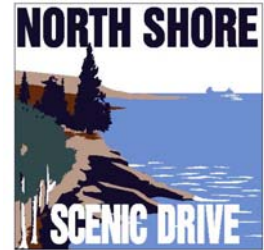

North Shore Scenic Drive Council

November 3, 2006
Larsmont Cottages



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MEETING SUMMARY

COMMITTEE ATTENDEES:

Bryan Anderson, ARDC
Willard Clark, Lake County
Jim Johnson, Cook County
Mary Somnis, Iron Range Resources
Andrew Slade, Sugarloaf
Ben VanTassel, ARDC

Frank Vecchio, Grand Portage
Mark Conley, America’s Byways Resource Center
Dan Roth, DNR Split Rock Lighthouse
Diane Brostrom, GMATA
Duane Lula, Superior National Forest
Todd Campbell, Mn/DOT

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Welcome/Announcements

Mary Somnis called the meeting to order at 10:06.

Introductions were made by all attendees.
No additions were made to the agenda.

*Frank Vecchio motioned to approve the October meeting summary, seconded by Dan Roth.
-The motion carried.*

Recognition

Bryan Anderson noted that John Kessler officially resigned from his position on the NSSD Council. Kessler will recommend another business owner to take his position on the Council. Certificates of appreciation will be sent to Kessler and Rod Garver.

London Road Study Update

The Council welcomed Todd Campbell to the NSSD Council. Todd Campbell replaced Garver on the Council.

Todd Campbell gave the Council an overview on the London Road study. Mn/DOT has hired SEH engineering to complete the study of the road. Campbell noted that the two lane (London Road) facility is well beyond capacity. A public advisory committee has been set up to help guide the plan.

Some of the short term solutions that the committee has looked at include increased turn lanes and closing some accesses. A number of longer term solutions are being considered through this study and include:

- Widening to four lanes
- Possible roundabout at 40th
- One way pairs using Superior Street westbound and London Road eastbound

Mn/DOT will be holding a public open house on November 27th to get public feedback on these possibilities. The implementation timeframe for these possibilities to become reality is 2013.

Cairn Discussion

Anderson informed the Council that there was a misunderstanding with the Scenic Byway funds and that there is no money to construct the two planned Cairn signs at Sugarloaf and Grand Portage. Anderson apologized for the confusion and will make sure verbal commitments are properly documented before bringing them to the Council. Anderson mentioned that he met with Pat Collins on November 2nd to discuss the cairn project and if they would qualify for Minnesota's Lake Superior Coastal Program (MLSCP) grants. The cairns do qualify for the grant program and the Council directed Anderson to submit two grant applications to the Coastal Program for funding consideration.

Roth motioned that the NSSD Council apply to the MLSCP for the Grand Portage and Sugarloaf Cairn signs. Anderson should work with Vecchio and Slade to get the appropriate grant information submitted before December 1st, seconded by Vecchio. –The motion carried, Slade abstained.

Anderson also noted that no correspondence has been received from the Minnesota Scenic Byways Commission from the cairn memorandum of understanding that was sent in April. Anderson noted that in April the Council agreed to turn back a portion of our FY 2005 Scenic Byway funds and withdrew our FY 2006 application for funds with the understanding that the Minnesota Scenic Byways Commission will rank the FY 2007 cairn project favorably.

Duane Lula motioned that Anderson resend the correspondence that was sent in April along with a cover letter asking for an immediate response to our memorandum of understanding. The correspondence shall be directed to Mark Anderson and each member of the State Scenic Byways Commission. In addition an inquiry of what project received the FY 2005 funding that the NSSD Council turned back. The motion was seconded by Brostrom. The motion carried.

Lake Superior North Shore Association

Somnis mentioned that the new brochure added four pages of advertising but to date only one of those pages is sold. The piece still pays for itself but no additional income will be generated from the brochure. It was the hope of the Council that \$10,000 in advertising revenue could be raised through this piece. Slade mentioned that the Council should work with the LSNSA to place a NSSD Council awareness piece in the brochure. Vecchio mentioned that the Council could make money on merchandise and use this brochure as a way to market these products.

Somnis also mentioned that the LSNSA brought up the possibility of partnering with Sugarloaf at the Limnology facility. Slade stated that the Sugarloaf offices will move into the Limnology facility soon. The inside of the building needs many improvements and Sugarloaf will not have the building open for the general public. Slade indicated that once the building is fixed up that he would like to work with the LSNSA and talk about partnership possibilities.

Local Match

Anderson was before the Two Harbors Tourism Bureau on October 25th. The NSSD Council application for \$1,000 was received well and was awarded. Once all the invoices for the local match are paid the Council will be \$1,300 short of its goal of \$6,250.

Roth motioned that the NSSD Council request \$1,300 from Iron Range Resources, seconded by Brostrom. The motion carried.

Promotional Items

Anderson mentioned that all the window clings have been distributed and suggested that more clings be printed. Somnis mentioned that her marketing budget should allow for the printing of additional clings. Somnis also noted that other promotional items should be discussed and a subcommittee for promotional items was established. Vecchio and Somnis will discuss opportunities and report to the Council in December.

Pro-Video Productions Proposal

Anderson briefly reviewed the Pro-Video Productions proposal with the Council. Anderson noted that the marketing committee reviewed the request and only positive feedback has been received. Anderson noted that Tom Livingston with Pro-Video would like a letter of support for the project.

Johnson motioned that a letter of support be drafted for the Pro-Video Proposal and another letter be drafted stating the NSSD Council's role in the project, seconded by Vecchio. The motion carried.

Other

Ben VanTassel gave an overview of the North Shore Management Board's Ridgeline Project, which will identify critical viewshed areas along the shore and document view threats.

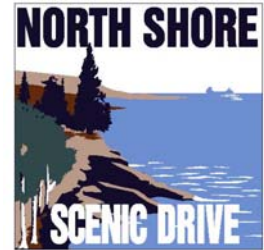
Next Meeting

The next meeting of the NSSD Council will be on December 8th at the Forest Service office in Duluth. An invitation to Mark Anderson will be extended to give the Council an overview of the billboard gapping issue.

Brostrom motioned to adjourn at 12:04, seconded by Johnson. The motion carried.

