

VNP Clean Water Joint Powers Board Meeting

Wednesday August 21, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Crane Lake Chapel

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Public comments
3. Approve minutes of the July 17, 2019 JPB meeting
4. Comprehensive Plan and 10 Year Funding Budget
5. S.E.H./Advisory Board Representative Updates
 - A. Kabetogama
 - B. Ash River
 - C. Crane Lake
 - D. Koochiching
 - E. VNP
 - F. DNR
 - G. MPCA
6. Project Funding
7. Pay Invoices
8. Other Business
9. Next meeting date
10. Adjourn meeting

VNP CLEAN WATER JOINT POWERS BOARD MEETING
July 17, 2019

The monthly meeting of the VNP Clean Water Powers Board was held at Ash-Ka-Nam Resort on July 17, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 11:00 by Chairman Pavleck. Board members also present were Commissioner Sjoblom, Commissioner McDonald, Commissioner Jugovich, and Commissioner Nelson. Commissioner Pavleck welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked all of the office and departmental representatives for attending. There were no public comments and all attendees introduced themselves.

A motion was made by Commissioner Nelson and supported by Commissioner McDonald to approve the June 19, 2019 minutes. All voted in favor.

Ash River. Colin Marcusen, S.E.H. provided an update on the Ash River project. Soil borings and fact finding is ongoing for the development of the feasibility plan. Letters being sent to the 23 permeant residents regarding the board of manager's vacancies. The sewer district was established on June 5th and so far approximately \$50K has been spent on the project.

Kabetogama. Continue to work on phase III of the Puck's Point project. Anticipate five commercial and twenty private users to be added over 5 additional service areas.

Crane Lake. ISTS installations are ongoing and work continues on the Management Program. Work on the Kicker Blvd. project has been put on hold due to manpower constraints. Anticipate revisiting the expansion project next spring.

Koochiching. The Island View extension project work is in full construction. The new expected completion date is September due to the changes in the scope of work.

DNR. Land exchange appraisals being finalized for the Ash River project. The purpose of the land exchange is for a site to build the treatment plant.

MPCA. Nothing to report.

VNP. Working on getting the VNP facilities connected at Kabetogama.

S.E.H. discussed the funding tracker and Jeff Anderson is working on a 2-year planning document.

Public comments were discussed primarily related to costing, project timeline, and impacts to business owners. Best estimate for the Ash River sewer to be operational is in 2023.

There was a motion by Commissioner Nelson and supported by Commissioner Sjoblom to pay the June Costin Group invoice (\$2500.00). All voted in favor.

The planned meeting is scheduled for 21 August at 1100 at the Crane Lake.

There was no additional business and a motion by Commissioner McDonald and supported by Commissioner Nelson to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05.

Submitted by: Rob Scott, secretary



MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Jason J. Chopp, PE

DATE: August 21, 2019

RE: VNPCWJPB Update
Koochiching and St. Louis Counties, Minnesota
STLES 151379

Board Meetings

The last meeting was held in Ash River on July 17, 2019

Action Requested: None

Kabetogama

Pucks Point

Project is now complete and final payment has been processed. USA Construction has some warranty work that requires attention on some grinder stations.

Phase II

The Steering committee meets regularly and has reached out to the property owners in the proposed service area and the majority of the results are in favor of the sewer project. Continued Steering Committee meetings and public engagement are planned throughout the summer.

Action Requested: None

Ash River

1. Initial field surveys and soil borings were completed in July. SEH is currently working on the development of initial EDU assignments and design flows. The next steps will be to submit preliminary effluent requests to the MPCA. Once the effluent limits are determined SEH can proceed with evaluating treatment types.

Action Requested: None

Crane Lake Water & Sanitary District

The CLWSD will continue in 2019 on working with SLC staff on their phase III of the Management Program (mandatory participation in the CLWSD program). 10 new ISTS systems are anticipated by the end of the 2019 construction season.

The CLWSD has started with the initial administrative work for the Kicker Blvd annexation. SEH has provided the district attorney a final exhibit and legal descriptions of the annexation area for review.

Action Requested: None

Island View Sanitary Sewer Expansion

Contracts A and B are in full construction with grinder stations being installed on a daily basis. A site walk through was conducted on Contract C and a final punch list was issued to the Contractor. Construction completion dates for Contracts A and B will be extended into September due to changes in scope of work.

Project Progress Through July 2019		
Contract	Completion Amount	Percent of Overall Contract
A - Wagner	\$9,500,000	95%
B - USA	\$7,200,000	96%
C - Septic Check	\$672,000	95%

Action Requested: None

Advisory Board Representative Updates

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

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	
	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
	IRRRB, 2009	\$50,000	Secured	
	State Bonding Bill, 2010	\$0	Secured	
	IRRRB, 2010	\$129,349	Secured	
	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	\$850k approve but not used. Interim financing used
	Mn Legacy Funds 2018/2019	\$50,000	Secured	
	MN Rural Water Loan	\$0	Secured	
	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	
	Clean Water Legacy	\$950,000	Pending	

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
	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	
Managed ISTS	Clean Water Legacy	\$600,000	Pending	

\$26,942,308 Outside Funding Source Funds