

City of Crosslake
Parks and Recreation Department
14126 Daggett Pine Rd
Crosslake, MN 56442

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Good afternoon,

As part of the SS4A grant-funded Brainerd Lakes Area Vulnerable Users Plan, each partner community is asked to formally adopt the attached resolution confirming participation as a Co-Applicant.

Please review the resolution and present it to your governing body for consideration. Once adopted, return a signed copy to me at your earliest convenience.

This resolution reaffirms your commitment to collaborate in the development of a regional safety plan that will position our communities to pursue future SS4A implementation funding for priority transportation safety projects.

Participation in this effort comes at no cost to your city or township. What we need most is your invaluable local knowledge and insight into where people live, work, and travel; where they encounter safety concerns; and what types of improvements could make active transportation more feasible and enjoyable in your community.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to reach out.

Thank you for your partnership in this important regional effort.

Sincerely,

TJ Graumann
Director of Parks, Recreation & Library
tgraumann@cityofcrosslake.gov
(218) 692 - 5270

CITY OF _____
RESOLUTION NO. 26 - ____

RESOLUTION REGARDING SS4A GRANT-FUNDED BRAINERD LAKES AREA VULNERABLE USERS PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of _____ is responsible for providing safe and equitable streets, trails, and transportation facilities that connect people, goods, and services throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, communities within the Brainerd Lakes Area, including those located in northern Crow Wing County and eastern Cass County, share similar responsibilities for ensuring the safety of all transportation users; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) has established the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program to support the development of comprehensive safety action plans with a focus on reducing serious injuries and fatalities, particularly among vulnerable users such as pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized travelers; and

WHEREAS the City of Crosslake received \$200,000 in federal funding through the SS4A program and \$50,000 from state match funding for a federal IIJA Safe Streets for All Planning discretionary grant; and

WHEREAS, the SS4A program allows for Co-Applicants to collaborate in regional planning efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake has agreed to serve as the Fiscal Agent for the Brainerd Lakes Area Vulnerable Users Plan and to lead coordination efforts on behalf of participating Co-Applicants; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake seeks formal confirmation from participating communities and partner organizations of their intent to actively contribute to the Brainerd Lakes Area Vulnerable Users Plan and to assist Crosslake in this regional effort; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake and all Co-Applicants assures that this desired plan will meet the requirements of the SS4A Discretionary Program to allow priority projects, identified in the planning process, to receive future SS4A capital grant funding; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of _____ formally reaffirms its commitment to participate as a Co-Applicant and collaborate in developing a comprehensive, actionable plan to improve safety for all transportation users across the Brainerd Lakes Area.

ADOPTED THIS ___ DAY OF _____, 2026.

Mayor,

, City Administrator

Crow Wing County Township Association of Officers

Spring 2026 Meeting Notice

February 16, 2026

Spring Meeting Date: April 29, 2026

Time: 7 PM

Location: Crow Wing Township Town Hall
6930 Cuyuna Ave SW
Brainerd, Mn 56401

Attached, please find a copy of the October 22, 2025 Fall Meeting minutes. Please share a copy of the Minutes along with the agenda with your board and bring your copies to the meeting. I will have a limited number of copies available at the meeting.

The Board would also like to have ideas of what you would like to have addressed at the meetings. We want to make sure we meet the needs of the townships. Enclosed is a short questionnaire to bring to the meeting. There is no need to put your township name on the questionnaire.

If your township has not sent in your 2026 dues before the Spring Meeting, please bring them to the meeting at the Crow Wing Township Hall. If mailing the checks, make them payable to Crow Wing County Township Association (CWCTA) and mail to 14642 Nokay Lake Road, Brainerd, MN 56401.

Sincerely,



Myron Stevens
Secretary

CROW WING COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS

Annual Fall Meeting

Wednesday April 29th, 2026, 7:00pm

Crow Wing Town Hall

**6930 Cuyuna Ave
Brainerd, MN 56401**

Call meeting to order and Pledge of Allegiance

Opening Remarks

- o Welcome: Reminder to sign in**
- o Agenda handouts**
- o Restrooms**

Minutes from Fall 2025 Publ

Secretary's Report

Township Dues Received

L&R report - Stan Dobosenski, Kathy Stevens

Region 5 Report - Doug Kern

District 8 Report - Frank Hard

CWC Highway Dept - Tim Bray

CWC Land Services - Gary Griffin

Sheriff - Eric Klang

DNR - CO Jim Guida

Crow Wing County Emergency Assistance/FEMA - Clayton Barg

Couri & Rupee Law

County Commissioners and Representatives

Other Business

Set location for Fall Meeting

Adjournment

Crow Wing County Association of Townships Fall Meeting

October 22, 2025

Fort Ripley Town Hall

The Fall Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Doug Kern.

Board members present were Doug Kern, Kathy Stevens, Stan Dobosenski, Ron Metzen.

Absent: Dave Peterson

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and opening comments shared.

Minutes from the Spring Meeting were read by Secretary Stevens. Minutes motion to approve by Bill Kronstedt and second by Craig Virnig. Motion passed.

Treasurers report in the amount of \$15,958.42 was read by Treasurer Ron Metzen. Motion to approve by Sonya Crocker and second by Trish Gage. Motion Passed.

L & R Report was given by Kathy Stevens and Stan Dobosenski. They attended the September 12, 2025, L & R meeting in Mankato.

The Region 5 report was given by Doug Kern. There are grants available for new septic and small projects.

District 8 report was given by District 11 Director Reno Wells as District 8 Director Frank Hand was unable to attend due to medical reason/23/25.ns. He recommended that townships attend Township Tuesday. Capitol Day is March 2nd and the Township Conference is December 11-13 at the River Center. The block of rooms at participating hotels is available for registration. Smart salting training in Grand Rapids on 10-23-25. Township dues deadline is December 21, 2025.

Guest Speakers:

Amy Piekarski from Sourcewell shared the support available to townships and encouraged registering with Sourcewell. She distributed a hand out and introduced Marley Morris from Sourcewell also.

Mike Couri of Couri/Ruppe Attorneys gave an informative presentation and power point copy on Family Leave.

Crow Wing County Emergency Management, Clayton Berg, Director discussed Federal and State Emergency Funding and the requirements. There was a discussion regarding severe

weather warning sirens. The pole and siren would be the township's responsibility. Disaster claims may be combined if happen within 72 hours of each other.

Crow Wing County Highway Department, Jordan Larson discussed road work on County Rd 159 and 116 and Rabbit Lake bridge. They are experimenting with Microsurfacing instead of crack sealing.

CWC Land Services, Gary Griffin –Property tax Tax Training on November 5th, 6 PM at the Land Services building. The Crow Wing County Landfill is operating with winter hours beginning 10-25-2025. Gary explained the garbage reimbursement program.

Crow Wing County Sheriff's Department-Sheriff Matt Smolke shared that the department will be participating in Halloween activities.

DNR – Jim Guida reported that officers have been attending mental health training in Eaden Prairie, all beaver trappers must follow regulations and townships can receive nuisance permits. Tires should not be burned. Fire permits are on line.

County Commissioner – John Lubke District 2

New Business: Doug Kern's term on Region 5 is up and he wanted to run again. Paul Stephany nominated Doug and Edward Walten seconded. Motion passed.

The Spring Meeting will be held at the Crow Wing Township Hall.

Motion to adjourn made by Craig Virnig and Second by Dale Thompson

Respectfully submitted,

Myron Stevens, Secretary

2026 Annual Spring and Fall Association of Township Officers Questionnaire

In an effort to better serve Township Officers, the Board is enclosing this questionnaire for your suggestions.

1. What issues are you currently experiencing in your township that are causing you difficulty?
2. Are there any speakers or subjects that you would like to be presented at the meetings.
3. Would you like a list of contact information for the Board Members?
4. Does the 7:00 PM meeting start time work okay, or would earlier be better? For example, 6:30 PM?
5. Other Comments

Please bring the questionnaire to the Spring Meeting.

