22	02/08/2022	157227	220025	VERIZON WIRELESS	602-20200	16.84
02/22	02/08/2022	157228	220014	VIKING INDUSTRIAL NORTH	603-20200	713.27
02/22	02/08/2022	157229	220004	VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC	604-20200	81,930.88
02/22	02/08/2022	157230	190062	STEVENS WELDING & FABRICATING LLC	602-20200	9,768.68
Grand Totals:						562,527.92
PP-Ending 01/21						153,521.01
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>						<b>\$716,048.93</b>



**COUNCIL LETTER 022222-VA1**

**MAYOR ANDERSON**

**APPOINTMENT**

**DATE:** February 17, 2022

**FROM:** Mayor Anderson

Craig J. Wainio  
City Administrator

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Mayor Anderson recommends the approval of Mr. Alan Stanaway to serve on the Library Board as a replacement for Councilor Roskoski.

**COUNCIL LETTER 022222-VIIA**

**ADMINISTRATION**

**RESOLUTION 01-22**

**DATE:** February 17, 2022

**FROM:** Craig J. Wainio  
City Administrator

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Staff was approached by the IRRRB about the possibility of using Mineland Reclamation funding for improvements to the Mott Pit area. Staff agreed that this could be a worthwhile project and asked Benchmark to prepare some concept which are included. Resolution Number 01-22 authorizes staff to submit a grant application to the IRRRB Mining and Mineland Reclamation Grant Program to implement these improvements. Staff recommends City Council approval of Resolution Number 01-22.



# CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON

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## RESOLUTION NUMBER 01-22

### **AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON TO MAKE APPLICATION TO AND ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE MINING & MINELAND RECLAMATION GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF IRRR**

**WHEREAS**, the Mountain Iron City Council approves of the attached application for the Mott Pit Improvement project; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Mountain Iron City Council agrees to accept funding for the underlying project if approved by the Department of IRRR.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA**, that it does hereby adopt this Resolution.

**DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2022.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Peggy Anderson

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Administrator







2/11/2022

ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE OF QUANTITIES AND OPINION OF COST  
 Mott Pit Recreational Area Development Estimate  
 PROJ. NO. M122-CE

SPEC. NO.	ITEM	UNITS	UNIT COST	EST. QUANTITIES	AMOUNT
2021.501	MOBILIZATION	LUMP SUM	\$25,000.00	1.0	\$25,000.00
2105.507	COMMON EXCAVATION (PARKING & BOAT RAMP AREA)	CU. YD.	\$18.00	450.0	\$8,100.00
2211.507	AGGREGATE BASE (CV) CLASS S (PARKING & BOAT RAMP AREA)	CU. YD.	\$30.00	300.0	\$9,000.00
2511.507	RANDOM RIPRAP CLASS III	CU. YD.	\$75.00	30.0	\$2,250.00
2565.602	INSTALL INFORMATION SIGN	EACH	\$500.00	5.0	\$2,500.00
2573.503	TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL	LUMP SUM	\$15,000.00	1.0	\$15,000.00
	CONSTRUCT 36" WIDE EASY TRAIL (INCLUDES CLEARING & GRUBBING)	LIN. FT.	\$12.00	5,710.0	\$68,520.00
	CONSTRUCT 24" WIDE INTERMEDIATE TRAIL (INCLUDES CLEARING & GRUBBING)	LIN. FT.	\$14.00	5,580.0	\$78,120.00
	CONSTRUCT 12" WIDE DIFFICULT TRAIL (INCLUDES CLEARING & GRUBBING)	LIN. FT.	\$16.00	1,200.0	\$19,200.00
	ALUMINUM DOCK (FLOATING)	LUMP SUM	\$15,000.00	1.0	\$15,000.00
	SHELTER AREA	LUMP SUM	\$22,500.00	1.0	\$22,500.00

Construction Cost \$	265,190.00
Contingency (15%) \$	39,778.50
Est. Design & Const. Engineering \$	50,386.10
<b>TOTAL \$</b>	<b>355,354.60</b>

**COUNCIL LETTER 022222-VIIB**

**ADMINISTRATION**

**COPPERATIVE AGREEMENT**

**DATE:** February 17, 2022

**FROM:** Craig J. Wainio  
City Administrator

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A cooperative sidewalk, curb and gutter agreement with St. Louis County states that if the City undertakes and sidewalk, curb and gutter replacement projects within any County right-of-way that the County will participate in funding those projects. Staff recommends the approval of the Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter Cooperative Agreement between the City of Mountain Iron and Saint Louis County.



