



**ITASCA COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Itasca County Courthouse  
123 NE 4th Street  
Grand Rapids, MN 55744  
(218) 327-2847

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

2:30 PM

Itasca County Boardroom

**DRAFT**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chair Trunt called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Davin Tinquist	District #1	Present	2:30 PM
Terry Snyder	District #2	Absent	
Leo Trunt	District #3	Present	2:30 PM
Burl Ives	District #4	Present	2:30 PM
District #5	District #5	Absent	

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion To:** Approve the agenda, as presented.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Burl Ives, District #4
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Davin Tinquist, District #1
<b>AYES:</b>	Davin Tinquist, Leo Trunt, Burl Ives
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Terry Snyder, District #5

**IV. MINUTES APPROVAL**

**Motion To:** Approve the minutes of the Tuesday, October 3, 2017 County Board Work Session.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Davin Tinquist, District #1
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Burl Ives, District #4
<b>AYES:</b>	Davin Tinquist, Leo Trunt, Burl Ives
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Terry Snyder, District #5

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion To:** Approve the Consent Agenda, as delineated below.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Burl Ives, District #4
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Davin Tinquist, District #1
<b>AYES:</b>	Davin Tinquist, Leo Trunt, Burl Ives
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Terry Snyder, District #5

1. Approve County Security Updated funded through the Safe and Secure Courthouse Grant and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

2. Approve a letter of support for the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) 10 Year Capital Highway Investment Plan and authorize signature of the Itasca County Board Chair.
3. Adopt the Resolution Re: Cancellation of Old Warrants/Checks.

**Resolution 2017-46**

**RE: CANCELLATION OF OLD WARRANTS/CHECKS**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to MN Statute 345.41, the Itasca County Auditor/Treasurer has submitted a list of warrants-checks three years or older and has recommended that said warrants-checks be canceled.

Payable To	Check #	Amount	Check Date
Anesthesiology PA	94502	\$ 8.34	11/15/2013
Burt	455950	\$ 144.80	4/1/2014
Carlson	454229	\$ 109.61	12/17/2013
Essentia Health - Grand Rapids	62924	\$ 2,730.00	6/16/2014
Hilgedick	456454	\$ 237.44	5/6/2014
Holzemer	454518	\$ 34.40	12/31/2013
Kenneth G Musch MD	98230	\$ 18.19	3/27/2014
Kenneth G Musch MD	99249	\$ 205.10	5/1/2014
Lakeside Psychology Services	62111	\$ 20.00	7/15/2013
Merrick Lichte	454216	\$ 50.00	12/13/2013
North Suburban Urology	91974	\$ 1.61	8/27/2013
Northwest Family Physicians	99740	\$ 3.29	5/13/2014
Nystrom & Associates LTD	100686	\$ 107.23	6/5/2014
Radtke Physical Therapy	94660	\$ 51.65	11/15/2013
St. Lukes Clinics	91861	\$ 16.61	8/27/2013
Thompson	456612	\$ 80.00	5/20/2014
Todd A Dickson ANP	92050	\$ 1.61	8/27/2013
Todd A Dickson ANP	99893	\$ 1.66	5/13/2014
Todd A Dickson ANP	95027	\$ 13.83	11/27/2013
Todd A Dickson ANP	97410	\$ 2.03	2/24/2014
White Earth	453623	\$ 25.00	10/31/2013
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 3,862.40</b>	

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the above listed warrants-checks are hereby canceled and if any of the above listed warrants-checks are returned, the Itasca County Board will follow the proper channels to reinstate said warrants-checks.

4. Approve the Addendum to the Purchase of Services Agreement between ICHHS and Ross Resources for Family Visitation Services, currently in place, for a rate change from \$330,000 to \$470,000, effective October 1, 2017.
5. Adopt the Resolution Re: Authorizing and Fixing the Terms of Sale of a Tax-Forfeited Undivided Interest Property to Other Undivided Interest Owner.

**Resolution 2017-47**

**RE: AUTHORIZING AND FIXING THE TERMS OF SALE OF A TAX-FORFEITED UNDIVIDED INTEREST PROPERTY TO OTHER UNDIVIDED INTEREST OWNER**

**WHEREAS**, an Undivided 1/3 Interest of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW 1/4 SE 1/4) of Section Thirty-three (33), Township Fifty-five (55) North, Range Twenty-six (26), West of the Fourth Principal Meridian has been classified as non-conservation, and

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statute 282.01, subdivision 7a allows for the sale of such a tax-forfeited undivided interest to other undivided interest owners, and

**WHEREAS**, the County Board is by law designated with authority to provide for the sale of such forfeited land on terms included in the Notice of Sale, now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County Auditor of Itasca County offer such tax-forfeited undivided interest property for sale to the other undivided interest owner(s) under Minnesota Statute 282.01, subdivision 7a.