Thank you



February 27, 2026

Dear Prospective Bidders,

Crow Wing County will be hosting a sealed bid auction for the enclosed timber appraisals.

The sealed bid auction results notification of only the high bidder will be held at **10:00 am on Friday March 27th, 2026**, in the Land Services Office Oak Room. Bids will be opened the morning of March 27th, 2026, prior to 10:00 am and witnessed by department personnel.

Bids for appraisals must be submitted to our office **before 4:00 pm on Thursday March 26th, 2026**. Bids can be mailed to this office, delivered in person or placed in the drop box located just outside the main lobby doors in front of the Land Services Building located at 322 Laurel Street in Brainerd. **Please use the envelope provided.**

After all Down Payments have been made, full auction results may be obtained by phone or email, and will be posted on the county website by 2:00 pm on Friday April 10th, 2026, at the following link:
<https://www.crowwing.gov/267/Timber-Auctions>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 218-824-1138.

Sincerely,

Tom Strack

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Environmental Services Supervisor
322 Laurel Street, Suite 15
Brainerd, MN 56401
Office: 218-824-1138
Email: Tom.Strack@crowwing.gov

Our Vision: Being Minnesota's favorite place.

Our Mission: Serve well. Deliver value. Drive results.

Our Values: Be responsible. Treat people right. Build a better future.

CROW WING COUNTY LAND COMMISSIONER'S Notice of County Timber Stumpage Sale

SEALED BID AUCTION

Pursuant to the order of the County Board of Crow Wing County and under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 282.04, Chapter 355, Laws of 1941, as amended, and under the provisions of the Timber Sale Policy adopted by the Crow Wing County Board of Commissioners on January 11, 2005, the following timber on tax forfeited lands will be offered for sale without the sale of land on **Friday, March 27, 2026**.

The sale of timber will be via a **SEALED BID AUCTION** with SEALED BIDS to be delivered to Crow Wing County Land Services, 322 Laurel Street, Suite 15, Brainerd, Minnesota 56401, **on or before 4 p.m. on March 26, 2026**, Bids will be opened the morning of March 27th prior to 10:00 am and will be witnessed by department personnel. The sealed bid auction results notification of only the high bidder will be held at 10:00 am on Friday March 27th, 2026 in the Land Services Office Oak Room.

The SEALED BID AUCTION is subject, in part, to the following conditions:

1. Prospective bidders should request maps, cutting regulations, contract information and special regulations from Land Services or go on-line at: www.crowwing.gov to view appraisal tracts. Some tracts may have special requirements. Cutting shall be in conformity with the forestry practices as outlined in permit / appraisal.
2. Timber will be sold to the highest bidder, but for not less than the total appraised tract value. A **percent bid** must be indicated for the total appraised tract value. This percent will be applied to each bid species. Percent Bid shall be on a percentage basis in multiples of one (1) percent. Crow Wing County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
3. All bid forms must be received in the Land Services office no later than **4:00 p.m. on March 26, 2026**. **All bids must be on the official bid form. Please return bids and bid guarantee in the envelope provided.**
4. One **\$300.00 Bid Guarantee** in the form of personal check payable to the Crow Wing County Treasurer is required to provide a "bid guarantee" for bidding on all tracts. Failure to enclose the \$300 Bid Guarantee with your bid will result in rejection of your bid. For successful bidders, the Bid Guarantee will be applied to the down payment. Bid Guarantees submitted by unsuccessful bidders will be returned.
5. Successful bidders will have **10 days (April 6th, 2026: 10:00 A.M.)** to submit a check, payable to the County Treasurer, for **15%** of the appraised tract value. Failure to make the appropriate down payment within the specified time frame will result in forfeiture of the bid guarantee. Successful bidder will be notified by mail, email or phone.
6. If the successful bidder does not submit the appropriate down payment within the allotted time frame, the sale will be awarded to the next highest bidder. In case of tie bids, the successful bidder will be decided by the toss of a coin by the Land Services Director or Environmental Services Supervisor.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- a. Bidding shall be on a percentage basis in multiples of one (1) percent. The bidder with the highest bid raise will be awarded the sale. The right to accept or reject any or all bids is reserved by Crow Wing County.
- b. Tracts not sold through the sealed bid are available for sale at the appraised price under the terms and conditions as stated in the sale offering/timber appraisal until such time as withdrawn from sale.
- c. At the discretion of the County Staff, minor, incidental species may be designated as "nonbid" species which will not be affected by the bid raise.
- d. Successful purchaser of an auction tract must make a minimum down payment of 15% of the appraised value within 10 days of the sale.

- e. Upon receipt of 15% down payment, permittee is allowed to construct landings and/or access trails, if desired. Before harvest operations commence, permittee must schedule an on-site, prework meeting with contract administrator, and must pay balance of sale/block in full, plus an additional 10% of the appraised value of the total sale which will be deposited as a Performance Guarantee and refunded only after satisfactory completion of sale and repair of access roads and trails upon inspection by timber sale administrator. Each block must be paid in full before cutting is allowed.
- f. Any overrun that occurs on a block must be paid in full before purchasing next block.
- g. The 15% down payment will not be used to cover overruns. The 15% down payment will be retained and applied toward payment of final block.
- h. Land Services Department shall be notified before cutting begins and prior to sale completion. The location of all trails and landings must be approved by Land Services.
- i. No bidder shall act in any capacity on behalf of a non-qualifying person, partnership or company for the purpose of procuring rights to purchase timber from Crow Wing County.
- j. No bid shall be accepted from any bidder having a delinquent or uncollectible timber sale account with the counties or state, or from any bidder involved in a pending timber trespass case with the counties or state.
- k. Past due accounts will be charged interest on the balance equal to the interest rate set by the Minnesota Department of Revenue for tax forfeited land sale contracts.
- l. Timber sale will only be issued in the name identified as the successful bidder. Timber permits may be transferred to a different individual after the auction if approved by the land commissioner and all transfer documents are finalized by all parties.
- m. Auction Sales are two (2) years in length unless otherwise noted.
- n. Providing good and sufficient reason is given, one - one (1) year extension is possible for a fee totaling 10% of the uncut volume, based upon bid value.
- o. Failure to activate the sale by paying the balance due before the expiration date of the contract will result in forfeiture of down payment to the County.
- p. Failure to commence cutting, failure to comply with contract regulations, failure to complete the contract within contract period shall result in default of the contract with any credit balance forfeiting to the County.
- q. Failure to comply with Consumer Scale Agreement may result in the disallowance of future Consumer Scale Agreements and may result in timber trespass pursuant to MS 90.301.
- r. Failure to secure an approved Alternate Landing Agreement prior to moving wood off-site may result in disallowance of future Alternate Landing privileges and may result in timber trespass pursuant to MS 90.301.
- s. If payment, in full, for sale/block is provided and if no cutting has occurred on the sale/block, the monies paid, less any down payment paid, may be credited to any other timber contract issued to the contract holder by the county providing the contract holder requests, in writing, that it be credited, provided the request and transfer is made within the same calendar year as the payment was received.
- t. Sustaining Minnesota Forest Resources: Voluntary Site-Level Forest Management Guidelines for Landowners, Loggers and Resource Managers will be implemented on all County managed forest lands.
- u. Liability: The permittee agrees to assume entire responsibility and liability for all damages and injury to all persons and property including County personnel and property whether caused by the permittee, the permittee's officers, agents or employees, arising from activities undertaken on this permit or the permittee's use of occupancy of the premises covered by this permit. The permittee additionally agrees to indemnify and save hold the County, its officers, agents and employees, harmless from all claims or causes of action arising therefrom.
- v. All merchantable timber which is removed to facilitate access to the permit area is to be utilized by permittee with the County being compensated for the value.
- w. All volumes sold are estimates only and cannot be construed as a guarantee or a limitation.