# Saint Louis County

Public Works Department • Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex  
4787 Midway Road, Duluth, MN 55811 • Phone: (218) 625-3830

**James T. Foldesi, P.E.**  
Public Works Director/  
Highway Engineer

February 16, 2022

Craig Wainio - City Administrator  
City of Mountain Iron  
8586 Enterprise Drive South  
Mountain Iron, MN 55768  
[cwainio@ci.mountain-iron-mn.us](mailto:cwainio@ci.mountain-iron-mn.us)

Re: Cooperative Agreement for CP 0000-680761 (2022) & CP 0000-680763 (2023)  
Curb & Sidewalk Repairs

Dear Mr. Wainio:

Please find enclosed, the Cooperative Agreement for the above listed project. Please have the proper City of Mountain Iron officials sign the agreement and return to me at [clarkc2@stlouiscountymn.gov](mailto:clarkc2@stlouiscountymn.gov), or at the following address for further processing:

St. Louis County Public Works  
Attn: Christine Clark  
4787 Midway Rd.  
Duluth, MN 55811

Once fully executed, a copy will be returned to you.

Sincerely,

Christine Clark  
Information Specialist III

Enclosure(s)

c: File  
Eric Fallstrom



**St. Louis County & City of Mountain Iron  
Curb & Sidewalk Agreement for 2022 & 2023**

**COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS  
AND  
CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON  
TO**

**Complete sidewalk and curb & gutter repairs of various County State Aid Highway segments, Municipal State Aid Street segments, and County Roadway segments within the City of Mountain Iron, St. Louis County, Minnesota. Segments will be prioritized by the City of Mountain Iron Public Works Director in accordance with the City of Mountain Iron's Sidewalk Replacement Program for 2022 & 2023.**

St. Louis County & City of Mountain Iron  
Curb & Sidewalk Agreement for 2022 & 2023

THIS AGREEMENT, hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement” is between the CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON, a duly organized city within the State of Minnesota, hereinafter referred to as “Mountain Iron”, and the COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, a duly organized county within the State of Minnesota, hereinafter referred to as “St. Louis County”.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain Iron intends to complete sidewalk and curb & gutter repairs of various City Streets as prioritized in its annual Curb & Sidewalk Replacement Program; and

WHEREAS, it is justified and considered mutually desirable to complete repairs to various County State Aid Highway, Municipal State Aid Street, and/or County Roadway segments within the City of Mountain Iron as prioritized in the City’s annual Curb & Sidewalk Replacement Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain Iron will prepare the plan, hereinafter referred to as the “Plan”, to complete these improvements, which improvements are hereafter collectively referred to as the “Project”; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County and Mountain Iron have agreed to participate in the cost of the sidewalk and curb & gutter repairs of various County State Aid Highway, Municipal State Aid Street, and/or County Roadway segments within the City of Mountain Iron as hereinafter set forth.

THEREFORE, IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED AND UNDERSTOOD, regarding the aforementioned project that the parties hereby agree to the following:

1. This agreement for CP 0000-680671 (2022) and CP 0000-680673 (2023) will be a 2-year agreement between St. Louis County and the City of Mountain Iron for the City of Mountain Iron’s Curb & Sidewalk Replacement Programs for 2022 & 2023.
2. Each year, the City of Mountain Iron shall provide a list of the sidewalk and curb & gutter replacement segments of the County State Aid Highway, Municipal State Aid Street, and/or County Roadway segments within the City of Mountain Iron to the St. Louis County Resident Engineer – Virginia for review and concurrence prior to preparation of Plans.
3. The City of Mountain Iron shall prepare the Plan, together with the specifications and proposal, obtain bids, and manage the Project at its cost and expense.

