



**MOUNTAIN IRON  
CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING**

**MONDAY, MAY 15, 2017**

**6:30 P.M.**

**MOUNTAIN IRON COMMUNITY CENTER**

**MOUNTAIN IRON ROOM**

**MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
MOUNTAIN IRON ROOM  
MONDAY, MAY 15, 2017 - 6:30 P.M.  
A G E N D A**

- I. Roll Call
- II. Consent Agenda
  - A. Minutes of the April 20, 2017, Local Board of Appeals (#1-2)
  - B. Minutes of the May 1, 2017, Regular Meeting (#3-9)
  - C. Minutes of the May 8, 2017, Local Board of Appeals (#10-11)
  - D. Receipts
  - E. Bills and Payroll
  - F. Communications
- III. Public Forum
- IV. Committee and Staff Reports
  - A. Mayor's Report
  - B. City Administrator's
    - 1. Utility Easement with Mountain Iron-Buhl School (#12-16)
  - C. Director of Public Works Report
    - 1. Road Salt Purchase (#17)
  - D. Library Director/Special Events Coordinator's Report
  - E. Sheriff's Department Report
  - F. City Attorney's Report
  - G. City Engineer's Report
  - H. Personnel Committee
    - 1. Waste Water Operator Position (#18)
  - I. Liaison Reports
- V. Unfinished Business
- VI. New Business
  - A. Summer Seasonal Employees (#19)
  - B. Resolution Number 14-17 Land sale (#20-22)
- VII. Communications (#23-26)
- VIII. Announcements
- IX. Adjourn

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MINUTES  
MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL  
BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION  
APRIL 20, 2017

Mayor Gary Skalko called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. with the following Councilor members present: Joe Prebeg, Jr., Alan Stanaway, Susan Tuomela, Steve Skogman, and Mayor Gary Skalko. Also present were: Amanda Inmon, Municipal Services Secretary; Brian Grahek, Principal Appraiser for Saint Louis County; Shawn Hainey, Real Estate Appraiser for Saint Louis County; and Patrick Orent, Principal Appraiser.

The Saint Louis County officials stated that for the City of Mountain Iron overall median sales ratio was at 87.6%. Nominal increases in building values were made in the city proper, and nominal increases in building and land values were made in rural Mountain Iron to adjust the City's median sales ratio to meet the Minnesota Department of Revenue's required no less than 90% and no more than 105% sales ratio. After adjustments based on the sales ratio study, Mountain Iron's median ratio is 91.6%.

**It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to accept the recommendation of the County Assessor to reduce the building value amount from \$46,600 to \$46,400 to the property of John Roskoski, 5732 Mineral Ave, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0010-02500. The motion carried with 4:1 with Skogman objecting.**

**It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to accept the recommendation of the County Assessor to reduce the building value amount from \$113,200 to \$110,100 to the property of Edmund Roskoski, 5409 North Court, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0012-00150. The motion carried 4:1 with Skalko objecting.**

**It was moved by Stanaway and seconded by Skogman to direct the Saint Louis County Appraisers to meet with Brad & Tammy Hejda to review their property at 5623 Falcon Avenue, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0051-00690, and to make recommendation. The motion carried.**

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**It was moved by Skogman and seconded by Prebeg to direct the Saint Louis County Appraisers to meet with Nina Buria to review her property at 9140 Streetcar Road, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0070-01932 and to make recommendation. The motion carried.**

**It was moved by Stanaway and seconded by Skogman to accept the recommendation of the County Assessor to reduce the building value amount from \$284,100 to \$269,600 to the property of Byron Negen, 5490 Davis Ave, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0070-01491.**

**It was moved by Skogman and seconded by Tuomela to accept the recommendation of the County Assessor to reduce the building value amount from \$94,200 to \$85,300 to the property of Alan Mattila, 8496 Mud Lake Road, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0071-01334. The motion carried.**

**It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to accept the recommendation of the County Assessor to reduce the building value amount from \$245,700 to \$245,000 to the property of James and Carol Techar, 5497 Coral Lane, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0063-00160. The motion carried.**

**It was moved by Stanaway and seconded by Prebeg to accept the recommendation of the County Assessor to make no changes to the property of Chester Lewandowski, 8422 Unity Drive, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0071-01285. The motion carried.**

**It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to reconvene the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization for Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm at the Mountain Iron Community Center. The motion carried.**

**At 7:59p.m., it was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Skogman to recess the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting. The motion carried.**

Submitted by:  


Amanda Inmon  
Municipal Services Secretary  
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MINUTES  
MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL  
May 1, 2017

Mayor Skalko called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30p.m. with the following members present: Joe Prebeg, Jr., Alan Stanaway, Susan Tuomela, Steve Skogman, and Mayor Gary Skalko. Also present were: Craig J. Wainio, City Administrator; Tim Satrang, Director of Public Works; Sally Yuccas, Librarian Director/Special Events Director; SGT John Backman, Sherriff's Department.

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

1. Add the following items to the agenda:
  - IV. A. 1. Letter to Plaza 53 Owners
  - VI. C. Humane Society
2. Approve the minutes of the April 17, 2017, 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 April 16-30, 2017, totaling \$225,224.46 (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).
5. To authorize the payments of the bills and payroll for the period April 16-3, 2017, totaling \$189,515.22 (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).

**Public Forum:**

- Rick Pierce discussed Quad Cities Arena Project, which would encompass three rinks, as well as floor system for volleyball/basketball main arena, dry land training facility, farmed school section six-stem/multi-purpose classrooms, and Performing Arts stage. Talked with community members to find a location for this new building, visited with Eveleth and Virginia, suggestions were made to be located on Highway 53, across from the Hockey Hall of Fame. Envisioned ownership of the building to be the Quad Cities hopefully, looking for support from local Municipalities, not able to look for funding sources from multiple avenues without support from local Municipalities.
- Discussion ensued for funding availability, support and collaboration from Schools and local Municipalities.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Stanaway to recognize Quad City concept and encourage future planning of the Quad Cities Arena. The motion carried.