Direct Contacts for Staff:

(South) Ash Maus - (218) 824-1353
 (North) Ben Fogarty - (218) 824-1355

The following is a list of parcels to be offered:

SEALED BID-REGULAR

Tract#:1
TS260380

City/Twp: GAIL LAKE

Public Access

Legal Description: NENE, SESE, Sect 26, Twp 138, Rng 29.
NWSE, SWNE, NESE, SENE, NESW, Sect 35, Twp 138, Rng 29

Species Information:

* Ash	75 Cords	@	\$9.00 =	\$675.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	1,000 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$26,000.00	
* Basswood	65 Cords	@	\$10.00 =	\$650.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	5 Cords	@	\$16.00 =	\$80.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	35 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$420.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$27,825.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ben Fogarty

Down Payment Required: **\$4,173.75**

Total Acres: 43.9

Expires: 03/31/2029

Operability: Winter- Frozen Ground: November 1 - March 15

Aspen Harvest

Tract#:2

City/Twp: FIFTY LAKES

Public Access

TS260379

Legal Description: NESW, NWNW, SENW, NENW, SWNW, Sect 10, Twp 138, Rng 27.
SWSW, SESW, Sect 3, Twp 138, Rng 27

Species Information:

Oak	450 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$7,650.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$7,650.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ben Fogarty

Down Payment Required: **\$1,147.50**

Total Acres: 36.5

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: Winter Only: December 1 - March 15

Oak Final Harvest

Tract#:3

City/Twp: FIFTY LAKES

Public Access

TS260394

Legal Description: SWSE, SESE, NESE, Sect 17, Twp 138, Rng 27.
NWNE, SWNE, Sect 20, Twp 138, Rng 27

Species Information:

* Ash	4 Cords	@	\$9.00 =	\$36.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	1,000 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$26,000.00	
* Basswood	10 Cords	@	\$11.00 =	\$110.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	10 Cords	@	\$18.00 =	\$180.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	5 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$60.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$26,386.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ben Fogarty

Down Payment Required: **\$3,957.90**

Total Acres: 32.8

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: Dry Summer - Winter: May 1 - March 15

Aspen Harvest

Tract#:4

City/Twp: FIFTY LAKES

Public Access

TS260396

Legal Description: NENE, Sect 20, Twp 138, Rng 27.
NWNW, SWNW, NENW, NWNE, NENW, Sect 21, Twp 138, Rng 27

Species Information:

Aspen	2,050 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$53,300.00	
* Birch	55 Cords	@	\$18.00 =	\$990.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	50 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$600.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$54,890.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ben Fogarty

Down Payment Required: **\$8,233.50**

Total Acres: 65.5

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: Dry Summer - Winter: May 1 - March 15

Aspen Harvest

Tract#:5
TS260376

City/Twp: CROSSLAKE, FIFTY LAKES

Public Access

Legal Description: SENW, SWNW, NENW (46%), NWNE (27%), Sect 3, Twp 137, Rng 27.
SESW, NESW, SWSE (27%), Sect 34, Twp 138, Rng 27

Species Information:

Aspen	2,800 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$72,800.00	
* Birch	50 Cords	@	\$18.00 =	\$900.00	Area Estimate
* Red Pine	5 Cords	@	\$65.00 =	\$325.00	Area Estimate
* White Pine	85 Cords	@	\$30.00 =	\$2,550.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$76,575.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ben Fogarty

Down Payment Required: **\$11,486.25**

Total Acres: 97.9

Expires: 03/27/2027

Operability: Summer-Winter: May 1 - December 1

Aspen Harvest
1 Year Only

Tract#:6

City/Twp: MISSION

Private Access

TS260381

Legal Description: NWNE, Sect 8, Twp 136, Rng 27

Species Information:

* Mixed Hardwood	1 Cords	@	\$20.00 =	\$20.00	
Red Pine	440 Cords	@	\$32.00 =	\$14,080.00	
* Non Bid				<u>\$14,100.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$2,115.00**

Total Acres: 30.4

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: Summer Only May 15- November 30

Pine Thinning

Tract#:7 City/Twp: MISSION

TS260390 Legal Description: NENE, Sect 11, Twp 136, Rng 27.
SESE, NESE, Sect 2, Twp 136, Rng 27

Species Information:

* Mixed Hardwood	240 Cords	@	\$18.00 =	\$4,320.00
Red Pine	1,250 Cords	@	\$45.00 =	\$56,250.00
* Non Bid				<u>\$60,570.00</u>

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$9,085.50**

Total Acres: 56.9

Expires: 03/27/2027

Operability: Summer or Spring Only - April 1 - Nov. 30

40% Red Pine Final Harvest
60% Red Pine 1st Thinning
1 Year Only

Tract#:8 City/Twp: MISSION

TS260389 Legal Description: SESE, Sect 10, Twp 136, Rng 27

Species Information:

Jack Pine	50 Cords	@	\$20.00 =	\$1,000.00
* Mixed Hardwood	10 Cords	@	\$10.00 =	\$100.00
Red Pine	100 Cords	@	\$25.00 =	\$2,500.00
* Non Bid				<u>\$3,600.00</u>

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$540.00**

Total Acres: 18.3

Expires: 03/27/2027

Operability: Year Round Operations- No Rutting

Red Pine First Thinning
1 Year Only

Tract#:9
TS260386

City/Twp: PERRY LAKE

Public Access

Legal Description: SWSW, Sect 29, Twp 136, Rng 26.
NWSE, NESE, SWNE, Sect 30, Twp 136, Rng 26.
NWNW, Sect 32, Twp 136, Rng 26

Species Information:

* Ash	20 Cords	@	\$9.00 =	\$180.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	650 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$16,900.00	
* Basswood	10 Cords	@	\$11.00 =	\$110.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	30 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$360.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$17,550.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ben Fogarty

Down Payment Required: **\$2,632.50**

Total Acres: 31.2

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: Dry Summer - Winter: May 1 - March 15

Aspen Harvest

Tract#:10
TS260387

City/Twp: PERRY LAKE

Public Access

Legal Description: NWSW, SWSW, SWNE, NWNE, GOV LOT 1 and 2, Sect 25, Twp 136, Rng 26.
NESE, Sect 26, Twp 136, Rng 26

Species Information:

Ash	270 Cords	@	\$6.00 =	\$1,620.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	590 Cords	@	\$24.00 =	\$14,160.00	Area Estimate
* Basswood	115 Cords	@	\$10.00 =	\$1,150.00	Area Estimate
Maple	225 Cords	@	\$10.00 =	\$2,250.00	Area Estimate
Oak	700 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$11,900.00	
* Non Bid				<u>\$31,080.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ben Fogarty

Down Payment Required: **\$4,662.00**

Total Acres: 63.3

Expires: 03/31/2029

Operability: Winter Frozen Gound: December 1 - March 31

Aspen Harvest and Oak Final Harvest

Tract#:11

City/Twp: CENTER

Public Access

TS260392

Legal Description: GOV. LOT 3, 4, 5, & 6, Sect 4, Twp 134, Rng 27

Species Information:

Aspen	500 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$13,000.00	
* Birch	35 Cords	@	\$18.00 =	\$630.00	Area Estimate
* Jack Pine	1 Cords	@	\$20.00 =	\$20.00	
Red Pine	160 Cords	@	\$30.00 =	\$4,800.00	
* Non Bid				<u>\$18,450.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ash Maus

Down Payment Required: **\$2,767.50**

Total Acres: 31.0

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: Spring to Fall: May 1st - March 31st

Red Pine Thinning. Aspen Harvest.

Tract#:12

City/Twp: TROMMALD

Private Access

TS260383

Legal Description: NESW, NWSW, SESW, Sect 32, Twp 47, Rng 29

Species Information:

Aspen	650 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$16,900.00	
* Birch	15 Cords	@	\$18.00 =	\$270.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	15 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$180.00	Area Estimate
* Red Pine	45 Cords	@	\$20.00 =	\$900.00	
* White Spruce	5 Cords	@	\$18.00 =	\$90.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$18,340.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ash Maus

Down Payment Required: **\$2,751.00**

Total Acres: 43.7

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: Spring to Winter: May 15th - March 31st

Aspen harvest and Red Pine thinning.

