

**Sahtu Renewable Resources Board Meeting
October 5 – 6, 2010
Deline Cultural Centre
Deline, NT**

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ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS

Walter Bezha
Paul Latour
Keith Hickling
Gordon Zealand
Jeffrey Walker
Leonard Kenny

STAFF

Christopher Hopkins
Andrea Hrynkiw
Lori Ann Lennie

GUESTS:

Heather Sayine-Crawford – ENR
Paul Modeste – Deline RRC
Edith Mackeinzo – Public
Gary Elemie – Public
Alfred Taniton - Public

Charlie Neyelle – Public
Joan Gordie – SLWB
Paul Dixon – SLWB Ex. Director
Leroy Andre – ENR

1. Opening Prayer

Opening prayer by Walter Bezha

2. Call to Order

Welcome and Introduction by Walter Meeting was called to order at 9:18AM
Swearing in of new board members by Cst. K. Hughs – Walter Bezha, Keith Hickling and Jeffrey Walker

3. Review and Acceptance of Agenda

SRRB Motion #

To accept the agenda as presented.

Moved by: Gordon Zealand

Seconded by: Paul Latour

Carried Unanimously

4. Conflict of Interest

No Conflicts of interest was declared

Charlie Neyelle – Addressing meeting

Thanks for allowing to address the meeting. Happy we have a board that talks the way we do. Wildlife on the land – caribou, caribou has own laws they follow it, dene people harvest are of most, if the caribou follow the natural laws and we do then no problem with caribou in the future. We are no managers of caribou, it is important of all stake holders aware natural laws of caribou, land so important for caribou, food etc... Law, broader sense than in English language, hard to translate. Cows reproduce young, bulls important too. Dene people own way of hunting, follow traditional ways for hunting. Pattern in fradition, huge problem translating dene to english

5. Review & Acceptance of Previous Minutes

SRRB Motion #

To accept the February 2 – 4, 2010 minutes and the Conference Call July 20, 2010 Minutes.

Moved by: Keith Hickling

Seconded by: Gordon Zealand

Carried Unanimously

6. Sahtu Land and Water Board Presentation – Joan Gordey

Potential MGM application has not arrived yet, Sept. 29 community meeting Tulita and Sept. 30 in Norman Wells towards the end of Oct/Nov. Jan 2011 proposed to start if successful possible second drilling the next year.

MACA – responsible for Land Use Permit try to send out package in whole so more complete for reviewers. SLWB environment screening and evaluate it and MACA will adopt screening, water license renewal from MGM and Husky, Little Smith staging area. Many requests for renewals and extensions from Husky and MGM. Remediation and rec. On 6 husky sites – filling and contouring sumps, MWH did remediation. – Sumps are now well contoured and protected from erosion ves coming in well – good ground cover.

Selwyn – Reassignment to Selwyn Chihang Mining Ltd.

Howards pass some up to 25 years. MACA and SLWB work together for Municipal applications. Changes at SLWB, we have a new executive director and a new land tech.

Q – How do inspections work in overlapping jurisdictions?

Rumours at Selwyn water uses hydro dam, have you heard any at SLWB

Heard Oct. 12 – discussion on with MLD.

Q – Selwyn is the largest lead deposit in North America, spin off effects how to sustain 9 large projects, where do they get the power and electricity for it?

Still rumour, what planning ur where hydro facility.

Q – If proposed in park, then what?

Chris – Territorial government maybe trying to veto the park? Discussed later in agenda.

Keith – Winter road bridges in applications if still valid for years is there still work happening this winter?

Joan - Black Water bridge is complete, closing some of water licences because bridges are stable and no erosion. Three that will not be closed because still in use. Geo tech work in Tulita for highway. In negotiation with the K'usho gotine district, no land use permit or water licences.

Last week in Whitehorse largest public mining announcement Selwyn – China large party a lot behind the scene who were players? Sahtu? NWT?

Provisions for MACCA to negotiate with SLWB on how to handle applications. ENR responsible on crown land.

