

**Minutes of the 78th meeting
of the Kativik Environmental Advisory Committee**

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- DATE :** October 14th and 15th
- PLACE :** KRG headquarters, Kuujjuaq
- PRESENT :** Yves Désilets, Canada, Interim Chairman
Claude Abel, Canada
Larry Watt, KRG
Gérard Duhaime, Québec
- ABSENT :** Willie Gordon, KRG
Rénald Chabot, Québec
- OTHER PARTICIPANTS :** Michael O'Neill, acting Secretary
Michael Barrett, KRG
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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Interim Chairman Yves Désilets calls the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and the following agenda was adopted :

1. Call to order and adoption of the agenda;
2. Adoption of the minutes of the 77th meeting;



Matters arising from the 77th meeting and correspondence and further actions :

- BAPE report on solid waste management (Chapter 10.3)
- Kuujjuaq wind generator
- Proposed amendments to Schedules 1 and 2
- Mining sites clean-up
- The classification of Québec Rivers
- Budget, secretariat and Committee membership
- Parks in Nunavik

4. EcoAction 2000 : presentation by Claude Abel;

5. Varia;

6. Date and place of the next meeting.

2. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 77th MEETING**

The minutes of the 77th meeting were adopted as tabled

Moved by : Claude Abel

Seconded by : Larry Watt

Adopted unanimously.

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 77th MEETING, CORRESPONDENCE AND FURTHER ACTIONS**

The Secretary tables a summary of actions taken in regards to the different files since the last meeting.

BAPE REPORT ON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

- No significant developments have occurred in this file. The dossier is still with KRG who is validating the translation of the summary.
- Further actions

Larry Watt will track down the file within KRG and will insure that appropriate actions are taken concerning the translation, the publicizing of this dossier throughout Nunavik communities as well as following through with Chapter 10.3 recommendations.

KUUJJUAQ WIND GENERATOR

- The Committee wrote to Gilbert Paquette of Hydro-Québec on September 4th to enquire about the status of its February 3rd letter.
- The Committee received a reply from Gilbert Paquette on September 11th who mentions that he was unable to follow-through on the KEAC request because of the ice storm and the issue will be raised shortly with Robert Lanarie of Makivik Corporation.
- Further actions

The Secretary will contact Mr. Gilbert Paquette to enquire about the results of his planned meeting with Robert Lanarie.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SCHEDULES 1 AND 2

- A meeting of this sub-committee, originally planned for April 27th was canceled due to a scheduling conflict for the KRG representatives.
- Further actions

This working group will continue its work with the existing members.

MINING SITES CLEAN-UP

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- On May 27th, the KEAC wrote the above letter to Environment Canada adding to it its concerns regarding the abandoned weather station of Cape Hopes Advance.
- On June 4th, the KEAC received a fax from the Mining Association of Canada, under the signature of Gordon R. Peeling informing the Committee of his unavailability for the above meeting.
- On June 9th, the KEAC received a letter from Jean Roberge of the Association minière du Québec informing the Committee of his unavailability for the meeting but of his association's willingness to join the working group.
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- The KEAC secretary was informed on September 9th by phone by Claude Bérubé that this site should be cleaned up by next summer and that planning to this effect was at a very preliminary stage.
- On July 13th, the KEAC wrote to the Association des prospecteurs du Québec raising the same issue as with the mining associations and inviting them to participate in a working group.
- On August 17th, the Committee received a letter from the Québec Prospectors Association confirming its availability to participate in a working group.

PRESENTATION BY GÉRARD DUHAIME REGARDING THE FEASIBILITY OF INVENTORY WORK AND CHARACTERISATION OF ABANDONED MINING EXPLORATIONS SITES

Scientific feasibility

Three hypotheses were examined. The first one consisted in finding the required information using periodic government reports. A summary examination indicates that the information is not regrouped. The second hypothesis involved the possibility of doing the work based on departmental archives. Discussions in this regard with the Department of Natural Resources brought to light that such a task would be monumental for an outcome that is uncertain. The third hypothesis consisted in verifying the feasibility of using satellite imagery. Such a potential is extremely high, considering the precision of existing coverage (30,6 or 1 meter/pixel) which likely exists in Hydro Québec's imagery files. In consideration of this fact, it is possible to conceive a project based on the following steps :

- determination of the study area (by cross referencing information from all sources including knowledge from residents) and sampling, if required;
- acquiring of images;
- automated referencing of settlements;
- visual analysis of identified installations and summary characterization;
- inventory and mapping;
- on-site characterization;
- data analysis;
- report and recommendations, including if necessary, a site clean-up program. A pilot project should be considered.