**The Mayor reported on the following:**

- Happy belated Birthday to Paul Fischer turned 97 on April 26<sup>th</sup>
- Happy belated Birthday to Shirley Anderson-Charles turned 90 on April 28<sup>th</sup>
- Happy early Birthday to Gladys Johnson turning 98 on May 5<sup>th</sup>
- Congratulations to the Mountain Iron-Buhl Archery team for placing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Midwest Regional Shootout at the High school level, in Dodgeville, WI
  - Great job to Julie Knapper, finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall in the Girls Division
  - Great job to Brandon Russell, finished 1<sup>st</sup> in the Junior-High Boys Division
  - Great job to Brody Soyryng, finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall in the Junior-High Boys Division

- Congratulations and best wishes to the graduating class of Mountain Iron-Buhl with a special congratulations to the 14 Honor Students

It was moved by Skalko and seconded by Tuomela to send letter to Plaza 53 Owners strongly encouraging them to upgrade the Plaza 53 West Retail Center parking lot due to safety concerns. The motion carried 3:2

The City Administrator reported on the following:

- Garden North residents notified following previous meeting in regards to purchasing lots located behind property, if resident was not notified please contact City Hall
- Seeking Summer Coaches for Parks & Recreation Department
- Local Board of Appeals and Equalization reconvene meeting scheduled for Monday, May 8, 2017 at 5:00pm at the Mountain Iron Community Center

Director of Public Works:

- Hydrant-flushing started May 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Residents might see water pressure differences and discolored water
- City workers out repairing lawn damaged during winter months, call City Hall if need lawn repair
- Gravel road maintenance starting in rural Mountain Iron

Library Director/Special Events Coordinator:

- Prepping for Summer Reading program starting June 1, 2017

Sheriff's Department:

- St. Louis County awarded Lifesaver awards to:
  - Bo Foe and Johnny Marsala
  - Deputy Belleville
  - Deputy Johnson

City Engineer:

- No formal report
- Benchmark recently hired graduate Engineer and Jeremy Schwarz, Benchmark Engineer, took PE Exam

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to accept the recommendation of the Utility Advisory Board and approve the large trash pick-up for City of Mountain Iron residents with garbage service fee of \$10.00, tentatively scheduled for first couple weeks of June. Complete form and payment must be turned in and paid for by June 5<sup>th</sup> by 4pm. The motion carried.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Skogman to approve Resolution #12-17; Setting a public hearing for the proposed assessment of Garden Drive. The hearing is set for the first meeting in June at 5:30pm at the Mountain Iron Community Center (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried.

It was moved by Skogman and seconded by Stanaway to approve Resolution #13-17; Grant application, authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the IRRRB to assist with the Mountain Iron's portion of the 2017 Highway 169 reconstruction project. Mountain Iron is partnering with MNDoT and St. Louis County on the intersection project and therefore are responsible for the Enterprise Drive North portion of the intersection (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried.

Councilor Prebeg wanted to thank everyone that helped out at the benefit for Marcia Gellerstedt, especially the kitchen crew, as well as the Community for the continued support.

At 7:33p.m., it was moved by Skalko and seconded by Skogman that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

Submitted by:



Amanda Inmon  
Municipal Services Secretary  
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## Summary By Category And Distribution

Category	Distribution	Amount
UTILITY	UTILITY	160,742.02
PERMITS	BUILDING	178.50
METER DEPOSITS	ELECTRIC	700.00
MISCELLANEOUS	REIMBURSEMENTS	2,947.66
MISCELLANEOUS	REC DEPT-VARIOUS FEES/PMTS	2,465.00
TAXES	MISCELLANEOUS TAXES	2,107.82
CAMPGROUND RECEIPTS	FEES	2,570.00
CAMPGROUND RECEIPTS	PAVILION FEES	240.00
CAMPGROUND RECEIPTS	LODGING TAX PAYABLE - W2 CAMP.	77.10
CAMPGROUND RECEIPTS	SALES TAX PAYABLE-W2 CAMPGR.	207.30
MISCELLANEOUS	CHARITABLE GAMBLING PROCEEDS	628.19
MISCELLANEOUS	COCA-COLA RECEIPTS-CITY HALL	18.78
FINES	CRIMINAL	-
BUILDING RENTALS	COMMUNITY CENTER	375.00
BUILDING RENTALS	BUILDING RENTAL DEPOSITS	600.00
COPIES	COPIES	23.75
BUILDING RENTALS	SENIOR CENTER	75.00
LICENSES	ANIMAL	25.00
MISCELLANEOUS	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD PAYABLE	39,305.42
SALE OF PROPERTY	SALE OF PROP-SO FOREST GR LOTS	750.00
MISCELLANEOUS	ASSESSMENT SEARCHES	10.00
MISCELLANEOUS	REIMB PHONE EXPENSE-ELEC	-
PERMITS	VENDOR	200.00
MISCELLANEOUS	USABLE LIFE INS. PAYABLE	363.58
MISCELLANEOUS	DELTA DENTAL PAYABLE	1,593.15
MISCELLANEOUS	REFUSE-SALE OF SCRAP METAL	207.39
MISCELLANEOUS	CABLE TV FRANCHISE FEE	5,593.27
SALE OF PROPERTY	SALE OF PROPERTY-GENERAL FUND	750.00
TAXES	SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS-CURRENT	2,470.55
Summary Totals:		<u>225,224.46</u>



