

VNP Clean Water Joint Powers Board Meeting

Wednesday July 18, 2018

1:00 p.m.

Sun Set Resort

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Public comments
3. Approve minutes of the June 20, 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
June 20, 2018

The monthly meeting of the VNP Clean Water Powers Board was held at Ash Trail Lodge on June 20, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by Chairman Pavleck. Board members also present were Commissioner Norby and Commissioner Rukavina.

Commissioner Pavleck welcomed everyone to the meeting and the board members introduced themselves. Opening comments discussed that the JPB business meeting would be completed prior to the discussion of the proposed Ash River sewer district project and public comments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rukavina and supported by Commissioner Norby to approve the May 16, 2018 minutes with a correction amending the location of the June 20th to Ash River vs. Crane Lake. All voted in favor. There was a discussion on the need to hold a public meeting regarding the development of a sanitary district at Ash River. A motion was made by Commissioner Rukavina to request the St Louis County Board of Commissioners to conduct a public meeting on 24 July, 2018, at the Orr, Minnesota American Legion to initiate the creation of the Ash River Sanitary District. It was supported by Commissioner Norby and all voted in favor.

There was a discussion on JPB funding and the various sources for background information.

Kabetogama. The dispersal and collection projects are complete. The next phase is in discussion and options will be developed for follow on public meetings.

Ash River. Work continues on starting the facility planning phase for the project. Additional public meeting are planned to assist in determining the best course of action to take and what is most suitable to handle the sewage treatment needs for the area.

Crane Lake. The Handberg Road expansion project is complete. The 2018 construction plan for the installation of ISTS systems is ongoing with an estimated 15-20 systems to be installed. The administrative work for the Kicker Blvd project to start later this summer.

Koochiching. The Island View extension project is ongoing with lift station 100 scheduled to be online in June. Both contracts are approximately 44% complete. Estimate final completion at the end of July 2019.

DNR. Final application at DNR for the land exchange. The land is not school trust lands and includes approximately 71 acres.

MPCA. The grant funding applications for Ash River and Crane Lake are being finalized by June 30th.

VNP. All work appears to be on track. The RV dump station has been eliminated from the project.

There was a discussion regarding the funding tracker and invoices. A motion was made by Commissioner Rukavina to approve the Costin May invoice for \$2500.00. It was supported by Commissioner Norby All voted in favor.

S.E.H. provided an overview of the Ash River sewer project. The \$450K grand funds are being utilized for planning and design work. There was a discussion with the public on questions related to sanitary districts, administration process, and structure.

There was no other business. A motion was made by Commissioner Rukavina and supported by Commissioner Norby to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 2:20. The next JPB meeting will be held in Ash River at Sun Set Resort on July 18th at 1:00 pm.

Submitted by: Rob Scott, secretary



MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Jason J. Chopp, PE

DATE: July 18, 2018

RE: VNPCWJPB Update
Koochiching and St. Louis Counties, Minnesota
STLCO 143549

Board Meetings

The last meeting held in Ash River on June 20, 2018

Action Requested: None

Kabetogama

The Pucks Point project is complete. The project is under warranty period.

Action Requested: None

Ash River

SEH is now starting the facility planning phase for the Ash River proposed Sanitary District.

Crane Lake Water & Sanitary District

The Handberg Phase 2 project is substantially complete, with all 10 grinder stations operational. The Contractor has a list of punchlist items to complete by the end of June.

Action Requested: None

Island View Sanitary Sewer Expansion

Both construction contracts are proceeding along. Lift Station 100 is scheduled to go online at the end of June with grinder station connections anticipated by the middle of July 2018. Both contracts are approximately 44% complete. Contract C bid opening was on July 12, with contract award pending. The apparent low bidder is Septic Check.

Action Requested: None

Advisory Board Representative Updates

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

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	

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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