# Minutes

# Giant Mine Oversight Board Date: Saturday, April 11, 2020

Location: GMOB Office Call in details: 1-866-769-2211

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Present:	Dr. Kathy Racher, Chair (via conference call)
	Ken Hall (via conference call)
	Dr. Ken Froese (via conference call)
	Mark Palmer(via conference call)
	Tony Brown (via conference call)
	Ginger Stones (Consultant) (via conference call)
	David Livingstone (via conference call)
	Ben Nind, Executive Director (ED)
	Paul Green (Consultant) (via conference call)

#### 1. WELCOME

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. Quorum was met.

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Board reviewed the agenda.

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

**Seconded:** Tony Brown

Motion carried.

### 3. APPROVAL OF GMOB MINUTES, February 18, 2020

The Board reviewed the previous Minutes.

Motion: Moved: Ken Froese
Seconded: Mark Palmer

Motion carried.

# 4. GMRP 2019 Annual Report – K. Racher

Kathy updated the Board on the progress of the GMOB Annual Report and the need to have final points clarified before signing off. The Board went though all of the points with the following to be submitted to the Chair for final incorporation.

**Action Items** – Mark P to draft notes to the Project regarding their need to standardize their reporting of employment statistics and submit to the Chair.

Action Item: David L. to submit notes for the employment section and submit to the Chair.

**Action Items** – Ken Hall to submit notes regarding the business and contractor section and submit to the Chair.

Action Items Tony B to submit notes on Measure 6 and submit to the Chair.

### 5. Chairperson's Report

The Chair reported on her work on the draft Annual Report and attendance at the recent GMRP Risk Communications meeting.

### 6. Director Reports

Mark P – reported on his observations of the recent Socio-Economic Working Group meeting.

**Ken F** – reported on his attendance at the GMRP Annual public meeting with NSMA and the Yellowknife community. He also updated the Board on the progress of the Stress Study.

**Ken H** – found past reports he will provide to administration.

**David L** – shared his observations of the recent Working Group meeting and found past reports, which he will provide to administration.

The Board discussed the challenge of moving forward in the current environment, noting that adjusted activities at the Project site are now for essential services. The pandemic does illustrate the need for Measure 6 to be reworked and how the definitions of 'long-term care' and 'perpetual care' to be clarified.

### 7. Executive Director Report

The ED provided his report to the Board. The Board discussed and agreed that the Annual Public meeting would not be held this year. After discussion, the Board recommended the report be released to the press and that the Chair could then respond to any resulting communication requests. The Board also asked the Chair and Ed to contact the Parties to discuss arrangements for the Semi Annual meeting.

Action Item: Chair and ED to discuss arrangements for the Semi Annual meeting with the Parties.

# 8. MVLWB Water Licence Process – K. Racher, P. Green

Paul updated the Board on the status of the water licence, final feedback from the Parties and outlined the schedule of next steps in the process

### 9. GMRP Socio-Economic Update – M. Palmer

Mark updated the Board on his observations of the Socio-Economic Working Group meeting.

#### 10. YK HEMP - K. Froese

Ken updated the Board on the progress of HEMPAC – the release of research papers for publication; the last technical committee discussion regarding the results of the latest surveys; and planning for the next round of sampling.

### 11. GMOB Research Program Update - T. Brown

Tony updated the Board on the status of the research program. There is meeting with Terre-net tomorrow to discuss the status of the program and the financial and timeline implications. The expert panel is in place to review the unsolicited proposals. The Board discussed how to proceed with these

and agreed that input from Terre-net should be a part of the review of these proposals. The Board also discussed research on extraction processes.

**Action Item:** Tony B. to develop an outline of considerations for extraction process research for consideration by the Board.

**Action Item:** ED to organize a GMOB meeting in the next three weeks to discuss the research program.

### 12. GMRP Engagement Calendar - ED

The ED noted that the current GMRP engagement calendar was subject to change and that it was important to keep it as a reference tool for engagement and Project progress.

# 13. Other Business - David L. and Tony B.

# **Perpetual Care Plan**

David and Tony updated the Board on the progress report of the Perpetual Care Plan as reported at the last Working Group meeting. It was agreed that clarification would be needed for GMOBs' role as laid out in the EA, as well as the other Parties.

**Action Item:** ED to talk to T. Slack and K. O'Reilly about the intention of GMOBs' role with the PCP as laid out in the EA.

### 14. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

### **Next Meeting**

Action Item: ED to arrange for the next meeting.

### 14. Adjournment

Motion: Moved: moved to adjourn the meeting

Seconded: Ken Hall

Motion carried. David Livingstone

Meeting adjourned at 12:55p.m.

Dr. Kathy Racher

Chair, Giant Mine Oversight Board

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### **Motions**

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

Seconded: Tony Brown

Motion carried.

2. Motion: Moved: Ken Froese moved to approve the GMOB Minutes of February 18, 2020

**Seconded:** Mark Palmer

Motion carried.

3. Motion: Moved: Ken Hall moved to adjourn the meeting

Seconded: David Livingstone

Motion carried.

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