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4. St. Louis County, acting through the St. Louis County Resident Engineer – Virginia, shall review the completed sidewalk and curb & gutter improvements of County State Aid Highway, Municipal State Aid Street, and/or County Roadway segments prior to reimbursement of costs to the City of Mountain Iron.
5. St. Louis County's cost participation shall be 100 percent of the Construction Cost of the sidewalk and curb & gutter improvements, **not to exceed \$15,000 per year for 2022 & 2023**, on County State Aid Highway, Municipal State Aid Street, and/or County Roadway segments within the City of Mountain Iron. The City is responsible for all costs exceeding the maximum match of \$15,000 to be paid by the County.
6. Upon completion of the sidewalk and curb & gutter replacement work, St. Louis County shall be billed by Mountain Iron for the work on County State Aid Highway, Municipal State Aid Street, and/or County Roadway segments within the City of Mountain Iron, not to exceed \$15,000 per year for 2022 & 2023. Payment to Mountain Iron shall be made by St. Louis County for such aforementioned costs within 30 days of submission by Mountain Iron of an invoice to the St. Louis County itemizing said costs and certified by a responsible city official.
7. Each party designates an Authorized Representative for the purpose of administering this Agreement. A party's authorized representative has the authority to give and receive notices, and to make any other decision required or permitted by this Agreement.
  - a. For the County:  
Eric E. Fallstrom, P.E. (or his successor)  
Resident Engineer – Virginia  
7823 Highway 135  
Virginia, MN 55792  
Phone: 218-742-9821  
Email: [fallstrom@stlouiscountymn.gov](mailto:fallstrom@stlouiscountymn.gov)
  - b. For the City:  
Craig Wainio (or his successor)  
City Administrator  
8586 Enterprise Drive South  
Mountain Iron, MN 55768  
Phone: 218-748-7570  
Email: [cwainio@ci.mountain-iron-mn.us](mailto:cwainio@ci.mountain-iron-mn.us)
8. To the full extent permitted by law, actions by the Parties pursuant to this Agreement are intended to be and shall be construed as a "cooperative activity" and it is the intent of the Parties that they shall be deemed a "single governmental unit"

**St. Louis County & City of Mountain Iron  
Curb & Sidewalk Agreement for 2022 & 2023**

for the purpose of liability, as set forth in Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.59, Subd. 1a; provided further that for purposes of that statute, each Party to this Agreement expressly declines responsibility for the acts or omissions of the other Party.

9. Each party shall be liable for its own acts to the extent provided by law, and each party hereby agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the others, their officers and employees against any and all liability, loss, costs, damages, expenses, claims or actions, including attorney's fees, which the others, their officers and employees may hereafter sustain, incur or be required to pay, arising out of or by reason of any act of omission of the party, its agents, servants or employees, in the execution, performance, or failure to adequately perform its obligations pursuant to this Agreement.
10. Any and all employees of Mountain Iron, while engaged in the performance of any work or service which Mountain Iron is specifically required to perform under this Agreement, shall be considered employees of Mountain Iron only and not of St. Louis County. Any and all claims that may or might arise under the Workers Compensation Act of the State of Minnesota on behalf of said employees while so engaged and any and all claims made by any third parties as a consequence of any act of said employees shall be the sole obligation of Mountain Iron.
11. Any and all employees of St. Louis County, while engaged in the performance of any work or service which St. Louis County is specifically required to perform under this Agreement, shall be considered employees of St. Louis County only and not of Mountain Iron. Any and all claims that may or might arise under the Workers Compensation Act of the State of Minnesota on behalf of said employees while so engaged and any and all claims made by any third parties as a consequence of any act, of said employees, shall be the sole obligation of St. Louis County.

St. Louis County & City of Mountain Iron  
Curb & Sidewalk Agreement for 2022 & 2023

CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

By \_\_\_\_\_  
City Administrator

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COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS

By  \_\_\_\_\_  
Public Works Director/Highway Engineer

Approved as to form:

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant County Attorney

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Damion No. 2022- \_\_\_\_\_

# Notice to: COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES

Under Minn. Stat. § 216B.16, Subd. 1



On December 30, 2021, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) accepted Minnesota Power's November 1, 2021 application for a general increase in rates for electric service provided to customers in the State of Minnesota of 17.58% or approximately \$108.3 million, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 216B.16.

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 216B.16, subd. 2, the MPUC has suspended proposed final rates to allow the MPUC time to evaluate the application. In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 216B.16, subd. 3, the MPUC has authorized a total interim rate increase of about 14.23% or approximately \$87.3 million for all customers to be effective January 1, 2022, with the exception of the Residential class. Residential customers (other than Dual Fuel) will see a reduced interim rate increase of approximately 7.11%. During this interim period, Minnesota Power electric customers' bills will be approximately 7.11% higher for the Residential class and 14.23% higher for all other customers depending on service class, and the rates will remain in effect until a final rate level is determined.