Per	Date	Check No	Vendor No	Payee	Check GL Acct	Amount
05/17	05/08/2017	149968	743	ADVANCED MINNESOTA	101-20200	250.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149969	10075	AMERIPRIDE SERVICES	101-20200	42.22
05/17	05/08/2017	149970	10021	ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM	101-20200	42.16
05/17	05/08/2017	149971	5007	ASSURANT EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	101-20200	741.57
05/17	05/08/2017	149972	10031	AYERS DISTRIBUTING	101-20200	695.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149973	20047	BROCKWHITE CONSTRUCTION MAT.	602-20200	2,499.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149974	30055	BTAC ACQUISITION CORP.	101-20200	425.23
05/17	05/08/2017	149975	30022	COLOSIMO PATCHIN KEARNEY	101-20200	895.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149976	30072	COMPUTER WORLD	101-20200	5,756.45
05/17	05/08/2017	149977	260008	DANNY J. ZUPANCICH	101-20200	10.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149978	40060	DELTA DENTAL OF MINNESOTA	101-20200	2,031.20
05/17	05/08/2017	149979	50049	ESSENTIA HEALTH	604-20200	50.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149980	60026	FASTENAL COMPANY	602-20200	99.87
05/17	05/08/2017	149981	60003	FIVE SEASONS SPORTS CENTER	101-20200	123.98
05/17	05/08/2017	149982	70042	GRAPHIC TECHNOLOGIES (DBA)	301-20200	400.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149983	80022	HAWKINS INC	601-20200	1,739.40
05/17	05/08/2017	149984	30096	HIPPLE, JAMES	101-20200	250.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149985	80037	HOMETOWN MEDIA PARTNERS	602-20200	108.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149986	90010	INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF	101-20200	160.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149987	200059	JEFFREY CIELOCHA	101-20200	60.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149988	30086	JULIE NYMAN	101-20200	50.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149989	140065	KEITH NYMAN	101-20200	40.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149990	120032	LAKE COUNTRY POWER	101-20200	214.50
05/17	05/08/2017	149991	120014	LUNDGREN MOTORS	101-20200	41.84
05/17	05/08/2017	149992	110035	MIDWEST COMMUNICATIONS	101-20200	125.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149993	130024	MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL AG	602-20200	1,450.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149994	130009	MINNESOTA POWER (ALLETE INC)	101-20200	1,468.49
05/17	05/08/2017	149995	130176	MN FIRE SERVICE CERTIFICATION	101-20200	50.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149996	140004	NORTHERN ENGINE & SUPPLY INC	603-20200	501.46
05/17	05/08/2017	149997	140005	NORTHERN FITNESS GROUP	101-20200	377.96
05/17	05/08/2017	149998	140055	NORTHERN VISUAL SERVICES LLP	101-20200	40.00
05/17	05/08/2017	149999	40032	OFFICE OF MN.IT SERVICES	604-20200	486.42
05/17	05/08/2017	150000	150011	OLD DOMINION BRUSH	101-20200	344.83
05/17	05/08/2017	150001	160066	PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES	602-20200	356.00
05/17	05/08/2017	150002	160038	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL	101-20200	268.88
05/17	05/08/2017	150003	160071	PURCHASE POWER	101-20200	1,500.00
05/17	05/08/2017	150004	180046	RETROFIT RECYCLING INC	101-20200	936.08
05/17	05/08/2017	150005	160051	RYAN PONTINEN	101-20200	50.00
05/17	05/08/2017	150006	190088	SATRANG, TIM	604-20200	12.86
05/17	05/08/2017	150007	190006	SPRING CREEK OUTFITTERS INC	604-20200	8.66
05/17	05/08/2017	150008	190033	STAR TRIBUNE	101-20200	131.95
05/17	05/08/2017	150009	200058	STEPHANIE CIELOCHA	101-20200	90.00
05/17	05/08/2017	150010	200020	THE TRENTI LAW FIRM	101-20200	2,665.96
05/17	05/08/2017	150011	200036	TRITEC OF MINNESOTA INC	602-20200	52.00
05/17	05/08/2017	150012	220025	VERIZON WIRELESS	101-20200	23.77
05/17	05/08/2017	150013	220004	VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC	604-20200	51,928.83
05/17	05/08/2017	150014	220013	VOL. FIREFIGHTERS' BENEFIT	101-20200	98.00
05/17	05/08/2017	150015	230033	WITMER ASSOCIATES INC	101-20200	720.38
05/17	05/08/2017	150016	240001	XEROX CORPORATION	101-20200	84.35

Totals:

	80,515.10
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	469.76
PP-ENDING 4/21	<u>108,590.36</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u><u>\$189,575.22</u></u>



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## RESOLUTION NUMBER 12-17

### CALLING A HEARING ON PROPOSED ASSESSMENT

**WHEREAS**, by a resolution passed by the council on April 17, 2017, the City Administrator was directed to prepare a proposed assessment of the cost of Improvement Number 15-09, the improvement of Garden Drive between Arbor Lane and Fairview Lane by overlay, and

**WHEREAS**, the City Administrator has notified the council that such proposed assessment has been completed and filed in his/her office for public inspection,

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

1. A hearing shall be held at 5:30 p.m. on June 5, 2017 in the Community Center located at 8586 Enterprise Drive South to pass upon such proposed assessment. All persons owning property affected by such improvement will be given an opportunity to be heard with reference to such assessment.
2. The City Administrator is hereby directed to cause a notice of the hearing on the proposed assessment to be published once in the official newspaper at least two weeks prior to the hearing, and he/she shall state in the notice the total cost of the improvement. He/She shall also cause mailed notice to be given to the owner of each parcel described in the assessment roll not less than two weeks prior to the hearing.
3. The owner of any property so assessed may, at any time prior to certification of the assessment to the county auditor, pay the whole of the assessment on such property, with interest accrued to the date of payment, to the City of Mountain Iron, except that no interest shall be charged if the entire assessment is paid within 180 days from the adoption of the assessment. An owner may at any time thereafter, pay to the City Administrator the entire amount of the assessment remaining unpaid, with interest accrued to December 31 of the year in which such payment is made. Such payment must be made before November 15 or interest will be charged through December 31 of the succeeding year.

**DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 1<sup>st</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2017.**

ATTEST:

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Gary Skalko



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## RESOLUTION NUMBER 13-17

### AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON TO MAKE APPLICATION TO AND ACCEPT FUNDS THE IRRRB

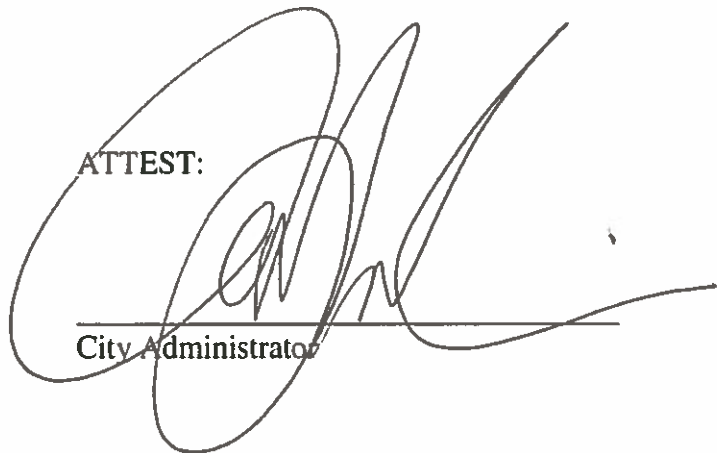
WHEREAS, the Mountain Iron City Council approves of the attached application for the Highway 169/County Road 7/Enterprise Drive North project; and,

WHEREAS, the Mountain Iron City Council agrees to accept funding for the underlying project if approved by the IRRRB.

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 1<sup>st</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2017.

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City Administrator  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Gary Skalko

MINUTES  
MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL  
BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION  
MAY 8, 2017

Mayor Gary Skalko called the meeting to order at 5:03p.m. with the following Councilor members present: Joe Prebeg, Jr., Alan Stanaway, Susan Tuomela, Steve Skogman, and Mayor Gary Skalko. Also present were: Amanda Inmon, Municipal Services Secretary; Shawn Hainey, Real Estate Appraiser for Saint Louis County; and Patrick Orent, Principal Appraiser.

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**It was moved by Skogman and seconded by Tuomela to accept the recommendation of the County Assessor to reduce the building value amount \$228,000 to \$220,300 to the property of Joanne McGregor, P.O. Box 394, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0071-05023. The motion carried.**

**It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to accept the recommendation of the County Assessor to reduce the building value amount from \$145,800 to \$136,600 to the property of Mark Niemi, 5497 Marion Lane, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0017-00020. The motion carried.**

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At 5:28pm it was moved by Skogman and seconded by Stanaway to recess the Local Board of Appeals meeting. The motion carried.

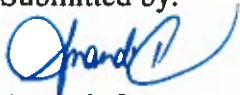
At 5:35 it was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Skogman to reconvene the Local Board of Appeals meeting. The motion carried.

**It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Skogman to accept the recommendation of the County Assessor to reduce the building value amount from \$43,900 to \$30,000 to the property of Dixie Erickson, 5688 Mineral Avenue, Mountain Iron, Parcel Code 175-0020-00720. The motion carried.**

The board members reaffirmed Edmund Roskoski's appeal rights to attend and appeal at the St. Louis County's Board of Appeals and Localization, Tuesday, June 20, 2017, in Duluth or Thursday, June 22, 2017 in Virginia, MN.

At 6:13p.m., it was moved by Skalko and seconded by Tuomela to recess the Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting. The motion carried.

Submitted by:



Amanda Inmon  
Municipal Services Secretary

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**COUNCIL LETTER 051517-IVB1**

**ADMINISTRATION**

**EASEMENT**

**DATE:** May 11, 2017

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

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In order to accommodate the construction of the new Mountain Iron-Buhl High School we have been approached to relocate our electric line. This electric line relocation will require obtaining an easement from the school district. Enclosed is a copy of the proposed easement relocation for City Council consideration. All costs associate with the easement and power line relocation are to be paid for by the Mountain Iron-Buhl School District.

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## RELOCATION OF UTILITY EASEMENT

**THIS INDENTURE**, made and entered into this \_\_\_\_ day of May, 2017, by and between **Independent School District #712, formerly Independent School District #703**, a school district organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota, Grantor, and **CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON**, a political subdivision under the laws of the State of Minnesota, Grantee,

**WHEREAS**, the parties entered into a Utility Easement dated December 13, 2007, filed January 3, 2008, as Document No. 1071095, granting the Grantee a utility easement over the Grantor's real estate located in the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, to wit:

Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE1/4 of SW1/4), Section Eleven (11), Township Fifty-eight (58) North, Range Eighteen (18) West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, EXCEPT highway right-of-way AND EXCEPT the South 420.00 feet of the East 460.00 feet AND EXCEPT that part North of Highway 169 right-of-way

and

**WHEREAS**, Grantor is constructing an addition to its structure located on said lands, and in furtherance of such construction, the parties have agreed to relocate the utility corridor.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, Grantor does hereby grant, bargain and convey to **CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON**, and the Grantee does hereby accept the relocation of the utility corridor to be as follows:

A 20.00 foot perpetual easement for utility purposes over, under and across that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE1/4 of SW1/4) of Section Eleven (11), Township Fifty-eight (58) North, Range Eighteen (18) West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, City of Mountain Iron, St. Louis County, Minnesota. The center line of said center line is described as follows:

