



VNP CLEAN WATER JOINT POWERS BOARD MEETING
May 10, 2023

The monthly meeting of the VNP Clean Water Powers Board was held at the S.E.H. office in Virginia, MN. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 by Chairman McDonald. Board members also present were Commissioner Sjoblom and Commissioner Nelson. Introductions were made and there were no public comments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sjoblom and supported by Commissioner Nelson to approve the April 19, 2023 minutes with the following change: Commissioner Sjoblom was the support for the meeting to adjourn. All voted in favor.

Ash River. Deb Sanders informed the board that Scott Harder with were the Ash River financial advisor. Work continues with the establishing of the EDU rate structure. There was a discussion on the survey work and the County's involvement. Design and survey work continues. The goal is to have 90% of the work completed and submitted to MPCA in the May/June timeframe.

Kabetogama. Work continues with the land exchange.

Crane Lake. The waste water treatment plant project has started back up. Anticipate major completion date in early June. Plan to continue ISTS installations weather dependent.

Koochiching. Finalizing the work plan for the utilization of the remaining \$200K in available funds. There was a discussion with MPCA and the board on how to best proceed and ensure that the funds would be utilized.

DNR. Nothing to report.

MPCA. Finalizing the contract with Ash River.

VNP. The new representative to the board will be Lara Bellesoma.

Project Funding. There was a discussion regarding the distribution of the \$2.0 million approved by Clean Water Council for the JPB project over the FY24/25 period. Commissioner Nelson requested that each area needs to submit a formal request to the JPB for funding.

The April S.E.H. invoice for JPB management and the April Costin Group services invoice were presented to the board. A motion was made Commissioner Nelson and supported by Commissioner Sjoblom to pay the Costin invoice. All voted in favor. A motion was made by Commissioner Sjoblom and supported by Commissioner Nelson to pay the S.E.H. invoice. All voted in favor.

Ryan Logan presented the professional service contracts for the Costin Group and S, E.H. and requested that the board approve a one-year extension. A motion was made for each contract by Commissioner Nelson and supported by Commissioner Sjoblom. A vote for each was all in favor.

The next planned meeting is scheduled for 1000 on 21 June, 2023 at the Kabetogama Town Hall.

There was a motion by Commissioner Sjoblom and supported by Commissioner Nelson to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 10:32

Commissioner Paul McDonald, Chair

Voyageurs National Park Clean Water Joint Powers Board

Submitted by: Rob Scott, secretary