Tract#:13
TS260368

City/Twp: CUYUNA

Public Access

Legal Description: NESW, NESE, SESW, NWSE, Gov Lot 4, Sect 31, Twp 47, Rng 28

Species Information:

* Ash	20 Cords	@	\$9.00 =	\$180.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	1,350 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$35,100.00	
* Basswood	95 Cords	@	\$11.00 =	\$1,045.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	25 Cords	@	\$18.00 =	\$450.00	Area Estimate
Maple	180 Cords	@	\$10.00 =	\$1,800.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$38,575.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$5,786.25**

Total Acres: 72.5

Expires: 03/27/2027

Operability: April 1 - Nov 31 - No Winter operations - No Rutting

Aspen Final Harvest
1 Year Only

Tract#:14
TS260382

City/Twp: IRONDALE

Public Access

Legal Description: GOV LOT 3 & 5, SWNE, SENW, Sect 6, Twp 46, Rng 29

Species Information:

* Ash	20 Cords	@	\$9.00 =	\$180.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	325 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$8,450.00	
* Basswood	15 Cords	@	\$11.00 =	\$165.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	60 Cords	@	\$18.00 =	\$1,080.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	10 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$120.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$9,995.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ash Maus

Down Payment Required: **\$1,499.25**

Total Acres: 18.5

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: DRY summer or Winter: May 15 - March 31

Aspen harvest.

Tract#:15
TS260385

City/Twp: IRONDALE

Public Access

Legal Description: GOV LOT 1, 4 & 5, NWNE, SENE, Sect 13, Twp 46, Rng 30

Species Information:

Aspen	1,150 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$29,900.00	
* Basswood	75 Cords	@	\$11.00 =	\$825.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	70 Cords	@	\$18.00 =	\$1,260.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	45 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$540.00	Area Estimate
* Oak	10 Cords	@	\$24.00 =	\$240.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$32,765.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ash Maus

Down Payment Required: **\$4,914.75**

Total Acres: 56.0

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: Summer and Fall: May 15th - November 30th

Aspen harvest. Oak shelterwood. Northern hardwoods harvest.

Tract#:16
TS260377

City/Twp: OAK LAWN

Public Access

Legal Description: SENE, SWNE, SE1/4, Sect 34, Twp 46, Rng 30

Species Information:

Mixed Hardwood	275 Cords	@	\$25.00 =	\$6,875.00	
Red Pine	640 Cords	@	\$25.00 =	\$16,000.00	
* Non Bid				<u>\$22,875.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$3,431.25**

Total Acres: 84.2

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: Year Round Operations

Red Pine Thinning

Tract#:17
TS260369

City/Twp: NOKAY LAKE

Legal Description: SENW, SWNW, NWNW, Sect 2, Twp 45, Rng 29

Species Information:

Aspen	175 Cords	@	\$30.00 =	\$5,250.00	
* Birch	10 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$170.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	5 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$60.00	Area Estimate
* Oak	30 Cords	@	\$20.00 =	\$600.00	Area Estimate
Red Pine	250 Cords	@	\$37.00 =	\$9,250.00	
* White Pine	25 Cords	@	\$20.00 =	\$500.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<hr/>	
				\$15,830.00	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$2,374.50**

Total Acres: 29.7

Expires: 03/27/2028

Operability: Spring/Summer: May 15 - March 31

Pine Thinning and Final Harvest.

Crow Wing County Timber Appraisal Report

Appraised By: Tom Strack	Sale Type: SEALED BID-REGULAR	Appraisal Number: TS260381
Appraisal Date: 12/04/2025	Auction Date: 03/27/2026	Permit Number:
		Expiration Date: 03/27/2028
		Page: 1 of 2

Legal Description

RE Code	Sec.	Twp.	Rge	City/Twp	Legal Description
CF - 77080527	8	136	27	MISSION	NWNE

Block 1 Species	Non-Bid	Bolt %	Volume	Units	Unit Price	Value
Red Pine		45	440	Cords	\$32.00	\$14,080.00
Mixed Hardwood	X	0	1	Cords	\$20.00	\$20.00
					Subtotal	\$14,100.00
					Total	\$14,100.00

Total MBF: 0 **Total Cords:** 441

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price) Mixed Hardwood, Red Pine

Species Sold Area Estimate:

Operability: Summer Only May 15- November 30

Soil Type: Sandy, Loamy, Moderately Drained

Topography: Level

Cutting Acres: 30.4

Harvest Specifications**Access**

Access is thru private land and has been secured.

Harvest and Reserves

Harvest Red Pine to a basal area of 100. Only harvest hardwoods that impede timber sale operations. No Red Pine over 18" are to be harvested.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails

Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator.

Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned.

Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding

Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction.

Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree.

Reduce stump heights to an average of 12".

Reserve all non-hazardous snags.

Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration.

Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection

Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance.

Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion.

If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.

Slash Disposal

Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area.

Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations.

If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.

Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions

Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations.

Red Pine: 9" DBH - 4.5 Sticks.

Biomass volume is estimated to be 135 tons.

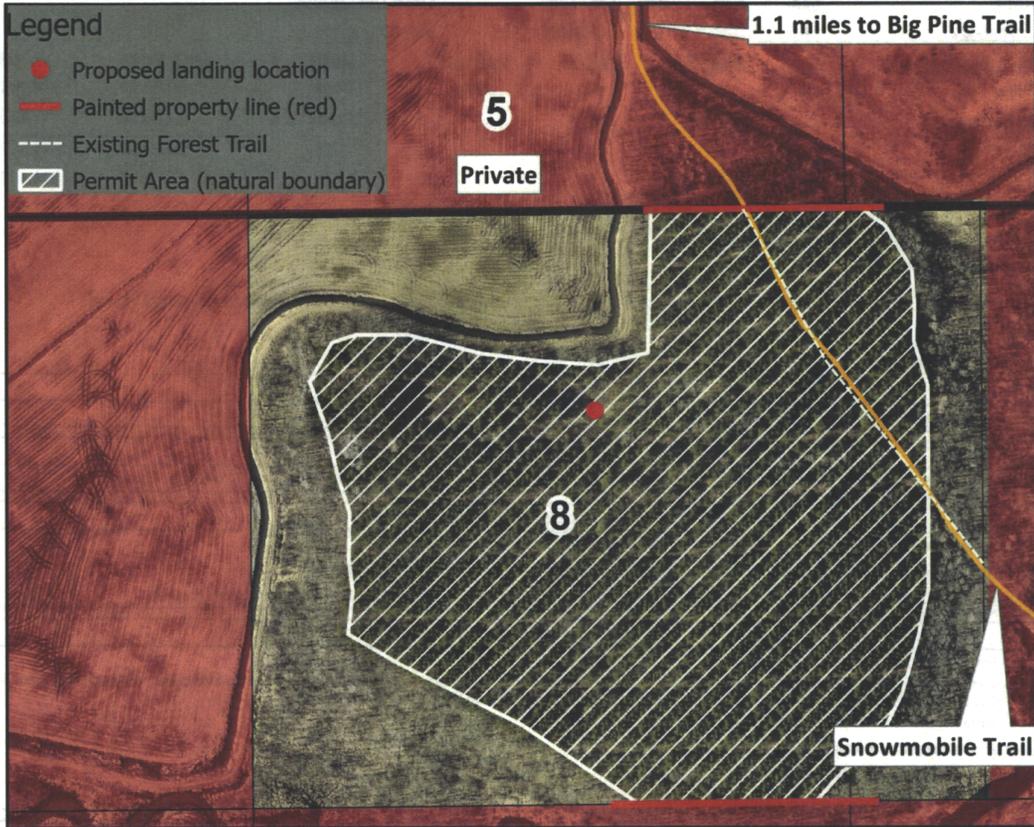
Other Remarks

Missing scale tickets will be charged \$50.00 per ticket book. In the case where the County receives a copy of the book stub, but no copy or record of the consumer stub, the Permittee will be charged for a full truckload of timber for that species based on the average size load.

