



# WINTER wild

Local photographer Mike Thiele reports seeing lots of birds, among other wildlife, the past two weekends around his cabin on Rainy Lake. He said he's seen evening grosbeaks, rose breasted grosbeaks, hairy woodpecker, downy woodpecker, blue jays, and lots of chickadees and red breasted nuthatches.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS

Thiele also reports he has been seeing a pair of what he thinks are brush wolves, or coyotes, the last couple of weekends on the lake. "They appear to be a pair that are denned up nearby," he notes. "Beautiful animals and covered distances very quickly."

The hairy woodpecker, featured in this Thiele photo, is larger overall than the downy.

Thiele shot this photo of a downy woodpecker, which is smaller in size than the hairy woodpecker, with very similiar coloring.

### 2015 MINNESOTA CITY SUMMARY BUDGET STATEMENT

Budgets have been adopted for the following Funds:  
General Fund  
Special Revenue Funds  
Debt Service Funds  
Capital Projects Funds

The purpose of this report is to provide summary 2015 budget information concerning the City of International Falls to interested citizens. The budget is published in accordance with MN Statute, Sec. 471.6965. This budget is not complete. The complete budget may be examined at: City Administrators Office, 600 4th Street, International Falls, MN 56649 The City Council approved this budget on 12/15/14.

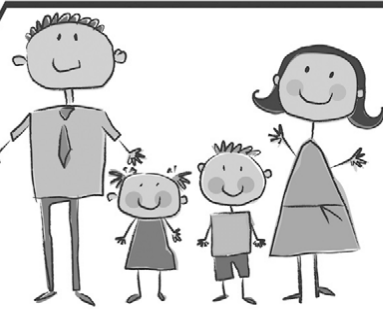
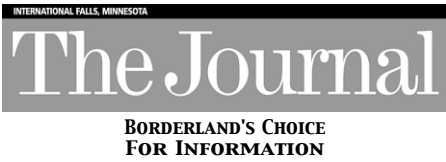
	2014 Adopted Budget	2015 Adopted Budget
<b>Budget Governmental Funds</b>		
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Property Taxes	2,109,415	2,151,603
Tax Increments	-	-
All other Taxes	90,000	115,000
Special Assessments	-	-
Licenses and Permits	61,655	96,664
Intergovernmental Revenues	-	-
Federal	-	-
State General Purpose Aid	3,975,561	4,011,762
State Categorical Aid	178,883	178,293
Grants from county and other Local Gov.	357,623	358,423
Charges for Services	2,870,983	2,923,995
Fines and Forfeits	48,500	40,500
Interest on Investments	64,106	23,332
Miscellaneous Revenues	1,195,122	156,888
Total Revenues	<u>\$10,951,848</u>	<u>\$10,056,460</u>
Proceeds from Bond Sales	\$0	\$0
Transfers from Other Funds	\$1,482,710	\$1,932,352
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	<u>\$12,434,558</u>	<u>\$11,988,812</u>

<b>Expenditures:</b>		
General Government	1,070,521	1,143,639
Public Safety	3,003,302	3,051,447
Street and Highways	1,751,175	1,810,264
Sanitation	10,100	12,410
Health	6,100	4,080
Culture and Recreation	716,656	642,007
Economic Development	44,700	45,000
Miscellaneous	<u>2,779,918</u>	<u>1,977,192</u>
Total Current Expenditures	9,382,472	8,686,039
Debt Service Principal		
Interest and Fiscal Charges		
Capital Outlay	1,887,288	1,903,516
Transfers to Other Funds	1,164,798	1,399,257
Total Expenditures	<u>\$12,434,558</u>	<u>\$11,988,812</u>

<b>Projected Balance</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
General Fund- Beginning Balance January 1	2,907,280	3,081,991
General Fund- Ending Balance December 31	2,807,280	3,081,991
<b>Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance</b>	<u><b>(\$100,000)</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>

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