

NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

MINUTES: CONFERENCE CALL No. 76

Monday, Feb. 02, 2004

Members and Staff Participating

Robert Moshenko	Acting Chairperson
Kevin McCormick	Member
Nick Amautinuak	Member
Paul Pemik	Member
Joannie Ikkidluak	Member
Jim Noble	COO
Heather Priest	Harvest Study Coordinator

Not Available

Ben Kovic	Chairperson
David Alagalak	Member
Harry Flaherty	Member

Other Participants

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1. Opening by Chairperson

Jim welcomed the Board. He explained that Ben and David have taken a leave of absence for the NTI and Nunavut Elections and asked the Board to appoint an acting chairperson. He also said that because of other commitments, Harry Flaherty and Michael d'Eca were unavailable for this meeting. The members approved **(Resolution 2004-001)** to appoint Robert Moshenko as the acting chairperson for this teleconference.

2. Review / Approval of Agenda

The members approved (**Resolution 2004-002**) the agenda with the addition of three items:

- Staffing
- Ben Kovic and David Alagalak's leave of absence
- The status of the 10-year fund negotiations with DIAND

3. NWMB Response to BFC Request for Quota and Licence

Jim Noble reviewed the Baffin Fisheries Coalition's (BFC) request for a long-term commitment of allocations, and request for proof of a licence to fish groundfish. He referred the members to the briefing note and eight recommendations provided by the NWMB Legal Advisor.

The Board requested that a letter be drafted to the BFC with the following recommendations:

1. That the NWMB assure the BFC that it is very pleased with the work it has done to date and that it continues to support the BFC in its efforts to develop Nunavut fisheries.
2. That the NWMB indicate to the BFC that the Board requires several months to explore with its partners in the NFWG and the DFO and the BFC, all of the potential models and options available to Nunavut in the development of its inshore and offshore fisheries.
3. That the NWMB indicate to the BFC that it will recommend to the NFWG that:
 - (a) a consultant be contracted to conduct a comprehensive review of the Nunavut Fishery and report back promptly to the NFWG; and
 - (b) the BFC be requested to provide input into this comprehensive review.
4. The NWMB assure the BFC that it is committed to working, during the coming months, with DFO and the NFWG to develop a licensing policy for Nunavut, which the Board intends will provide the BFC and other Nunavut fishers with the groundfish licenses that they require.
5. The NWMB assure the BFC that it will provide a response to the BFC's October 14th, 2003 request for a long-term commitment and a licence in plenty of time for the BFC to make all necessary arrangements for the 2005 fishing season.
6. The NWMB make suitable arrangements with its partners in the NFWG to hire a consultant to investigate and report on the potential models and options

available to Nunavut in the development of its inshore and offshore fisheries, including with respect to training, employment and financing opportunities and challenges.

7. The NWMB seek DFO's commitment to work, during the coming months, with the NWMB and the other members of the NFWG to develop a licensing policy for Nunavut, which will provide the BFC and other Nunavut fishers with the licenses that they require.
8. The NWMB revise its Policy concerning the Allocation of Commercial Marine Fisheries Quotas in the NSA and Zones I and II, in light of the developments which have taken place since 2001.

The members approved **(Resolution 2004-003)** to accept the eight recommendations as presented by the legal advisor.

4. Harvest Study Final Report Printing – Decision

Heather Priest reported on the design and printing of the final report of the harvest study. After careful deliberations of the harvest study committee, they felt that Ayaya Communications provided the best options for printing.

The members approved **(Resolution 2004-004)** the Harvest Study committee's recommendation to accept the Ayaya Communications proposal to design and print the final report of the Harvest Study.

5. Decision on Leave of Absence for Chairperson

The Board decided to approve **(Resolution 2004-005)** a leave of absence for the Chairperson to participate in the NTI Elections, without pay and without coverage of healthcare benefits.

The update on status of the 10-year funding negotiations with DIAND was deferred to a later meeting.

The teleconference adjourned at 3:15 pm.

Minutes Approved by: _____
Chairperson Date

Resolution 2004-001: Resolved that the NWMB appoint Robert Moshenko as the acting chairperson for this teleconference.

Moved by: Nick Amautinuvar Seconded by: Paul Pemik
Carried February 2, 2004

Resolution 2004-002: Resolved that the NWMB approve and accept the agenda with the addition of three items:

- Staffing
- Ben Kovic and David Alagalak's request for leave of absence
- The status of the 10-year fund negotiations with DIAND

Moved by: Kevin McCormick Seconded by: Nick Amautinuvar
Carried February 2, 2004

Resolution 2004-003: Resolved that the NWMB approved to accept the eight recommendations as presented by our legal advisor.

Moved by: Kevin McCormick Seconded by: Nick Amautinuvar
Carried February 2, 2004

Resolution 2004-004: Resolved that the NWMB approve to accept the Harvest Study committee's recommendation of Ayaya Communications to design and print the final report of the harvest study.

Moved by: Kevin McCormick Seconded by: Nick Amautinuvar
Carried February 2, 2004

Resolution 2004-005: Resolved that the NWMB approve a leave of absence for the Chairperson without pay and without coverage of healthcare benefits.

Moved by: Joannie Ikkidluak Seconded by: Paul Pemik

Carried February 2, 2004