6. Approve 4th Amendment to Surface Lease between United States Steel Corporation (US Steel) and Itasca County, and authorize necessary signatures.
7. Adopt the Resolution Re: Authorizing and Fixing the Terms of Sale to Adjoining Landowners.

**Resolution 2017-48**

**Re: AUTHORIZING AND FIXING THE TERMS OF SALE TO ADJOINING LANDOWNERS**

**WHEREAS**, the County Board has classified and appraised certain tax-forfeited land and list of said land has been filed with the County Auditor, classification of said land has been duly approved, and

**WHEREAS**, the County Board is by law designated with authority to provide for the sale of such tax-forfeited land on terms included in the Notice of Sale,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Notice Of Tax-Forfeited Land Sale be given by certified mail to all adjoining landowners as provided by Minnesota Statute 282.01, subdivision 7a, that the County Auditor of Itasca County shall open sealed bids for such tracts of land for sale in the order in which they appear in said Notice of Sale at 10:00 A.M. on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2017 at the ITASCA COUNTY LAND DEPARTMENT, 1177 LA PRAIRIE AVENUE, GRAND RAPIDS, MN 55744.

8. Adopt the Resolution Re: Repurchase of Lot 22, Block 4 - Calumet - Section 21, Township 56N, Range 23W by Daniel Maturi and authorize necessary signatures.

**Resolution 2017-49**

**RE: REPURCHASE OF LOT 22, BLOCK 4 - CALUMET  
SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 56N, RANGE 23W BY DANIEL MATURI**

**WHEREAS**, Minn. Stat. § 282.241 provides that State of Minnesota lands held in trust for the taxing districts may be repurchased by the owner at the time of forfeiture, or the owner's heirs, devisee's, or representatives, or any person to whom the right to pay taxes was given by statute, mortgage, or other agreement, subject to adoption of a resolution by the County Board and payment of the sum of all delinquent taxes, penalties, interest and associated costs, and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant, Daniel Maturi, has applied to repurchase State of Minnesota land held in trust for the taxing districts legally described as:

Lot 22, Block 4 - Calumet  
Section 21, Township 56N, Range 23W of the 4th Principal Meridian, and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant is eligible to repurchase the property, and

**WHEREAS**, approving the repurchase will promote the use of lands that will best serve the public interest, now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Itasca County Board approves the repurchase application by Daniel Maturi, subject to payment including taxes, penalties & interest \$5,619.91, Deed tax \$18.55; deed issuance fee \$25.00; recording fee \$46.00; repurchase application fee \$300.00, for a total of \$6,009.46.

- 9. Adopt the Resolution Re: Repurchase of the S. 309' of SE NW Less W. 380' & Less E. 620' of W. 1000' of N. 109' of S. 309' - Section 18, Township 56N, Range 25W by Destry Nelson and authorize necessary signatures.

**Resolution 2017-50**

**RE: REPURCHASE OF THE S. 309' OF SE NW LESS W. 380' & LESS E. 620' OF W. 1000' OF N. 109' OF S. 309'**

**SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 56N, RANGE 25W BY DESTRY NELSON**

**WHEREAS**, Minn. Stat. § 282.241 provides that State of Minnesota lands held in trust for the taxing districts may be repurchased by the owner at the time of forfeiture, or the owner's heirs, devisee's, or representatives, or any person to whom the right to pay taxes was given by statute, mortgage, or other agreement, subject to adoption of a resolution by the County Board and payment of the sum of all delinquent taxes, penalties, interest and associated costs, and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant, Destry Nelson, has applied to repurchase State of Minnesota land held in trust for the taxing districts legally described as:

S. 309' of SE NW Less W. 380' & Less E. 620' of W. 1000' of N. 109' of S. 309' Section 18, Township 56N, Range 25W of the 4th Principal Meridian, and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant is eligible to repurchase the property, and

**WHEREAS**, approving the repurchase will promote the use of lands that will best serve the public interest, now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Itasca County Board approves the repurchase application by Destry Nelson, subject to payment including taxes, penalties & interest \$1,922.98, Deed tax \$6.35; deed issuance fee \$25.00; recording fee \$46.00; repurchase application fee \$300.00, for a total of \$2,300.33.

