

**Meeting of the
Iron Range Resources Board**

Thursday, June 18, 2009

9:00 a.m.

**Iron Range Resources
Eveleth, Minnesota**

I. Roll Call

Senator David Tomassoni, Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 9:04 a.m. Present: Representative Tom Anzelc, Representative David Dill, Representative Tom Rukavina, Representative Tony Sertich, Senator Tom Bakk, Senator Tom Saxhaug, Senator Rod Skoe, Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, Citizen Joe Begich, Citizen Shelley Robinson, Citizen Jack Ryan. Absent: Representative Loren Solberg. Also present: Sandy Layman, Commissioner; Brian Hiti, Deputy Commissioner; Doug Gregor, Assistant Attorney General; Matt Sjoberg, Development Strategies Director; Roy Smith, Workforce Development Coordinator; Jean Dolensek, Chief Financial Officer; Richard Anderson, Loan Officer Sr.; Richard Walsh, Community Development Specialist; Laureen Hall, Executive Assistant; Larry Lehtinen, Chairman of the Board and CEO, Magnetation, Inc.; Clinton Cook, Owner, Greg Cook Logging, Inc.

II. Approval of the March 31, 2009, Minutes

Citizen Joe Begich moved approval of the March 31, 2009, minutes. Seconded by Senator Rod Skoe. Motion carried.

III. FY10 Agency Investment Plan – Resolution No. 09-030

Action required: Approval requires 8 votes

Motion by Representative Tom Rukavina to approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2010 Investment Plan for the agency's operations, programs and projects, as presented, with the following adjustments:

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To eliminate the expenditure of \$250,000 for the Wetland Mitigation Banking Cooperative and to re-allocate the funds to two new line item categories as follows:

- 1) **Non-Ferrous Taxation Study:** Up to \$125,000 is budgeted for a taxation study by the Natural Resources Research Institute of the growing non-ferrous mining industry within the state; and*
- 2) **Other Reclamation and Restoration Projects:** \$125,000 and the remainder, if any, of the Non-Ferrous Taxation Study funds are budgeted to be used, at the discretion of the Commissioner, either to provide further funding for projects that implement the Laurentian Vision Innovation Project goals or for other mineland reclamation and restoration program projects.*

Motion carried.

Voting in Favor of the Motion: Representative Tom Anzelc, Representative David Dill, Representative Tom Rukavina, Representative Tony Sertich, Senator Tom Bakk, Senator Tom Saxhaug, Senator Rod Skoe, Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, Senator David Tomassoni, Citizen Joe Begich, Citizen Shelley Robinson, Citizen Jack Ryan

Voting Against the Motion: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Representative Loren Solberg

Motion by Representative Tom Rukavina to once again amend the Fiscal Year 2010 Agency Investment Plan as presented, with the following condition:

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That the expenditure of \$500,000 for the Commissioner Program is approved subject to the following condition:

- *The Commissioner will report to the Board on the expenditure of the first \$250,000 before the second \$250,000 is approved.*

Motion carried.

Voting in Favor of the Motion: Representative Tom Anzelc, Representative David Dill, Representative Tom Rukavina, Representative Tony Sertich, Senator Tom Bakk, Senator Tom Saxhaug, Senator Rod Skoe, Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, Senator David Tomassoni, Citizen Joe Begich, Citizen Shelley Robinson, Citizen Jack Ryan

Voting Against the Motion: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Representative Loren Solberg

Motion by Senator Tom Bakk to amend the Fiscal Year 2010 Agency Investment Plan as presented and as since twice amended by Representative Tom Rukavina, with the following revision:

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That \$2,000,000 is reserved from the FY10 estimated carryforward out to enable the agency to implement the early separation incentive program authorized in Minnesota Statutes, Section 298.217, Subd. 2.

Motion carried.

Voting in Favor of the Motion: Representative Tom Anzelc, Representative David Dill, Representative Tom Rukavina, Representative Tony Sertich, Senator Tom Bakk, Senator Tom Saxhaug, Senator Rod Skoe, Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, Senator David Tomassoni, Citizen Joe Begich, Citizen Shelley Robinson, Citizen Jack Ryan

Voting Against the Motion: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Representative Loren Solberg

Motion by Senator Tom Bakk to approve the Fiscal Year 2010 Agency Investment Plan as presented in Resolution No. 09-030 and as amended twice by Representative Tom Rukavina and once by Senator Tom Bakk. Seconded by Representative Tom Rukavina. Motion carried.

