



EYYOU MARINE REGION IMPACT REVIEW BOARD

Regular Meeting

Held at Lord Frederick A. Stanley B at Holiday Inn & Suites
Montreal, Quebec
August 28-29, 2019

Day 1 – Thursday, August 29, 2019

Present: Isaac Masty, Chairperson
Brian Craik, Vice Chairperson
Fred L. Tomatuk, Member
Lucassie Arragutainaq, Member

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret, Director
Susan Esau, Accounting Administrator
Priscillia Wesley, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Brendan O'Donnell, Member

1. WELCOME & QUORUM

Members present constituting a quorum, the Eeyou Marine Region Impact Review Board meeting was called to order at 9:11 am.

2. OPENING PRAYER

Lucassie Arragutainaq provided the opening prayer.

3. CHAIRPERSON AND RECORDING SECRETARY

Mr. Isaac Masty chaired the meeting and Priscillia Wesley was the recording secretary.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Impact Review Board reviewed the proposed agenda.

- Add Eastmain Community Consultation
- The agenda will be open as items may arise

After review of the proposed meeting agenda, it was motioned to adopt and approve the agenda as amended; Lucassie Arragutainaq proposed and Fred L. Tomatuk seconded. The motion carried and the Eeyou Marine Region Impact Review Board adopted **Resolution IRB2020-02**

5. CORPORATE MATTERS

5.1 Updates

a. Review of March 7-8, 2019 meeting minutes

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret presented the draft meeting minutes of March 7-8, 2019 for the Board to review. The Board reviewed the draft meeting minutes.

After review of the draft meeting minutes, it was motioned to adopt and approve the minutes as amended; Fred L. Tomatuk proposed and Brian Craik seconded. The motion carried and the Eeyou Marine Region Impact Review Board adopted **Resolution IRB2020-03**

b. Board Appointments

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret announced that Lucassie Arragutainaq and Brendan O'Donnell have been reappointed for another three years. The Planning Commission have also hired a new Director.

c. University Research

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret presented an overview of her University Research on Cultural Impact Assessment. It contains:

- *Content analysis of marine related Cultural Impact Assessment reports from the past 10 years.*
- *How close are they to Standard Environmental Assessments?*
- *What kinds of strategies are being used, and what kinds of outcomes are they leading to?*
- *What can be improved? What works?*

Isaac Masty asked when will Païlin will complete her program and she will complete her program mid-June 2020.

d. Organization Review

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret presented the EMR Organization Structure Review presentation. An interview with two members of each board will be conducted. Brendan O'Donnell showed interest. The deadline is December 2019. Brian Craik asked if this will interfere negotiations. Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret: it will help.

e. Screening Flowchart

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret informed the Board to determine if a project is exempt from screening. The Planning Commission worked with legal counsel to determine and produced a screening list to be integrated into our Public Registry and determine if a screening is required. The Board discussed various projects, applications, screening process and timing.

f. IRB Website

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret updated the Impact Review Board that the Planning Commission will receive a website training.

g. Cree Nation Government Annual General Assembly

Isaac Masty has attended the Cree Nation Government Annual General Assembly. He recommended to have an information booth. Arctic-Net will be on December 2-5, 2019 and Brendan O'Donnell will attend on behalf of the EMRIRB.

h. NZAIA

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret requested to attend the conference.

i. IRB Website

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret updated the Impact Review Board that Nunavut Member Lucassie Arragutainaq's term is ending June 23, 2019.

j. Project updates – Fiber Optic and C.O.T.A.

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret announced that COTA approached us in June, but an application has not been received to date. A description of the project details was discussed.

Break 10:27 a.m. - 10:48 a.m.

6. ANNUAL REPORT

a. Annual Report (CIRNAC and public)

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret presented the final Activity Report for the 2018-19 fiscal year. The CIRNAC deadline was July 29, 2019. Lucassie Arragutainaq says the report should include Cree and Inuit knowledge. Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret will also have the reports translated in the future.