Commencing at the southwest corner of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 11; thence South 89 degrees 11 minutes 48 seconds East, assigned bearing, along the south line of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter 202.38 feet to the point of beginning of said center line; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 51.70 feet; thence North 88 degrees 22 minutes 37 seconds West 50.01 feet; thence North 02 degrees 05 minutes 4 7 seconds East 457.41 feet; thence North 79 degrees 06 minutes 20 seconds West 67.60 feet; thence 90.13 feet along a tangential curve concave to the northeast, with 0 radius of 80.00 feet and a central angle of 64 degrees 32 minutes 59 seconds; thence North 14 degrees 33 minutes 21 seconds West, tangent to previously described curve, 187.71 feet; thence North 01

degrees 32 minutes 26 seconds West 193 .72 feet more or less to the south right of way line of State Highway No. 169 and said center line there terminating

All as shown on Easement Description Exhibit attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**TO HAVE AND TO HOLD SAID EASEMENT** unto said Grantee and its assigns for perpetuity to run with the land as appurtenant to said land.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, said Grantor has hereunto set its hand the day and year first above written.

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 712**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its \_\_\_\_\_

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

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, respectively, of

**Independent School District #712**, a school district organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota, on behalf of **Independent School District #712**.

*Notary Stamp or Seal*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public



**CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its City Administrator

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

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2017 by Gary Skalko and Craig Wainio the Mayor and City Administrator of **CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON**, a political subdivision organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota, on behalf of **CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON**.

*Notary Stamp or Seal*

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Notary Public

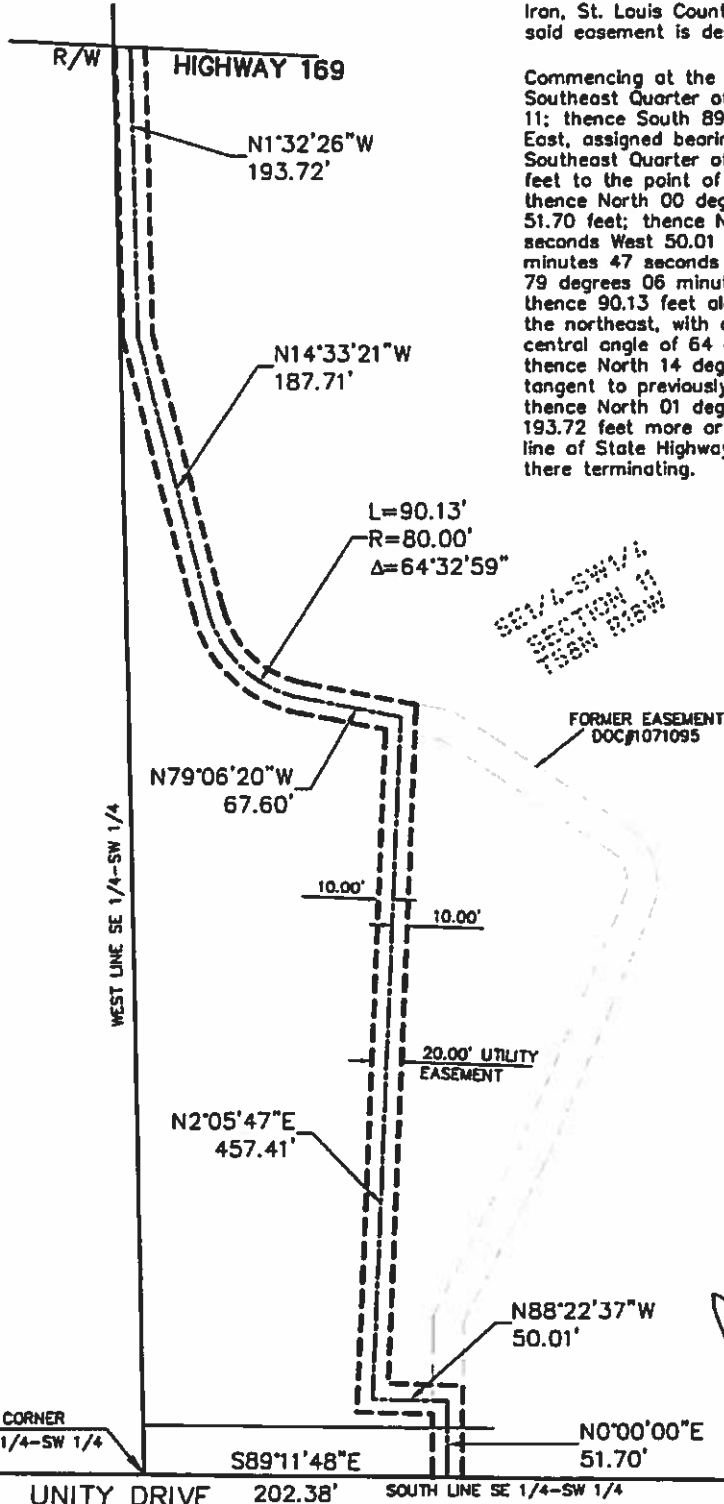
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# EASEMENT DESCRIPTION EXHIBIT

FOR  
**CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON**  
 ACROSS PART OF THE SE1/4-SW1/4, SECTION 11  
 IN TOWNSHIP 58 NORTH, RANGE 18 WEST  
 ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA

A 20.00 foot utility easement over, under, and across that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 58 North, Range 18 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, City of Mountain Iron, St. Louis County, Minnesota. The center line of said easement is described as follows:

Commencing at the southwest corner of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 11; thence South 89 degrees 11 minutes 48 seconds East, assigned bearing, along the south line of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter 202.38 feet to the point of beginning of said center line; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 51.70 feet; thence North 88 degrees 22 minutes 37 seconds West 50.01 feet; thence North 02 degrees 05 minutes 47 seconds East 457.41 feet; thence North 79 degrees 06 minutes 20 seconds West 67.60 feet; thence 90.13 feet along a tangential curve concave to the northeast, with a radius of 80.00 feet and a central angle of 64 degrees 32 minutes 59 seconds; thence North 14 degrees 33 minutes 21 seconds West, tangent to previously described curve, 187.71 feet; thence North 01 degrees 32 minutes 26 seconds West 193.72 feet more or less to the south right of way line of State Highway No. 169 and said center line there terminating.