North Shore Scenic Drive Council

October 13, 2006
Sugarloaf Interpretive Center



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MEETING SUMMARY

COMMITTEE ATTENDEES:

Bryan Anderson, ARDC	Frank Vecchio, Grand Portage
Tim Campbell, Explore MN Tourism	Andy Woodrick, Odyssey
Jim Johnson, Cook County Board	Dan Roth, DNR Split Rock Lighthouse
Mary Somnis, Iron Range Resources	Diane Brostrom, GMATA
Pam McDougall, Sugarloaf	

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Jeff Kitterman, Minnesota Trails Magazine
Ben VanTassel, ARDC

Welcome/Announcements

Mary Somnis called the meeting to order at 10:12.

Introductions were made by all attendees.
No additions were made to the agenda.

*Tim Campbell motioned to approve the September meeting summary, seconded by Frank Vecchio.
-The motion carried.*

Split Rock River Design Project

Bryan Anderson has met with Dan Roth about the issues surrounding the Split Rock River Wayside Rest area. This wayside provides parking for travelers to access the Superior Hiking Trail, the Gitchi-Gami Trail, and Lake Superior. The wayside is located on the north side of the NSSD and people using the facility must cross the NSSD to access Lake Superior and the Gitchi-Gami Trail. The wayside is located on a curve and has poor site distance. Guardrails on the south side of the road make it difficult for people to access the Lake. Anderson has contacted the Center for Changing Landscapes for assistance in developing a design for the area to improve safety. The design process will cost \$18,000 and would qualify for the Lake Superior Coastal Program.

Roth mentioned that this project should focus on directing people to specific activity area parking. Roth mentioned that there are numerous locations along the NSSD for parking and access to Lake Superior and recreational facilities but it is a struggle getting people to those locations. This project

could improve signage at the Split Rock River Wayside and direct people to other more appropriate parking locations. This project could be used as a template for other locations along the NSSD. Roth doesn't want the project to focus on additional parking but the focus should be redirecting parking to other locations.

Campbell motioned that the NSSD Council apply to the Lake Superior Coastal Program to help fund the Split Rock River Project, seconded by Brostrom.

-The motion carried.

Grand Portage Cairn Sign Location

Anderson mentioned that Scott Robinson from Mn/DOT has been working on getting the final design of the cairn completed. Robinson would like the exact location of the cairn decided soon so we can get them built in the spring. Frank Vecchio indicated that the location of the sign will be near the border directly northwest of the welcome to Minnesota sign. Vecchio will confirm the exact location with Anderson by November 1st.

Explore Minnesota Tourism Grant

Somnis indicated that the Council doesn't have a project that fits the guidelines of the EMT grant this year and will not be applying for funding. Diane Brostrom indicated that that the NSSD Council should look at the possibility of putting together a birding guide for the NSSD in future years. Brostrom will work to find a champion in the community and might seek assistance from Council members. Jeff Kitterman mentioned that there are several birding guides across the state and Cleone Stewart in Detroit Lakes would be an excellent person to talk to about developing this guide.

Billboard Workshop

Anderson and Rod Garver attended an outdoor advertising workshop in St. Paul on September 26th, and 27th. This workshop gave an overview of what types of advertising are permitted on designated byways and the federal aid system. Anderson mentioned that the Federal Highways Administration is working with Mn/DOT on the gapping issue.

Duluth Parks/Kiosks

Anderson is going to meet with the City of Duluth on October 19th to discuss ways that Duluth parks can incorporate the NSSD kiosk design into their planning. Anderson will give a full report of this meeting to the Council in November.

State Scenic Byways Conference

The NSSD Council had great participation at the State Scenic Byways Conference on October 10th and 11th. Rod Garver, Mary Somnis, Tim Campbell, Bryan Anderson, Ben VanTassel, Lenore Johnson, and Dan Roth all attended the conference. The Council had discussion about inviting the Scenic Byways Commission to the NSSD to show them some of the projects that the Council has been working on. This opportunity will be discussed in further detail later this winter.

Policy Regarding Vendors

Mary Somnis mentioned that the NSSD Council needs to have a policy in place for vendors to follow. Somnis mentioned that it is good policy to welcome vendors to our meetings but presentations should not be given unless the Council invites them. Campbell mentioned that any promotional purpose should go to the marketing committee to first review the proposal and if the marketing committee approves it then should move to the full Council for a vote. Somnis mentioned that once Anderson is contacted by a vendor he should ask them to send a proposal to the marketing committee (Vecchio, Somnis, and Campbell).

Campbell motioned that organizations seeking financial needs or Council support for marketing purposes should send a proposal to the marketing committee for review before coming to the full Council. The marketing committee would then make its recommendations to the NSSD Council, seconded by Roth.

-The motion carried.

ProVideo Productions

Somnis referred this proposal to the marketing committee for their review.

Other

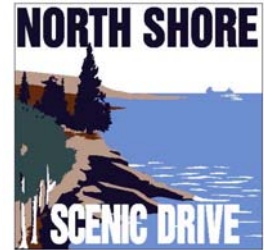
The Lake Superior North Shore Association quarterly meeting is October 25th at 10:30 at Betty's Pies.

Next Council meeting is November 3rd at 10:00 AM at Larsmont Cottages.

Tim Campbell motioned to adjourn at 11:55, seconded by Brostrom.

-The motion carried.

North Shore Scenic Drive Council



September 8, 2006 10:00 AM
Cross River Heritage Center, Schroeder

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MEETING SUMMARY

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Bruce Martinson, Cook County Board	Dan Roth, DNR Split Rock Lighthouse
Willard Clark, Lake County Board	Diane Brostrom, GMATA
Pam McDougall, Sugarloaf	John Bathke, Resident
Mark Conley, ABRC/US Forest Service	Bonnie Hundrieser, ABRC

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Welcome/Announcements

Dan Roth called the meeting to order at 10:06.

Introductions were made by all attendees.
No additions were made to the agenda.

*Tim Campbell motioned to approve the July meeting summary, seconded by Frank Vecchio.
-The motion carried.*

Sixth Seed Grant

Bryan Anderson mentioned that the NSSD Council was awarded \$20,480 towards operations for FY 2007. Anderson noted that raising the local match for this will be more difficult and hopefully we can rely on advertising in the Blue Brochure for a piece of the needed \$10,770 match.

