



## MINUTES

### KIGGAVIK COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE:

**May 27, 2011**

**7 PM**

**AREVA Kiggavik Office, Baker Lake**

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The meeting was attended by:

Barry McCallum, AREVA

William Noah, AREVA

Olivia Ulliyot, AREVA

Philippa Iksiraq

Hugh Tularialik

Jean Simailak

Irene Tavirnaq

Casey Tularialik

John Nukik

Martha Nukik

Peter Tapatai

Calvin Noah

Joedee Joedee,

Sheena Iksiraq

Basil Aptanik

Absent:

Frank Tootoo, Lorraine Tunnuq, Martha Jorah

Guests: None

Interpreter-Percy Tutanuaq

**Meeting opened by John Nukik at 7:10 PM**

#### **1. Opening Prayer**

Prayer Said by Jean Simailak



## 2. Introductions

Notified by Hamlet that Frank Tootoo will be Hamlet representative.

Calvin Noah now representing youth

Joedee Joedee representing HTO

## 3. Approval of Agenda

**Casey Tulurialik** -Item number 5, can we have to select someone who isn't here or do they have to here to be selected during the elections.

**Barry McCallum**- Anybody can be selected, committee can choose to have elections over two meeting so nobody misses the opportunity to participate.

**Jean Simailak**- Health committee is changing their chair person, waiting to hear who is going to become committee member. We had a meeting last night. I am no longer a member of Elders Committee. This will be my last meeting here, I'd just like to inform you of that. Thank you.

**Phillipa Iksiraq** -Once someone has been selected to be on CLC that's when we should have the election.

**Peter Tapatai**-If there is only going to be one new member, seems we are going to be waiting a while if we are waiting a while to select a chair. If we can't select a chairperson from here, we might be waiting a few months. I want to select a chair tonight.

**John Nukik**-I'm also available, there is a lot of work to prepare.

**Joedee Joedee**- Thank you Mr. Chairperson, I was thinking that the elections are over as quickly as possible, if we have to wait it is going to be awhile.

**Peter Tapatai**-If we can at least vote for a chair tonight, the new members can vote later.

**Moved by:** Casey Tulurialik

**Seconded by:** Peter Tapatai

**Motion is carried.**

## 4. Approval of Previous Minutes

### Changes

**Casey Tulurialik** -typo with Lorraine's last name, two n's. Tunnuq.

**Peter Tapatai**-group has been misspelt. Question on number 7, AREVA is in the process of the NIRB process, are we to believe that negotiations have been started on the IIBA of Kiggavik.

**Barry McCallum**-to be discussed at this meeting.

**Moved by:** Phillipa Iksiraq

**Seconded by:** Jean Simailak

**Motion is carried.**



## 5. Election for Chair and Vice Chair

### Nomination for Chair

Casey nominated by Peter seconded by Joedee Joedee

Joedee Joedee nominated by Casey Tularialik seconded by Peter Tapatai

### Nomination for Vice Chair

Joedee Joedee nominated by Peter Tapatai seconded by Irene Iksariq

Sealed ballot vote for Chair

**New Chair is Casey Tularialik**

**New Vice Chair is Joedee Joedee**

## 6. Project Update-

### 6.1. Operation at camp

#### 6.1.1 Overland Haul

**Barry:** The winter haul is now complete. All fuel and materials are at the site. Contractor was PEL.

**Peter Tapatai-** I'd like to thank AREVA for allowing be to be the contractor. You have to be prepared even before the ice is thick enough; the ice must be 3 feet. Sometimes you can't just move whatever it is, you have to follow regulations. When you travel over land you have to make sure the ground is not disrupted. I try to keep only Inuit as employees, when you have to carry things over the land, they know the land. When we are given a contract we must also have regulations to transport fuel. When you are the person who is taking everything out you can't do anything as is. We started late because it had been cold, I don't know what it used to be in the past, but it was different this year. You really have to watch the snow. There was a lot of snow this winter and very thick. At times we weren't sure if we were going to get the job done according to our contract. We used to go back and forth almost twice a day. We have to thank the Inuit for pushing us, they were young and they were well able to do the work. Thank you to Barry and Casey. I'd be happy to answer questions at anytime. The wildlife will always return to where they always travelled. There were not that many wolves that followed or tracked us. No leaks in tanks, better to haul fuel in larger tanks rather than barrels.