After review of the Activity Report, it was motioned to adopt and approve the activity report 2019-2020 FY Brian Craik proposed and Fred L. Tomatuk seconded. The motion carried and the Eeyou Marine Region Impact Review Board adopted **Resolution IRB2020-04**

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret also presented the public version of the Activity Report 2018-19 FY. She presented the EMRIRB website portal, screening, comments and communications list. We should have it prepared and approved earlier. Production of hard copy reports and have a digital copy to the public.

7. WORK PLAN REVIEW

a. Work Plan Review for Q1 and Q2

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret presented the Q1 and Q2 of the work plan. The document was reviewed, and it was also recommended that the Accounting Administrator to have a copy for informational purposes.

8. Q1 FINANCIAL UPDATES

a. Q1 Financial Updates by Susan Esau

Susan Esau presented the Q1 Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2019. She reported the Core Operations and Carry Forward financial reports.

Lunch break 12:11 p.m. – 1:28 p.m.

9. AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. Audited Financial Reports 2018-2019

Miranda DiGiovanni of BDO presented the audited Financial Reports of 2018-2019 to the Board.

Susan requested last year's Management letter to further identify recommendations.

After the presentation, it was motioned to adopt and approve the Financial Statements. Lucassie Arragutainaq proposed and Brian Craik seconded. The motion carried and the Eeyou Marine Region Impact Review Board adopted **Resolution IRB2020-05**.

Added item: Housing – Discussion on letter

The Board agreed for Susan Esau to move into the Waskaganish house for the rest of the fiscal year, and for the cost to be split equally with EMRPC and EMRWB.

It was motioned to adopt and approve the Housing Fred L. Tomatuk proposed and Brian Craik seconded. The motion carried and the Eeyou Marine Region Impact Review Board adopted **Resolution IRB2020-06**

Break 2:26 p.m. – 2:56 p.m.

10. TAX PRESENTATION

a. Tax Presentation – Board Members' honorarium

Isaac Masty welcomed Mr. Hubert Laframboise, a tax lawyer to present taxation rules for Boards and for the Board members to have a better understanding of taxation. A round of introductions. He explained the difference between T4 and T4A slips. He gave a brief overview of the Indian Act regarding tax exemption. He explained that the factors to be exempt from taxations are Indian, Property and On-reserve. CRA guidelines. Different example scenarios regarding tax. Susan Esau asked where to input the information. Susan asked if GIC's are classed as property and the

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answer is yes. You can obtain a tax exempt if bank is on reserve. Isaac asked the difference between salary and honoraria. There are differences,

The Eeyou Marine Region Impact Review Board meeting is recessed at 3:57 p.m.
and is said it will resume at 9:00 a.m. the next day.



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Held at Salon Garcia Lorca, Le Centre Sheraton
Montreal, Quebec
March 7-8, 2019

Day 2 – Friday, August 30, 2019

The Eeyou Marine Region Impact Review Board meeting resumed at 9:23 a.m.

11. ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM OFFICER

a. Proposed Job Description for 2020-2021

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret presented the proposed EPO job description. It would be a one-year position (July 2020 to July 20201). Post in December 2019. Qualifications and salary will be determined later. It was suggested that to one year might extend depending on funding.

12. LETTER FROM DFO

a. Letter from DFO

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret presented a letter sent via email earlier (Re: Engagement on the Development of Nunavut Fishery Regulations). The board reviewed and discussed the letter and deemed it is more appropriate for the Wildlife Board.

13. HOUSING IN WASKAGANISH

a. Housing

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret was informed by the Wildlife Director that Housing applications are available in Waskaganish and the deadline is in September 2019. A discussion took place regarding housing for EMRIRB. Possible request of funding for housing.

14. BOOTH FOR IRB AT AGAs

a. Booth for IRB at AGA's

Païlin Chua-Oon Rinfret presented the proposed Core Funding budget to the Impact Review Board. Board costs were discussed and reviewed

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the Impact Review Board motioned to adjourn the meeting; it was proposed by Lucassie Arragutainaq and seconded by Brian Craik. The motion carried and the Eeyou Marine Region Impact Review Board adopted **Resolution IRB2020-07**.

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The Eeyou Marine Region Impact Review Board meeting concluded at 10:07 a.m. with a closing prayer.