

JMCC Meetin

Thursday, June 16, 2022 1:30 PM

Native Village of Kivalina Tribal Office, 744 Third Ave., Kotzebue, AK 99752

1. **A. CALL TO ORDER**

2. **B. MOMENT OF SILENCE**

3. **C. ROLL CALL**

4. **D. Agenda Approval**

5. **E. ADOPTION OF FEBRUARY 21, 2022 MINUTES**

6. **F. ADOPTION OF JUNE 6, 2022 MINUTES**

7. **G. DISCUSSION**

7.A. a. National Quality of Life Award for Kivalina Evacuation
& School Access Road Project

7.B. b. Kisimgiugtuq School Update

7.B.1. a. Substantial Completion Dates

7.B.2. b. Plan for Interim Operation of School

7.B.3. c. Transportation/Bussing

7.B.4. d. Funding Assistance Request

7.B.5. e. Teacher Housing

7.B.6. f. Water and Sewer

7.B.7. f. Snow Management

7.B.8. h. Telecommunications

*Northwest Arctic Borough School District
Northwest Arctic Borough
NANA Regional Corporation*

**JOINT MAINTENANCE/CONSTRUCTION
COMMITTEE MEETING**

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1:30 p.m.
Native Village of Kivalina Tribal Office
Kivalina, AK**

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AGENDA

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Introduction of Staff & Guests

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H. CLOSING COMMENTS

I. ADJOURNMENT

Co-Chairs: Marie Greene-NWABSD Board of Education & Elmer Armstrong Jr.-NWAB Assembly
Committee Members:, Margaret Hansen-NWABSD Board of Education, Gia Hanna-NANA Board of Director, Joanne Harris-NWABSD Board of Education, Millie Hawley-NWABSD Board of Education, Gladys Jones-NANA Board of Director, Reid Magdanz-NWAB Assembly, Tillie Ticket-NWABSD Board of Education, Walter Sampson-NWAB Assembly, Austin Swan Sr.-NWAB Assembly, and Myra Wesley-NANA Board of Director

UNADOPTED MINUTES

JOINT MAINTENANCE/CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Northwest Arctic Borough School District • Northwest Arctic Borough • NANA Regional Corporation

Co-Chair, Elmer Armstrong called the Joint Construction/Maintenance Committee Meeting to order at 3:33 p.m. on February 21, 2022 in the District Office Boardroom at Kotzebue, AK.

Observed.

Committee Members present were:

- Elmer Armstrong Jr., NWAB Assembly Member
- Margaret Hansen, NWABSD Board of Education Member
- Marie Greene, NWABSD Board of Education Member
- Joanne Harris, NWABSD Board of Education Member
- Austin Swan Sr., NWAB Assembly Member
- Millie Hawley, NWABSD Board of Education Member
- Nathan Hadley Jr., NWAB Assembly Member
- Reid Magdanz, NWAB Assembly Member

Committee Members absent and excused were:

- Tillie Ticket, NWABSD Board of Education Member
- Gloria Carter, NANA Board Member
- Myra Wesley, NANA Board Member
- Crystal Johnson, NANA Board Member
- Walter Sampson, NWAB Assembly Member

Staff/Guests present at the meeting were: Terri Walker-NWABSD Superintendent, Kathy Christy-NWABSD Capital Projects Manager, Scott Lefebvre-NWABSD Assistant Superintendent, Megan Williams-NWABSD Administrative Services Director, Joy Cogburn-Smith-NWABSD Director of State/Federal Programs, Karla Head-NWABSD ATC/STAR Director, Perrian Windhausen-NWABSD Student Services Director, Janice Hadley-NWABSD Human Resources Director

Margaret Hansen moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Marie Greene.

Motion passed unanimously by voice-vote.

Austin Swan moved to adopt the August 23rd, 2021 Committee Meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Marie Greene with correction.

Motion passed unanimously by voice-vote.

Capital Projects Manager, Kathy Christy provided a written report (*attached*).