Anderson mentioned that the next round of Scenic Byway grant application will be available in October and that the NSSD Council should continue to pursue these grants. The NSSD Council has been very successful in obtaining seed funds and has demonstrated that they are spent wisely. Anderson encouraged the NSSD Council to apply for Seed Grant 7.

*John Bathke motioned that the NSSD Council apply for a seventh year Seed Grant in the amount of \$25,000, seconded by Tim Campbell.
-The motion carried.*

Brochure Update

Anderson gave a brief update on the Blue Brochure. Anderson, Gene Shaw, Mary Somnis, Rod Garver, and Lenore Johnson met with the Lake Superior North Shore Association on July 18 to discuss possible partnership opportunities. It was decided that the NSSD Council would like to generate \$10,000 in revenue each year to use towards operations and furthering the NSSD Council mission. Ad prices were set to accomplish this goal. Printing the 2007 brochure must happen by December 31, 2006.

Billboard Update

Anderson gave an overview of the billboard committee meeting in August. The committee is developing a map showing land use versus where billboards are permitted. Anderson is creating this map and hopes to have it available by the November 3rd Council meeting.

Anderson noted that the City of Two Harbors has officially been designated as an All-American Road. The Scenic Byways Commission approved the designation after Two Harbors amended their zoning code to prohibit new billboards and off site advertising.

Anderson is also working with the City of Beaver Bay to amend their zoning code to prohibit the placement of new billboards and off site advertising. Anderson has drafted a letter to the City and has been working with the Beaver Bay Planner.

Recent Project Update

Anderson mentioned that the watershed sign that was to be placed on the Gunflint Trail will no longer be constructed.

Anderson spoke with members on the NSSD Council after the July meeting to get more details on the Scenic America's workshops. It was decided that the time commitment to put on and host this event was too consuming and the NSSD Council decided not to pursue hosting a workshop.

Anderson mentioned that he has been in contact with Mark Anderson and the cairn project has approximately \$38,000 towards construction.

Tim Campbell motioned that Anderson and the NSSD Council work with Mn/DOT to get at least two cairns constructed with the \$38,000 by next spring, seconded by John Bathke.

-The motion carried.

Outreach Thank You

A special thank you was given to Grand Portage, Visit Duluth, and Odyssey for helping provide a portion of the Seed Grant local match.

Beaver Bay and Lutsen Projects

Anderson met with the engineering firm Partners and Sirney on August 8th to talk about engineering documents for the Beaver Bay Trail Head facility. The Northeast Minnesota Sustainable Development Partnership (NEMNSDP) will review a request for engineering funds on September 11th. Anderson will have an update at the October meeting if the NEMNSDP funds were obtained or not. The Lutsen project has also received funding through the NEMNSDP and will begin in October.

Grant Application

Anderson mentioned that Explore Minnesota Tourism is offering their Scenic Byways grant program again this fall. The NSSD Council Marketing Committee will make a recommendation to the NSSD Council if these funds should be sought again this year and will give an overview on which projects the Council should apply for.

Anderson mentioned between now and the October meeting NSSD Council members should think about projects we could submit to the Lake Superior Coastal Program. Dan Roth mentioned that the Council should consider completing a design project for the wayside rest area near the Split Rock River. Anderson will meet with Roth about this project before the October meeting.

State Scenic Byways Conference

The State Scenic Byways Conference will be October 10-11th at Itasca State Park. Anderson handed out registration materials and mentioned he will present the NSSD cairn project at the conference.

Larry Moon Memorial

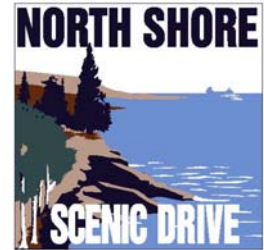
Anderson noted that he has contacted the City of Duluth about the possibility of placing a memorial bench at the Brighten Beach area. Anderson will report back to the Council in October.

The next regular meeting of the NSSD Council will be October 13th at Sugarloaf Interpretive Center.

*Tim Campbell motioned to adjourn at 11:51, seconded by John Bathke.
-The motion carried.*

North Shore Scenic Drive Council

July 14, 2006 10:00 AM
East Bay Suites Grand Marais



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MEETING SUMMARY

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Bryan Anderson, ARDC	Jim Johnson, Cook County Board
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Bruce Martinson, Cook County Board	Duane Lula, Superior Nat’l Forest
Scott Larson, Lake County Board	Diane Brostrom, GMATA
Andrew Slade, Sugarloaf	John Bathke, Resident
Mark Conley, ABRC/US Forest Service	Andy Woodrick, LTTA/ Caribou Highlands

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Welcome/Announcements

Mary Somnis called the meeting to order at 10:10.

Introductions were made by all attendees.
Minor additions were made to the agenda.

*Duane Lula motioned to approve the June meeting summary with some minor corrections submitted by Andrew Slade, seconded by Scott Larson.
-The motion carried.*

Grand Marais Happenings

Diane Brostrom gave an update on activities happening in Grand Marais this summer. Brostrom mentioned that lodging in the Grand Marais area has increased over last year. Brostrom stated that gas prices haven’t yet seemed to effect the visitors ability to travel to Grand Marais. Grand Marais Area Tourism Association (GMATA) has been including a Trunk Highway 61 sign in all their marketing campaigns. GMATA is trying to develop a deeper relationship between the visitor and the road. GMATA is also in the process of recreating their website.

Brochure Update

Mary Somnis mentioned that the blue brochure has been printed and is in the process of being distributed. The next printing of the brochure will take place in December and will include more advertising. Somnis mentioned that the brochure has been well received. Requests for copies of the brochure can be made by emailing lsnsa@callta.com.

Somnis mention that she is meeting with a representative from the Lake Superior North Shore Association (LSNSA) on July 18th to discuss the next printing of the brochure in December. Somnis mentioned that she will be discussing the possibility of the NSSD Council benefiting financially from advertising sales in the brochure. Somnis invited anyone interested to attend the meeting. The meeting will take place at Grandma's restaurant at Miller Hill on July 18th at 12:00.

Local Match Funding

Anderson gave an overview of the local match. Grand Marais Area Tourism has set aside \$500 in their budget towards assisting the NSSD Council obtain the needed \$6,250. Anderson and Tim Campbell met with Visit Duluth on July 5th regarding their financial participation with the Council. Visit Duluth supported a \$1,000 request. Andy Woodrick has worked with Odyssey Development in obtaining \$250 commitment towards the match.