Crow Wing County Timber Appraisal Report

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Appraisal Date: 12/04/2025	Auction Date: 03/27/2026	Permit Number:
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Site Map:



Appraisal examined and approved by _____
Land Commissioner Date

I hereby agree to abide by the terms and conditions set forth on this appraisal and on timber permit

Contractor Date

Crow Wing County Timber Appraisal Report

Appraised By: Tom Strack	Sale Type: SEALED BID-REGULAR	Appraisal Number: TS260390
Appraisal Date: 01/05/2026	Auction Date: 03/27/2026	Permit Number:
		Expiration Date: 03/27/2027
		Page: 1 of 2

Legal Description

RE Code	Sec.	Twp.	Rge	City/Twp	Legal Description
CF - 77020500	2	136	27	MISSION	SESE, NESE
CF - 77110517	11	136	27	MISSION	NENE

Block 1 Species	Non-Bid	Bolt %	Volume	Units	Unit Price	Value
Red Pine		62	1250	Cords	\$45.00	\$56,250.00
Mixed Hardwood	X	0	240	Cords	\$18.00	\$4,320.00
					Subtotal	\$60,570.00
					Total	\$60,570.00

Total MBF: 0

Total Cords: 1490

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price) Mixed Hardwood, Red Pine

Species Sold Area Estimate:

Operability: Summer or Spring Only - April 1 - Nov. 30

Soil Type: Loamy Sand, Excessively Drained

Topography: Level

Cutting Acres: 56.9

Harvest Specifications**Access**

Access is thru public land.

Harvest and Reserves

Type 1: Harvest all species greater than 2" DBH.

Type 2: Harvest all hardwood. Also harvest Red Pine to a basal area of 100. Operator must remove an entire row and thin in-between the reserved rows to achieve the target basal area.

RMZ: Harvest all blue marked trees. Do not fell trees into the river.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails

Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator.

Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned.

Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.

There is an informal snowmobile trail that runs east and west near the boundary of type 1 & 2. This trail must be reestablished by the permit holder after operations are completed.

Access road is also a Grant-In-Aid Snowmobile Trail. A 4 inch snow pack must be maintained over the road where practical and when snow conditions are favorable.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding

Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction.

Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree.

Reduce stump heights to an average of 12".

Reserve all non-hazardous snags.

Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration.

Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection

Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance.

RMZs along open water wetland(s) occur on this permit. See appraisal map for locations.

Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion.

If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.

Restricted cutting is allowed within the RMZ. Refer to sale administrator for specific basal area or species specific requirements.

Slash Disposal

Type 1: Slash may be chipped or must be placed in piles at the landing or other administrator approved location.

Type 1: 100% of the tops and limbs can be removed on this sale for chipping.

Type 2: Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area.

Type 2: If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.

Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions

Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations.

Mixed Hardwood = 56% Oak & 44% Aspen. Type 1: Red Pine 17" DBH - 8 Sticks, Type 2: Red Pine 9" DBH - 4.5 Sticks.

Biomass volume is estimated to be 460 tons.

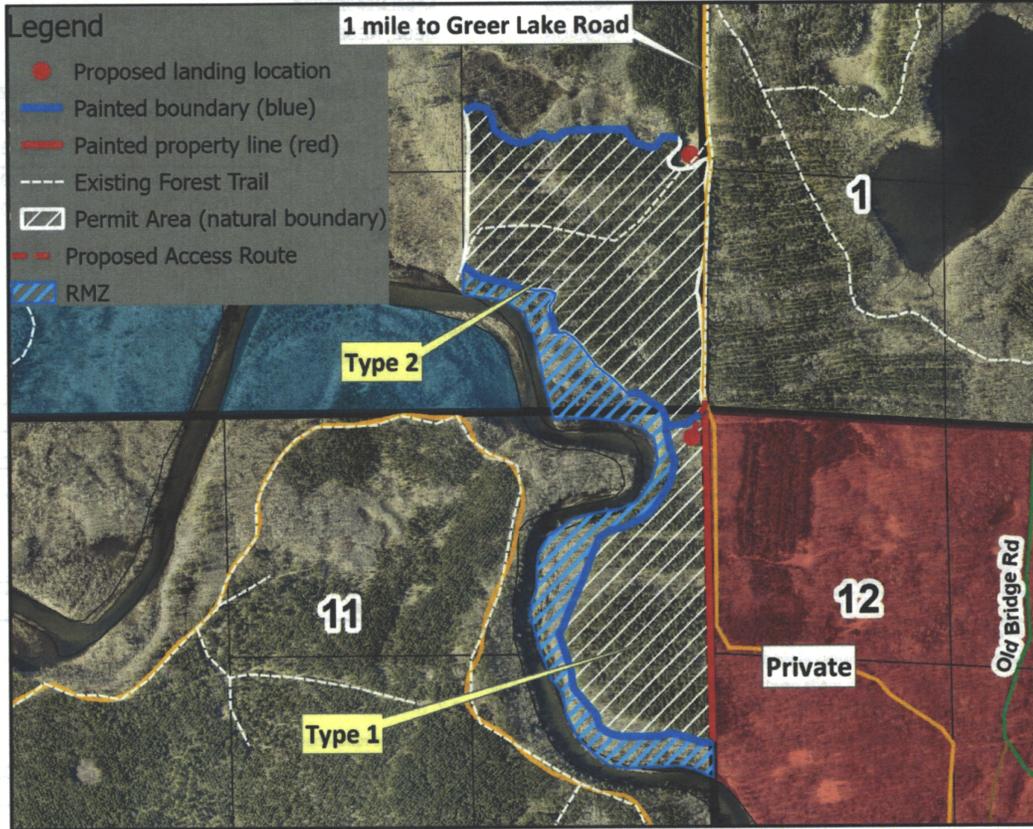
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Site Map:



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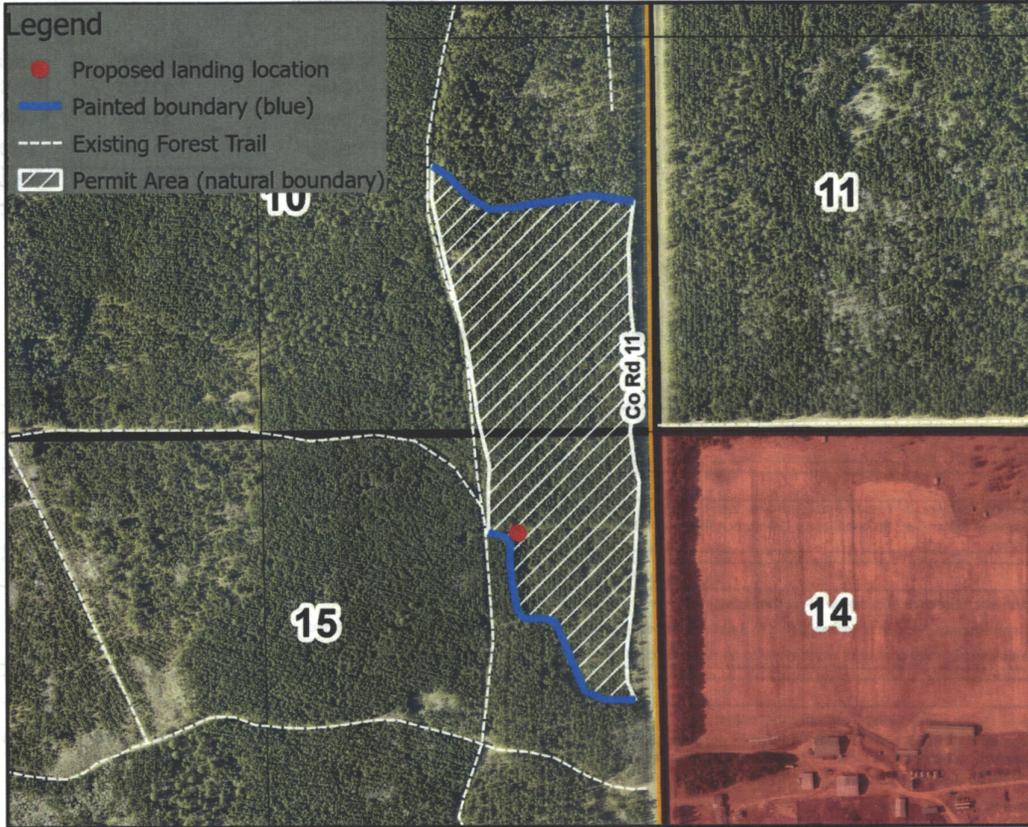
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Contractor Date