Discussion regarding the following:

- Kivalina Replacement School Project Update
- Buckland HVAC Update
- ATC Family Housing Update
- Deering Renovation and Addition Update

Family housing for the Alaska Technical Center to support potential students with families from outside of Kotzebue is a priority of the District. There is potential for construction funding for the project if the project is shovel ready this year. This requires the project to have design documents sufficiently detailed to support at least a design/build procurement process for construction. As the first step, the District requested a proposal from NVision Architects to develop design documents. NVision Architects was formerly known as Krochina Architects, the firm that designed the Kotzebue, Noorvik, Ambler and Kiana school addition and renovation projects. NVisions was selected as they are knowledgeable of Kotzebue climate and soil conditions. They have familiarity of District maintenance operation and standards and they have designed similar multifamily housing units for other rural communities. They are known for practical and quality design. They are available to deliver design documents within a tight time frame. Burkhart Croft Architects, the designers of Kivalina Replacement School, have limited availability for additional work and they have not designed multi-family housing units. NVision proposes the complete conceptual design within 4 weeks at a cost of \$33,155. The cost to complete the documents to the 65% stage is an additional \$80,000. The total cost for documents adequate for design/build procurement is \$113,155 to be completed in a total of 10 weeks.

CALL TO ORDER

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CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT

DISCUSSION

CONTRACT APPROVAL FOR ATC FAMILY HOUSING DESIGN

If approved, the District will fund the design from its capital funds and not seek a state or federal grant for design. With Board concurrence, competitive proposals are not required. The Administration recommends approval of a \$113,155 contract with NVision for 65% design of a 6-plex family housing unit for the ATC so that the project can move forward.

Marie Greene moved to concur to approve the contract for a \$113,155 with NVision for 65% design of a 6-plex family housing unit for the ATC, as presented and recommends approval of the School Board, seconded by Elmer Armstrong Jr.

Motion carried unanimously by voice-vote.

Committee Members voiced their appreciation for this time, as it has been a while since a JMCC meeting was held.

Margaret Hansen moved to adjourn, seconded by Tillie Ticket. Meeting adjourned at 4:26 pm.

ACTION

ADJOURNMENT

UNADOPTED MINUTES

JOINT MAINTENANCE/CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING

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Co-Chair, Marie Greene called the Joint Construction/Maintenance Committee Meeting to order at 4:38 p.m. on June 6, 2022 in the District Office Boardroom at Kotzebue, AK.

Observed.

Committee Members present were:

- Elmer Armstrong Jr., NWAB Assembly Member
- Margaret Hansen, NWABSD Board of Education Member
- Marie Greene, NWABSD Board of Education Member
- Joanne Harris, NWABSD Board of Education Member
- Millie Hawley, NWABSD Board of Education Member
- Reid Magdanz, NWAB Assembly Member
- Tillie Ticket, NWABSD Board of Education Member
- Myra Wesley, NANA Board Member

Committee Members absent and excused were:

- Gladys Jones, NANA Board Member
- Gia Hanna, NANA Board Member
- Walter Sampson, NWAB Assembly Member

Staff/Guests present at the meeting were: Terri Walker-NWABSD Superintendent, Kathy Christy-NWABSD Capital Projects Manager, Scott Lefebvre-NWABSD Assistant Superintendent, Megan Williams-NWABSD Administrative Services Director, Karla Head-NWABSD ATC/STAR Director, Perrian Windhausen-NWABSD Student Services Director, Janice Hadley-NWABSD Human Resources Director, Brandon Blackham-NWABSD Property Services Director

Margaret Hansen moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Millie Hawley. Elmer Armstrong Jr. asks to add c. Kivalina School Sign and d. Trip to Kivalina Worksite to the agenda.

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Marie Greene moved to table the February 21st, 2021 Committee Meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Margaret Hansen..

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Capital Projects Manager, Kathy Christy provided a verbal and written report (*attached*).

