
North Shore Management Board

Wednesday, June 29, 2011 6:00 PM

Silver Bay City Hall

Silver Bay, MN

Minutes

Attendee	Representing	Absentees	Representing
Rich Sve	Lake County	Peg Sweeney	St. Louis County
Mike Hoops	Silver Creek Township	Jan Sivertson	City of Grand Marais
Dave Mount	Duluth Township	Mark Russell III	City of Beaver Bay
Joanne Johnson	Silver Bay		
Bruce Martinson	Cook County		
Christopher Swanson	Two Harbors		
Dave Updegraff	Lakewood Township		
TAC Attendee		Staff	
Clinton Little	MN DNR Coastal Program	Andy Hubley	ARDC
Sue Lawson	Town of Duluth Planning	Liz Sarabia	ARDC
Laura Kleive	Town of Silver Creek		

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Rich Sve at 6:00 PM.

a. Approval of Agenda.

Call for approval of agenda. Motion to approve by Joanne Johnson/Dave Mount; passed unanimously.

II. Committee Business

Introductions for all present: Board, TAC members and staff.

a. Consent Agenda

Call for approval of the consent agenda:

1. Approval of the April 13, 2011 Meeting Minutes
2. Resolution: Authorizing payment to ARDC for staffing services from January 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011

3. Resolution: Authorizing the invoicing of the North Shore Management Board Member Entities for Fiscal Year 2012.
4. Resolution: Authorizing NSMB to enter into a contract with the Arrowhead Regional Development Commission to staff the Board in Fiscal Year 2012

Motion to approve and accept by Dave Mount/Mike Hoops; passed unanimously.

b. Election of Officers

Call for nominations for Chair. Nomination of Dave Mount to be next NSMB Chair by Mike Hoops/Bruce Martinson; no other nominations heard, passed unanimously.

Call for nominations for Vice Chair. Nomination of Rich Sve to be next NSMB Vice Chair by Chris Swanson/Mike Hoops; no other nominations heard, passed unanimously.

III. Reports

Andy Hubley presented a memo that he wrote to the City of Silver Bay on the behalf of the North Shore Management Board regarding the implementation of the North Shore Management Plan (NSMP).

The memo was the result of meetings with the representatives of the City, their Economic Development Association, Planning Commission and Eco Park. There are three areas in the North Shore Management Zone. The NSMP would become the rules for Area A which is very similar to what is there now. Area B would remain as is, no action would be needed. Area C is the Eco Park and would require working with the City for a new zone to be compliant the NSMP, the zoning would be as good or better [than the NSMP]. This new zoning would be so that what happens in the future, by planning in the present for the future, would be compliant with the NSMP. The memo also asks that the City keep staff and Board informed as the zoning change takes place.

There were no comments, questions or suggestions. The only other point raised was regarding zoning changes that could go under the County's umbrella for wetlands, it could not be addressed at this time.

Moving on, Andy presented the draft work plan for FY 2012. He provided an overview of the Board, the budget, staffing services as well as two potential projects. The first project, North Shore Rain Garden Collaborative Formation, resulted from previous discussions regarding the impact of stormwater on the Lake and the effectiveness of rain gardens. This project will allow for research of rain gardens, applicability to the North Shore for private and public entities, potential partners,

boundaries. The resulting scope of work would identify tasks and funding sources for the NSMB for a rain garden program on the North Shore.

Project 2, North Shore Management Plan Update Initiation, would allow staff to contact zoning entities to determine if the NSMP should be updated or redone. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) would assist in the plan's development. Discussion followed regarding the current implementation of the plan, the exception process, and circumstances when an entity's zoning is good or better than the NSMP, the inherent problems of the plan such as terminology. Also discussed was the authority of the NSMB when a zoning issue arises within the North Shore Management Zone such as a variance or conditional use.

TAC member Sue Lawson asked regarding the legality of NSMP, its implication if taken to court and if the NSMB along with a local zoning entity would/could be litigates. It was discussed that the NSMB doesn't have enforcement rights; the Board, as a joint power board, does point out potential conflicts with the NSMP to zoning entities, but doesn't take any enforcing action. This subject will be discussed at a later day as new members become acquainted with the NSMP.

Andy proceeded to talk about the TAC and the role they played in the development of the NSMP and their continuing role for special projects. Recent projects haven't required TAC assistance, but the two proposed projects will need their assistance.

The discussion turned to erosion mitigation being added to the work plan and wind towers being addressed by the NSMP. Andy will follow up on the mitigation and explained the height limit in the plan would affect tower placement.

Sue Lawson reported that the Town of Duluth is working on an ordinance regarding the issue of short term rentals. Discussion followed on this issue of short terms rentals, Lake County's adoption of an ordinance for short term rentals, the involvement of their Health Department, licensing, interim use permit, transferability of permit, requirements. Bruce Martinson requested that Lake County provide a copy of the ordinance to Cook County for their review due to safety issues, inspections, etc. Discussion also included the impact of these rentals on the NSMP.

Another point brought out by Sue Lawson of the TAC was that the NSMP focused on the environment and ecosystem management, but didn't address people and communities. It was pointed out that possibly this will be among the list of issues gathered in Project 2.

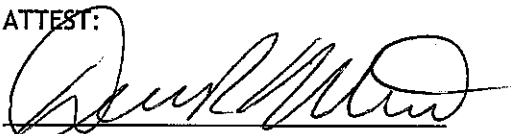
IV. Other Business

Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 14th at 6:30 PM in Two Harbors. Rich Sve will see if the Human Service Building's conference room is available.

Motion to adjourn by Rich Sve/Mike Hoops; passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:



Dave Mount, Chair

1/26/12 Elizabeth R. Sarabia

Elizabeth R. Sarabia, Recording Secretary