Voting in Favor of the Motion: Representative Tom Anzelc, Representative David Dill, Representative Tom Rukavina, Representative Tony Sertich, Senator Tom Bakk, Senator Tom Saxhaug, Senator Rod Skoe, Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, Senator David Tomassoni, Citizen Joe Begich, Citizen Shelley Robinson, Citizen Jack Ryan

Voting Against the Motion: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Representative Loren Solberg

**IRON RANGE RESOURCES AND REHABILITATION BOARD
OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA
FISCAL YEAR 2010 AGENCY BUDGET APPROVAL**

Resolution No.: 09-030

WHEREAS, the Commissioner pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes Section 298.22, Subd. 11 has submitted to the Board for its consideration and approval a proposed FY10 Agency Investment Plan for the funding of operational expenditures, programs and projects of the agency during the State's fiscal year 2010 ("FY10") which covers the period of time from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010 (the "**Proposed Budget**"); and

WHEREAS, the Board met at the agency's Administration Building near Eveleth on Thursday, June 18, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. to consider, among other matters, the Proposed Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board, after careful deliberation of the current and future resources anticipated to be available to the agency, has concluded that it would be in the best interests of the agency and the Taconite Assistance Area defined in Minnesota Statutes Section 273.1341 ("TAA") to approve the Proposed Budget and its associated requested expenditures by an

affirmative vote of at least seven members and to approve the proposed expenditures of DJJ Fund monies as contained therein by an affirmative vote of at least eight members.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board approves the Proposed Budget for FY10 in a manner consistent with Minnesota Statutes Section 298.22, Subd. 11; provided, however, that such budget approval is further subject to the following reductions, additions and other adjustments:

Programs:

- **Mining and Mineland Reclamation.** The proposed expenditure of \$250,000 for the line item category of “Wetland Mitigation Banking Cooperative” is eliminated and the funds designated for such purpose are re-allocated and approved for two new line item categories as follows:
 - ***Non-Ferrous Taxation Study:*** Up to \$125,000 is budgeted for a taxation study by the Natural Resources Research Institute of the growing non-ferrous mining industry within the state; and
 - ***Other Reclamation and Restoration Projects:*** \$125,000 and the remainder, if any, of the Non-Ferrous Taxation Study funds are budgeted to be used, at the discretion of the Commissioner, either to provide further funding for projects that implement the Laurentian Vision Innovation Project goals or for other mineland reclamation and restoration program projects.
- **Commissioner Program.** The proposed expenditure of \$500,000 is approved subject to the following condition:
 - The Commissioner will report to the Board on the expenditure of the first \$250,000 before the second \$250,000 is approved.

Specially Designated Funds:

- **Early Separation Incentive Program.** \$2,000,000 is reserved from the FY10 estimated carryforward out to enable the agency to implement the early separation incentive program authorized in Minnesota Statutes, Section 298.217, Subd. 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the “50% requirement” of Minnesota Statutes Section 298.223, Subd. 2 (b) as applied to budgeting for public works projects in FY10 is hereby waived due to the expenditure pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes Section 298.223, Subd. 1(6) of \$8.035 million of FY09 Taconite Area Environmental Protection Fund monies that are being disbursed this month as public works grants to public entities across the Iron Range to help stimulate the economy of the TAA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY VOTE OF THE IRON RANGE RESOURCES AND REHABILITATION BOARD THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE 2009.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Senator Tom Bakk	X			
Senator Tom Saxhaug	X			
Senator Rod Skoe	X			
Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon	X			

Senator Dave Tomassoni	X			
Representative Tom Anzelc	X			
Representative Dave Dill	X			
Representative Tom Rukavina	X			
Representative Tony Sertich	X			
Representative Loren Solberg				X
Citizen Joe Begich	X			
Citizen Shelley Robinson	X			
Citizen Jack Ryan	X			
TOTAL	12	0	0	1

Signed: _____
 Senator David Tomassoni, Chair

IV. Douglas J. Johnson Economic Protection Trust Fund

Action required: Approval requires 8 votes

a. Magnetation, Inc.

Motion by Senator Tom Bakk to approve the Magnetation, Inc. project, to acquire, refurbish and install four additional magnetic separation wheels, as well as additional screens, pumps, piping, conveyors and other mechanical and electrical components, along with engineering services, as presented, for an amount not to exceed \$1,485,000. Seconded by Representative Tom Anzelc. Motion carried.

Voting in Favor of the Motion: Representative Tom Anzelc, Representative David Dill, Representative Tony Sertich, Senator Tom Bakk, Senator Tom Saxhaug, Senator Rod Skoe, Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, Senator David Tomassoni, Citizen Joe Begich, Citizen Shelley Robinson, Citizen Jack Ryan

Voting Against the Motion: Representative Tom Rukavina

Abstain: None

Absent: Representative Loren Solberg

b. Greg Cook Logging, Inc.