Crow Wing County Timber Appraisal Report

Appraised By: Tom Strack	Sale Type: SEALED BID-REGULAR	Appraisal Number: TS260389
Appraisal Date: 01/02/2026	Auction Date: 03/27/2026	Permit Number:
		Expiration Date: 03/27/2027
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Bid Opening: 10:00 AM - March 27, 2026

A percent bid in multiples of one (1) percent must be indicated for the total bid value. The bid percent you indicate will be used to determine the highest bid. **Forfeiture of any successful bid tract will be considered forfeiture of sale. This will also result in the loss of Bid Bond and Bid Bond will not be applied to any other tracts as advance payment.** Please indicate your bid on this sheet, fill out the information on the bottom portion of this page and return in a sealed envelope to: Crow Wing County Land Services, 322 Laurel Street, Suite 15, Brainerd, Minnesota 56401

OFFICIAL BID FORM

**Enclose your \$300.00 Bid Guarantee Check with this form.
Your \$300.00 check for Bid Guarantee is sufficient to cover all bids submitted.**

TRACT #	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	APPRAISED VALUE	MINIMUM DOWN PAYMENT REQUIRED	PERCENT BID	Check Include (OFFICE USE ONLY)
1	NENE, SESE of 26-29-138	\$27,825.00	\$4,173.75		
2	SWSW, SESW of 3-27-138	\$7,650.00	\$1,147.50		
3	SWSE, SESE, NESE of 17-27-138	\$26,386.00	\$3,957.90		
4	NENE of 20-27-138	\$54,890.00	\$8,233.50		
5	SENW, SWNW, NENW (46%) of 3-27-137	\$76,575.00	\$11,486.25		
6	NWNE of 8-27-136	\$14,100.00	\$2,115.00		
7	SESE, NESE of 2-27-136	\$60,570.00	\$9,085.50		
8	SESE of 10-27-136	\$3,600.00	\$540.00		
9	SWSW of 29-26-136	\$17,550.00	\$2,632.50		
10	NESE of 26-26-136	\$31,080.00	\$4,662.00		
11	GOV. LOT 3, 4, 5, & 6 of 4-27-134	\$18,450.00	\$2,767.50		
12	NESW, NWSW, SESW of 32-29-47	\$18,340.00	\$2,751.00		
13	NESW, NESE, SESW, NWSE, Gov Lot 4 of 31-28-47	\$38,575.00	\$5,786.25		
14	GOV LOT 3 & 5, SWNE, SENW of 6-29-46	\$9,995.00	\$1,499.25		
15	GOV LOT 1, 4 & 5, NWNE, SENE of 13-30-46	\$32,765.00	\$4,914.75		
16	SENE, SWNE, SE1/4 of 34-30-46	\$22,875.00	\$3,431.25		
17	SENW, SWNW, NWNW of 2-29-45	\$15,830.00	\$2,374.50		

The above represents a true and accurate bid for the desired tracts of timber. If I fail to pay the down payment within 10 days, the sale will forfeit to Crow Wing County and I will forfeit my Bid Guarantee Check. If you have any questions, please contact Land Services.

Name _____ **Bidder:** _____
Signature _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Date: _____



February 25, 2026

Dear Township Council,

The Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library (**JFHML**) was built and deeded to the city of Crosby by Mr. E. W. Hallett in 1978. It is an **independent public library** serving the area of the Crosby-Ironton School District. The term independent library indicates it is not part of a larger library system like Kitchigami Regional Library System (KRLS) in Brainerd. In fact, JFHML has applied to be part of Kitchigami and was **turned down**. Because we are not part of a library system, state funds are not available for operational support.

Funding for JFHML historically came from the Hallett Charitable Trust as well as the city of Crosby. The trend from 2017 to 2024 had been a **substantial decrease** from the Trust and a compensatory increase from Crosby. This fall, the trust matched the funds received from townships but there are no guarantees that this will continue. With overall increases in operating costs, this is not sustainable.

The library maintains 6 computers for public use and WiFi access, which is a significant expense. We also provide scanning and printing services, programming for children (story hour, summer reading program, and other seasonal events), test proctoring, book clubs, teen events, and jigsaw puzzles (and periodic competitions). These are in addition to the ‘traditional’ library offerings: books, periodicals, DVDs, and eBooks. This is a space that fosters **growth and learning for all** and adapts to the needs of the community.

Many treasure the library and actively use it. In 2011, a group of those who value the library created the **JFHML Friends** to help support our facility. They raise funds to **purchase materials and support programs**. In 2022, an **endowment fund** was established under the leadership of the JFHML Board. The hope is that, once the fund grows to a sustainable level, the yearly interest earnings can contribute to operating expenses. But we are not there yet.

The current **service area** of JFHML is the area of the **Crosby-Ironton school district**. Non-residents are asked to pay \$20 for a library card. We have put considerable effort into keeping the current service area from having to pay to use the library. **If towns and townships are not choosing to value our library, then in 2027 we will change our service area to include only these communities that do provide financial support.** A contribution in the amount of \$20 per active library card would be a strong sign of commitment to the JFHML. Your municipality's suggested contribution based on **55** active library cards would be **\$1,100**.

We are notifying patrons of the above plans so they can plan to attend your annual meeting and request you financially support the library.

Thank you for your consideration,

Abby Smith
Librarian

Wendi Johnson-Haas
Library Board Member
Finance Committee

Active Cards	% of Total Library Members	2024 Pop.	% of Pop with Library Card	Town/Township	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Suggested Contribution based on Library Cards
163	6%	970	17%	Bay Lake Township											\$1,500.00		\$ 5,705.00
10	0%	1080	1%	Center Township													\$ 350.00
382	15%	1318	29%	Deerwood Township									\$100		\$ 800.00		\$ 7,640.00
25	1%	316	8%	Fairfield Township		\$250.00									\$ 805.00		\$ 500.00
310	12%	1271	24%	Irondale Township	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$2,500	\$3,500.00		\$ 6,200.00
4	0%	2199	0%	Lake Edward Township													\$ 80.00
3	0%	93	3%	Little Pine Township													\$ 60.00
55	2%	821	7%	Mission Township											X		\$ 1,100.00
16	1%	909	2%	Nokay Lake Township											X		\$ 320.00
9	0%	1813	0%	Oak Lawn Township													\$ 180.00
7	0%	552	1%	Pelican Township													\$ 140.00
46	2%	292	16%	Perry Lake Township													\$ 920.00
59	2%	366	16%	Rabbit Lake Township													\$ 1,180.00
4	0%	187	2%	Ross Lake Township													\$ 80.00
105	4%	350	30%	Wolford Township	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$200	\$200	\$100	\$200	\$200	\$200		\$250	\$ 200.00		\$ 2,100.00
30	1%	2499	1%	City of Crosslake													\$ 600.00
88	3%	322	27%	City of Cuyuna		\$2,000.00	\$2,000			\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$3,000.00		\$ 1,760.00
147	6%	530	28%	City of Deerwood		\$500.00	\$500	\$500							\$ 500.00		\$ 2,940.00
94	4%	877	11%	City of Emily													\$ 1,880.00
145	6%	577	25%	City of Ironton	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500	\$500	\$500								\$ 2,900.00
11	0%	129	9%	City of Riverton	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$100	\$100	\$100								\$ 220.00
18	1%	112	16%	City of Trommald			\$150		\$150								\$ 360.00
																	\$ 37,215.00
				Total	\$2,350	\$4,950	\$4,950	\$2,800	\$2,350	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$3,600	\$2,750	\$ 10,305		
678	27%	2386	28%	City of Crosby	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$63,550	\$63,550	Covid/Room	Covid/Room	\$63,550	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	
57	2%			CI High School													
51	2%			Non-Resident							\$ 260	\$ 240	\$ 300	\$ 520	\$ 960		

