

NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

MINUTES: MEETING NO. 38

IQALUIT

13 MAY 2004

Members and Staff Participating

Ben Kovic	Chairperson
Kevin McCormick	Member
Nick Amautinuvar	Member
Harry Flaherty	Member
Joannie Ikkidluak	Member
Paul Pemik	Member
Jim Noble	Executive Director
Michelle Wheatley	Director of Wildlife Management
Michael d'Eça	NWMB Legal Counsel
Evie Amagoalik	Interpreter
Mary Nashook	Interpreter

Not Available

DIAND Member	Vacant
DSD Member	Vacant
Robert Moshenko	Member

Other Participants

Mitch Taylor	DOE Nunavut
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1. Call to Order and Opening Preliminaries

The Chairperson called the 38th Regular Meeting of the NWMB to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Agenda: Review and Approval

The Board decided (**Resolution 2004-030**) to accept the agenda for Meeting 38 with the following note:

- Minutes and Briefing Notes were not all completed and translated due to preparations for the Strategic Planning Workshop the previous two days.
- **Note: All but three items were deferred to the next meeting**

8. Fisheries and Oceans (DFO): Issues / Decisions

8.A. Narwhal Community Based Management – Carry-over of Tags

The Director of Wildlife reviewed the briefing note provided to the Board Members. Members requested that the carry-over of 28 tags for Pond Inlet be verified. The Board decided (**Resolution 2004-031**) to approve the following narwhal tag carry-overs for the 2004 harvest season:

1. Kugaaruk – 1 tag (4% of harvest limit of 25)
2. Repulse Bay – 34 tags (47% of harvest limit of 72)
3. Arctic Bay – 1 tag (1% of harvest limit of 130)
4. Pond Inlet – 28 tags (22% of harvest limit of 130)
5. Taloyoak – 5 tags (50% of harvest limit of 10)

8.B. Walrus Live Capture – Quebec Provincial Aquarium

The Director of Wildlife reviewed the briefing note on a request from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans for a recommendation on the Quebec Provincial Aquarium's proposal for the live capture of two walrus and four ringed seals. The Board decided (**Resolution 2004-032**) to direct the staff of the NWMB to write a letter to the DFO Minister recommending that the live capture, as requested, not be approved on the basis of:

1. Opposition from Nunavik hunters through the NHFTA.
2. Opposition from Nunavut hunters, as expressed in the wildlife workshops
3. Concern of the NWMB over capture methods.

9. Nunavut Wildlife (DOE): Issues / Decisions

9. A. Review/Decision on the New Polar Bear MOU's

The Board was provided a briefing from the Polar Bear Biologist on the status of the new polar bear MOU's. Dr. Taylor went over each clause of the new MOU, and answered questions from the members. It was noted that some HTO's were still reviewing the MOU's and had not signed (Cambridge Bay, Gjoa Haven and Iqaluit).

DOE Nunavut was requesting that the NWMB approve the current signed MOU's and wait for the missing communities to decide. The Board decision was to wait for the final decision from the missing HTO's and to have more time for the NWMB Board members and staff to review the MOU prior to providing a final decision to the Minister.

15. Date and Location of Next Meeting

The Board decided (**Resolution 2004-033**) to hold the 39th meeting of the NWMB in Kugluktuk, the week of the 4th of October 2004.

16. Adjournment

Minutes Approved by: _____	_____	_____
	Chairperson	Date

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RESOLUTIONS: MEETING NO. 38

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13 MAY 2004

Resolution 2004-030: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the agenda for Regular Meeting No.38 as presented, noting that translations for many items were missing.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Joannie Ikkidluak
13 May 2004

Resolution 2004-031: RESOLVED that the Board approve the following narwhal tag carry-overs for the 2004 harvest season:

1. Kugaaruk – 1 tag (4% of harvest limit of 25)
2. Repulse Bay – 34 tags (47% of harvest limit of 72)
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Moved by: Kevin McCormick
Carried

Seconded by: Paul Pemik
13 May 2004

Resolution 2004-032: RESOLVED that the NWMB direct the staff of the NWMB to write a letter to the DFO Minister recommending that the live capture, as requested, not be approved on the basis of:

1. Opposition from Nunavik hunters through the NHFTA;
2. Opposition from Nunavut hunters, as expressed in the wildlife workshops;
3. Concern of the NWMB over capture methods.

Moved by: Nick Amautinuak

Seconded by: Joannie Ikkidluak

Carried

13 May 2004

Resolution 2004-033: RESOLVED that the 39th meeting of the NWMB be conducted in Kugluktuk, the week of the 4th of October 2004.

Moved by: Kevin McCormick

Seconded by: Paul Pemik

Carried

13 May 2004