INAC will do water licence inspection. MGM drilling fluids, spread out, land farm, not sure if used before in NWT, under SLWB jurisdiction because under disposal of waste.

LUNCH BREAK 12:30 resume at 1:45

Chris – requested last year's auditor provide previous years of financial records for comparison. End of March 200,000 dollars less than previous years. Take time for members to review financials, meetings that have not been reimbursed for, Jody's severance pay, two Executive directors for 2.5 months, approx total \$140 K, why larger amount than previous years

Gord – something **done** until payment

Chris – Invoices for Caribou engagement meetings sent to Susan Fleck. She offered this money in January for conservation education on the 2nd week of March for 25k but have to spend the money before March 31. Told her that there was no way we could spend this money before March 31. We sent in a claim for cost for the meeting that we thought were conservation education but still did not receive the money.

Gordon – Suggestion for solution for matter, writing a letter to Susan Fleck.

Chris – Talk of renewal of harvest study in the spring but only on large mammals only ACWM.

Gordon – Suggestion to have investment people at next meeting to see why we are losing money.

Chris – Only to use interest for the research funds only for incoming research.

Paul – What is harvest study from

Chris – Remainder from previous Harvest study and just hasn't been touched.

7. Review & Acceptance of Finances

SRRB Motion #

To accept the Audited Financial Statement 2009-2010 as presented.

Moved by: Gordon Zealand
Seconded by: Leonard Kenny
Carried Unanimously

SRRB Motion #

To accept the August 31, 2010 Financial Statements as presented.

Moved by: Gordon Zealand
Seconded by: Keith Hickling
Carried Unanimously

ACTION ITEM (Chris)

Letter asking when we can expect the other \$18,000.

7.a Bluenose Ease Caribou Herd Photo census results Presentation – Heather Syine-crawford

2006 – 66 thousand caribou, last year non due to bad weather; didn't bunch for pictures. June 1 – 10, 2010 calving ground survey

Gordon – Where is the company based that counts the caribou from the pictures?

Heather – Not sure – Ontario is where one of the scientists is from. Been counting from the pictures his entire career.

Results – end of March, RRC boards will receive estimates first before press, no official numbers but at least 80,000 caribou since 2006. Positive sign for bluenose ease.

Leonard – is Kugluktuk participating with surveys?

Chris – Walter has relationship up at Kugluktuk gets some data, caribou doesn't seem as much as priority in Kugluktuk as here. Community members flew up to Kugluktuk to observe caribou from Norman Wells, Tulita and Deline. A list requested from Walter of attendance names.

Gordon – If to compare survey to 2006 ex: in same years conditions not as accurate? Were surveys similar?

Heather – No, followed same protocol Boyan also was there.

Joan - Were same transect lines used as in previous years.

Heather – Yes, not much space to miss any animals.

Walter – Snow pictures was that in June

Heather – Yes, helps keeps bugs away

Leonard – how many hers present

Heather – 36

Leonard – mixing of two east and west:

Heather – collars show so far hasn't showed to much mixing.

Leonard – Can pictures tell if mixture of east and west

Heather – No, collars

Walter – no way of telling – NDA needed

BREAK 3:13

7.b Walter – No need for board to get involved until final document on parks

Fisheries – Will not be here.

Chris – Glen in Fort Good Hope for Northern Contaminants meeting

Chris – Board Recommends to SSI from the Sahtu ex: Leroy Andre or Glen Guthrie to sit on Northern contaminants Board with knowledge and interest in science

- Proposed research centre

Chris and Keith – The board deals with a lot of research in the region, the lack of research bib; compared to ARI in Inuvik, working platform

- Accommodation for staff, place to coordinate traditional knowledge, field sampling.

BREAKK FOR DAY 5:03

SRRB BOARD MEETING – DELINE DAY 2 OCTOBER 6, 2010

Start at 9:15AM

Walter – opening introduction to Joanne Wilson (SARA)

Joanne – presentation – Implementation on new NWT Act – Assesses and list species at risk at the NWT level.

