Teleconference Meeting Minutes



November 12, 2014 Minutes by Catarina Owen

List of Acronyms Used

ENR	Environment and Natural Resources, Government of the Northwest Territories
GNWT	Government of the Northwest Territory
AANDC	Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada
SRRB	Sahtú Renewable Resources Board
RRC	Renewable Resources Council
ACCWM	Advisory Committee for Cooperation on Wildlife Management

List of Attendees

Michael Neyelle, Interim Chair

Board Members

Paul Latour, Lesley Allen, Keith Hickling, Pat Bobinski, Jeff Walker

Special Advisors

George Barnaby, Leon Andrew

Staff

Deborah Simmons (Executive Director), Catarina Owen (Environmental Assessment Researcher), Joe Hanlon (program coordinator)

Guests

Lorraine Land (Olthuis Kleer Townshend LLP), Linda Young (GNWT- ENR), Rob Gau (GNWT- ENR)

Meeting Agenda

- 1. Prayer, introductions, quorum check-in
- 2. Wildlife Act Regulations presentation by Rob Gau (ENR)
- 3. Board analysis and implementation budget update Lorraine Land
- 4. Approval of Minutes October 14, 2014
- 5. Chair's update
- 6. Bathurst and Bluenose Herds Emergency Measures update and Board perspective
- 7. Todzı monitoring and range planning
- 8. Variance and budget
- 9. January 2015 Meeting

1. Prayer, introductions, quorum check-in

Michael Neyelle - opening prayer

2. Wildlife Act Regulations presentation by Rob Gau (ENR)

ENR requested formal approval by motion or resolution for the batch of regulation amendments for the new Wildlife Act.

Motion M2014-028

M2014-028	Paul Latour/ Lesley Allen. The Sahtú Renewable Resources	Consensus
	Board approved regulations amendments to the New	
	Wildlife Act as presented to the Board.	
	 Big game hunting (amendments) 	
	o Bird of prey (amendments)	
	Certification of wildlife (repeal)	
	Coming into force (new)	
	o Fees (new)	
	o General (amendments)	
	Licences and permits (amendments)	
	Sale of wildlife (amendments)	
	 Small game hunting (amendments) 	
	Trapping (amendments)	
	Wildlife business (amendments)	
	o Wildlife export (repeal)	
	o Wildlife management barren-ground caribou	
	management areas (repeal)	
	Wildlife management muskox areas (repeal)	
	Wildlife management outfitter areas (repeal)	
	Wildlife management polar bear areas (repeal)	
	Wildlife management wood bison areas (repeal)	
	Wildlife management units (new)	
	Wildlife regions (repeal)	

Rob will send Board items being discussed in phase 2 (harvest reporting included in list), and the Board can add items to list.

ENR will respect overlapping agreements made by aboriginal governments.

3. Board analysis and implementation budget update – Lorraine Land

In 2012 SRRB submitted proposed budget and rationale budget to AANDC with Daryn Leas' help. The Board requested supplemental funding to accommodate duty to consult, shale oil and forestry regulations. New

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things added to list, based on Board discussion: impacts of devolution on the Board, staffing, strengthening RRC relationship (travel costs, part time liaison at RRC level).

Decision D2014-026

D2014-026	Board Analysis and implementation submission to AANDC	Consensus
	will be finalized and submitted by the end of the month.	

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion M2014-029

M2014-029	Paul Latour/ Lesley Allen. The SRRB approved Meeting	Consensus
	Minutes from the October 14, 2014 Teleconference.	

5. Chair's update

Report deferred to next board teleconference

6. Bathurst and Bluenose Herds Emergency Measures update and Board perspective

Michael and Deb are attending a round table discussion with minister of environment in Ottawa November 17.

Minister Miltenberger has asked boards to consider a harvest limit for bluenose east herd.

ACCWM sent letter addressing decline, committee is considering sending a second letter reminding the minister that a management plan has been approved and it should be considered and utilized.

Discussion

Dél_ine RRC has written a discussion paper on this issue. Dél_ine has agreed to stop harvesting caribou in the Hottah Lake area for at least 2 years. Dél_ine is also considering limiting the harvest within the Dél_ine District. The harvest of female caribou on the spring will be avoided. Dél_ine is opposing invasive methods for monitoring caribou.

From officer's point of view - whatever management plan comes out will have to be enforced. Fines are much higher in the new Wildlife Act. Board should make suggestions what we would to see in terms of compliance measurements. Délįnę RRC should also make recommendations to SRRB and SRRB would pass recommendations to minister. Any restriction will be applied to all the hunters and would have to be enforced.

Decision D2014-027

D2014-027	A letter will be sent to ENR minister outlining Board's	Consensus
	recommendation based on technical review as well as	
	Makivik court decision.	

7. Todzı monitoring and range planning

More detailed reporting is needed. Genetic studies have not been accommodated by GNWT biologist and there are missing pieces on report. GNWT is piloting monitoring strategies in different regions. ENR has set money aside for more traditional knowledge studies.

Decision D2014-028

D2014-028	SRRB will provide ENR a document highlighting	Consensus
	implications of the caribou genetics study and also	
	highlight the value of genetics research.	

Decision D2014-029

D2014-029	A letter will be sent to ENR suggesting a concrete analysis	Consensus
	of monitoring costs and also describing monitoring	
	options.	

8. Variance and budget

Motion M2014-030

M2014-030	Paul Latour/ Lesley Allen. The SRRB approved the variance	Consensus
	and budget report as presented.	

9. January 2015 Meeting

Last week of January in Déline.

Three day caribou workshop designed with other management boards, followed by 1 day board meeting.

Motion M2014-031

M2014-031	Paul Latour. Meeting adjourned at 12:03 pm	Consensus

Approval of Minutes

Approved by Board Motion M2014-32-- December 16, 2014

Paul Latour, Vice Chair

Summary of Motions

Number	Description	Result
M2014-028	Paul Latour/ Lesley Allen. The Sahtú Renewable Resources Board approved regulations amendments to the New Wildlife Act as presented to the Board. Big game hunting (amendments) Certification of wildlife (repeal) Coming into force (new) Fees (new) General (amendments) Licences and permits (amendments) Sale of wildlife (amendments) Small game hunting (amendments) Trapping (amendments) Wildlife business (amendments) Wildlife export (repeal) Wildlife management barren-ground caribou management areas (repeal) Wildlife management outfitter areas (repeal) Wildlife management polar bear areas (repeal) Wildlife management wood bison areas (repeal) Wildlife management units (new) Wildlife regions (repeal)	Consensus
M2014-029	Paul Latour/ Lesley Allen. The SRRB approved Meeting Minutes from the October 14, 2014 Teleconference.	Consensus
M2014-030	Paul Latour/ Lesley Allen. The SRRB approved the variance and budget report as presented.	Consensus
M2014-031	Paul Latour. Meeting adjourned at 12:03 pm	Consensus

Summary of Decisions

Number	Description	Result
D2014-026	Board Analysis and implementation submission to AANDC will be finalized and submitted by the end of the month.	Consensus
D2014-027	A letter will be sent to ENR minister outlining Board's recommendation based on technical review as well as Makivik court decision.	Consensus
D2014-028	SRRB will provide ENR a document highlighting implications of the caribou genetics study and also highlight the value of genetics research.	Consensus
D2014-029	A letter will be sent to ENR suggesting a concrete analysis of monitoring costs and also describing monitoring	Consensus

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	options.	