
NORTH SHORE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Thursday, April 26, 7:00 p.m.
Silver Bay City Hall – Silver Bay, MN

Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Bob Fenwick, Cook County
Ed Bolstad, City of Grand Marais
Dr. Thomas Clifford, Lake County
Patrick Maloney, City of Beaver Bay
John Lind, Town of Silver Creek
Danny Tanner (Alt), Duluth Township
Tim Musick, Town of Lakewood
Peg Sweeney, St. Louis County
Mary Rosati, Two Harbors

Others Present:

Ben VanTassel, ARDC
Andy Hubley, ARDC
John Chell, ARDC
Mike Peloquin, Mn/DNR
Pat Collins, Coastal Program

I. Committee Business:

Call Meeting to Order. Vice Chair John Lind called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment. There were no comments from the public.

Approval of Agenda – Bolstad/Sweeney moved to approve the February 22nd agenda. Unanimous support; motion carried.

Approval of February 22, 2007 meeting minutes. Bolstad/Rosati moved to approve the February 22, 2007 meeting minutes as recorded. Unanimous support; motion carried.

Approval of Invoice Summary. Bolstad/Maloney moved to approve the Invoice Summary dated 4/26/07. Unanimous support; motion carried.

Correspondence. The Board was provided with a list of correspondence. Email addresses were collected and correspondence will be sent periodically between meetings, to keep the members up to date on local issues. NSMB Staff was forwarded correspondence from Councilor Rosati on deforestation of Pork City Hill. It was acknowledged that this area is not under the NSMB jurisdiction and no action was taken.

II. NSMB Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Discussion

The TAC met April 26, 2007 (2pm) and discussed the Regional Priority Projects progress. Their input was discussed later in the project discussions.

III. Node Definition

The Board was given the Node Definition Draft Document and given a chance to react. Commissioner Clifford questioned why Little Marais was not included in the list of nodes. This area was not identified because of its generally low density and other factors including lack of a speed zone. At the TAC meeting, the boundaries of the areas were further defined. This document will be edited for the next Board meeting; NSMB and TAC changes will be made.

IV. Wastewater Forum

The Wastewater Forum which will be held May 10th. The agenda for this meeting was discussed and the Board had no additions or corrections to the agenda and they felt that the outcome goals will be beneficial. The Board did feel that the Forum should be open to the public as well, and this would allow further input.

V. Ridgeline Viewshed

The Ridgeline Viewshed Project progress was reviewed. The viewsheds of the ridgeline along the Highway 61 have been recorded. The map which will be the final product of this project was also reviewed. At the next Board meeting the final map will be reviewed.

VI. Future Funding Discussion

Commissioner Fenwick stated that he has been discussing with the legislature, MPCA, and BWSR about future funding. He has been trying to gain support for backing in more funding, which has substantially decreased in the last several years. The Board is currently living grant-to-grant and is in need of some stable funding. Fenwick will report back to the Board when more funding is secured. The board also reviewed a work plan that will help in receiving funding.

Andy Hubley explained to the Board that the NSMB did not receive funding for the second round of Regional Priority Projects from the Coastal Program. Pat Collins acknowledged that the projects fit the grant specifications and the Coastal Council is committed to getting these projects done. The Coastal Program Star Grant could be applied for. Hubley will bring a resolution to apply for this grant to the next meeting.

The next NSMB Meeting will be held June 14th, 2007 at the Silver Bay City Hall at 7pm.

V. Adjournment

Fenwick/Maloney moved to adjourn. Unanimous support; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Ben VanTassel
Recording Secretary