

VNP Clean Water Joint Powers Board Meeting

Monday October 16, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Saint Louis County Public Works Garage

9558 Ashawa Rd

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Public comments
3. Approve minutes of the September 23, 2019 JPB meeting
4. Comprehensive Plan Update
5. S.E.H./Advisory Board Representative Updates
 - A. Ash River
 - B. Kabetogama
 - 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
September 23, 2019

The monthly meeting of the VNP Clean Water Powers Board was held at the Kabetogama Town Hall on September 23, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 11:00 by Chairman Pavleck. Board members also present were Commissioner McBride, Commissioner McDonald and Commissioner Jugovich. 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 McBride and supported by Commissioner Jugovich to approve the August 21, 2019 minutes. All voted in favor.

Jason Chopp provided an overview of the SEH proposal for \$47,500 to update the Wastewater Comprehensive Plan. A motion was made by Commissioner McDonald and supported by Commissioner McBride to approve the SEH proposal contingent on the services being eligible for reimbursement through their existing clean water grant funding. All voted in favor.

Ash River. There were 6 applications for the 5 board of manager positions. The appointments to be made at the October 1, 2019 St. Louis County Board Meeting. SEH provided an update on the Ash River Facility Plan progress. Preliminary EDU's have been established based on the initial service area. SEH has found that there is approximately 231.3 EDU's in the proposed area. This number is subject to change once reviewed by the newly formed sanitary board of managers.

Kabetogama. John provided an update that the petitions have been completed for the 5 proposed areas and will be working with the Township to establish the new districts. The areas to be considered are C, F, G, H, and possibly J. Areas J1, A, and D would be considered as Phase 3 later on. The next steps for the district is to request funds and budgets to move phase 2 forward. Gary stated that Kabetogama would be requesting money from the 2021 funding cycle. John thought the Comprehensive Plan Update will help the district better understand the Phase 2 Project costs but further funding will be needed for preliminary engineering to solidify those numbers.

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. ISTS installations are anticipated again for the 2020 construction season.

Koochiching. The project is 95% complete. There are only a handful of grinder stations that remain to be installed and plenty of clean up and restoration work. Punchlists and substantial completion for Contracts A and B should be issued in October 2019.

DNR. Nothing to report.

MPCA. Nothing to report.

VNP. Bob stated that vegetation is establishing well on the areas restored around the visitor's center. Bob has provided input to John regarding the VNP area located within proposed Area G in the Phase 2 Project.

Mark St. Lawrence was not present with current invoices. Invoices will be approved at the October 2019 Meeting.

John Stegmeir stated he will be out of the area for an extended period of time and that an alternate individual from Kabetogama will be attending the JPB meetings. He will be available via phone or email during this time.

The next planned meeting is scheduled for 16 October at 1000 at the new County Building in Cook.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15.

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: October 16, 2019

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

Board Meetings

The last meeting was held in Ash River on September 23, 2019

Action Requested: None

Kabetogama

Phase II

John updated the board in September that the board has completed the petition verification. The planned Phase 2 appears to be areas C, F, G, H, and possibly J. Areas J1, A, and D could be considered as a future phase. Based on the current schedule the board would be seeking 2021 funding.

Action Requested: None

Ash River

The facility planning and preliminary design process continues SEH is working to complete the establishment of design flows for the collection and treatment systems. Another next step would be to set a meeting with the new board to get everyone caught up to speed and review the preliminarily established EDUs.

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.

Action Requested: None

Island View Sanitary Sewer Expansion

The system is operational and all initial grinder stations have been installed. Contract A has a pending proposal for the installation of some additional grinder stations. Clean-up and restorations efforts continue but progress has been hampered by excessive wet weather.

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