Motion by Representative Tom Anzelc to approve the Greg Cook Logging, Inc. project to purchase a slasher/loader to support the company's expansion into the production of biomass, as presented, for an amount not to exceed \$84,000. Seconded by Representative David Dill. Motion carried.

Voting in Favor of the Motion: Representative Tom Anzelc, Representative David Dill, Representative Tom Rukavina, Representative Tony Sertich, Senator Tom Bakk, Senator Tom

Saxhaug, Senator Rod Skoe, Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, Senator David Tomassoni, Citizen Joe Begich, Citizen Shelley Robinson, Citizen Jack Ryan

Voting Against the Motion: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Representative Loren Solberg

c. Community Business Partnership Grant Program – Resolution No. 09-031

Motion by Senator Tom Saxhaug to approve the Community Business Partnership Grant Program as presented in Resolution No. 09-031, for an amount not to exceed \$450,000. Seconded by Representative Tony Sertich. Motion carried.

Voting in Favor of the Motion: Representative Tom Anzelc, Representative David Dill, Representative Tom Rukavina, Representative Tony Sertich, Senator Tom Bakk, Senator Tom Saxhaug, Senator Rod Skoe, Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, Senator David Tomassoni, Citizen Joe Begich, Citizen Shelley Robinson, Citizen Jack Ryan

Voting Against the Motion: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Representative Loren Solberg

**IRON RANGE RESOURCES AND REHABILITATION BOARD
OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA
DOUGLAS J. JOHNSON ECONOMIC PROTECTION TRUST FUND
COMMUNITY BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS**

Resolution No.: 09-031

WHEREAS, the Commissioner is authorized to expend, upon approval of at least eight members of the Board, the Douglas J. Johnson Economic Protection Trust Fund monies made available under Minnesota Statutes Sections 298.291-298.294 and Minnesota Statute Section 298.28, subdivision 11 (“**DJJ Funds**”), to participate with private sources in providing financing for various projects located within the Taconite Assistance Area designated in Minnesota Statutes Section 273.1341 (“**TAA**”) which will serve the purposes detailed in Minnesota Statutes Section 298.292, subdivision 1; and,

WHEREAS, the agency’s approved FY09 Budget includes the allocation of \$450,000 of DJJ Funds for loans and grants to businesses and communities for enhancement projects as authorized under Minnesota Statutes Section 298.292, subdivision 2; and,

WHEREAS, the Commissioner has recommended that the Board approve grant project proposals that were submitted by 18 communities located within the TAA that would enable those communities

to provide loan funds to businesses located in their communities at a rate of interest no greater than three percent (3%) per annum to enable such for-profit businesses to enhance and improve their facilities, as more specifically described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference (“**Proposed Projects**”); and,

WHEREAS, the private businesses receiving loan funds for Proposed Projects from the grantee communities will be required to execute promissory notes that evidence their obligations to repay the full amount of the grant funds they receive as well as associated financing fees and interest charges; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Advisory Committee met on June 8, 2009, and recommended approval of the proposed expenditure of \$450,000 of DJJ Funds for the Proposed Projects; and

WHEREAS, the Board met in open session at 9:00 a.m. on June 18, 2009, in the Board Room located near Eveleth, Minnesota, to consider, among other matters, the Proposed Projects and has determined that the expenditure of \$450,000 of DJJ Funds for the Proposed Projects on the terms specified herein would be in the public interest and promote economic development within the TAA.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the expenditure of \$450,000 of DJJ Funds to provide grants to the applicant communities located within the TAA to enable them to make loans to private businesses to help finance the Proposed Projects as specified in Exhibit A.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY VOTE OF THE IRON RANGE RESOURCES AND REHABILITATION BOARD THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE 2009.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Senator Tom Bakk	X			
Senator Tom Saxhaug	X			
Senator Rod Skoe	X			
Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon	X			
Senator Dave Tomassoni	X			
Representative Tom Anzelc	X			
Representative Dave Dill	X			
Representative Tom Rukavina	X			
Representative Tony Sertich	X			
Representative Loren Solberg				X
Citizen Joe Begich	X			
Citizen Shelley Robinson	X			
Citizen Jack Ryan	X			
TOTAL	12	0	0	1

