

EMAB Board Meeting – February 19, 20, 21, 2013

EMAB Board Room, Yellowknife

Day 1: February 19, 2013

Present:

Arnold Enge, Vice Chair, North Slave Metis Alliance
 Floyd Adlem, Secretary Treasurer, Government of Canada
 Charlie Catholique, Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation
 Napoleon Mackenzie, Yellowknife Dene
 Seth Bohnet, Diavik Representative
 Steve Ellis, Government of the Northwest Territories
 Mike Nitsiza, Tlicho Government (Tuesday only)
 Dave Wells, Alternate Diavik Representative (PM only)

Staff:

Mark Fenwick, Executive Director

Absent:

Doug Crossley, Chair, Kitikmeot Inuit Association,
 Call to Order: 9:02am

(Opening prayer) – Charlie Catholique

Agenda Item	Discussion/ Recommendation	Action
<p>Approval of Agenda</p> <p>Business arrived from Minutes/revisions</p>	<p>Approval of agenda: Motion# 1-01-11-20F Motioned: Floyd Adlem Second: Stephen Ellis Carried</p> <p>Discussion: The board discussed previous and current methods for minute taking. Member stated that the previous minutes were presented as a verbatim, however after analyzes the board agreed they were not verbatim notes. - Suggestion for recording devices to produce accurate verbatim notes. Members discussed feasibility in regards to out sourcing for a temporary assistant to take the minutes, and members proposed a workshop for the current staff to learn appropriate methods for minutes taking to reduce cost and to eliminate the need for outsourcing.</p> <p>Discussion on procedure manual to be updated for future rep.</p>	<p>Minute workshop to be organized for staff, including but not limited to Mark Fenwick, Michelle LeTourneau and Martha. Mark to present a budget for Minute workshop.</p>

<p>Minutes adjusted:</p>	<p>Aboriginal board members only and not for the parties.</p>	
<p>Communications Plan</p>	<p>EMAB operational manual in progress.</p> <p>Discussion: NSMA letter sent out. Michelle's work. There was an issue in regards to whom they are responding.</p> <p>EMAB office has had difficulty with communicating with Yellowknife Dene in regards to an alternate. A letter has been sent, but there has been no receipt.</p> <p>Communication letter to the Feds. was not yet sent; Kathryn Bruce is new RDG from Ottawa, the communication has fallen through the cracks good idea to send Robert Jenkins a letter again.</p>	<p>Mark in Progress of assessing the template and reconstructing. EMAB staff will follow up on honorarium template report or invoice. (Board member roles)</p> <p>Mark to follow up.</p> <p>Napoleon Mackenzie to follow up.</p> <p>Mark to review the status, and confirm a new letter is sent to Robert Jenkins.</p>
<p>Board meeting information</p>	<p>The board discussed having meeting materials sent out electronically, and PDF version to ensure no errors. Member expressed the need for computer classes, to familiarize all board members with the adobe software.</p>	<p>Computer basics for EMAB Board members: Charlie Catholique to download adobe software. Michelle to look into computer basics.</p>
<p>Budget submission</p>	<p>Members discussed a letter to be sent to AANDC. The letter was sent a meeting was held for members to communicate both sides of the budget issue. Participants were Mark Fenwick, Arnold Enge, Gord MacDonald, Nancy, Robert Jenkins and Mike Charlotte.</p> <p>The issue must go through the Minister, but due to a new appointed minister in 6-8 weeks. The deputy to make the recommendation.</p>	

<p>AEMP</p> <p>TK (Traditional Knowledge) Panel</p> <p>Misc. Section</p> <p>Approval of Minutes</p>	<p>Members discussed budget in regards to staff salaries. The end result was an assumption of the loss of one staff member by attrition.</p> <p>Members discuss current issues related to AEMP. The issue is the Diavik is a loading ammonia and phosphate into the water and is creating extensive algae growth, visibly growth. The issues as been explored by numerous scientist and it is not a DDMI concern.</p> <p>March report to be sent to Michelle's list and included in public registry. Members discussed issues in regards to the EMAB website, and conflict of who the hosting party was.</p> <p>Item 7 change: "Guidance on how to manage TK consultants. "</p> <p>TK recommendation sent to Diavik.</p> <p>The board discussed a diesel fuel tank in regards to the incinerator at the Diavik minesite.</p> <p>Motion: To accept revised minutes: <i>Motioned: Mike Nitsiza</i> <i>Second: Napoleon Mackenzie</i> <i>Carried</i></p>	<p>Mark to confirm information has been included in public registries.</p> <p>Michelle will put together a table with timelines. To be completed by the middle of May. Michelle to follow up with TK elders on Caribou.</p>
<p>Two Year work Plan Budget EMAB's Budget Submission</p> <p>EMAB Budget Submissions DDMI's Budget Submission</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>EMAB 758 364.00 DCMIN: 601,448 does include TK Difference: 156,916.00 DDMI proposals,</p> <p>Three major difference: three face-to-face meetings instead of six, reductions to pre-approved board member days from four to two, and staff reduction by 1.</p>	<p>Members to review DDMI budget, submission.</p>