**John Nukik-** When I was a chairperson for CLC, I know he had a lot of work he had to do, hauling things that are heavy. It's a hard job to do.

#### 6.1.2 Camp Startup

**Barry McCallum:** To prepare for the camp startup, training was given in Baker Lake for WHIMIS, Transportation of Dangerous Goods and Firearms training. The helicopter arrived last weekend and the startup crew went to camp yesterday. Presently there are 4 locals working at site. Besides William in town for the summer we have Jeff Hart and Olivia Ulyot. The numbers of locals will increase as season goes on. About 30 local



people are expected to work. The camp will operate until August or September. Throughout the season we will have updates for the community, but we just started yesterday. HTS is the helicopter contractor. They are a Sakku Joint Venture.

**Peter Tapatai-** I just wanted to recognize them that they have 20 Inuit employees, when I was just looking at the numbers I was in awe. In one summer, when all the deductions are taken off, 2 weeks in 2 weeks out, \$15 000 in a month I was in awe with that amount. That is a lot of money. With that money they are going to be buying snowmobiles and hondas. They have really helped out community. I am happy they go out and look for whatever minerals they want to look for. They bring a lot of money into the community, Thank you. These are impressive numbers for just an exploration programs. Encourage you to keep those levels high.

**Barry McCallum-** A mine tends to give the same amount of work as many exploration companies. Baker Lake is fortunate to have both a mine and exploration camps. It makes a difference to have money coming into the community.

## **BREAK at 8:16**

### **6.2 Environmental Assessment**

#### **6.2.1 Status of EA**

**Barry:** NIRB issued the final guidelines for the Kiggavik draft Environmental Assessment in early May. We are now writing the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and expect to complete it by the end of the year.

#### **6.2.2 Guidelines Workshop**

**Barry McCallum:** March 21-24 NIRB held a guidelines workshop in Baker Lake where parties interested in the Kiggavik Project could talk about the guidelines that NIRB would give to AREVA. It was open to the public. After this workshop, NIRB finalized the guidelines to AREVA.

**Casey Tularialik-** Was that at the Nunamuit Lodge

**Barry McCallum-** No it was at the arena.

## **7. Recent Events**

### **7.1 GN Public Forums on Uranium**

**Barry McCallum:** The government of Nunavut held public forums on uranium development in Iqaluit on March 15 and 16, In Baler Lake on March 30 and 31 and in Cambridge Bay on April 11 and 12. Representatives from all communities in Nunavut were invited to participate – one representative from each community. Representatives from industry, the government, NTI and Makita were speakers on a panel. People could ask the panellists questions. The government will write a policy on uranium development based on these forums.



**Philippa Iksiraq-** I wonder if the CLC has an example of whenever AREVA is going to have public forums and why don't other communities come to attend the public forums here in Baker Lake.

**Barry McCallum-** AREVA did not participate in the government forum except to observe, people were here from just about every Kivalliq community.

**Casey Tulurialik-** Were they from business and companies? Did they help get them here?

**Barry McCallum-** The government of Nunavut invited the Mayors to attend. Some mayors attended, like Hugh Haqpi from Repulse Bay and some hamlets sent other representative like Dorothy Aglukark from Arviat. Baffin region was well represented as well, but Kitikmeot region did not send many representatives. The Mayor of Baker Lake was at all three meetings.

## **7.2 Kivalliq Science Fair**

**Barry:** AREVA sponsors the Kivalliq Science Fair every year. This year, I was invited to be a judge at the science fair that was held in Whale Cove on March 18-21. About 30 projects were shown. There were projects from every Kivalliq Community. The winner will participate in a science fair in Toronto.

**Peter Tapatai-** Has AREVA ever been invited to career fairs to talk to students?

These things really should happen; AREVA should really be open to the school. Why they should continue their education is important. They have to learn to read and write. I encourage them to keep young people informed.

**Barry McCallum-** We talk to every school in the Kivalliq frequently, but we could get to every school every year. We usually have technical people talk to students but this past week Olivia Ulyot spoke to two classes here in Baker Lake.

**Peter Tapatai-** Kiggavik is going to be a big project. If students in Baker Lake don't get the training, they will have to look outside Baker Lake for employees.