SE 1/4-SW 1/4  
 SECTION 11  
 T58N R18W

FORMER EASEMENT  
 DOC#1071095



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I hereby certify that this plan, specification or report was prepared by me or under my supervision and that I am a duly Licensed LAND SURVEYOR under the laws of the State of MINNESOTA.

Printed name: CHRIS BATH  
 Date: 1-20-17 Lic. No. 51788

UNITY DRIVE 202.38' SOUTH LINE SE 1/4-SW 1/4

EXHIBIT  
 "A"  
 Pg 4 of 4

**COUNCIL LETTER 051517-IVC1**

**STREETS**

**ROAD SALT**

**DATE:** May 11, 2017

**FROM:** Tim Satrang  
Director of Public Works

Craig J. Wainio  
City Administrator

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Staff is requesting authorization to purchase 200 tons of road salt for the 2017-2018 winter. The state bid price for the road salt is \$61.50 per ton delivered to the City's salt pile.

**COUNCIL LETTER 051517-IVH1**

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**OPERATOR POSITION**

**DATE:** May 11, 2017

**FROM:** Personnel Committee

Craig J. Wainio  
City Administrator

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The Personnel Committee conducted interviews for the position of Wastewater Operator on Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Based upon those interviews and subsequent discussion and contact with the candidates, the Personnel Committee recommends that the following be offered employment with the City of Mountain Iron:

- Mr. Bradford Bennett          Wastewater Operator

All employment offers are contingent upon the passing of a physical, background check and a drug and alcohol test.

**COUNCIL LETTER 051517-VIA**

**PUBLIC WORKS/PUBLIC UTILITIES  
PARKS & RECREATION  
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**SUMMER WORKERS**

**DATE:** May 11, 2017  
**FROM:** Tim Satrang  
Director of Public Works  
  
Craig J. Wainio  
City Administrator

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Staff is seeking City Council approval to hire the following as summer temporary employees:

Public Works/Public Utilities:

Tevin Woinarowicz	Marydith Long
Brody Bissonette	Arin Marks
Andrew Dale	Dylan Leff
Patricia Overbye	

Parks & Recreation:

Riley Wilson	Casey Kitner
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Library:

Anne Grierson

Coaches:

Cody Ellis	Jill Ellis
Chelsea Mayry	Wyatt Phaneauf
Paul Peterson	Laura Peterson
Lindsey Lampi	Arin Marks
Corey Johnson	Brody Bissonette
Jeff Tiedeman	Rusty Dall
Jesse White	Chris Primeau
Audrey White	

Tennis:

Raija Sarich	Madilyn Jankila
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**COUNCIL LETTER 051517-VIB**

**ADMINISTRATION**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-17**

**DATE:** May 11, 2017

**FROM:** City Council

Craig J. Wainio  
City Administrator

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Lot 8 Block 7 of Merritt's First Addition to Mountain Iron was conveyed to the City by St. Louis County after the parcel became tax forfeit. The City was interested in the parcel due to use having an undocumented sewer main across this parcel. We have now documented and memorialized the sewer main easement in favor of the City. Since the City has no planned use for the underlying property, staff is proposing to sell the property to the adjoining property owners, of course, subject to the easement. Resolution Number 14-17 authorizes the same of the property. Our recommendation is that the each property owner is offered half the lot at \$250 each if one of the owners declines the entire lot will be offered to the other owner for \$500.



# CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON

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## RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-17

### AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has heretofore determined that it is beneficial to the City of Mountain Iron to convey real property.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA**, that the Mayor and City Administrator, upon receipt of payment, execute the deed to convey real property in St. Louis County, Minnesota, as described Lot 8, Block 7 in Merritt's First Addition to Mountain Iron.

**DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2017.**

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Mayor Gary Skalko

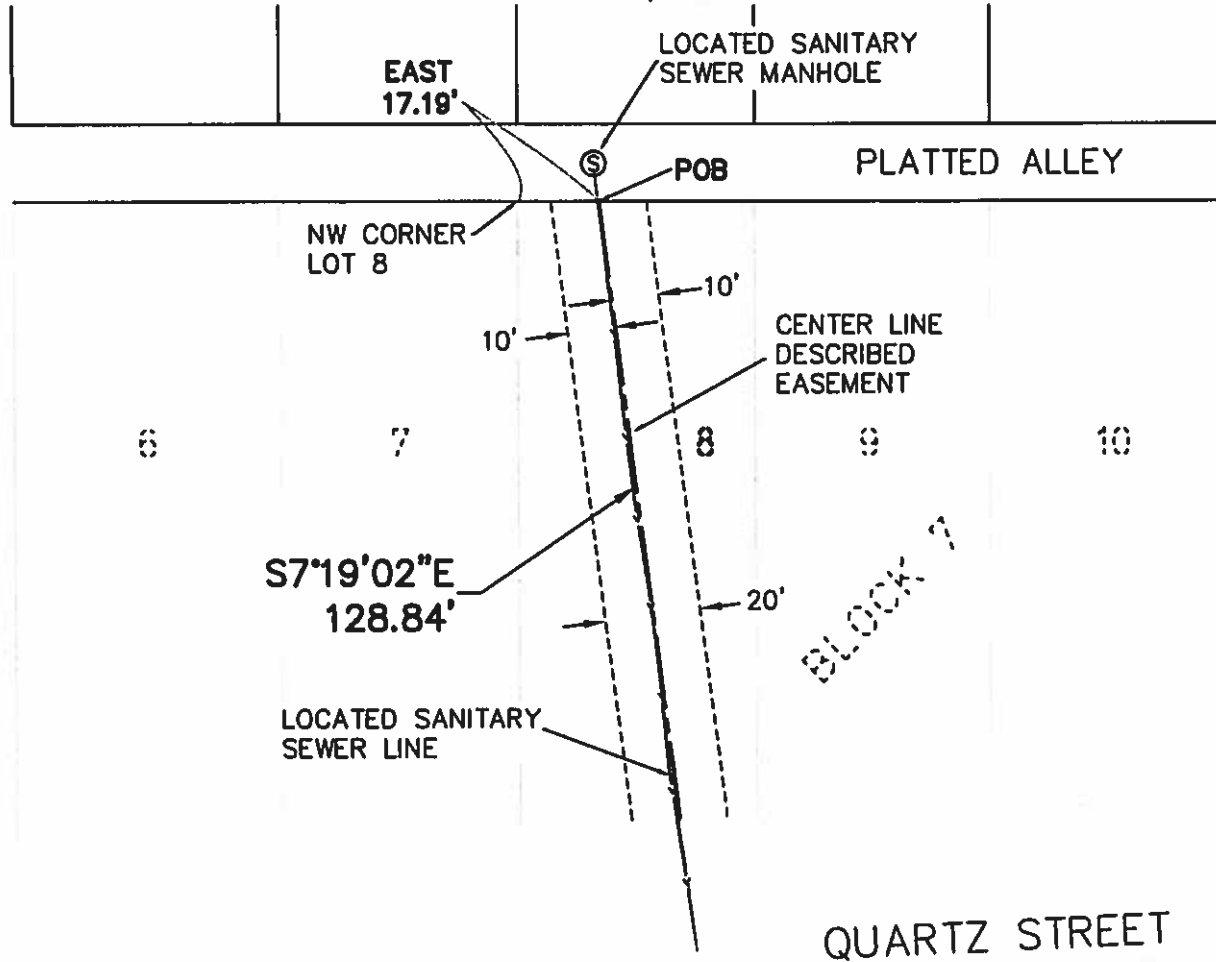
ATTEST:

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City Administrator

# EASEMENT DESCRIPTION EXHIBIT

FOR  
**CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON**  
 ACROSS LOT 8, BLOCK 7  
 MERRITT'S FIRST ADDITION TO MOUNTAIN IRON  
 IN THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON  
 ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA



A 20.00 foot easement for utility purposes over, under, and across Lot 8, Block 7, plat of MERRITT'S FIRST ADDITION TO MOUNTAIN IRON according to the recorded plat thereof. The center line of said easement is described as follows;  
 Commencing at the northwest corner of said Lot 8; thence East, assigned bearing, along the north line of said Lot 8 a distance of 17.19 feet to the point of beginning of said centerline; thence South 07 degrees 19 minutes 02 seconds East a distance of 128.84 feet more or less to the south line of said Lot 8 and there terminating.  
 The side lines of said easement are prolonged or shortened to terminate on the north and south lines of of said Lot 8.



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I hereby certify that this plan, specification or report was prepared by me or under my supervision and that I am a duly-licensed LAND SURVEYOR under the laws of the State of MINNESOTA.

Printed name: CHRIS MATILA  
 Date: 5-1-17 Lic. No. 51784





May 3, 2017

City Clerk  
City of Mt. Iron  
8586 Enterprise Drive S  
Mt. Iron, MN 55768

Dear City Clerk:

Please be advised that the annual hearing on unmined iron ore assessments for the year 2017 will begin at 10:00 a.m, Monday, May 22, 2017 in the U. S. Bank Building, 230 1<sup>st</sup> Street S, Suite 102, Virginia, Minnesota.

Detailed information is enclosed on the 2017 tentative valuations in your taxing district, which will be considered at the hearing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Robert A. Wagstrom'.

Robert A Wagstrom  
Engineering Specialist Sr.

Enclosure

**MOUNTAIN IRON CITY**

**ST. LOUIS COUNTY**

Operating Company and Fee Owner	Name of Property	Description			Assessment Jan 2, 2016 as Equalized by Commissioner of Revenue				Tonnage Changes: M = Mined + = Increase - = Decrease	Last Report	Assessment Jan 2, 2017 as Equalized by Commissioner of Revenue			Value Change	
		Subd.	S-T-R	S.D.	Tons	Class	Market Rate \$/Ton	Market Value Unmined Ore			Tons	Class	Market Rate \$/Ton		Market Value Unmined Ore
USS Corporation, Fee	Mt. Iron Mine														
	175-70-403	SE-NW	3-58-18	712	16,513	UGC	1.8	300	1963	16,513	UGC	1.8	300		
Tax Forfeit (1/1/991)	Brunt Mine	NE-NE	10-58-18	712	154,012	Tons UGC			1968	154,012	Tons UGC				
	175-70-1190				112,983	Tons UGHM			1967	112,983	Tons UGHM				
	175-70-1200	NW-NE	10-58-18	712	6,445	Tons OPC			1967	6,445	Tons OPC				
					212,325	Tons OPHM				212,325	Tons OPHM				
					19,388	Tons UGC				19,388	Tons UGC				
	175-70-1210	SW-NE	10-58-18	712	270,308	Tons UGC			1967	270,308	Tons UGC				
					899,815	Tons UGHM			1967	899,815	Tons UGHM				
	175-70-1300	NW-SE	10-58-18	712	49,680	Tons UGHM				49,680	Tons UGHM				
						(Tax Exempt)					(Tax Exempt)				
Tax Forfeit (1/1/990)	Inquois Mine	E1/2 NW	10-58-18	712	84,467	Tons OPHM			1962	84,467	Tons OPHM				
	175-70-1240					(Tax Exempt)					(Tax Exempt)				
					16,513			300		16,513			300	0	
		TOTALS			16,513			300	0	16,513			300	0	