- 10. Authorize state bonding application request by Itasca County for approximately \$513,229 from the State of MN with a \$350,000 local match to construct a replacement transmission plant for Northern Community Radio/KAXE, a local independent community-owned and -licensed nonprofit broadcaster for 41 years.
- 11. Authorize the Itasca County Board Chair and County Administrator to sign the 2017 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) in the amount of \$31,294.00 Which is an agreement between the Commissioner of Public Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) and Itasca County.

**VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

- 1. Recognition of County Employee(s)

The following employees were recognized:

Casey Dabrowski has accepted a promotion to District Forester in the Land Department effective September 26, 2017 due to a resignation.

Russel Montgomery has accepted a transfer to Highway Maintenance Worker in the Transportation Department effective October 2, 2017 due to a retirement.

Myranda Erickson has accepted a transfer to Data/Project Coordinator in the Health and Human Services Department effective October 9, 2017 due to a transfer within the department.

Doris Pettersen has accepted a promotion to Child Support Officer in the Health and Human Services Department effective October 16, 2017 due to a promotion.

**RESULT: INFORMATIONAL-NO ACTION TAKEN**

2. Commissioner Warrants

**Motion To:** Approve Commissioner Warrants with a check date of 10/13/2017, in the amount of \$1,984,068.60.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Davin Tinquist, District #1
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Burl Ives, District #4
<b>AYES:</b>	Davin Tinquist, Leo Trunt, Burl Ives
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Terry Snyder, District #5

3. Family Services Division Updates/Presentation

Family Services Division Manager Becky Lauer provided a Child Protection Report to the Board for the third quarter of 2017.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>INFORMATIONAL-NO ACTION TAKEN</b>
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4. Great River Energy 69 kV Transmission Line and Substation

Great River Energy Representative Dale Aukee provided information regarding the proposed construction of a 69 kV electric transmission line and electric substation along Itasca County Highway 7 connecting to a new North Itasca Electric Cooperative substation northeast of Brush Shanty Lake.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>INFORMATIONAL-NO ACTION TAKEN</b>
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5. National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month

**Motion To:** Adopt the Resolution Re: National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month in Itasca County, which designates the month of November 2017 as National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month in Itasca County.

**Resolution 2017-45**

**RE: NATIONAL HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH IN ITASCA COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the National Coalition for the Homeless and National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness are sponsors of and have set November 12-19, 2017 as National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the proclamation is to educate the public about the many reasons people are hungry and homeless including the shortage of affordable housing in Itasca County for very low income residents; and to encourage support for homeless assistance service providers as well as community service opportunities for students and school service organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, there are many organizations committed to sheltering, providing supportive services as well as meals and basic needs supplies to the homeless including; Kootasca Community Action, AEOA, Grace House, Northland Counseling Center, Salvation Army, Itasca County Veterans Services and other Housing Issues Advisory Committee members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Itasca County Board of Commissioners recognize that hunger and homelessness continues to be a serious problem for many individuals and families in Itasca County; and

**WHEREAS**, the intent of National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month is consistent with the activities of Kootasca Community Action, AEOA, Grace House, Northland Counseling, Salvation Army, Itasca County Veterans Services and the Housing Issues Advisory Committee; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Itasca County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims the month of November 2017 as Itasca County Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month and November 12-19 as Itasca County Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Itasca County Board of Commissioners encourages all citizens to recognize that many people do not have housing and need support from citizens, and private/public non-profit service entities.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Davin Tinquist, District #1
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Burl Ives, District #4
<b>AYES:</b>	Davin Tinquist, Leo Trunt, Burl Ives
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Terry Snyder, District #5

6. Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Coordinator Update

Itasca County Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Coordinator Bill Grantges provided an Itasca County AIS Program Update.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>INFORMATIONAL-NO ACTION TAKEN</b>
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**VII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Tinquist acknowledged October 8-14, 2017 as National Fire Prevention Week and urged the public to attend area open house events.

**VIII. ADJOURN**

Vice-Chair Trunt adjourned the meeting at 3:17 p.m.

**ATTEST**

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Terry Snyder  
Chair of the County Board

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Brett Skyles  
Clerk of the County Board