2517 total active patrons

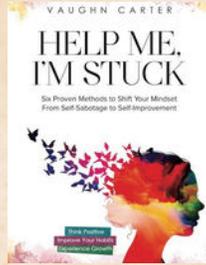
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[Map of Townships & School District](#)
Card numbers as of 1/22/26

HISTORY OF

Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library



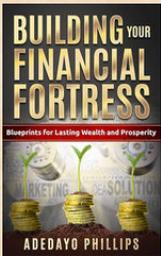
Library was built and
dedded to the city of
Crosby by Mr E.W. Hallett
in memory of his wife Jessie



Hallett Charitable Trust
decreases funding to library
from \$155 000 to \$50 000
KRLS (Brainerd library system)
turns down JFHML request to
join the KRLS

1978

2017



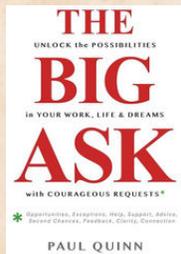
JFHML Endowment Fund
created with the plan of
funding operational
expenses once it is funded
to at least \$1 000 000



City of Crosby requests
that the library charge
patrons outside of Crosby
for library card to
decrease the amount the
city needs to fund
operational costs

2022

2023



Library leadership
approaches towns and
townships to provide library
with funding so that their
constituents are not required
to pay to use a public library

2024-26

LIBRARY SERVICES

NOT JUST BOOKS



COMICS AND GRAPHIC NOVELS



LIBBY EBOOKS



MOVIE STREAMING



READERS' ADVISORY



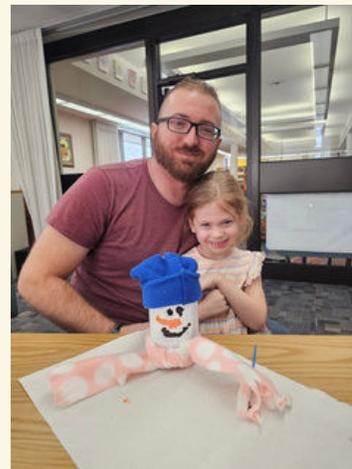
MOBILE HOT SPOTS



MAGIC BOB VISITS STORY HOUR



PUZZLE COMPETITION



CRAFT NIGHTS



LIBRARY'S CLUE THEMED FLOAT IN 7/4 PARADE



ART IN THE PARK



EASTER EGG HUNT



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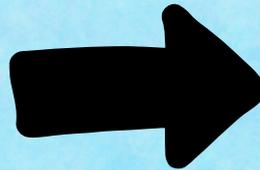
LIBRARY FUNDING

OPERATIONS 2025



CITY OF CROSBY. BAY LAKE TWP. DEERWOOD TWP. FAIRFIELD TWP. IRONDALE TWP. WOLFORD TWP. CITY OF CUYUNA. CITY OF DEERWOOD AND HALLETT CHARITABLE TRUST

OPERATIONS 2026



HOPEFULLY ALL OF THE ABOVE AND MORE TOWNS AND TOWNSHIPS

MATERIALS AND PROGRAMS



JFHML FRIENDS

this includes Jingle Books, Heritage Days book sale, and ongoing book sales at Backstreet Books

FUTURE OPERATIONS



JFHML ENDOWMENT FUND

this is currently being funded by generous donations including the counter jar campaign in the summer, the Pat Smith golf tournament, Read-a-thon, Mystery in the library event, Turn over a New Leaf event and more to come in the future...



JESSIE F. HALLETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

SERVICES & OFFERINGS

Explore all the ways the Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library supports learning, creativity, and community—whether you have a library card or not.

Library Services Available with a Card

Borrowing & Digital Access

- Books (for all ages)
- Magazines, DVDs, CDs, Audiobooks
- Hotspots
- Libby App (eBooks & eAudiobooks)
- Kanopy (Movie Streaming)
- Comics Plus (online graphic novels, comics, and manga)

Reader Support

- NoveList Plus
- Online Card Catalog

Library Services - No Card Required

** Denotes fee may be applicable*

Technology & Office Services

- Public Computers & Internet
- Printing, Copying, Faxing, Scanning & Emailing*
- Notary Services
- Test Proctoring

Community Spaces

- Study Spaces
- Meeting Rooms*
- Puzzle Swap
- Local Newspapers
- Tax Forms

Programs & Events

The majority of events at the library are free and open to the public. Space may be limited and registration required. Occasional events hosted at the library but put on by a presenter may have fee.

- Weekly Preschool Story Hour
- Summer Reading Program
- Puzzle Competitions
- Author Talks
- Game Nights
- Arts & Crafts
- Book Clubs
- Movie Nights
- Anime & Manga Night
- Cribbage Days
- Seasonal Events
 - Egg Hunt
 - Halloween Party
 - Summer Carnival
 - National Poetry Month

Visit our website or Facebook page to see photos of these and more events!



www.hallettlibrary.org



Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library

The true impact of a library can't be summed up in a simple list. Libraries are more than just a place to check out books—they are community hubs that foster learning, connection, and opportunity for all.

At the Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library, we bring people together. Friendships are formed at story hour, where children develop a love of reading, and parents build lifelong connections. We offer a welcoming space where people can meet, learn, and grow. Whether it's a student researching a school project, a job seeker applying for work, or a visitor looking for a quiet place to read, we serve as a cornerstone of the community.

We answer questions that Google can't—helping patrons uncover family histories, understand local events, and navigate life's challenges. Our resources, programs, and knowledgeable staff provide access to technology, education, and social connection that not everyone has at home.

Libraries ensure that knowledge, creativity, and opportunity remain free and available to all. But we can't do it alone. Your financial support helps keep our doors open, our shelves stocked, and our programs running—ensuring that the library remains a vital resource for generations to come.



Naomi Scott <missionclerk@gmail.com>

Support For Hallett Library

1 message

Nicolette Neutz <nneutz@gmail.com>

Wed, Mar 4, 2026 at 9:32 PM

To: missionclerk@gmail.com

Cc: librarian@hallettlibrary.org

To the Mission Township Council,

I am writing to express my support for continued funding for the Hallett Library in Crosby. As a retired couple living on a fixed income, we have very few places in our community that offer as many opportunities, resources, and welcoming spaces as the library. It is truly one of the few places where everyone—regardless of age or income—can learn, connect, and feel part of something.

Beyond the obvious benefit of access to books, the library provides a comfortable place to meet others, work on a community puzzle, or participate in the free puzzle exchange. It also offers free internet access and local historical resources that allow us to research genealogy and stay connected without added cost.

As a grandparent—of 11 grandchildren, no less—the library is also a place I can bring them to explore, learn, and enjoy time together. They participate in art and science activities, watch movies, attend story time, or simply wander the shelves discovering new books. These experiences are invaluable, especially for families trying to provide enriching activities without stretching their budgets.

The Hallett Library is a vital part of our community's fabric. It supports residents of all ages and circumstances, and it remains one of the few truly accessible public spaces we have. Please help us keep this local institution funded and vibrant by approving the requested \$1100 funding.

Thanks

Tom and Sharyl Neutz
27737 CR 19



Naomi Scott <missionclerk@gmail.com>

Hallett Library Support

1 message

Gregory Neutz <gneutz@gmail.com>
To: missionclerk@gmail.com

Wed, Mar 4, 2026 at 9:15 PM

To the Mission Township Council,

I am writing in support of Mission Township providing \$1,100 in funding for the Jesse F. Hallett Library. For many of us in Mission Township—especially families with children—the library is far more than a place to check out books. It is a cornerstone of our community's learning life.

