

VNP Clean Water Joint Powers Board Meeting

Wednesday December 19, 17, 2018

10:30 a.m.

Voyagers National Park Office

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Public comments
3. Approve minutes of the October 17, 2018 JPB meeting
4. S.E.H./Advisory Board Representative Updates
 - A. Kabetogama
 - B. Ash River
 - C. Crane Lake
 - D. Koochiching
 - E. VNP
 - F. DNR
 - G. MPCA
5. Project Funding
6. Pay Invoices
7. Other Business
8. Next meeting date
9. Adjourn meeting

VNP CLEAN WATER JOINT POWERS BOARD MEETING
October 17, 2018

The monthly meeting of the VNP Clean Water Powers Board was held at the Town Hall in Kabetogama on October 17, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 10:06 by Chairman Pavleck. Board members also present were Commissioner Jugovich and Commissioner Rukavina.

Commissioner Pavleck welcomed everyone to the meeting and all in attendance introduced themselves. There were no public comments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rukavina and supported by Commissioner Jugovich to approve the September 19, 2018 minutes. All voted in favor.

Kabetogama. The Pucks Point sewer project is under the warranty period. The contractor has to perform a repair to a grinder station under project warranty, USA Construction indicated that this work would be completed in the fall of 2018. There was a neighborhood meeting on August 29th to discuss the follow on phases to the sewer system. John indicated that there were 11 volunteers to be on a project steering committee. The next steering committee meeting is scheduled for October, followed by a meeting with the attorney in December to discuss district formation options.

Ash River. S.E.H. will start on the facility planning phase for the Ash River sewer project once the grant funding paperwork is finalized with MPCA. In September, the MPCA again asked S.E.H to revise and resubmit the work plan for Ash River, S.E.H has made the requested revisions and the work plan has been resubmitted to the MPCA with no response to date. There was discussion for permission for Gary to draft a letter for the MPCA expressing concerns on approval delay and timeline to complete a facility plan by March. A motion was made by Commissioner Rukavina and supported by Commissioner Jugovich to approve sending the letter and allowing Wade to sign the letter. All voted in favor. Mark stated that the 40 day comment period for the resolution to form a sewer district has passed and the county will be sending the formal notification to the state in the near future.

Crane Lake. The Handberg Road expansion project is nearly complete with some additional restoration work to be completed. The 2018 construction season is complete with a total of 32 ISTS systems installed within the district under the

management program. The district estimated an additional 10-15 ISTS systems to be installed in 2019.

Koochiching. Contracts A, B and C are proceeding along. Lift Station 100, 200 and 300 are operational. Lift Station 400 is scheduled to go online in early November. The grinder station installations are underway for both Contracts A and B. Installations are anticipated to continue until the end of the construction season. Matt indicated that the assessment hearing for the project took place in September and the assessment has been approved by the county board.

There was a motion by Commissioner Rukavina to pay the Costin and S.E.H. invoices. It was supported by Commissioner Jugovich. All voted in favor

DNR. Nothing to Report.

MPCA. Nothing to report.

VNP. Bill was happy with the progress and communication so far with the construction of Contract C. Bob indicated that there was a new Facilities Chief at the Park and that he will join in at the next JPB meeting to introduce himself.

There was no other business. A motion was made by Commissioner Rukavina and supported by Commissioner Jugovich to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 11:35. The next JPB meeting will be held at Voyagers National Park in International Falls on December 19 at 10:00 am.

Submitted by: Jason J. Chopp, SEH (filling in for Rob Scott)



MEMORANDUM

TO: Voyageur's National Park Clean Water Joint Powers Board (VNPCWJPB)

FROM: Jason J. Chopp, PE

DATE: December 19, 2018

RE: VNPCWJPB Update
Koochiching and St. Louis Counties, Minnesota
STLES 147086

Board Meetings

The last meeting held in Kabetogama October 17, 2018

Action Requested: None

Kabetogama

The project is under warranty period. USA made repairs to one grinder station that had settled. Seasonal portions of the conveyance and treatment system have been winterized. Still holding \$8,000 retainage on the Treatment Contract (Septic Check) for install of an AC unit in the control building. The AC unit was scheduled to be installed in the fall but the wrong voltage unit was ordered. The AC unit is now scheduled to be installed in the spring.

Action Requested: None

Ash River

The grant paperwork is now complete and work on the Facility Plan has started. SEH is working on exhibits for individual properties to send to the property owners for input on location of existing systems, plans for future development, etc. This is a large step in the process will take a lot of time. SEH will do our best to complete the report by the March Facility Plan deadline.

Action Requested: None

Crane Lake Water & Sanitary District

The Handberg Phase 2 work is complete and the District anticipates releasing final payment to Bougalis and Sons Construction in the coming weeks. The CLWSD has utilized all Legacy 1 Funds and is preparing for the 2019 construction season. Next year they will continue to work with SLC staff on their phase III of the Management Program (mandatory participation in the CLWSD program) and start the administrative work for the Kicker Blvd annexation.