Signed: _____
 Senator Dave Tomassoni, Chair

**EXHIBIT A
 PROPOSED PROJECTS**

<u>City/ Township</u>	<u>Amount Recommended</u>	<u>Minimum Match Required</u>	<u>Minimum Total Loan Fund</u>
Aitkin, City of	\$ 50,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 75,000
Biwabik, City of	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 30,000
Bovey, City of	\$ 30,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 45,000
Chisholm, City of	\$ 25,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 37,500
Cohasset, City of	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 30,000
Coleraine, City of	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 30,000
Crystal Bay Township	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 30,000
Ely, City of	\$ 25,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 37,500
Eveleth, City of	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 30,000
Grand Marais, City of	\$ 25,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 37,500
Hibbing, City of	\$ 50,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 75,000
Keewatin, City of	\$ 12,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 18,000
Mt. Iron, City of	\$ 25,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 37,500
Nashwauk, City of	\$ 25,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 37,500
Silver Bay, City of	\$ 25,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 37,500
Squaw Lake, City of	\$ 8,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 12,000
Tower, City of	\$ 30,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 45,000
Two Harbors, City of	<u>\$ 20,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>	<u>\$ 30,000</u>
Total	\$450,000	\$225,000	\$675,000

d. Wage Subsidy Program – Resolution No. 09-032

Motion by Representative Tom Rukavina to approve, for an amount not to exceed \$1 million, the Wage Subsidy Program as presented in Resolution No. 09-032, with an amendment to the NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, clause, adding the underlined wording, as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the expenditure of up to \$1,000,000 of FY10 Wage Subsidy Funds to provide grants to eligible for-profit and non-profit businesses within the TAA in accordance with the Wage Subsidy Program grant guidelines and eligibility standards as proposed by the Commissioner to the Board.

The motion as amended by Representative Tom Rukavina was seconded by Shelley Robinson. Motion carried.

Voting in Favor of the Motion: Representative Tom Anzelc, Representative David Dill, Representative Tom Rukavina, Representative Tony Sertich, Senator Tom Bakk, Senator Tom Saxhaug, Senator Rod Skoe, Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, Senator David Tomassoni, Citizen Joe Begich, Citizen Shelley Robinson, Citizen Jack Ryan

Voting Against the Motion: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Representative Loren Solberg

**IRON RANGE RESOURCES AND REHABILITATION BOARD
OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA
WAGE SUBSIDY PROGRAM APPROVAL
DOUGLAS J. JOHNSON ECONOMIC PROTECTION TRUST FUND**

Resolution No.: 09-032

WHEREAS, Laws of Minnesota for 2009, Chapter 78, Article 7, Section 20 (the “**Wage Subsidy Law**”), amended Minnesota Statutes Section 298.294 by designating the pre-existing provisions of that section as paragraph (a) and by enacting two new subparagraphs that were designated as paragraphs (b) and (c); and

WHEREAS, the paragraphs (b) and (c) of Minnesota Statutes Section 298.294 establish a new special account within the Douglas J. Johnson Economic Protection Trust Fund (the “**Wage Subsidy Account**”) to receive, in State fiscal years 2010 and 2011 only, \$1,000,000 of the net interest, dividends, and other earnings the (“**Wage Subsidy Funds**”) that otherwise would have been transferred into the Douglas J. Johnson Economic Protection Trust Fund’s primary account; and,

WHEREAS, the Wage Subsidy Law authorizes the Commissioner, upon approval of at least seven Board members, to make loans or grants of the Wage Subsidy Funds, including loans or grants that provide wage subsidies of up to \$5 per hour, to businesses to create additional jobs in

the Taconite Assistance Area established under Minnesota Statutes Section 273.1341 (the “TAA”), with priority given to businesses with 25 or fewer employees (the “**Authorized Purposes**”); and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner has proposed to the Board the establishment of a wage subsidy grant program, the eligibility standards of which program are as detailed in the materials included in the Board meeting packet materials, to provide a cumulative total of up to \$1,000,000 of Wage Subsidy Fund grants, no one of which grants shall exceed \$25,000 to eligible businesses within the TAA; and,

WHEREAS, the Board met in open session at 9:00 a.m. on June 18, 2009, in the Board Room located near Eveleth, Minnesota, to consider, among other matters, the proposed Wage Subsidy Program and has determined that the expenditure from up to \$1,000,000 of Wage Subsidy Funds for the proposed Wage Subsidy Program is for Authorized Purposes and would promote economic development within the TAA.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the expenditure of up to \$1,000,000 of FY10 Wage Subsidy Funds to provide grants to eligible for-profit and non-profit businesses within the TAA in accordance with the Wage Subsidy Program grant guidelines and eligibility standards as proposed by the Commissioner to the Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY VOTE OF THE IRON RANGE RESOURCES AND REHABILITATION BOARD THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE 2009.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Senator Tom Bakk	X			
Senator Tom Saxhaug	X			
Senator Rod Skoe	X			
Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon	X			
Senator Dave Tomassoni	X			
Representative Tom Anzelc	X			
Representative Dave Dill	X			
Representative Tom Rukavina	X			
Representative Tony Sertich	X			
Representative Loren Solberg				X
Citizen Joe Begich	X			
Citizen Shelley Robinson	X			
Citizen Jack Ryan	X			
TOTAL	12	0	0	1

