
NORTH SHORE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Thursday, June 14, 2007, 7:00 p.m.

Silver Bay City Hall

Meeting Minutes

<u>Members</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Attended</u>	<u>Others Invited</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Bob Fenwick	Cook County	x	John Chell	ARDC	
Thomas Clifford	Lake County	x	Andy Hubley	ARDC	x
Peg Sweeney	St. Louis County		Ben Van Tassel	ARDC	x
Ed Bolstad	City of Grand Marais	x	Norm Deschampe	Grand Portage	
Scott Johnson	City of Silver Bay		Matt Huddleston	Lake County	
Patrick Maloney	City of Beaver Bay		Tim Nelson	Cook County	
Mary Rosati	City of Two Harbors	x	Mike Peloquin	Mn/DNR	
John Lind	Town of Silver Creek	x	Cliff Bentley	Mn/DNR	
Jeff Cook	Duluth Township		Pat Collins	Coastal Program	x
Tim Musick	Town of Lakewood	x			

1. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Call Meeting to Order. Vice Chair John Lind called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Public comment. There were no comments from the public at this time.

Approval of Agenda. Bolstad/Rosati moved to approve the June 14th agenda. Unanimous support; motion carried.

Approval of April 26, 2007 meeting minutes. Rosati/Bolstad moved to approve the April 26, 2007 meeting minutes as recorded. Unanimous support; motion carried.

Invoicing:

Fenwick/Bolstad moved to approve the resolution authorizing the payment of the remainder of the Fiscal Year 2007 Contract to ARDC. Unanimous support; motion carried.

Rosati/Bolstad moved to approve the resolution that authorizes ARDC to invoice each member county \$2,500, each City and Township \$750, and \$1,500 from ARDC for purposes of funding the local portion of the NSMB budget. Unanimous support; motion carried.

Correspondence. Coastal Program Manager Pat Collins gave a brief overview of the 'View from the Lake Program'. The correspondence process was discussed. The NSMB is sent correspondence from entities along the North Shore, especially when permits, variances, or PUD's are up for review. The NSMB can give a recommendation to these entities if the Board feels it is important.

2. NODE DEFINITION. The Node Definition draft document was reviewed. The document provides boundaries for the node areas that the NSMB will be forwarding to the respective counties. These boundaries were drawn up from discussions with TAC members. The Board then discussed whether or not more nodes are going to be developed in the future and whether or not the areas can expand if the areas grow to fill the boundaries. The NSMB, in an attempt to keep the Shore mostly scenic, concluded that it hopes to keep the number of nodes to a minimum and also that the nodes have boundaries close to these.

3. WASTEWATER FORUM. The Wastewater Forum was held May 10th. Those who attended the Forum discussed the job that the speakers did in describing the process of managing onsite systems. The Board noted the differences between management and inspections and that there are differing levels of management that could be used. An important point made clear at the forum was that starting to manage onsite systems can be cost effective for homeowners.

The NSMB is interested in seeing a pilot project initiated along the North Shore that can serve as a reference point for future projects. Starting at a local, smaller level is most desirable at this time. It was noted that the Tofte Schroeder Sanitary Sewer District is looking into managing onsite systems and the NSMB should keep abreast to these issues. The Board also agreed that the TAC should continue to discuss these issues and play a role in wastewater efforts along the North Shore.

Fenwick/Musick moved to continue to advise the Technical Advisory Committee to actively participate with the Tofte Schroeder Sanitary Sewer District and continue to keep the NSMB informed on developments in wastewater. Unanimous support; motion carried.

4. RIDGELINE VIEWSHED ASSESSMENT. The Ridgeline Viewshed Project was presented to the Board and it was noted that the final breakdown of ownership will be included, which lists total acreages of viewsheds. It was noted that Matt Miller of Lake County is doing a similar project and is aware of the NSMB efforts. Pat Collins noted that future efforts of the NSMB on ridgelines, should take into account oblique photos of the North Shore.

Fenwick/Bolstad motioned to send the completed Regional Priority Projects documentation (Node Definition Document, Wastewater Forum Summary, and Ridgeline Viewshed Assessment) to the Coastal Program to meet their grant standards.

5. FUNDING DISCUSSIONS. Board Member Fenwick is having ongoing discussions with the Department of Natural Resources about funding for the Fiscal Year 2008. He is working with Kent Lokkesmoe about possible funding opportunities. The DNR is discussing offering the NSMB up to \$75,000 for implementing a work plan that they have contributed to. This money will be available from DNR, BWSR, and the MPCA.

Fenwick/Bolstad moved to approve a resolution to contract with the MN DNR of up to \$75,000 to implement the NSMB work plan. Unanimous support; motion carried.

Arrowhead Regional Development Commission will serve as staff to the NSMB for this work plan.

Bolstad/Rosati moved to approve a resolution to authorize payment of up to \$75,000 to ARDC for work plan implementation. Unanimous support; motion carried.

Coastal Program. At the previous meeting the group agreed to apply for a Coastal Program Star Grant. The group agreed that this grant should still be applied for and would help continue progress in the coming year.

Bolstad/Fenwick moved to approve a resolution to apply for a Coastal Program Star Grant of up to \$5,000. Unanimous support; motion carried.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Board Member Clifford asked that in the future the NSMB address e-coli along the shores of Lake Superior.

Clifford/Fenwick moved to identify that the NSMB should address e-coli at an upcoming meeting. Unanimous support; motion carried.

7. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is tentatively set for: **July 26th at Silver Bay City Hall.**
Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary position elections will be held.

Rosati/Fenwick moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm. Unanimous support; motion carried.

Recording Secretary
Ben VanTassel