# WORKING WITH THE PEOPLE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT



## EMAB Annual General Meeting Summary - October 16, 2024

Meeting held in-person and by teleconference/videoconference.

## Opening

- Two new Board members since last AGM: Baba Pedersen and Tara Marchiori.
- Review of EMAB accomplishments in last year

#### **Comments from the Parties**

- NSMA felt EMAB will need to adapt as the mine enters closure. The TK Monitoring Plan needs to be finished up.
- LKDFN noted that the environment is changing and EMAB needs to make sure the environment is protected. Need to be sure LKDFN continues to be involved; needs financial support.
- KIA noted the need to protect the water, particularly for downstream communities. Need clarity on EMAB finances post-closure to ensure they can continue to do monitoring and protect the land.
- GNWT thanked the Board and encouraged EMAB to continue. There will be a new GNWT member soon.
- TG noted concerns with the way mines have closed in the past, and the need for TG to be involved in closure of the mine. Need to finalize TK Monitoring Plan. Show the world that Diavik and EMAB are success stories.
- Diavik wants to be a positive example of Closure. Closure will be 80% complete when they stop mining. Diavik wants to engage on the future of EMAB and on TK Monitoring.
- Noted that Diavik will be shutting down soon and that funds will be needed to do monitoring and to continue EMAB. People want the air, animals and water to be protected.

## March 31, 2024 - Audited Financial Statements

- Clean audit.
- Surplus from last year rolls over into this year's budget.

## **Elections**

- Charlie Catholique elected as Chair
- Violet Camsell-Blondin elected as Secretary-Treasurer
- Marc Whitford was elected as Vice-Chair in February 2024 to replace Jack Kaniak, who passed away

## **Environmental Agreement Amendment Update**

- Parties set up an Environmental Agreement Working Group in January 2023. The group met four times. They decided review of the EA was a low priority in May 2024 and stopped the review.
- TK Working Group was also set up and has been working towards development of a TK Monitoring Plan. Diavik has developed a draft Terms of Reference for developing the TK MP and would like the other Parties to endorse it.
- The TK Monitoring Plan is important and should be developed soon.
- Concern about community capacity to participate in development and implementation of Plan.