Examples of the effect of these increases on typical bills are as follows:

## Proposed change in monthly electricity costs

Customer Classification	Avg. monthly kWh usage	Previous monthly cost	Interim monthly increase	Proposed final monthly increase*
Residential	701	\$82.76	\$5.89	\$15.08
Residential Dual Fuel	1,013	\$94.04	\$13.38	-\$0.42
General Service	2,581	\$301.93	\$42.96	\$55.09
Commercial & Industrial Dual Fuel	3,654	\$324.01	\$46.11	\$1.85
Large Light & Power	247,815	\$21,772.72	\$3,098.26	\$3,938.50
Large Power	51,654,952	\$3,635,297.83	\$517,302.88	\$558,488.32
Street & Area Lighting	224	\$60.95	\$8.67	\$11.11

\*Monthly increases include all line items on bills except sales taxes and municipal franchise fees, and may vary by individual customer based on usage characteristics.

The rate levels upon which the previous monthly costs are based were authorized in Docket No. E-015/GR-16-664.

The MPUC will determine the amount of increase in rates it will allow and final rates reflecting that determination will be implemented in early 2023. If the final rate level is less than the interim rate level, the amount collected during the interim period attributable to that difference will be refunded to customers with interest. If the final rate is greater than the interim increase, customers are generally not charged for the difference.

The Minnesota Department of Commerce, among other parties, will review Minnesota Power's books and records in this proceeding. The proposed rate schedules and a comparison of present and proposed rates may be examined by the public during normal business hours at these locations:

**Minnesota Department of Commerce**, 85 7th Place East, Suite 280, St. Paul, MN 55101, Telephone: 651-539-1500

**Minnesota Power** office located at 30 West Superior Street, Duluth, Minnesota 55802, Telephone: 1-800-228-4966

It is also available on the Internet at:

**Minnesota Power:** [www.mnpower.com/RateReview](http://www.mnpower.com/RateReview)

**Commission:** [www.mn.gov/puc](http://www.mn.gov/puc)  
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An Administrative Law Judge will schedule public hearings. Customers will be notified when the hearings are scheduled. Public notice of hearing dates and locations will be published in local newspapers in Minnesota Power's service area.

Persons who wish to formally intervene or testify in this case should contact the Administrative Law Judge, Minnesota Office of Administrative Hearings, 600 North Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101.



**St. Louis County Agricultural Fair Association**

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February 1, 2022

Dear Community Leaders,

Every year over 30,000 residents from St. Louis and adjoining counties visit the Fair to see the “best” that St. Louis County has to offer. As the years have passed, fairs have become so much more than the agricultural events they started out as. In addition to area residents displaying their finest handiwork, culinary delights, and agricultural products, and 4-H youths competing in hopes of earning the privilege to compete at the Minnesota State Fair, companies also use the Fair to showcase their newest products and technologies; and fairgoers now count on the Fair to keep them informed on what’s new.

Staging the Fair is a huge undertaking that is accomplished with the help of volunteers, and short term employees. Each year 40 to 50 County residents are hired to work before, during and after the Fair. Some work for a week, some for 6 to 8 weeks. Some are seniors looking to supplement their income, others are students working to earn some extra spending money or to help fund their college education. We are proud of the fact that some of our employees have been returning to work at the Fair for well over 25 years.

Your County Fair is put on by the St. Louis County Agricultural Fair Association, which is a small non-profit organization, whose membership is comprised of residents from the Northern half of St. Louis County. This Fair Association is an Agricultural Society established and governed by Chapter 38 of the Minnesota State Statutes.

Minnesota Statute 38.12 authorizes municipalities to financially assist their County Fair, with no cap on the amount of assistance. The Fair Board realizes that community budgets are tight and that you know how important the Fair is to your residents. With those two things in mind, the Fair Association is requesting that you consider including the Fair in your 2022 financial plans, in an amount that fits into your budget. Your support helps ensure that the Fair’s tradition of agricultural education and affordable, quality family entertainment will continue; and that everyone in your community, the county, and the surrounding areas will be happy and proud to have been a part of the 2022 St. Louis County Fair.

The Fair Board would like to thank you in advance for the consideration you give this request; and we look forward to seeing you and the residents of your community at this year’s Fair.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen McNeal".

Karen McNeal  
Executive Director

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