Signed: _____
 Senator David Tomassoni, Chair

V. Taconite Area Environmental Protection Fund
Action required: Approval requires 7 votes

a. City of Ely – Iron Range Youth in Action – Resolution No. 09-033

Motion by Senator Rod Skoe to approve the City of Ely Iron Range Youth in Action project as presented in Resolution No. 09-033, for an amount not to exceed \$40,258. Seconded by Senator Tom Bakk. Motion carried.

Voting in Favor of the Motion: Representative Tom Anzelc, Representative David Dill, Representative Tom Rukavina, Representative Tony Sertich, Senator Tom Bakk, Senator Tom Saxhaug, Senator Rod Skoe, Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon, Senator David Tomassoni, Citizen Joe Begich, Citizen Shelley Robinson, Citizen Jack Ryan

Voting Against the Motion: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Representative Loren Solberg

**IRON RANGE RESOURCES AND REHABILITATION BOARD
OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA
YOUTH IN ACTION PROGRAM GRANT APPROVALS**

Resolution No.: 09-033

WHEREAS, the Commissioner is authorized to expend, upon approval by a vote of at least seven members of the members of the Board, the Taconite Area Environmental Protection Fund monies made available under Minnesota Statutes Section 298.223 (“**TEPF Funds**”) to promote the economic development of the Taconite Assistance Area designated in Minnesota Statutes Section 273.1341 (“**TAA**”), by investing in local development projects within the TAA; and,

WHEREAS, in State fiscal year 2008 (“**FY08**”), the Commissioner received proposals for the expenditure of up to \$150,000 of TEPF Funds for certain Youth In Action Program community development projects generally described as the **Youth in Action projects** (the “**Projects**”); and,

WHEREAS, the Board met in open session at 10:00 a.m. on September 6, 2007, in the Board Room at the Iron Range Resources agency’s administrative office near Eveleth, Minnesota, and, among other matters, approved the expenditure of FY08 TEPF Funds for the following three grant projects, each in the amount of \$50,000: 1) the City of Chisholm to renovate its Old Union Hall for partial conversion into a youth facility; 2) the City of Ely to construct a new youth facility; and 3) the City of Cook to construct a new youth facility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chisholm completed its Youth in Action Project at a lower cost than originally anticipated, and there was, as a consequence, an unexpended balance of \$40,258 of approved TEPF grant funds for that project that now remains available to the agency; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ely has used all of its \$50,000 in approved TEPF Project grant funds and has requested additional grant funds in an amount not less than \$40,258 to enable it to complete its previously approved Youth In Action Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board met in open session at 9:00 a.m. on June 18, 2009, in the Board Room at the agency’s administrative office near Eveleth, Minnesota, to consider, among other matters, providing an additional \$40,258 in Project funds to the City of Ely for use in completing the construction of the Youth in Action Project previously approved at the September 6, 2007, Board meeting and has determined that the expenditure of such FY09 TEPF Funds would be in the public interest and promote economic development within the Taconite Assistance Area.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Board approves the expenditure of \$40,258 of FY09 TEPF Funds to provide an additional grant to the City of Ely for the completion of its Youth in Action Project as approved at the September 6, 2007, Board meeting.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY VOTE OF THE IRON RANGE RESOURCES AND REHABILITATION BOARD THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE 2009.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Senator Tom Bakk	X			
Senator Tom Saxhaug	X			
Senator Rod Skoe	X			
Senator Yvonne Prettner Solon	X			
Senator Dave Tomassoni	X			
Representative Tom Anzelc	X			
Representative Dave Dill	X			
Representative Tom Rukavina	X			
Representative Tony Sertich	X			
Representative Loren Solberg				X
Citizen Joe Begich	X			
Citizen Shelley Robinson	X			
Citizen Jack Ryan	X			
TOTAL	12	0	0	1

Signed: _____
 Senator Dave Tomassoni, Chair

VI. Other

Representative Tom Rukavina, Chair of the Iron Range Higher Education Committee, asked that staff schedule a meeting in the near future.

Senator Tom Bakk, of the Mining & Mineland Reclamation Liaison Group, asked that a Liaison Group meeting be scheduled, as well; perhaps on the same day as the Iron Range Higher Education Committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.