<p>Pre-approved Board days</p> <p>Motion Proposed</p>	<p>Member Discussion on Pre approved board days: Members state that the proposed 2 days a month is not onerous, and board members must be diligent in responding to e-mails, and conference calls will be on top of this. Justification for claimed time must be invoiced through Mark in detail for auditor.</p> <p>Motion proposed: (Floyd & Arnold to write a motion for Day 3) 2 days available for board members with 2 extra days available with justification.</p> <p>The board waits to hear what the approved budget will be for the next two years. If lower budget is introduced the board must consolidate work.</p>	<p>2-3 Conference calls in April</p>
<p>Interim Board Calendar</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Annual Report</p> <p>A21</p> <p>ICRP/ Pipe</p> <p>WMP</p>	<p>Interim calendar till the end of may.</p> <p>Discussion of Gantt chart for two years.</p> <p>Discussion: Annual report workshop May.</p> <p>Discussion: Workload for the next three months is set. In DDMI submission what they do with A21 is a big question Members discussed the possibility of Rio Tinto selling out shares, A21 must stay in the work plan because there will be change.</p> <p>Spending more time on review closure plan (RCIP). If Rio Tinto sells out 60% plants will most likely close (speculation), which will in turn extend the life one plants, and both mines. - Pipe north of the dike, shared with BHP.</p> <p>Members discussed WMP and would like WMP added to the gantt chart.</p>	<p>Mark to complete a Gantt Chart for the next two years. With all reports and when they are coming out, and include board meetings.</p>
<p>Discussion on calendar and work plan for 2013/2014</p> <p>Wildlife Management Program (WMP)</p>	<p>Discussion: Members discussed current</p>	<p>Michelle LeTourneau to update</p>

<p>Mine Closure</p> <p>Aquatic Effects Management Program (AEMP)</p>	<p>DDMI WMP. This is the first year BHP, DDMI, and snap lake will be working together to produce wildlife analysis. Members are satisfied with the current methods for Caribou analysis by DDMI.</p> <p>North Country Rock Pile discussion: Members discussed different approaches to a slope on the hill that would not negatively affect caribou.</p> <p>Discussion on algae issue: should they implement a management program? Is Mercury a problem? Members require more information to review issues.</p> <p>As a Board we do not understand the point, should come clear in AMP when submitted.</p>	<p>the EMAB website with current WMP report. Arnold and Mike to review Caribou and Management program report.</p> <p>TK Panel to review questions and concerns. What will be the best slope so Caribou are not negatively impacted?</p> <p>Mark to put AEMP & WMP on Gantt Chart.</p> <p>Mark to schedule a time in May for Diavik to present.</p>
<p>NSMA Requirements</p>	<p>Members discussed combining the NSMA requirement of 1 meeting in a community with the September AGM. Depending on cost, and budget EMAB will try and host the meeting on Camp.</p>	<p>Arnold has elected himself to find out when they open up the camp again.</p> <p>September /October AGM to be combined with NSMA.</p>
<p>TK Panel Presentation on Closure - Example of mine closure failure re: Aboriginal Community</p>	<p>Members attended a presentation mine closure.</p>	
<p>ICRP (Interim Closure and Reclamation Plan) Annual Report</p> <p>- EMAB Comments</p>	<p>Reconvened after lunch: 2:32pm</p> <p>Information: Report is updated every year, and every three years a full review is reported.</p> <p>Discussion: Members discussed DDMI's proposal to bury inert material. Mark: Diavik is looking to bury inert material. As per plan it is not yet available. The members would like a review of recyclable material to be handled appropriately. The board has no issues with the disposal of inert materials. Must confirm that there is only inert material that is cleaned properly going into the landfill. Analysis has been offered in regards to materials.</p>	

	<p>Summary: Members addressed concerns in ICRP Report, with apparent TK panel recommendations, however the TK panel has not yet made any official comments. EMAB requested the comments be removed or recited. The comments were of staff conversations.</p> <p>Members discussed the role of the TK panel: all reports are to be sent to EMAB which then review and send to DDMI with revised comments.</p>	<p>Page 13: section 3.1 TK panel comment removed.</p> <p>Page 23: section 33 chart, as far as time line TK panel as community consult be removed.</p> <p>Page 8-10: section 2: Venue for some considerations TK IQ panel recommendations are released (picked up of comments.) Mark to print of DDMI response to staff comments.</p> <p>Page 10: Review comments versus recommendations- eliminate the term recommendations.</p> <p>EMAB to review TK panel reports and provide feedback through conference call. April 2nd Mark will call everyone to setup call for April 3rd conference call at 10am-12pm.</p> <p>Mark: to make sure everyone receives a copy of the TK panel 2 reports to be review for telecommunication conference call on April 3rd. North Country Rock pile and Caribou Monitoring.</p>
<p>Winter Road Update</p> <p>Environmental Inspections</p>	<p>News release from Ron Near: DDMI has begun its annual mine resupply including fuel.</p> <p>Business as usual for the Winter Road. Best year ever for ice formation.</p> <p>DDMI orders community inspection drives, mine inspectors do an inspection regularly, including wildlife inspections.</p>	
<p>Misc.</p> <p>Signing authority</p> <p>AQMP</p> <p>Wind Turbines</p>	<p>Arnold getting signing authority.</p> <p>DDMI has continuous monitoring samplers.</p> <p>Discussion: Turbines have been up and running since September. Member stated that there would be a 10% reduction in</p>	<p>Arnold Enge to be obtain signing authority.</p>

TK Panel	Greenhouse gases as a result of wind turbines. Discussion: TK panel has met twice in regards to the North Country Rock Pile and have provided recommendations and comments.	Table to be provided to the board with TK panel comment and recommendations on formation of rock pile.
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Adjourn for the day: 4:12pm