Action Requested: None

Island View Sanitary Sewer Expansion

All three contracts (A, B, and C) are proceeding along. All of the Lift stations are online. Contract C is substantially complete. Contract B and C have stopped work for the winter season. Contract A anticipates working until December 21 before they stop work for the winter.

Project Progress Through November 2018		
Contract	Completion Amount	Percent of Overall Contract
A - Wagner	\$7,400,000	75%
B – USA	\$5,900,000	75%
C – Septic Check	\$633,000	90%

Action Requested: None

Advisory Board Representative Updates

- Voyageurs National Park
- MN Department of Natural Resources
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Meeting Dates

- Action Requested: Propose and approve an upcoming meeting date.

Invoices

If you have any questions regarding these items, please do not hesitate to contact any of us.

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Cc: VNPCWJPB Advisory Committee, Koochiching and St. Louis County Environmental Services staff, Project Area residents (upon request)

Att: SEH Invoice, The Costin Group Invoice

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VNPCWJPB Funding Tracker

KOOCHICHING COUNTY				
Project	Project Cost	No. of EDUs	Project Status	Land Concerns/Comments
Island View Sanitary Sewer Extension	\$19,500,000	365	Under Construction, Awarded to Wagner and USA	County Responsible, multiple easements
	Funding Option	Funding Amount	Funding Status	Other Notes
	Koochiching County	\$30,000	Received	
	Koochiching County	\$400,000	Received	Used to complete design work
	State Bonding Bill, 2010	\$100,000	Received	
	WRDA-II	\$21,000,000	No action by Congress	
	USDA RD		Max 40% grant, not enough to get to \$120/month rate	
	Grant request in 2013 bonding bill	\$7,500,000	Bonding bill defeated 75-59 in May 2013	
	Capital Bonding Program, 2012	\$7,500,000-	Not funded	Program worth \$47.5 Million
	State Bonding Bill, 2014	\$7,817,800	Secured	
	MN Legacy Funds 2015	\$1,000,000	Secured	\$2m awarded, \$940,000 Kab, \$60k Crane
	2016 US Army Corp (\$4.5m, \$100k to Corp)	\$4,400,000	Secured	
	State Bonding Bill, 2017	\$2,000,000	Secured	
	Mn Legacy Funds 2018/2019	\$1,200,000	Secured	\$2m awarded, \$50k Kab, \$450k to Ash, \$300k to Crane
	anticipated assessment	\$3,600,000		

KABETOGAMA TOWNSHIP				
Project	Project Cost	No. of EDUs	Project Status	Land Concerns
Puck's Point San Swr & WWTF	\$4,500,000	80	Design Complete, Project has been bid twice. Bids are too high	
	Funding Option	Funding Amount	Funding Status	Other Notes
	Army Corps of Engineers 569 program, 2009	\$450,000	Not accepted due to lack of funds	Reapply in 2010
	IRRRB, 2009	\$50,000	Received	
	State Bonding Bill, 2010	\$0	Received	
	IRRRB, 2010	\$129,349	Received	
	PFA, 2013	\$0	Secured	
	DEED - Small Communities Program, 2013	\$274,619	Secured	Loan @ 1% over 20 years
	DEED - Small Communities Program, 2013	\$1,098,476	Secured	Grant
	MN Legacy Funds 2015	\$940,000	Secured	
	Mn Legacy Funds 2018/2019	\$50,000	Secured	
	MN Rural Water Loan	\$0	Secured	\$850k approve but not used. Interim financing used
	MPFA PSI Grant	\$1,864,929	Secured	
	DNR Capital Contribution	\$70,248	Secured	
	Other Levied Township Sources	\$42,944	Secured	

ASH RIVER - CURRENTLY UNORGANIZED				
Project	Project Cost	No. of EDUs	Project Status	Land Concerns
	\$5,500,000			
	Funding Option	Funding Amount	Funding Status	Other Notes
	State Bonding Bill, 2010	\$10,000	Secured	
	Mn Legacy Funds 2018/2019	\$450,000	Secured	
	St. Louis County	\$90,000	Secured	

CRANE LAKE WATER & SANITARY DISTRICT - CLWSD				
Project	Project Cost	No. of EDUs	Project Status	Land Concerns
CSAH 24	\$3,000,000			Construction Complete 6/11
	Funding Option	Funding Amount	Funding Status	Other Notes
	Taconite Property Tax Relief, 2010	\$99,887	Received	
	State Bonding Bill, 2010	\$150,000	Received	
Handberg Marine				
	Funding Option	Funding Amount	Funding Status	Other Notes
	USDA Search Grant, 2012	\$30,000-	Not funded	No search dollars were appropriated to MN for the program
	MN Legacy Funds 2015	\$60,000	Secured	
	Bonding Bill, 2014	\$750,000	Secured	
	Taconite Homestead Funds, 2013	\$687,000	Secured	
ESA & Bear Island				
	Funding Option	Funding Amount	Funding Status	Other Notes
	MPCA National Park Grant Program, 2014	\$1,500,000	Secured	ESA & Bear Island
	Mn Legacy Funds 2018/2019	\$300,000	Secured	

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25,092,308 Outside Funding Source Funds