Two Harbors		\$1,000 pending grant approval
GMATA	\$500	
Visit Duluth	\$1,000	
Cove Point/Superior Shores		\$250 pending
Odyssey Development	\$250	
LTTA	\$1,000	
Grand Portage	\$1,000	
Sugarloaf	\$200	
Total	\$3,950	\$1,250 pending

Somnis noted that if all the pending amounts are received that the NSSD Council is still \$1000 short and that other agencies will need to be contacted to help raise the \$6,250 needed to match the \$25,000 Seed Grant.

Anderson noted that there is no guarantee that Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) will issue six year Seed Grants. The Council has applied for a sixth year.

John Bathke motioned that Anderson draft and send a letter to Congressman Oberstar and Rod Draper requesting them to consider extending Seed Grants beyond five years, seconded by Jim Johnson.

-The motion carried. Mark Conley abstained from voting.

Lutsen Design Project

Somnis and Anderson met with Scott Harrison (Gitche-Gami Trail Association, chair) regarding the trail alignment through Lutsen. Lutsen is considering the possibility of completing a community plan and would like to incorporate the trail into the planning. Somnis and Anderson indicated that the

NSSD Council would like to be a part of this effort and offered assistance. Somnis is bringing a \$20,000 request to the Northeast Sustainable Development Partnership to help get this planning started. Lutsen has committed \$5,000 towards the community plan. If funding through the partnership is obtained the University of Minnesota College of Landscape Architecture would work with the community in developing several possible alignments and how they would look as the trail passed through the Township.

Tofte Planning

Somnis mentioned that the College of Landscape and Architecture is working with Sue Lawson in Tofte to complete a community design plan. Issues related to this plan continue to be the NSSD alignment through Tofte. The next Tofte design public meeting is scheduled for August 21st at 6:30

Billboard Committee

The billboard committee didn't meet in July but will meet the first week in August. Members on the committee include: Tim Campbell, Mary Somnis, Andrew Slade, Rod Garver, Mark Conley, and Jim Johnson. Anderson will send out a notification to the committee on the meeting location and date. Rod Garver mentioned that an outdoor advertising workshop is going to be held September 26-27 at the Judicial Center in the Twin Cities. Garver will have more information at the August meeting.

Gunflint Trail

Jim Johnson mentioned that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency is in the process of marking watersheds in Minnesota and is going to place a sign on the Gunflint Trail marking the Pigeon River watershed. Johnson indicated that the Gunflint Trail Scenic Byway Committee is not in favor of this sign because of its ugly nature. The sign is an eight by eight foot blue sign and would be inappropriate along the Byway.

*Johnson motioned that the NSSD support the Gunflint Trails recommendation that the large blue Pigeon River watershed sign not be erected. The Gunflint Trail has no billboards and we feel that the large blue sign would be inappropriate along the Gunflint Trail Scenic Byway, seconded by Bathke.
-The motion carried.*

Anderson will draft a letter to the MPCA stating the NSSD Council's concerns and will copy Dennis Neitzke with the USFS and Nancy Seaton with the Gunflint Trail Scenic Byway.

Other

Anderson has talked to Janice Moon about the use of the Larry Moon memorial funds. Janice is talking the options over with her family and hasn't yet made any decisions on how to use the funds.

Scenic America is holding six workshops across the US during the next two years. Scenic America is currently in search of locations to hold these workshops.

*Andrew Slade motioned that the NSSD Council submit a request to host the Scenic America's workshop along the NSSD, seconded by Bathke.
-The motion carried.*

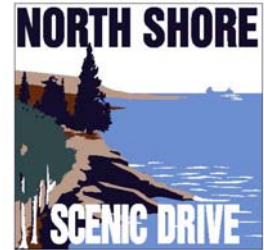
Anderson will contact Mark Anderson and make the formal request.

*Bathke motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:09, seconded by Woodrick.
-The motion carried*

The next regular meeting of the NSSD Council will be August 11th.

North Shore Scenic Drive Council

June 9, 2006 10:00 AM
Sugarloaf



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Lenore Johnson, Lake County Board	Dan Roth, DNR Split Rock Lighthouse
Andrew Slade, Sugarloaf	Frank Vecchio, Grand Portage Lodge
Mark Conley, ABRC/US Forest Service	Andy Woodrick, LTTA/ Caribou Highlands
John Bathke, Resident	Tim Campbell, Explore MN Tourism

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Andy Stockinger, Visit Duluth

Welcome/Announcements

Mary Somnis called the meeting to order at 10:10.

Introductions were made by all attendees.
Minor additions were made to the agenda.

*Tim Campbell motioned to approve the May meeting summary with some minor spelling corrections submitted by Mary Somnis, seconded by Gene Shaw.
-The motion carried*

Beaver Bay Update

Anderson updated the Council on the progress of the Beaver Bay project. The Northeast Minnesota Sustainable Development Partnership (NMSDP) accepted an application submitted to them for assistance. Anderson is working with the NMSDP to ultimately have a set of engineering documents drafted for the Beaver Bay Trailhead Center.

Community Outreach

Campbell gave an overview on the meeting with the Two Harbors Chamber of Commerce. Campbell noted that Two Harbors was interested in participating on the Council and helping to obtain the local

match for the seed grant. Campbell is working with Gordy Anderson in applying for \$1000 in grant funding.

Local Match Funding

\$6,250 is needed for the local match for the seed funds. Anderson noted that Grand Portage has committed \$1000 and the Lutsen Tofte Tourism Association has committed \$1000. Anderson has presented the need to Grand Marais Area Tourism Association but has not heard the status of their decision. Somnis mentioned that the Council should approach Visit Duluth for possible funding. Shaw mentioned that he will schedule a meeting with Terry Mattson, Somnis, Campbell, Anderson, and himself to see if Visit Duluth could participate. Andrew Slade indicated that Sugarloaf has committed \$200 toward the local match. Andy Woodrick indicated he will approach Odyssey for a \$250 contribution and Somnis mentioned she'd approach Cove Point. Anderson mentioned that an update on finances will be given again in July.

Brochure Update

Somnis began the brochure discussion by thanking the US Forest Service for their \$9,000 contribution towards the project.