My family participates in a wide range of programs at the Hallett Library, including STEM activities, reading challenges, arts and crafts events, and special holiday programs. These opportunities enrich our kids' education and give them a place to explore, create, and grow.

The library is also where we connect with other families. We regularly see friends there, and our children get to interact with Mission Township kids who are homeschooled—connections they wouldn't otherwise have the chance to make. The library brings our community together in a meaningful way.

Supporting the Hallett Library means supporting the educational, social, and creative development of Mission Township's children and families. I strongly encourage the township to approve this funding request.

Thank You

Greg Neutz
27831 County Rd 19



Naomi Scott <missionclerk@gmail.com>

Hallett Library funding

1 message

Karen Orning <karen.orning@gmail.com>
To: missionclerk@gmail.com

Sun, Mar 8, 2026 at 10:11 AM

We, George and Karen Orning, as homeowners in Mission Township, Crow Wing County, are in favor of the township voting to support the Hallett (Crosby) Library. The reason for this is to enhance the Crosby School District education support services and to give residents important library services.

February 24, 2026

Dear Mission Township:

At the Crow Wing County Historical Society, we are reminded of the **impact of our work** through moments like this:

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Here is the photo we took with our grandfather Howard Caughey, a 97-year-old World War II veteran, alongside his father's World War I uniform.

Thank you for such a wonderful visit, and for all that you do.

Have a blessed day,
Kristin Caughey

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That uniform connected five generations of Caughey's that day—a connection made possible by **the exceptional care the Crow Wing County Historical Society provides for our collection.**

It is easy to take for granted that the WWI uniform is at our museum; however, proper collections stewardship is far from easy. Processing a single object takes over two hours and is followed by careful storage using costly archival materials. Our museum-grade shelving was secured through grant writing and administrative expertise. We also pay annual software subscriptions for our searchable collection database. All of that is just to put an object in storage. Exhibiting an item requires additional resources including research, interpretive writing, design, and more. **This all adds up to many resources and hours of staff time.**

To sustain this level of care and professionalism, **we rely on funding from local cities and townships.** We thank you for your past support and hope you will consider contributing this year. **Your donation helps us continue preserving history, including city and township information.** The Crow Wing County Historical Society is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and affiliated and approved by the Minnesota Historical Society.

Thank you for contributing to our ability to keep connecting generations for years to come.

With gratitude,

Handwritten signature of Hillary Swanson

Hillary Swanson
Executive Director
hillary.swanson@crowwing.gov





DONATION FORM

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Enclosed is my tax-deductible gift of \$ _____

I would like my donation to apply to:

Museum Exhibits

General Operating Expenses

Fair Buildings

Other _____

We also accept donations to our Brainerd Lakes Area Community Foundation Agency Fund. Please contact us if you have questions about bequests, gifts of stock or real estate, a donation through a donor advised fund, or IRA/qualified charitable distributions.

Please use enclosed envelope or return to:

**CROW WING COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
320 LAUREL STREET
BRainerd, MN 56401**

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326 Laurel Street
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Dear *Mission Township*

On behalf of the Crow Wing County 4-H Livestock PDC, I am writing to respectfully request your support through a donation to help fund youth livestock education and opportunity programs in Crow Wing County.

The Crow Wing County Livestock PDC is a volunteer-run organization that supports local youth through livestock education, hands-on learning, and competitive opportunities. We work closely with 4-H families and community members to promote animal care, responsibility, and leadership through agriculture.

We are currently seeking donations to support the following programs:

- Youth Scholarships – helping 4-H members attend the Minnesota State Fair 4-H Livestock Encampment and the Northeast Livestock Show.
- Livestock Clinics & Educational Events – funding local livestock clinics that teach proper animal care, showmanship, and management skills.
- County Fair Awards – providing awards and recognition for youth exhibitors at the Crow Wing County Fair.

Your support will directly impact local youth by helping remove financial barriers and ensuring these valuable agricultural programs remain accessible to families in our community.

Thank you for your time and consideration. If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact me.

With sincere appreciation,

Emily Espersen *Emily Espersen*
Crow Wing County 4-H Livestock PDC



Naomi Scott <missionclerk@gmail.com>

Cuyuna Range Youth Center Request

1 message

Melissa Cox <melissacox2009@yahoo.com>
To: "missionclerk@gmail.com" <missionclerk@gmail.com>

Sun, Mar 8, 2026 at 8:53 PM

Good evening,

I hope this message finds you well. Attached is a letter from the Cuyuna Range Youth Center (CRYC) sharing more about our mission and the important role we play in supporting youth in the Crosby-Ironton area.

At CRYC, we provide a safe and supportive environment where local students in grades 4 through 12 can spend time after school building friendships, developing life skills, and receiving mentorship. We also provide daily meals and snacks, helping ensure students have the nourishment they need to learn and grow.

We are reaching out to local townships to explore ways we might work together to support area youth. This could include financial support, sponsoring meals for students, volunteering at the youth center, or visiting to connect with students and share about community service or local opportunities.

Please feel free to review the attached letter, and do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or would like to learn more about CRYC. We would also be happy to visit a township meeting or welcome township members to the center.

Thank you for your time and for your continued dedication to our community's young people.

Warm regards,

Melissa Cox
Grant Writer
Cuyuna Range Youth Center

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March 2026

Dear Township Leader,

We are writing on behalf of the Cuyuna Range Youth Center (CRYC) to share our commitment to the youth of our community and to ask for your support in sustaining the programs that serve them.

CRYC welcomes students in grades 4 through 12 from the Crosby-Ironton School District and surrounding communities into a safe, supportive space where they can learn, grow, and build positive relationships. In a rural district of approximately 450 students, CRYC reaches nearly half of them each year, many of whom face challenges such as food insecurity, limited supervision after school, and the risks associated with unsupervised time.

We work to provide the confidence, skills, and support they need to make positive life decisions.

Through CRYC, students benefit from:

- A Safe After-School Environment – A supervised space with structured activities and caring adult mentors.
- Nutritional Support – Warm meals and healthy snacks provided each day to help address food insecurity and support student well-being.
- Youth Development Programs – Leadership opportunities, character-building activities, mental health awareness, and financial literacy education.
- Community Engagement – Students are encouraged to give back through volunteer projects and community events that strengthen our region.

To continue providing these opportunities, we are asking for your township's support in any of the following ways:

- Financial Contributions to help sustain youth programming and operational costs.
- Meal Sponsorships or Food Donations to support the daily meals and snacks we provide to students.
- Volunteers who are willing to spend time with students as mentors, helpers during activities, or guest speakers who can share their skills and experiences.
- Community Connection Opportunities, where township leaders or community members can visit the center, connect with students, and share about local service, careers, and community involvement.

We believe that investing in our youth is an investment in the future of our entire community. With the support of local townships and community partners, CRYC can continue to be a place where young people feel safe, supported, and inspired to grow into responsible and caring citizens.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and continued dedication to the well-being of the young people in our region.

Best regards,

Cuyuna Range Youth Center

Board, Staff, and Youth

Township Legal Seminar

Presented by:

Couri & Ruppe Law Office

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CHOOSE THE DATE AND LOCATION THAT WORKS BEST FOR YOU:

DATE: THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2026 (9:00am to 4:00 pm)- **Albertville City Hall** (Wright County)

DATE: SATURDAY, SEPT. 12, 2026 (9:00am to 4:00 pm)- **Glen-Kimberly Town Hall** (Aitkin County)

DATE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026 (9:00am to 4:00 pm)- **Rutledge City Hall** (Pine County)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026 (9:00am to 4:00 pm)- **Cotton Town Hall** (St. Louis County)

Register directly from our website:

www.couriruppe.com (click on the "Township Legal Seminar" tab)
or call Kathy at (763) 497-1930