Applies to species managed by GNWT every 10 years or sooner, re-evaluates the list.

(SARC) – independent committee of experts, appointed by boards and governments, assesses biological status of species in the NWT 1- TK, community knowledge and science, no socio, economic consideration

Attendance Day 2

Board

Walter Bezha
Leonard Kenny
Gordon Zealand
Jeffrey Walker
Keith Hickling
Paul Latour

Staff

Christopher Hopkins
Lori Ann Lennie
Andrea Hrynkiw

Guests

Heather Seyine-crawford
Leory Andre
Joanne Wilson
Joe Blondin
Paul Modeste

Chris – need new board members to sit on SARC
Walter – In land claim no implementation phase

8. Agency Updates

Paul – Canadian Wildlife Service Update

Canadian Wildlife Service a lot of information collected – ecological and other, take that information put into computer and generate protected areas with this information make sure conservation areas are within it, maps, sharing computer results, showing more maps, few working group meetings, two protected areas looking at involved with SLUP, 4 or 5 pages of comments on this latest draft. CWS supports the plan and designates they came up with.

Keith Hickling – ENR update

Muskox tags – beneficiaries open access for grey goose outfitters
30 tags – commercial hunts and sport foster economic development, food and restaurant here, 2 tags used up.

Q – board – how do we handle these tags? Bring to table to think about 28 tags left to use ends June 30th, 2011.

Chris – How many tags were raffled off?

Keith – 10 – sold then raffled off.

Gordon – Why wouldn't we deligate the tags the same as we did last year.

13 – Deline RRC

4 – Tulita

3 - Norman Wells

4 – Fort Good Hope

4 – Colville Lake

SRRB MOTION#

To distribution of muskox tags

Moved by: Gordon Zealand

Seconded by: Leonard Kenny
Carried Unanimously

Keith – Wolves and caribou management it has gone up from \$200 to \$400, well handled sold at auction for over 400 then 450

Jules – worked as fire crew for ENR

Honour role 1st year now continuing on to second year

Relationships with ENR headquarters, build better bridges with board, any suggestions and comments – discuss – in camera.

LUNCH 12:30

Start up at 12:25

Jeff Walker – update

Mile 222 – spillage – FGH at residence homes, moved band office, land needs to be reclaimed, moving school, large environment **reclamation** in FGH

Expected a buster fire season in Sahtu luckily it wasn't

Leonard – What about outfitters in mountains lodges by lake.

Jeff – areas are very well established, roads and access, ATV detrimental on environment and habitat.

Walter – Habitat management been talking about for a long time, need to have food for caribou populations to go up.

Chris- parks – changes that seem to be coming, presented with 3 options for boundaries.

Option one –

Determined – should write letter to parks on our position on option 1

Parks might not go ahead

Walter – Boards involvement – eventually these projects come to us. Involved when have final plan.

11. Staff Updates

Glen – Up date from Chris

Bosworth Creek and others Tested other creeks and been invited back to Saskatchewan again all expenses paid. TAKT program.

Leonard – Get Glen to share with all RRC's about the wolves.

Chris – That is where Lori Ann is going to start work with the RRC's she is the new RRC coordinator.

Lori Ann – New RRC Coordinator

Andrea – Update – tab 5, page 4

Chris asked her to look at all the different things she can work on because it is slow now and she went to Kugluktuk to help on caribou surveys.

SRRB MOTION #

To move in-camera

Moved by: Leonard Kenny

Seconded by: Keith Hickling

Carried Unanimously

SRRB MOTION #

To grant the scholarships for Jules Fournal, James T'sellie and Lisa McDonald.

Moved by: Paul Latour

Seconded by: Gordon Zealand

Carried Unanimously

SRRB MOTIN #

To come out of in-camera

Moved by: Paul Latour

Seconded by: Leonard Kenny

Carried Unanimously