## **7.3 Meeting with KIA on the IIBA**

**Barry McCallum:** We will need to negotiate an impact benefit agreement with the KIA. On February 22, we met with the KIA to discuss the terms of reference for the negotiation. We expect to agree on a schedule soon and to start the negotiations in the fall. Negotiations will likely take more than a year. Things like training, Inuit content in the workforce and in contracts will be included.

**Peter Tapatai-** When they are dealing with training and contracts KIA is going to be holding negotiations, and trying to keep things as secret as possible. I don't want to see where people are not informed. They have to be following IIBA. Flaw in the agreement with Meadowbank, they refuse to publish the report. Agnico was generous enough to advise how the IIBA should work. If AREVA is going to get people involved, especially aboriginal people, your negotiations should give Inuit a preference. I do not see IIBA as a confidential document. That's why we got our land claims settled. Our own organization is not giving us



the information. They are hiding the information from us. I would like some kind of promise that the IIBA would not be confidential. IIBA is supposed to support the Inuit.

**Barry McCallum-** I have seen three, and there is a clause for Inuit contractors.

**Peter Tapatai-** I have not seen the IIBA, I have just seen summaries. I would like to know what you are negotiated.

**Barry McCallum-** it is in our best interest to publicize community benefits.

**Peter Tapatai-** IIBA had been very thick and we as Inuit are only given two sheets of paper which makes it hard, especially when you want to bid on a contract. We are going to have to keep on asking when AREVA starts their neg. there is a lot of information we don't get. Not getting the information gives us a disadvantage. KIA is supposed to be represented the Inuit. If we are going to support the young people we have to know and inform KIA. I just wanted to bring that up. I want to negotiations to be open. It is the non-Inuit getting rich not the Inuit.

**Barry McCallum-**IIBA is negotiations between company and Inuit. KIA is negotiating for the Inuit, the final IIBA we are hoping would be a public document everyone knows and understands. Negotiations will not be completely open, but perhaps the final document will be public.

**Peter Tapatai-** when Cumberland was there, they kept us informed. But now they are keeping their mouth shut. IIBA is a very serious document. It is hard to know how to participate when you don't have the document in front of you. Negotiations will be confidential. But what are the negotiations, I would like to know.

**Barry McCallum-** This is good to have on record to bring to the meetings

**Peter Tapatai-**Everyone should be wanting this, it is not only me.

**Philippa Iksiraq-** I would like to say we have been asking about the IIBAs and the one excuse they had was the IIBA had to been fully translated because they are so thick. We were told once they are done we would get the agreement.

**Jean Simailak-** We had talked about this, when they were going to be signing this, with Agnico, we had not been informed they were signing the agreement, they kept us in the dark, people in the community. If we have something important to say, it is no problem. Especially since AREVA is moving forward, in terms of development to know that we don't want things to go the same way as Agnico IIBA.

**Peter Tapatai-** I'd like to see AREVA leave something behind in Baker Lake, like a church or community center. We have seen things from Agnico like the baseball diamond, we want to see more.

#### **7.4 IQ Validation sessions**

**Barry McCallum-**We visited HTO's and some elders in 6 of the Kivalliq communities to go over the IQ information that Golder learned and to see if people agreed with it. Two sessions were held in Baker Lake – one with the HTO and one with Elders on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of February. There is one community left to visit. I was scheduled to visit Whale Cove yesterday but the plane couldn't land due to weather. I will try again next week. We use



this IQ community input along with our scientific studies in designing the project and in determining possible impacts in the draft environmental Impact statement.

**Philippa Iksiraq-** if we really want to encourage our youth, when they stop dropping out in the middle of a grade and they get to a point where they no longer want to return to school. If its going to be a large project there will be a lot of people not available for employment, missing out on good jobs.

**Casey Tulurialik-** Some of the youth drop out because of something that stops them from going to school. If we encourage them to go back it would help the community.

**Philippa Iksiraq-**Some young people, as hard as they try, for some reason, as much as I want to them to try, they tear up what they bring home. When they drop out because they are scared of a teacher or something.

**Peter Tapatai-** As we have seen from Saskatchewan, they have training facilities for first nations. From the work you see from past from years. The only way people will believe is if the see it. AREVA provides arctic college facilities. I have seen the mine at Cluff Lake.