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **Mediacom Extends Gigabit Broadband Services to Five-County Area of Northern Minnesota**

***Second wave adds 37 communities where residents can connect  
to new generation of cable industry technology***

**Hibbing, MN – May 2, 2017 – [Mediacom Communications](#)** today announced the expanded roll-out of new broadband technology to bring [1 Gig Internet](#) speeds to its service areas in a five-county area of northern Minnesota. As a result, residents and small businesses in 37 communities and towns passed by Mediacom's fiber-rich digital network are now able to enjoy download speeds that are up to 40 times faster than the minimum broadband definition set by the Federal Communications Commission.

The communities where 1-Gig internet speeds are now available are located in **St. Louis, Itasca, Lake, Pine and Carlton Counties**. In recent months, Mediacom has transformed its entire broadband network with the latest technology that elevates speeds to among the fastest in the country.

In recent weeks Mediacom launched 1-Gig speeds in areas of central and south-central Minnesota that include nearly 100 communities. A final phase of the company's Gopher-state 1-Gig internet deployment will be completed in July, when the service will then be readily available in 181 Minnesota communities where Mediacom offers high-speed internet.

"Since 1996, Mediacom has invested over \$8 billion of private capital in its national network to ensure that hard-working families throughout the smaller markets we serve in the Gopher State and beyond receive the same advanced communications services as America's largest cities," said Bill Jensen, Group Vice President for Mediacom's Lakes Region. "As a result of these investments, we are extremely proud to be adding the cities and towns we serve across Minnesota to Mediacom's rapidly expanding list of true gigabit communities."

Mediacom was the first major U.S. cable company to fully transition to the [DOCSIS 3.1 "Gigasphere"](#) platform, the latest generation of broadband technology. The company will utilize Gigasphere to bring gigabit broadband services to virtually all of the 3 million homes and businesses within its 22 state footprint. To date, Mediacom has launched 1 Gig Internet services in over 500 communities. As DOCSIS 3.1 cable modems become more readily available in the marketplace, Mediacom will announce additional 1 Gig Internet launches on a market by market basis throughout the remainder of the year, including 100 additional Minnesota communities over the next few months. In conjunction with each 1 Gig Internet announcement, Mediacom will also introduce a new 500 Mbps tier of service.

"Investing in broadband services in rural Itasca County will help level the playing field for existing businesses while also being one of the key factors in attracting new business and workforce." said **Mark Zimmerman, President of Itasca Economic Development Corporation**. "Expanding their customer's network to 1 Gigabit service will provide the necessary infrastructure for businesses, residents and community institutions."

"In addition to enhancing speeds for residential and small business customers today, the Gigasphere platform we have deployed also lays the groundwork for offering multi-Gig services in the future," said Mediacom's Chief Technology Officer, JR Walden. "This next generation technology is an excellent complement to the Gigabit+ Fiber Solutions™ that Mediacom Business has been offering local businesses in our markets for many years."

### **About DOCSIS 3.1 Gigasphere Technology**

The cable network is composed of a hybrid of optical fiber and coaxial cable elements, and the specification that enables use of the network for broadband is known as Data Over Cable Service Interface Specification, or DOCSIS®. Gigasphere is the brand name for products and services that use a technical specification called DOCSIS 3.1, the next generation of DOCSIS services developed and advanced by [CableLabs](#), the U.S. cable industry's research and development consortium, and its members. DOCSIS 3.1 provides a near-term path toward continued improvement of cable broadband performance, with network capacity of up to 10 gigabits per second in the downstream and up to 2 gigabits per second in the upstream.

### **About Mediacom Communications**

Mediacom Communications Corporation is the 5<sup>th</sup> largest cable operator in the U.S. serving over 1.3 million customers in smaller markets primarily in the Midwest and Southeast. Mediacom offers a wide array of information, communications and entertainment services to households and businesses, including video, high-speed data, phone, and home security and automation. Through Mediacom Business, the company provides innovative broadband solutions to commercial and public sector customers of all sizes, and sells advertising and production services under the OnMedia brand. More information about Mediacom is available at [www.mediacomcable.com](http://www.mediacomcable.com).

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#### **Contact:**

Phyllis Peters, Mediacom  
515-246-2295 (o) or 515-707-7148 (mobile)  
[ppeters@mediacomcc.com](mailto:ppeters@mediacomcc.com)

**1-Gig internet now available to Mediacom service areas in these areas of Northern Minnesota:** (attached document lists all 181 MN communities where 1-Gig speeds are available or to be launched by early summer).

#### ***Carlton County***

Carlton  
Cloquet  
Moose Lake  
Moose Lake Twp.  
Thomson  
Windemere

#### ***Lake County***

Beaver Bay  
Silver Bay  
Two Harbors

#### ***Pine County***

Sturgeon Lake Twp.  
Windemere Twp.

#### ***Itasca County***

Calumet  
Cohasset  
Coleraine  
Grand Rapids  
Harris Twp.  
Keewatin  
La Prairie  
Marble  
Nashwauk  
Taconite

#### ***St. Louis County***

Aurora  
Biwabik  
Buhl  
Chisholm  
Eveleth  
Fayal Twp.  
Gilbert  
Hermantown  
Hibbing  
Hoyt Lakes  
Kinney  
McKinley  
Midway Twp.  
Mountain Iron  
Proctor  
Virginia