*Campbell motioned to accept the money from the Forest Service, seconded by John Bathke.
-The motion carried.*

Somnis presented the brochure and stressed that this is a working draft. There were many suggestions made by the Council on how to improve the draft. A list of those suggestions is below:

- Extend the map on the bottom to all pages
- Enlarge font on the bottom of the map
- Mileage confusion with circle tour
- Add a symbol for location with public restroom
- Take out Encampment/Layfette Bluff
- Same font throughout
- More winter photos
- Captions are needed on photos
- Addition of municipal parks
- Rephrase visitor information caption
- Addition of Father Bargas Cross
- Cross river is incorrect
- Gitchi-Gami Trail –possibly mention
- Add Mn/DOT and ARDC logos

Many suggestions were made and in the interest of time Council members were asked to review the brochure on their own and fax or email changes to Somnis by Wednesday June 12.

Somnis mentioned that the plan for the brochure is to produce 20,000-50,000 for the Summer of 2006 and rerun the brochure this fall with four more pages of display ads for 2007.

Cairn Signing

Shaw mentioned that he has held conversations with Thom Holden with the Lake Superior Maritime Museum and he is interested in possibly placing a cairn on the museum property. Shaw and Anderson will talk to Holden about the design and possible location. Shaw also mentioned that the kiosks in

Canal Park are owned by the city. He mentioned that it would be extremely difficult to get the logo and NSSD information posted on the kiosks.

Anderson noted that he worked with Scott Robinson and Rod Garver to mark all the cairn sign locations. Every location was visited and marked. Robinson will be drafting the necessary paperwork over the next couple months for the signs to be constructed in the spring of 2007.

Other

Anderson has talked to Janice Moon about the use of the Larry Moon memorial funds. Janice is talking the options over with her family and Anderson will contact her at the end of June to follow up on her decision. The possible use of the memorial funds suggested to her were a plaque, a lifetime membership to the Scenic Byways Foundation, and/or a scholarship fund.

Slade introduced Molly Thompson as the new learning cart interpreter.

A billboard committee was established to work with Cook County. Members on the committee include Campbell, Slade, Garver, Somnis, and Anderson.

Mark Conley mentioned that it is great outdoors week in Washington DC June 12-16th. This event will kick-off Byways 2021.

Conley mentioned that the Byways Resource Center is hiring two Resource Specialists.

Campbell mentioned that the Council should start thinking about the Explore Minnesota Tourism Grant for FY 2007. The grant amount will be \$2,500.

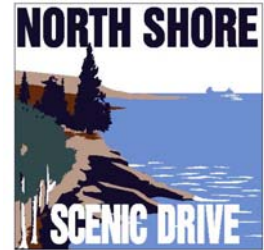
The next meeting will be July 14th in Grand Marais.

*Campbell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:12, seconded by Vecchio.
-The motion carried*

The next regular meeting of the NSSD Council will be July 14th in Grand Marais.

North Shore Scenic Drive Council

May 5, 2006 10:00 AM
Duluth Forest Service Office



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Willard Clark, Lake County Board	Judy Ness, Superior Nat'l Forest
Andrew Slade, Sugarloaf	

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Matt Gress, ARDC
Kris Reichenbach, Superior Nat'l Forest

Welcome/Announcements

Mary Somnis called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM at the Duluth Forest Service Office. Introductions were made by all attendees. No additions were made to the agenda.

*Gene Shaw motioned to approve the April meeting summary, seconded by Duane Lula.
-The motion carried.*

New Member Orientation and Review

Bryan Anderson guided the Council through an informational packet on the NSSD. The informational packet included a background of the North Shore Scenic Drive as well as a list of accomplishments. The packet also included a council member list, annual report, and brief excerpt of the Interpretive Plan.

Andrew Slade provided an overview of the Interpretive Plan. The Center for Changing Landscapes of the University of Minnesota developed the plan, which was funded by the Federal Highway Administration, the DNR, and Mn/DOT. The plan investigates the many cultural and natural components of the NSSD as well as points out major stopping points and pull offs along the way. The plan lays out design strategies and concepts as a way to enhance the features along the NSSD.

Bryan Anderson continued the review by going over the types of projects that the Council undertakes. Marketing projects include the current brochure partnership with the Lake Superior North Shore Association and the website that is shared with the other byways in northeast Minnesota. Infrastructure projects are those that improve the quality of the NSSD and include the Beaver Bay Project and also the Knife River and Lester River Plans. Special Issues projects include the ongoing Billboard issue and also wayside rests.

Brochure Discussion

Mary Somnis informed the Council that she had a verbal approval of the grant request but not yet a written approval. No work will be completed on the new brochure until the contracts are signed. There is currently enough of the existing blue brochures to last into the summer. The new brochure will be printed in an amount of approximately 50,000 for 2006 and then will be printed again with slight changes for 2007 in an amount of 100,000.

Andrew Slade stated that the Learning Cart would be on the road on June 8th. The cart will include the blue brochure.

Beaver Bay Project

Bryan Anderson updated the Council on the Gitchi-Gami Trail Associations' Beaver Bay Project. The project will involve the construction of a trailhead facility, restrooms, and also a paved parking lot. Anderson stated that funding from the Northeast Minnesota Sustainable Development Partnership would be used to fund the engineering of the project. The Beaver Bay City Council has agreed to accept minimal maintenance of the facility depending on what is built.

Cairn Signs

Mary Somnis led the discussion on a cairn sign to be located someplace in Canal Park of Duluth. This sign would take the place of the sign originally planned to be installed by the Glensheen Mansion. This cairn sign would be more pedestrian friendly. Possible locations to place the cairn included: by the museum, along the Lakewalk, or possibly an old kiosk across from Little Angie's.

Update on Community Outreach

The NSSD Council has been reaching out into communities in order to build relationships. Andrew Slade attended a Canal Park Business Association meeting at which he signed up interested persons to play an active role.

Mary Somnis had attended a Lutsen Tofte Tourism Association meeting and also had success. LTTA has agreed to commit \$1,000 as part of the match to the seed grant. They also expressed interest in a cairn sign as part of a community entrance project.

