

Board In-Person Meeting Minutes



February 29, 2016, 9:00 am-5:00 pm
Délᑭᑦᑯᑦ Land Corporation Boardroom
Minutes by Deborah Simmons

List of Acronyms/Terms Used

BNE	Bluenose East ᑭᑦᑯᑦ
BNW	Bluenose West ᑭᑦᑯᑦ
ENR	NWT Environment and Natural Resources
INAC	Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada
SRRB/Board	ᑭᑦᑯᑦ ᑭᑦᑯᑦ ᑭᑦᑯᑦ ᑭᑦᑯᑦ (Sahtú Renewable Resources Board)
SYN	Sahtú Youth Network
TK	Traditional Knowledge
ᑭᑦᑯᑦ ᑭᑦᑯᑦ	Renewable Resources Council - RRC
ᑭᑦᑯᑦ	Barren-ground Caribou

List of Attendees

Board Members

Michael Neyelle (Chair), Jeffrey Walker, George Barnaby, Lesley Allen, Paul Latour, Leonard Kenny, Camilla Rabisca

Special Advisors

Keith Hickling, Leon Andrew, Frederick Andrew

Staff

Deborah Simmons, Joe Hanlon

Guests

Lorraine Land (Olthuis, Kleer, Townshend LLP)

Agenda

- Opening prayer
- Review of Hearing Agenda
- Setup of the Hearing Venue
- Scientific Advisor Technical Review of ENR Proposal, and presentation (Colin Macdonald)
- Traditional Knowledge Advisor Technical Review of Délᑭᑦᑯᑦ Belarewíle ᑭᑦᑯᑦ ᑭᑦᑯᑦ plan
- Chairing the Hearing – opening remarks and process
- Roles of Board Members, Special Advisors and Staff

- Request by Sahtú Youth Connection for Party status

1. Opening Prayer and Review of Agenda (9:00 am)

Opening prayer by Michael Neyelle

2. Review of Hearing Agenda

Presentation by Lorraine Land

Overview of the hearing process over the three days (March 1-3), with discussion of evening public session(s).

3. Setup of the Hearing Venue

The setup for the Parties will be in a modified horseshoe with the Board members and Special Advisors all together at the back of the room. Additional rows of chairs will be provided for the public. Behind the horseshoe will be staff, scientific advisor, and interpreting booths.

4. Scientific Advisor Technical Review of ENR Proposal, and presentation

Presentation by Colin Macdonald

Overview of key messages in the technical review document, and discussion of approach to presenting at the hearing.

5. Traditional Knowledge Advisor Technical Review of Délı̨ne Belarewı̨le Gots'ę ʔekwę Plan

Discussion of technical review document by Alice Legat.

6. Chairing the Hearing

Presentation by Michael Neyelle and Lorraine Land

- Michael Neyelle reviewed the chairing discussion with the technical team (Michael, Lorraine Land and Deborah Simmons) at an earlier preparation session.
- Michael presented his opening remarks and revisions were discussed; the opening remarks will be delivered in Dene language.

7. Roles of Board Members, Special Advisors and Staff

- Review of approach to preventing perceptions of conflict of interest and bias
- Discussion of process for completing Reasons for Decision on Colville motion regarding conflict of interest and bias; time is required to ensure that the legal reasoning is fully developed
- Importance of developing questions to be put forward to the Parties following their presentations and questions from other Parties; staff and the scientific advisor are

8. Request by Sahtú Youth Connection for Party Status

Motion 2016-028

M2016-028	That the Sahtú Youth Connection is approved as a Party to the Bluenose East ʔekwé Hearing. Lesley Allen/Camilla Rabisca.	Consensus
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Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm approximately

Approval of Minutes

Approved by Board decision, June 29, 2016.



Michael Neyelle, Chair

Summary of Decisions

Number	Description	Result
M2016-028	That the Sahtú Youth Connection is approved as a Party to the Bluenose East ʔekwé Hearing. Lesley Allen/Camilla Rabisca.	Consensus