Discussion regarding the following:

- ATC Family Housing Update
- Kivalina School Sign—spelling is to be checked
- Millie Hawley requests a meeting to visit the Kivalina worksite and to discuss the school name

The Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is used to prioritize projects and establish the order of construction for district capital improvement projects. The School Board annually updates the Six-Year CIP. The district submits grant applications for the projects identified for the first year of the plan. The Legislature allocated \$100 million in this year’s capital budget. Subject to the Governor’s approval it is assumed that reimbursement for the JNES Gym roof and the Buckland HVAC project will be approved for FY23 DEED funding. The Regional School Board and the Joint Maintenance and Construction Committee (JMCC) will review the proposed Six-Year CIP at their June meeting so that applications for the prioritized projects can be prepared over the summer. The cost estimates for the FY24 projects will be updated with professional estimates as part of the application process. The JMCC recommendations will be presented to the Board following their meeting.

Margaret Hansen moved to concur to approve the FY24 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan, as presented, and recommends the approval of the School Board, seconded by Myra Wesley.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

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CONCURRENCE OF FY24 SIX-YEAR CIP

ACTION

Millie Hawley and Myra Wesley expressed their appreciation for all that is being done for the new Kivalina School.

Margaret Hansen moved to adjourn, seconded by Millie Hawley. Meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Kivalina Evacuation & School Site Access Road Project Wins National Award

(Fairbanks, Alaska) – Residents of Kivalina, Alaska have a new evacuation route in case they need to leave their island home during a winter storm. As of last week, it became a nationally award-winning evacuation route. The Kivalina Evacuation Route and School Access Site project, completed in 2021, was recognized by the American Association of State Highway Officials for a national Quality of Life award for a medium sized project.

Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities officials accepted the award on June 7, 2022.

“This award belongs to the community and to each and every one of DOT&PF’s partners,” said Ryan Anderson, DOT&PF Commissioner. “The Native Village of Kivalina, City of Kivalina, Northwest Arctic Borough, NANA Regional Corporation, the Federal Highway Administration and the many other federal and state agencies that worked as a team to bring the project to completion while protecting the people and resources of Northwest Arctic region.”

The evacuation route provides residents with a safe and reliable road to a refuge site in case of a catastrophic storm. It has also increased food security for Kivalina, allowing residents to more easily conduct traditional subsistence activities including accessing fishing sites. The route also provides access to a new school under construction and will serve the evacuation site as a full-service community emergency shelter with all-season support capabilities.

DOT&PF took a unique approach to deliver this project. By teaming with communities and agencies, DOT&PF was able to deliver the project from concept to operational road in less than 4 years. And this accelerated timeframe resulted in a significantly reduced design and administrative costs. Alternative contracting, utilizing the Construction Manager General Contractor (CM/GC) method provided further innovations, with ASRC Civil Construction building the project for \$43 million. The new road, bridge and causeway were designed to accommodate all modes of transportation for all seasons, and residents began using the new route immediately after opening.

The awards are sponsored by the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO), AAA, and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. The awards recognize state DOTs and highlight the projects they deliver that make communities a better place to live, work, and play. Project nominations fall into one of three categories: Operations Excellence, Best Use of Technology & Innovation, and Quality of Life/Community Development. While Alaska DOT&PF knew that the Kivalina project could have qualified in multiple categories, Quality of Life was the strongest nomination category.

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities oversees 237 airports, 9 ferries serving 33 communities along 3,500 marine miles, over 5,600 miles of highway and 839 public facilities throughout the state of Alaska. The mission of the department is to “Keep Alaska Moving through service and infrastructure.”



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June 15, 2022

To: Native Village of Kivalina

Fm: NWABSD

With the construction of the new Kivalina School almost complete, the School District is now looking for assistance with large-item purchases. The Borough has funded the construction of a bus barn; however, we will need to purchase busses and other forms of transportation to get our students and staff from Kivalina to the new school site. We will also have some unanticipated costs for getting the site up and running before the students start at the new site, one of which is the Internet for the first couple of months before we shut the Internet off at the current location. Please see the items and costs listed below.

Two Thomas school busses - \$239,543 plus cost of shipping to Kivalina estimated at \$30,000
15-passenger van - \$50,364.97 plus the cost of shipping to Kivalina, no estimate on shipping currently
Internet at the new Kivalina School for September & October - \$68,000 estimated at this time

Sincerely,

Terri Walker, Superintendent