Bryan Anderson attended a Grand Marais Tourism Association meeting. He received positive feedback and stated that the group would decide whether or not to provide \$1,000 towards the seed grant by June 1st. Anderson informed the Council that with Grand Portage's \$1,000 commitment and if the GMTA does commit \$1,000 then \$2,000 would still be needed for the match.

National Scenic Byway Foundation

Dick Haskett attended the meeting and gave a presentation to the Council on the National Scenic Byway Foundation. The Foundation exists as a not-for-profit organization in order to aid in completing projects that would not otherwise be completed by byways. Haskett stated that if a byway has a good idea for a project that the project should be able to be accomplished. The Foundation is currently developing a membership base and currently has approximately 40 members.

Currently the Foundation is handling Larry Moon's memorial funds with no charge. Haskett stated the members of the foundation are not charged for this service if the amount is less than \$10,000, projects over this figure are charged with a 5% handling fee. Organizations such as the NSSD typically join the Foundation as Lifetime Sustaining Members at a \$1,000 fee, which may be divided in half over two consecutive calendar years. Haskett also brought up some thoughts on working to develop the NSSD into an International Byway. He also mentioned his thoughts on the byway as a marine byway due to the Isle Royal ferry and also to the Lake Superior Water Trail.

Bryan Anderson informed the Council that no decision has been made on what to do with Larry's memorial. Anderson will contact the family regarding using part of the funds to join the Foundation and using the rest to create a memorial along the NSSD.

Next Meeting

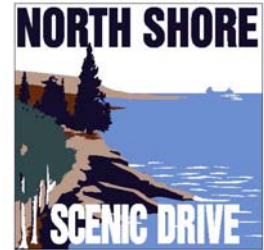
The date of the next meeting is June 9th located at the Sugarloaf Interpretive Center. Bryan Anderson will not be attending, as his family will be expecting a new baby.

*Rod Garver made a motion to end the meeting; Bruce Martinson seconded the motion.
The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 PM*

The next regular meeting of the NSSD Council will be June 9th at the Sugarloaf Interpretive Center.

North Shore Scenic Drive Council

April 7, 2006 10:00 AM
Grand Portage Lodge



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MEETING SUMMARY

COMMITTEE ATTENDEES:

Bryan Anderson, ARDC
Tim Campbell, EMT
Diane Brostrom, GMATA
Bruce Martinson, Cook County Board
Mark Conley, Forest Service, ABRC
Scott Larson, Lake County Board
Daniel Roth, Mn/DNR Split Rock

Michelle Ethun, America’s Byways Resource Center
Frank Vecchio, Grand Portage Lodge
Mary Somnis, Iron Range Resources
Duane Lula, Superior Nat’l Forest
Andy Woodrick, Caribou Highlands/LTTA
Mark Anderson, Mn/DOT

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Matt Gress, ARDC

Welcome/Announcements

Mary Somnis called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM at the Grand Portage Lodge.

No additions were made to the agenda.

Mary Somnis noted two changes to be made to the March meeting summary.

Tim Campbell motioned to approve the March meeting summary, seconded by Dan Roth.

-The motion carried.

Update on Cook County Billboard Issue

Bryan Anderson informed the Council on the results of the recent meeting with the Cook County Board. He noted that a one-year moratorium has been established. During this time Cook County will be working on bringing current signage up to standards. Bryan Anderson recommended that the Council let Cook County work on the billboard issue for six months and then check on their progress.

Mary Somnis passed out an information sheet with billboard restriction citations. Discussion took place regarding how businesses could be represented with signage similar to the blue specific service signs but with something with more interesting. Frank Vecchio mentioned how Ontario has interesting signage and that he would try to find a website with an example.

Mark Anderson was asked by the Council to look into research on billboard studies. He was also asked to look at state statutes to see what could be done as an alternative to the blue specific service signs and if there were rules regarding any alternatives.

Brochure Discussion

Mary Somnis explained to the Council that a grant is in place to develop a brochure along with the Lake Superior North Shore Association. This new brochure will be an upgrade to the existing "blue" brochure and will continue to be funded by advertisers through listing fees. The details will be worked out to allow advertisers and users of the brochure to get what they need. A goal of the brochure will be to phase out the large fold out version into a magazine format with photography. The target date for the first edition will be in May of this year.

Beaver Bay Project

Bryan Anderson updated the Council on the Gitchi-Gami Trail Associations' Beaver Bay Project. The project will involve the construction of a trailhead facility, restrooms, and also a paved parking lot. Anderson stated that funding from the Northeast Minnesota Sustainable Development Partnership could be used to fund the engineering of the project. The project will be discussed with the Beaver Bay City Council on how maintenance will be handled.

Cairn Signs

Bryan Anderson informed the Council that although the first and second phases of the project were funded the money would be turned back since the documentation needed for the projects will not be able to be completed by the due dates. Mark Anderson stated that federal funding involves many processes and that they need to be authorized following certain procedures. The 2006 funding of the first cairn signs would be turned back however the planning process will keep going. The applications for the 2007 applications will have good estimates and the planning will be in place so that projects will be ready to go.

Mary Somnis suggested that a letter be drafted to the Commission detailing a memorandum of understanding. The Council agreed that documentation of this matter would be a good idea.

Update on Community Outreach

Mary Somnis informed the Council that Gene Shaw had asked her to consider placing a cairn sign at Canal Park instead of Glensheen. The sign would be more pedestrian oriented.

Somnis also stated that Andrew Slade and Mike Kennedy attended the Canal Park Business Association meeting and gave a presentation on scenic byways and the NSSD Council. The presentation was effective and a good example of community outreach. Somnis also informed the Council of an upcoming meeting on April 26th with the Lutsen Tofte Tourism Association at which a similar presentation would be made.

Tim Campbell and Bryan Anderson will be attending a Two Harbors Tourism meeting on May 9th to also present on scenic byways and the North Shore Scenic Drive. If other Council Members know of any other groups that would be interested in the Byway, contact Bryan Anderson to arrange a presentation.

Grand Portage Happenings

Rick with the Grand Portage State Park presented to the Council site sketches of a planned welcome/visitor center that is being designed for the State Park. Rick also spoke on the work being done to the National Monument in Grand Portage including the parking lot.

Frank Vecchio announced that the Grand Portage Lodge recently had its first anniversary of the new trading post facility. He also stated that the south wing of the lodge is completed and that the north wing will be finished by the end of June. Upcoming events at the Lodge include the 16th Anniversary celebration May 19th through June 23rd and also Rendezvous Days.