**Jean Simailik-** There is a lot of good information coming. It would be nice if we could move on.

## 8. Up and Coming Events

### 8.1 Presentation to the Kivalliq Wildlife Board

**Barry McCallum-** The Kivalliq Wildlife Board will have it's annual general meeting next week in Rankin Inlet. We will give a project update presentation to them. We have been doing this for the past few years. Update them on what we are doing, particularly where it involves wildlife.

## 9. Members Topics

**William Noah** I brought this issue to attention to the general manager Mr.Frederic Guerin before; I wanted to bring it to the CLC members for your considerations; that I like to say and give CLC members something to think about; it may not have to be discuss right now; I really think that AREVA should have AM Radio station in Baker Lake; It is very hard to inform the community over the local FM radio because people talk none stopped by saying greetings/story telling they even cut off announcements by personal things; only if I could air written documents in Inuktitut and non-Inuit already know what is going on. Some people are not completely informed. We all know what we are able to do. If documents were to be translated a lot more people would be informed. People need to know the information I have; information in radiations in general. Once the CLC speaks up, people will hear and listen without interruptions because our opponeants are the only ones making noise without really understanding what they are opposing to; if I was to read the documents into Inuktitut most people would finally realize what they already know such as natural radiation that will not penetrate through the skin and even the X-ray machine that they used at the health centre are also included in english;but none what so ever in Inuktitut at all; not all the radiations are dangerous; everytime when someone mentions radiation; people get really tense or tentions right away; even Baffin Island would



finally understand something on CBC in Inuktitut; people need to know what they are opposing to; they do not know that the natural radiations are included in documents (papers) even all the way to lead and so on.

**Jean Simailak-** Elders are in support of AREVA. It is hard to give information over the community radio. I don't listen to the radio that much anymore. Having open forums informs you and helps you understand. The radio could be used to bring out news. If AREVA and Agnico work could work together to bring the amount of dust down. Maybe having a paved road would help. Thank you to Barry for having me on the committee.

**Hugh Tulurialik-** I learned a lot during public meetings. I'm no longer afraid of what I used to be afraid of. When we meet we are given more information each time. Now my son has been elected as chairperson for CLC and he is learning a lot. There is still a lot of work to be done. If we have a language session to learn about the different words that would be good too.

**Irene Tavirnak-** There is many different terms in Inuktitut. I'm getting to the point where it is hard to remember old terms and stories. Language sessions would help.

**Martha Nukik-** I just wanted to ask where the bridge goes, have you looked to see how the area melts? The world is changing. It would be nice to know the difference in the melting over the years.

**Peter Tapatai-** We want to be able to help and understand each other. To understand we need to work together. As a member of the community of Baker Lake I felt small at the meetings. If we want it for ourselves, we have to look out for ourselves. It helps now that mining companies are listening to all sides. I was glad to be included in the public forum and I learned a lot. Such as "What is yellowcake?" AREVA knows all about yellowcake and those who are against it will make you fear it. I found out yellowcake is not dangerous, it can be used to power electric companies. If we do not ask questions we will not get the answers we want. Thank you AREVA for allowing me to be including in the CLC and as a contractor. We have to think forward and move forward.

**Hugh Tulurialik-** When CLC had first been started I was selected to represent the Qilautimiut Elders. I am very thankful to have gone on trips to the homeland. I am going to continue to be a part of this, thank you.

**Philippa Iksiraq-** We are able to move on faster with our new chairperson. As chair, Casey will learn a lot. As part of a group that went to see Kiggavik, having seen it for myself, all the work that was being done was available for everyone to see. It is not that dangerous. Thank you for giving me a chance to be included in that tour. Thank you for letting me speak.

**Joedee Joedee-** This is my first meeting. Thank you for having me be a part of this. Coming from the HTO I will support you. It really opens my eyes, using my membership I will inform the HTO. As long as information is openly available, that will let us learn what we need to know. Maybe at the next meeting I will try and say more.

**John Nukik-** Now we have a new chair. I do not have any formal education and I was elected to be chair. I did not know what was dangerous, having been a part of this group and seeing things for myself gave me a good understanding. Thank you.



**Casey Tulurialik**-Thank you to the CLC and thank you to our two new members. I agree with Jean and Martha. Thank you to John, Barry for supporting me. And thank you for electing me.

**Sheena Iksiraq**- None

**Calvin Noah**- None

**10. Date and Time of Next Meeting-Adjournment**

**Meeting ended at 9:51 PM** with no motion

Next meeting tentatively June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 7PM at the AREVA Office.