

NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

MINUTES: CONFERENCE CALL No. 81

Monday, November 1, 2004

Members and Staff Participating

Harry Flaherty	A/Chairperson
Robert Moshenko	Member
Nick Amautinuar	Member
Paul Pemik	Member
Kevin McCormick	Member
Abraham Kaunak	Member
Jim Noble	Chief Operating Officer
Josée Galipeau	A/Director of Wildlife
Evie Amagoalik	Interpreter
Michael d'Eça	Legal Advisor

Not Available

Joannie Ikkidluak	Member
DIAND Member	Vacant
Ben Kovic	Conflict

Other Participants

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1. Opening by A/Chairperson

Harry Flaherty convened the meeting at 10:30 a.m. and welcomed members.

Swearing-in of New Member

NWMB Legal Advisor, Michael d'Eça performed the swearing-in ceremony for the new Department of Environment (GN) appointee, Abraham Kaunak.

2. Review/Approval of Agenda

The members decided (**Resolution 2004-059**) to approve the agenda as presented.

3. Review/Decision – SFA1 Shrimp Allocation

Josée Galipeau reviewed the briefing note provided to the members. It was noted that the Minister of DFO had recently announced a new allocation of 2,721 tonnes of shrimp in Shrimp Fishing Area 1 (SFA1). This new allocation was allocated by the NWMB. NWMB staff had sent notices to all current fishing interests and had also advertised in the local news papers. Seven applications were received and evaluated and ranked for review by the members. There was considerable discussion on membership of Baffin Fisheries Coalition and on how it would be best to allocate. It was noted that some members had other commitments and the meeting would have to end. The Board requested that another conference call be arranged for the following day at the same time. Staff were requested to establish who is actually a member of BFC and provide this information at the next conference call.

Meeting adjourned.

Day 2 - Tuesday, November 2, 2004

Same membership as the day before, discussions continue on allocation of the new shrimp quota in SFA1. The Chief Operating Officer notes that Cumberland Sound and Qikiqtarjuaq HTA are not members of BFC and resignation letters from both are on file. The Board decided (**Resolution 2004-060**) to allocate the following shrimp quotas in SFA1:

Jencor Fisheries	150 metric tonnes
Mikidjuk Numbered Company	150 metric tonnes
BFC	1421 metric tonnes
Cumberland Sound Fisheries	1000 metric tonnes

4. Review/Decision – Division 0A Turbot Quota Request

The Chief Operating Officer reviewed the briefing note with the members. It is noted that this is a request to increase the OA turbot quota by 400 tonnes similar to what was requested in the 2003 fishing season. Cumberland Sound Fisheries and BFC have both expressed an interest in receiving this quota; both have vessels in the area and are prepared to fish. Some discussion followed on how to allocate this additional quota if the Minister were to approve this quota. The Board decided (**Resolution 2004-061**) to direct staff to write a letter to the Minister of DFO requesting an additional 400 tonnes of turbot in Division 0A. This request would on be for the current fishing season, ending December 31, 2004.

5. Review/Decision – COSEWIC Step 7

Item deferred to the December meeting.

6. Review/Decision – COSEWIC Appendix E5

Item deferred to the December meeting.

7. Other Business

7.A. Review/Approval of the October 31, 2004 Financial Variance Report

The Director of Finance and Administration reviewed the October 31 Variance Report with the members. The report is required for the Interim Implementation Report required by DIAND every November 1st. The Board decided (**Resolution 2004-062**) to approve the October 31, 2004 variance report with noted changes.

7.B Review/Approval of a Request to DIAND to Withhold the December Contribution Payment

The Director of Finance and Administration noted that the Board had a significant accumulated surplus in the bank account and was recommending that the Board request that the December contribution payment be withheld by DIAND to reduce this surplus. The Board decided (**Resolution 2004-063**) to direct staff to write a letter to DIAND requesting that the December contribution payment be withheld to reduce the operating surplus.

7.C Division 0A Turbot Quota 400 Tonnes Quota Increase

Staff advised that the Minister of DFO had approved the NWMB request for an additional 400 tonnes of turbot in Division 0A. It was now up to the NWMB to decide how this quota was allocated. The Board decided (**Resolution 2004-064**) to allocate the quota between Cumberland Sound Fisheries Ltd (200 mt) and Baffin Fisheries Coalition (200 mt).

8. Meeting Adjourned

Minutes Approved by: _____
Chairperson _____ Date _____

RESOLUTIONS: CONFERENCE CALL NO. 81

Resolution 2004-059: Resolved that the NWMB approve the agenda as presented.

Moved by: Paul Pemik
Carried

Seconded by: Robert Moshenko
Date: 01 November 2004

Resolution 2004-060: Resolved that the NWMB allocate the following shrimp quotas in SFA1:

Jencor Fisheries	150 metric tonnes
Mikidjuk Numbered Company	150 metric tonnes
BFC	1421 metric tonnes
Cumberland Sound Fisheries	1000 metric tonnes

Moved by: Robert Moshenko
Carried

Seconded by: Kevin McCormick
Date: November 2, 2004

Resolution 2004-061: Resolved that the NWMB direct staff to write a letter to the Minister of DFO requesting an additional 400 tonnes of turbot in Division 0A. This request would on be for the current fishing season, ending December 31, 2004.

Moved by: Kevin McCormick
Carried

Seconded by: Paul Pemik
Date: November 2, 2004

Resolution 2004-062: Resolved that the NWMB approve the October 31, 2004 variance report with noted changes.

Moved by: Harry Flaherty
Carried

Seconded by: Paul Pemik
Date: November 2, 2004

Resolution 2004-063: Resolved that the NWMB direct staff to write a letter to DIAND requesting that the December contribution payment be withheld to reduce the operating surplus.

Moved by: Harry Flaherty
Carried

Seconded by: Abraham Kaunak
Date: November 2, 2004

Resolution 2004-064: Resolved that the NWMB allocate the new 400 tonnes Division 0A quota between Cumberland Sound Fisheries Ltd (200 mt) and Baffin Fisheries Coalition (200 mt).

Moved by: Kevin McCormick
Carried

Seconded by: Paul Pemik
Date: November 5, 2004

Note: Only four members were present for the conference call, other members were canvassed by phone for their vote.