

NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Minutes Conference Call No. 108

Friday, August 10, 2007 3:00 p.m. (Eastern Time)

Members and Staff Participating:

Joe Tigullaraq	Chairperson/CEO
Joannie Ikkidluak	Member
Kevin McCormick	Member
Robert Moshenko	Member
Willie Nakoolak	Member
Makabe Nartok	Member
Jim Noble	Chief Operating Officer
Erin Calder	Wildlife Biologist
Paul Frame	Wildlife Admin Biologist
Evie Amagoalik	Interpreter

Not Available:

Harry Flaherty	Member
Pitseolak Alainga	Member
GN Nominee	Vacant

Guests:

James Selkirk	Nunaworks
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1. Opening by Chairperson

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed Members, Staff and Guests to the Conference Call. The Chairperson noted that Kevin McCormick indicated that he had a conflict of interest with Item 5 and would not be attending the Conference Call until this item was completed.

2. Review/Approval of Agenda

The members decided (**Resolution 2007-076**) to approve the agenda as amended:

- Staff requested that the Peary Caribou issue be moved to the first item on the agenda as some Members mentioned that they may have to leave

early to attend other meetings and one Member had a conflict of interest with this item.

3. Harvest Study Update

The Chief Operating Officer provided a brief summary of the briefing note drafted by the Director of Wildlife Management on an “*Overview of the Development of a Second Wildlife Harvest Study.*” Members asked for clarification of many points in the briefing. It was noted that Nunaworks is still working with the University of Alberta and Statistics Canada to try and develop a plan for producing a questionnaire for the second study. Members directed that a *Statement of Work* would have to be completed before any further work on the Second Study was contemplated. The Chief Operating Officer noted that Nunaworks had been working steadily from April 1 to July 31 on this project and required payment for work completed. The Board directed the COO arrange for payment for the work on design of a second Harvest Study.

4. Upcoming Meeting Schedule

The Board discussed plans for another session of the Wildlife Regulations and Orders Special Meeting 12C. The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-077**) to conduct the next In-Camera Decision Making Session of Special Meeting 12C September 18 and 19 followed by Regular Meeting 52 on September 20th, 2007.

5. Peary Caribou – Decision on New Information Presented at Special Meeting 12C

The Wildlife Administrative Biologist reviewed the briefing notes with the Members. At the Special Meeting 12C session, NTI was concerned when new information was provided by the Department of Environment (Nunavut) on Peary Caribou. Two areas of concern were:

- Re-visiting the issue of population delineation which Board previously decided on;
- Reducing population estimates for two Peary Caribou Units by the Government of Nunavut (Bathurst Island and Ellesmere Island) both without allowing NTI to consult and consider these changes.

Staff suggests the new information presented is:

- Not new information and supports the Board’s original submission that there are basically three populations
- Population figures discussed did not change the TAH proposed by the Government of Nunavut of sixty-six (66) animals or

The Board decided (**Resolution 2007-078**) to not accept the new information presented by the Department of Environment (Nunavut) on Peary caribou and will proceed with the earlier information provided to the Board.

6. Other Business

There was no other Business.

7. Meeting adjourned

The Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes Approved by:  May 31/07
Chairperson Date

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2007-076: RESOLVED that the NWMB approve the agenda as amended:

- Staff requested that the Peary Caribou issue be moved to the first item on the agenda as some Members mentioned that they may have to leave early to attend other meetings.

Moved by: Makabe Nartok
Carried

Seconded by: Willie Nakoolak
Date: August 10, 2007

Resolution 2007-077: RESOLVED that the NWMB conduct the next In-Camera Decision Making Session of Special Meeting 12C September 18 and 19 followed by Regular Meeting 52 on September 20th, 2007.

Moved by: Joannie Ikkidluak
Carried

Seconded by: Robert Moshenko
Date: August 10, 2007

Resolution 2007-078: RESOLVED that the NWMB not accept the new information presented by the Department of Environment (Nunavut) on Peary caribou and will proceed with the earlier information provided to the Board.

Moved by: Joannie Ikkidluak
Carried

Seconded by: Robert Moshenko
Date: August 10, 2007