# GIANT MINE OVERSIGHT BOARD (GMOB) MEETING NOTES

# April 3, 2019, 10:00 a.m. (MT)

GMOB Office, 5014-50<sup>th</sup> Ave., Yellowknife NT

Call in details: 1-866-769-2211

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Present:	Dr. Kathy Racher, Chair
	Ken Hall
	David Livingstone
	Ginger Stones (phone)
	Tony Brown (phone)
	Ken Froese (phone)
	Ben Nind, Executive Director (ED)

# 1. WELCOME

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. Quorum was met.

## 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was reviewed.

Motion: Moved: Ken Hall moved to approve the agenda.

Seconded: David Livingstone

Motion carried.

# 3. APPROVAL OF GMOB MINUTES: January 24, 2019

The Board reviewed the previous Minutes.

Motion: Moved: David Livingstone moved to accept the GMOB Minutes of January 24, 2019

Seconded: Ken Hall Motion carried.

# 4. Chairperson's Report

**Kathy** - hosted regular discussions with Tony B and Paul Green, the contracted GMOB technical reviewer, on the water licence and with the plain language editor on the 2018 GMOB Annual Report. She attended the recent GMRP Annual Public meeting and also met with the Great Slave Sailing Club following the meeting with the YK Historical Society.

### 5. Director Reports

**Tony** –worked with the technical reviewer and on the GMOB research program.

**David** - concentrated on the 2018 GMOB Annual Report, reviewing documents and commenting on the draft MOU for the GMOB research program.

Ken H attended the GMRP Annual Public meeting for Yellowknife. He noted

- virtual reality tool for the surface has been developed as a communication tool and suggested that we consider asking the Project if we can use it for our upcoming public meeting.
- noted that the presentation was not directed at the Yellowknife residents.

In community discussions, Ken stated that he heard

- community concerns about the boat launch and the lack of communication by the City with residents.
- community concerns about the lack of work progressing on the underground contamination.
- concerns raised about how payments were being processed by Parsons (MCM) for local contractors and the ramifications it would have for small local businesses going forward.

Ken informed that Board that he had provided the Project Team with contacts of former employees to assist the Project in their test drilling program beside the old water plant this spring. The issue of submerged chlorine tanks had been raised and a former employee had gone out and assisted the Team.

The Board agreed that efforts should be made to locate and recover the missing chlorine tanks.

**Ginger** - worked on Measure 6 and the socio-economic issues. She and Ken completed the EDs performance appraisal for 2018-19.

**Ken F** – HEMPAC work continues and the results to date are challenging. The letters regarding the toenail samples are going out in the coming week. The Chief Medical Officer will be present when the research team releases the results. The Board discussed the HEMPAC communications strategy and related Project Team activities.

Action Item: ED to ask the Project Team about using their virtual reality tool for the upcoming GMOB Annual Public meeting.

Action Item: ED to add Parsons (MCM – contractor relations) to the agenda for the upcoming GMOB – GMRP meeting.

Action Item: ED to add 'communications by the City and the Project Team with residents on the boat launch' to the agenda for the upcoming GMOB – GMRP and Semi-Annual meetings.

Action Item: ED to ask about GMRP plans to recover the missing chlorine tanks.

### 6. Executive Director Report

The Executive Director reported on the activities of the GMOB administration since the last meeting. David noted that he has a partial timing conflict with the upcoming GMOB meetings but will attend as much as possible.

#### 7. Financial Report

ED presented the CORE and Research financial statements.

Action Item: ED to provide the Board with further details on the research-related financial statement.

#### 8. Status of GMOB Annual Report – Kathy

Kathy updated the Board on the plain language edit of the report, stating that it will be completed next week for layout and printing. The Board discussed development of a 2-3 page plain language summary to accompany the report in the future.

# 9. Status of Research Program - Tony

# a. MOU University of Waterloo

Tony updated the Board on the progress to date and the schedule for finalizing the agreement. The Board discussed ensuring that this be the master agreement for the research program. The final draft of the agreement will be circulated to the Board before it is signed off.

#### **b.** Terre-Net

Tony updated the Board on TERRE-NET's research proposal. The proposal has been delayed but is expected within the next two weeks

#### c. SGS Canada

The ED updated the Board on discussions with SGS related to the storage, sampling and shipping agreement. A contract and costing estimate will be submitted by SGS for Board consideration within the next couple of weeks.

#### **d.** Contractors

Tony updated the Board on an active research proposal. It was agreed by the Board to proceed with this initiative after the MOU with the U of W has been signed off. In the meantime, it was suggested that the proponent be approached and asked for a sample of its material for testing purposes.

The ED updated the Board on a proposal from a second researcher and informed the Board that a formal proposal would be submitted to the Board in the near future.

Tony updated the Board on a third research proposal, noting the potential conflict of interest.

# 10. Socio-Economic and Measure 6 - Ginger

Ginger updated the Board on Measure 6 stating that the last report was reviewed but that there was little change. The Board discussed the outstanding issues. Tony will be drafting a letter to the Project Team following the Measure 6 meeting scheduled for April 12, 2019.

### 11. MVLWB Water Licence Process - Kathy

Kathy updated the Board on GMOB's review of the water licence application. The MVLWB will be releasing the formal review schedule soon and that will guide GMOB's work for the period.

# 12. Preparation for distribution of GMOB Annual Report 2018, and preparations for GMOB — Project Team Meeting, Semi-Annual Meeting, GMOB Annual Public Meeting - ED

The ED updated the Board on the progress of planning for the meetings.

#### 13. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for April 29, 2019.

Motion: Moved: David Livingstone moved to adjourn the meeting

Seconded: Ken Hall Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Dr. Kathy Racher

Chair

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