

# Board Teleconference Minutes



August 21, 2018, 9 am-10:30 am

Minutes by Deborah Simmons

## List of Acronyms/Terms Used

ʔehdzo Got'ine Gots'ę Nákedı	Helpers of the ʔehdzo Got'ine (Sahtú Renewable Resources Board)
ʔehdzo Got'ine	Renewable Resources Council
NWT	Northwest Territories
SLUPB	Sahtú Land Use Planning Board
SRRB	Sahtú Renewable Resources Board
SSI	Sahtú Secretariat Inc.
Tu Łidlini	Ross River, Yukon
tędzı	boreal woodland caribou
WSF	Wildlife Studies Fund

## Agenda

- Opening prayer/introductions/quorum check
- Sahtú Land Use Plan review scope
- Environmental Assessment update: Imperial closure, Fireweed Zinc mine (across the Yukon border), and support for RRCs
- Sahtú Ne K'ędikę (Guardian) initiative
- Muskox tag distribution
- New staff hire
- Core variance and projects as of August 12
- Minutes of previous meetings
- In-camera Board discussion
- Board appointments

## Participants

### Board Members

George Barnaby (Acting Chair), Camilla Rabisca, Jeff Walker

### Special Advisors

Paul Latour, Leon Andrew, Gordon Yakeleya, Harry Harris (joined at 9:37 am), Jonas Modeste (joined at 9:32 am)

## Staff

Kirsten Jensen, Colin Macdonald, Deborah Simmons, Jennie Vandermeer (*first meeting assisting SRRB during Deborah's medical leave, thanks to approval from Minister Robert C. McLeod, NWT Environment and Natural Resources*)

## Invited Guests

Heidi Wiebe, Heidi R. Wiebe Consulting Ltd.

## Opening

*Prayer by Deborah Simmons*

- Quorum check: 2/3 Board members present.
- Note that Jennie Vandermeer has been approved to assist the SRRB for the next eight weeks.

## Sahtú Land Use Plan Review Scope

*Presentation by Heidi Wiebe*

- Highlights from the SRRB's letter to the Sahtú Land Use Planning Board
- Discussion points:
  - Concern about preparing for future shale oil development
  - Indigenous Protected Areas
  - Range planning for t̥ɔd̥z̥ı
  - Sahtú Secretariat Inc. has send a letter to the SLUPB supporting Special Management Zone designation for Nááts'ihch'oh National Park Reserve; need to involve SSI and Sahtú Dene Council are engaged in discussions about the Nío Ne P'ę́ę́ – Trails of the Mountain Caribou plan.
  - The Ne K'ə Dene Ts'ı̄l̄ı̄ Forum as a model that can be used for the Sahtú Working Group that was envisioned in the Land Use Plan.
  - Next steps for the SRRB in contributing to plan review (given that SLUPB will likely approve the scope this fall, following consultation with the approving parties)
- Heidi can summarize key issues of interest to the Board, and provide a summary of the range of inputs from other parties regarding plan scope.

## Environmental Assessment

*Presentation by Colin Macdonald, Science Advisor*

- Overview of the kind of work that Colin does to review proposals and reports submitted to Sahtú Land and Water Board.
- There's a role that Guardians can play in keeping an eye on contaminated sites and remediation.

## Imperial Aquatic Effects Monitoring Program

- The SRRB has not been participation in Imperial's Working Group – there are concerns about the quality of the cleanup and monitoring program.
- Concerns that Imperial does not make an effort to monitor fish.
- ENR has been monitoring water quality in collaboration with Tulít'a, Norman Wells and Fort Good Hope, and has not yet to date noted spikes in hydrocarbons.

## Fireweed Zinc Mine (Yukon Territory)

- The exploration associated with this mine site near the Yukon border will be going forward, approved by the Yukon Environmental and Socio-Economic Assessment Board with recommendations.
- A lot of material will be transported on the North Canol Road.
- Our role will be to keep an eye on the project in case there are any further potential impacts affecting wildlife and habitat within our jurisdiction – we will also keep in touch with Tu Łidlini (Ross River) Dena Council on issues of mutual interest.

## Assisting ʔehdzo Got'İne/Sahtú Leadership Organisations

- We are making an effort to provide briefing notes on key environmental assessment issues of interest that can be distributed to Sahtú leaders.

## Sahtú Nę K'édiká – Guardian Initiative

*Presentation by Deborah Simmons*

- The Indigenous Leadership Initiative, a national non-governmental organisation
- Need to learn our history to use that knowledge today, and be out on the land; it's hard to talk about it sitting in town.
- There has been a lot of work done by Délİne, the Nío Nę P'ęné Working Group (Tulít'a, Norman Wells, Tu Łidlini)

## Muskox Tag Distribution

*Presentation by Jeffery Walker*

- The Norman Wells Renewable Resource Council has lodged a complaint that muskox tags have been used in districts that are not the district for which will be issued.
- A review of the land claim and regulations has brought to light that this is an issue and will require regulatory revision.

## New Staff Hire

*Presentation by Deborah Simmons*

Overview and discussion of On the Land Manager job description.

#### Motion 2019-012

M2019-012	Approve the On the Land Consultant job description and position. Jeffery Walker/Camilla Rabisca.	Consensus
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### Minutes of Previous Meetings

#### Motion 2019-013

M2019-013	Approve minutes of the July 10 and August 7 meetings. Jeffery Walker/Camilla Rabisca.	Consensus
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### In-Camera Session

#### Motion 2019-014

M2019-014	In-camera 2:30 pm Jeffery Walker/Camilla Rabisca.	Consensus
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#### Motion 2019-015

M2019-015	Move out of camera at 3:34 pm. Jeffery Walker.	Consensus
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#### Motion 2019-016

M2019-016	Approve a bonus for Lori Ann calculated at 30% of reduction in bookkeeping costs from 2018 fiscal year. Jeffery Walker/Camilla Rabisca.	Consensus
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#### Motion 2019-017

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#### Motion 2019-018

M2019-018	A letter will be sent to Michael Neyelle regarding his position as Chair. Jeffery Walker/Camilla Rabisca.	Consensus
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### Board Appointments

*Presentation by Deborah Simmons*

Update on nominations in the works, and expiration dates for current terms.

## Finances

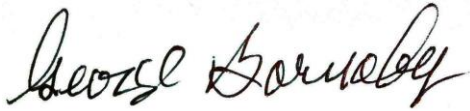
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*Meeting adjourned at 10:30 am approximately.*

## Approval of Minutes

Approved by Board decision, April 24, 2019.



George Barnaby, Acting Chair

## Summary of Motions

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