Duluth Town Board Meeting
December 13, 2001

I. Approve Agenda –

Additions: Old Business – report on sewer at school/community center. New business – township ordinances. With the above changes the Agenda was approved.

II. Approve Minutes –

Corrections: Planning and zoning – Wayne proposed payment of $800.00 for an additional meeting. New Business - Jeff made a motion to support the reappointment. With the above corrections the Minutes were approved.

III. Treasurers Report –

Beginning Balance $ 71,904.59
Deposits - $106,550.14
Expenses- $ 9,000.46
Ending Balance- $169,454.27

Marty Shultz from ARDC. Jeff made a motion to support the all American Highway resolution for Highway 61. George seconded. Motion passed.

IV. Correspondence

a. letter from the mineral tax office – new business
b. grant application - - new business
c. letter from attorney re: Ostrander
d. MSI Insurance – approved
e. Letter from ARDC – Under Marty Shultz

V. Department reports

a. Police – read and approved Junk Car issue on the McQuade road. 1) Negotiations – Contract was approved until 2003
b. Fire report – Corlis West will be the town board representative for the fire department. Bluebird landing has been improved for fire department usage.
c. Town Hall 1) Julie Johnson: The 4 H club would like to use the town hall one Saturday a month for their meetings. Steve made a motion to allow the 4-H troop to use the town hall as available. Corlis seconded amend the motion to use the hall at no cost. Motion and amendment passed. 4-H would be responsible for clean up and removal of all garbage. 2) Glenda Tuner – The piano will be available for use when the recycling shed is open.

Meeting closed for Ulanowski public hearing.
Affidavit was given to the board and posted as required. Notices were mailed not hand delivered to homeowners.

With the vacation of one portion, some property would be land locked from future use. Jeff made a motion to deny the portion as to parallel one (North/South) Corlis seconded. Wayne from the zoning commission recommended not approving that portion. Two landowners objected to the vacation of the road. Motion passed. Chair wrote on the back of the petition that the petition was denied as to portion one.

Jeff made a motion to approve the portion as to parcel two (East/West) provided 1. That all affected landowners sign a document agreeing that they will not be damaged by the vacation and 2. Releasing the town from any claim for damages for the vacation of the road. The vacation will not be effective until all landowners sign such a document. The original request was one petition for two roads. Bruce seconded. George would like to amend the motion have the petitions back by February 14, 2002. Motion and Amendments passed.

Meeting re-opened

Town Hall continued.
Exit lights are not working, Steve will replace the bulbs or repair the lights.

d. Planning and Zoning – An additional meeting was held on December 6th. A study is being done for NEMO, was tied into the NEMO concept and was budgeted to NEMO. Any billing discrepancies will be dealt with at the end of the steering committee sessions.
   A North Shore Management Board meeting was held December 7th. The last meeting for this year will be held December 18. Wayne would like to recommend a member of the North Shore Management Board attend an upcoming Town Board Meeting and give an overview of their issues.

e. Recycling – Mixed paper bin has really been filling up rapidly.

f. Road and Bridge– Nothing to report other than the repair of Bluebird landing.

g. Legal – Pine plat road vacation – if releases come back we will proceed

   North Shore Elementary – Tim, George and Steven will walk through the school December 20, 2001, with representatives from the School District. A document will be created to be used as a framework towards a settlement. George made a motion that we authorize the attorney to proceed with his best judgment in negotiating for the community center and having the land attorney work with him. Steve seconded. Motion passed.

   North Shore Elementary - St. Louis County has a sewer ordinance. The seller is required to provide a sewer test. The current septic system is severely undersized. Sewer negotiations should take place between St. Louis County and Lake Superior school district.

h. Cemetery – Mowing bill has been received.

VI. Old Business

   Computer – George made a motion to authorize $1000.00 for a new computer provided we have money in the budget that aren’t dedicated at this time. Corlis seconded. Bruce opposed, George, Jeff, Steve and Corlis approved. Motion passed.

VII. New Business

   Town Ordinance – Corlis would like a brief synopsis of each ordinance to use as reference.
VIII. Concerns from the Audience –

Duct Cleaning will be taken care of by Steve.

IX. Pay Bill

X. Motion to Adjourn