Next Meeting Topics

The date of the next meeting was changed from May 12th to the 5th due to the fishing opener. The location will be held somewhere near Duluth. Dick Hasket from the National Scenic Byway Foundation will speak on potential membership to the Foundation, Larry Moon's memorial fund, the idea of extending the byway to the international level, and also making it a marine highway.

Other meeting topics will include the Canal Park cairn sign and updates on the brochure.

The State Scenic Byway Workshop will be on October 10th and 11th. The location for the workshop will be at Douglas Lodge in Itasca State Park.

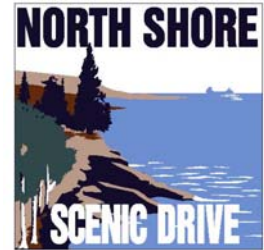
Michelle Ethun announced that the Byway Awards Program has revised categories and that a leadership category has been established.

*Tim Campbell made a motion to end the meeting; Dan Roth seconded the motion.
The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 PM*

The next regular meeting of the NSSD Council will be May 5th in Duluth.

North Shore Scenic Drive Council

March 10, 2006 10:00 AM
Grand Superior Lodge



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MEETING SUMMARY

COMMITTEE ATTENDEES:

Andrew Slade, Sugarloaf
Tim Campbell, EMT
Diane Brostrom, GMATA
Rod Garver, Mn/DOT
Jim Johnson, Cook County Board
Mark Conley, Forest Service, ABRC
Gene Shaw, Visit Duluth
Mike Kennedy, MPCA

Bryan Anderson, ARDC
Frank Vecchio, Grand Portage Lodge
Mary Somnis, Iron Range Resources
John Kessler, Business Representative
Judy Ness, Superior Nat’l Forest
Andy Woodrick, Caribou Highlands/LTTA
Willard Clark, Lake County Board

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Matt Gress, ARDC

Welcome/Announcements

Mary Somnis called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM at the Grand Superior Lodge.

Canal Park Business Association meeting was added to the agenda under other.

Tim Campbell motioned to approve the February meeting summary, seconded by Gene Shaw.

-The motion carried.

National Scenic Byway Foundation

Mary Somnis updated the Council on expenses associated with the administration of the Moon Memorial by the National Scenic Byway Foundation. Projects under \$10,000, such as the Moon Memorial, are handled free of charge while those \$10,000 or greater require a 5% handling fee. The foundation suggested that the Council become a member of the foundation as a byway. This could be done annually with a cost of \$150 per year, a founding membership at \$400, and a lifetime membership at \$1,000. The foundation lobbies for byways and aids in completing projects.

Tim Campbell suggested more research be undertaken to review the foundation and see what they have to offer before joining.

Signature Discussion

Mary Somnis informed the Council that someone would be needed to sign certain documents on behalf of the Council. Mary the Chair and Dan Roth, the Vice Chair are both State Employees and can only advocate things endorsed by the Governor.

Tim Campbell made a motion to nominate Gene Shaw for this position, seconded by John Kessler. The motion carried.

Gene Shaw will serve as the “Secretary” for the Council, this position does not require taking the meeting summary.

Update on Cook County Billboard Public Hearing

Jim Johnson reported on the public hearing held in Cook County regarding billboards. Johnson told the Council that there was little support at the meeting for a moratorium on granting permits for off-premise billboards along Highway 61. Johnson also mentioned that the existing sign ordinance in Cook County is not being enforced. Violations include but are not limited to sign lighting as well as setbacks.

John Kessler and others mentioned that the sign ordinance that is in place is just a piece of paper if it is not enforced. Mary Somnis also felt that the people of Cook County should write letters to commissioners in order to convey their thoughts on the billboard issue and push for a decision.

Bryan Anderson informed the Council that he had sent information regarding billboard definitions to Tim Nelson, at the Cook County Planning & Zoning office. Mary Somnis suggested sending the information to Janet Simonen to ensure it is presented to the County board at the next meeting.

Jim Johnson stated that he will keep working to gain the support of the County Board and will email the date of the next board meeting. He also felt that a moratorium is the best solution until a new ordinance is drafted.

Cairn Sign Update

Bryan Anderson stated that the first phase of cairn signs are funded. However there was a delay in the announcement of federal funding. Documentation regarding environmental work and permits cannot be completed by the June 30th deadline. This has caused three cairn signs including: the Sugarloaf, Brighton Beach, and Grand Portage signs to be bumped from the 2005 application to 2006. These signs will take the place of the following signs: Beaver Bay, Grand Marais, and Knife River on the 2006 application.

Seed Funds Match / Grant Application

The application for seed funds in 2006 was ranked well according to Anderson. While the NSSD is attempting to wean off of federal dollars other byways are requesting more. The NSSD needs more local dollars to achieve the match for 2006-2007 in the amount of \$6,250. The potential local match for 2007-2008 is \$11,250.

Anderson also recommended that the funding sources come from the private sector; right now it is currently left to ARDC, MnDOT, and IRR. A plan of action is needed to get the private dollars.

Rod Garver mentioned that the current private sector base is not broad enough to get off of federal funding and also that the NSSD shouldn't limit itself especially if other byways are asking for more federal funding.

The Council discussed how to get private groups to include money in their budgets for the NSSD. Tim Campbell stated that private groups would need to know what the byway is and does before they can buy in. Letters could be drafted describing the Byway's accomplishments and include support from the Council Members' respective boards. The letters would consist of information about what the Byway does and what prospective groups could do to help. A presentation could also be put together detailing the byway organization at the national level. A member of the Council could make the presentation at various board meetings.

Break from 11:50 – 12:00

Beaver Bay Project

Bryan Anderson updated the Council on the Beaver Bay Project. Anderson stated that Kevin Johnson felt that it is a good time to move the project along. The project at Beaver Bay will serve many uses. The DNR potentially could take the lead on the project but has no funding to complete the engineering. A partnership could potentially be set up with the University to do the streetscape and trailhead engineering work.

Canal Park Business Association

On the topic of bringing more private groups into the Council, Andrew Slade mentioned that Canal Park is the western anchor of the NSSD. Slade contacted the Canal Park Business Association in order to get the NSSD on their agenda. The meeting will be held on the 15th of March at 8:30 AM.

