OA-1266-1 Taconite City Signed Resolution 5-8-06 Town Signed Resolution 5-5-06

STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TACONITE AND THE TOWN OF IRON RANGE PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES 414)))	ORDER
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WHEREAS, a joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Taconite and the Town of Iron Range; and

WHEREAS, said joint resolution requests that certain property be annexed to the City of Taconite pursuant to M.S. 414.0325; and

WHEREAS, M.S. 414.0325 states that in certain circumstances the Director of Strategic and Long Range Planning may review and comment, but shall within 30 days order the annexation of land pursuant to said subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, Reorganization Order No. 192, effective March 8, 2005, has transferred the duties of the Director to the Chief Administrative Law Judge; and

WHEREAS, said joint resolution was filed with OAH-Municipal Boundary Adjustments in May of 2006, and also in May 2006, the City of Bovey filed a petition for annexation of an area from Trout Lake and Iron Range Townships, MBA Docket No. A-7431 which included the entire area designated for orderly annexation in said joint resolution between the City of Taconite and Iron Range Township; and

WHEREAS, the Director declined to consider the joint resolution until a hearing on the Bovey annexation could be concluded; and

WHEREAS, a hearing, to which the City of Taconite was a party, on the Bovey annexation petition was held July 6, 2006 and June 18, 19, 2007. Pursuant to that hearing, by decision dated July 5, 2007, the Chief Administrative Law Judge denied the City of Bovey's petition; and

WHEREAS, the joint resolution was reconsidered and accepted on July 18, 2007;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That the following described property is hereby annexed in accordance with the terms of the joint resolution to the City of Taconite, Minnesota, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof:

Parcels located in Itasca County, State of Minnesota, Section 27, Township 56, Range 24 as follows:

Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW¹/₄ SW¹/₄) Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SW¹/₄ SW¹/₄)

Parcels located in Itasca County, State of Minnesota, Section 28, Township 56, Range 24 as follows:

Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW¼ SE¼) Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW¼ SE¼) Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NE¼ SE¼) Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE¼ SE¼)

Parcels located in Itasca County, State of Minnesota, Section 33, Township 56, Range 24 as follows:

Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE¼ NE¼) Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SE¼ NE¼) Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NE¼ SE¼) Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE¼ SE¼)

Parcels located in Itasca County, State of Minnesota, Section 34, Township 56, Range 24 as follows:

Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW¼ NW¼) Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW¼ NW¼) Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW¼ SW¼) Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SW¼ SW¼)

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That reimbursement of the property taxes to the Town of Iron Range shall be in accordance with Minn. Stat. 414.036 and the July 16, 2007 letter signed by Ed Johnson, Iron Range Township Chair and Deacon Kyllander, Taconite Acting Mayor.

Dated this 18th day of July, 2007.

For the Chief Administrative Law Judge 658 Cedar Street, Room 300 St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

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Municipal Boundary Adjustments