Next Meeting Topics

Progress on the Brochure

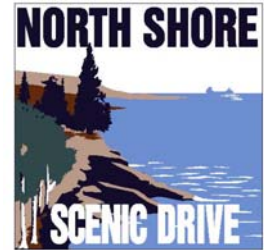
Sign Ordinance Update with Cook County

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM

The next regular meeting of the NSSD Council will be April 7th at Grand Portage

North Shore Scenic Drive Council

February 10, 2006 10:00 a.m.
Duluth



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MEETING SUMMARY

COMMITTEE ATTENDEES:

Andrew Slade, Sugarloaf
Lenore Johnson, Lake County
Dan Roth, DNR Parks
Mary Somnis, Iron Range Resources
John Kessler, Business Representative
Duane Lula, Superior Nat’l Forest
Mark Conley, Forest Service, ABRC

Bryan Anderson, ARDC
Tim Campbell, EMT
Diane Brostrom, GMATA
Rod Garver, Mn/DOT
Jim Johnson, Cook County
Judy Ness, Superior Nat’l Forest
John Bathke, Resident

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Matt Gress, ARDC

Welcome/Announcements

Mary Somnis called the meeting to order at 10:06 at the MPCA Conference Room in Canal Park of Duluth.

*Lenore Johnson motioned to approve the December meeting summary, seconded by Tim Campbell
-The motion carried.*

Chair and Vice Chair Elections

Nominations were made regarding the Chair and Vice Chair positions.

*Tim Campbell made a motion to nominate Mary Somnis for Chair and Dan Roth for Vice Chair,
Lenore Johnson seconded.*

*A motion was then made to close nominations by Andrew Slade, and was seconded by Diane Brostrom.
The motion carried.*

Mary Somnis was elected Chair and Dan Roth elected Vice Chair.

Larry’s Memorial

Bryan Anderson informed the Council that memorial funds were to be sent to the National Scenic Byways Foundation. The Foundation will hold the funds until a project is decided upon to honor Larry’s work and dedication to the byway.

Forest Service

Mark Conley, a byway specialist from the US Forest Service, spoke on his goals of better incorporating lesser-known byways into the National program. Conley also spoke of improving the coordination of programs across various federal agencies and better interfacing between the Council and the Byways Resource Center.

Duane Lula and Judy Ness, both managers of the Superior National Forest, expressed their interest in learning more about what the byway does and also to be more involved with the NSSD Council.

John Bathke motioned to add Duane Lula to the Council, Tim Campbell Seconded. The motion passed.

John Bathke motioned to add Mark Conley to the council, Tim Campbell Seconded. The motion passed.

Discussion took place regarding the need for the NSSD Council to get more business people to the meetings. John Kessler made the point that businesses need to work with government as more of a joint operation to improving the byway. Tim Campbell suggested that the Council seek key people in order to acquire good members who will attend the meetings.

Parks and Trails Leadership Summit

Andrew Slade commented on the Parks and Trails Leadership Summit. Slade stated that there was a strong endorsement for interpretation improvements on the North Shore. By boosting the interpretation, the support for the parks will be boosted as well.

Dan Roth also felt that the summit developed a common ground of interpretation and that telling the story of the north shore is important.

The Council decided to pick someone to officially represent the Council at the Leadership Summit in the future. Mary Somnis volunteered to represent the Council.

Billboard Update

Bryan Anderson provided an update on the Billboard issue within Cook County. Anderson stated that a public hearing would be held on February 28th at 7:00 PM at which the proposal for a 1,000 ft corridor with no Billboards would be given.

Discussion took place regarding keeping billboard numbers low along the byway. John Kessler stated visitors enjoy the North Shore due to the fact billboard numbers are low and that they should stay that way. Diane Brostrom commented that businesses need signs advertising their locations and also that local residents will need to want Billboards eliminated to make it happen. Rod Garver noted that there is not enough space in Cook County for every business to place a sign every 500 feet in commercially zoned areas.

Anderson stated that the February 28th hearing would need people to come and speak regarding the issues at hand. Tim Campbell will speak on the economics if he is able to attend. Rod Garver will provide a State Statutes view at the meeting. Mary Somnis will speak on what is requested of her.

Lake Superior North Shore Association

Mary Somnis updated the Council on working with the Association to create a new brochure for the North Shore. The NSSD Council would be able to help pay for the cost of the brochure and would gain sustainability from the advertisers within the brochure itself. The design of the brochure will reflect the traditional look as well as transition into a newer look. The association will be voting on the brochure partnership with the NSSD. A committee has been established in order to move this forward.

Andrew Slade spoke on the Sugarloaf Learning Cart and its search for partners, which includes the NSSD. The learning cart is a staffed learning activity that operates Wednesday through Sunday interacting with people along the North Shore. The brochure from the partnership mentioned above would be displayed on the cart and available to people on request.

A motion was made by Tim Campbell to create the dual brochure; John Bathke seconded this. The motion carried.

2006 Work Plan

Bryan Anderson reviewed the 2006 Work Plan with the Council. He noted that there was a snag with the cairn sign to be placed at Glensheen. Glensheen no longer wishes to have a cairn sign.

A motion was made by Tim Campbell to switch funding from the Glensheen sign to a Grand Portage sign. This was seconded by John Bathke. The motion passed.

Rod Garver stated that MnDOT Environmental Services would be putting together the necessary documents regarding the cairn signs. Sponsoring Agencies will be required to submit a permit in order for signs to be placed on the right-of-way. Sponsoring agencies will also be responsible for maintenance of the signs. Garver was thanked by the Council for his efforts.

Mary Somnis requested that business organization outreach be added to the 2006 work plan.

Tim Campbell made a motion to approve the 2006 Work Plan; this was seconded by John Bathke. The motion passed.

Bryan Anderson informed the Council that at the Transportation Enhancements meeting, the money towards the FY 2009 Split Rock River Overlook project was recommended for funding.

The date of the NSSD Council's April meeting was changed from April 14th to April 7th in Grand Portage.

Tim Campbell made a motion to end the meeting. This was seconded by John Bathke. The motion passed adjourning the meeting at 1:05 PM.

The next regular meeting of the NSSD Council will be March 10th at Grand Superior Lodge.