Financial feasibility

The cost of acquiring satellite images is very high but the delimitation of a specific study area along with an approach by sampling, would contain the costs within an acceptable range (several hundred thousands). Three potential sources of financing were explored. Firstly, private foundations expressed interest in examining such a project. Secondly, there

exists government programs that support the use of satellite imagery, along with various other government programs. Thirdly the participation of the mining associations along with the participation in kind of our own organizations could also be solicited.

Conclusion

Three conclusions can be made from the above approach. Firstly, the project could be feasible, conditional to the appropriate combination of steps and methods and significant fund raising. Secondly, a steering committee made up of the KEAC working group (Duhaine, Watt) KRG representatives, community and mining association representatives should be formed in order to discuss, approve and support a research design as well as the final report. Lastly, in order to permit the development of the project (research for the writing of the preliminary project and further investigation of funding sources) the KEAC should allocate a sum of 5 000 \$.

Proposal

In consideration of the above, it is therefore proposed by Larry Watt and seconded by Claude Abel and adopted unanimously that a sum of 5 000 \$ be earmarked by the KEAC as seed money for the preparation, under the supervision of Dr. Gérard Duhaine, of Université Laval of a project proposal for the mining sites clean-up project in Nunavik.

THE CLASSIFICATION OF QUÉBEC RIVERS

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- On April 29th, the Committee wrote to Guy Chevrette as well as to Paul Bégin and Louise Beaudoin sending them each its report on the above project (all acknowledged reception of the KEAC report, Paul Bégin on May 8th, Louise Beaudoin on August 20th and Guy Chevrette May 12th).

BUDGET, SECRETARIAT AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- On March 20th, the Committee received an advance of 10,000 \$ on this year's budget, the amount of which has yet to be confirmed.
- On March 31st, the Committee held a conference call to approve the budget proposal for the 1998-1999 fiscal year, in which the Committee had requested additional funds for the hiring on a part-time basis of a secretary based in Kuujjuaq, as a transitory measure until the complete return of KEQC/KEAC secretariat to Kuujjuaq.
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between Jean Dupuis, KRG chairman and Paul Bégin where preliminary arrangements were agreed upon concerning the return of the secretariat to Kuujjuaq for 1999-2000. She has agreed to the hiring, on a part-time basis of a secretary during the present fiscal year.

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- Further actions

After a general discussion regarding the membership issue, it was agreed that the following correspondence would be sent :

- Letters to KRG Chairman, provincial administrator and federal administrator raising the issue of each party's participation in the KEAC and requesting that the necessary appointments be made as soon as possible.

In regards to the joint KEAC/KEQC secretariat relocation issue and after having appraised the Secretary's potential work load in consideration of the formation of the different working groups and secretary's ongoing responsibilities, it was moved by Gérard Duhaime, seconded by Claude Abel and adopted unanimously that a budget proposal, based on a 4 day week be submitted to Johnny Adams, KRG chairman. Mention of this proposal submission will be made to Diane Gaudet in the Committee's letter to her regarding Québec's representation on the KEAC. Copy of proposal to KEQC.

PARKS IN NUNAVIK

- The KEAC has not proceeded with any actions in this dossier since its 77th meeting.

Further actions

A working group will be created in order to study different aspects relating to the creation of Pingualuit provincial park, in particular those aspects relating to the Québec parks Act and the park regulations.

NOTICE OF MEETING

October 5th, 1998

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4. **ECO ACTION 2000 : PRESENTATION BY CLAUDE ABEL**

Eco Action 2000 consists of a community funding program, conceived and funded by Environment Canada and whose prime objective is to provide financial support to community groups for projects that have measurable, positive impacts on the environment. The program applies to non-profit, non-government groups and special consideration will be given to projects which feature the following environmental priorities : clean air, clean water, climate change and nature. Funding can range from 500.00 \$ to a maximum of 100,000.00 \$ and the maximum length of a project is two years.

An information dossier on Eco Action 2000 is given to each of the members of the KEAC by M. Abel.

5. **VARIA**

The analysis of the Committee's needs and priorities brought to light the requirement for the formation of three new working groups for the following dossiers :

- 1) Mining exploration sites (under the direction of Gérard Duhaime)
- 2) Legislation and regulation review, adopted to the northern context (under the responsibility of Yves Désilets)
- 3) Parks in Nunavik

6. **DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held in Kuujjuaq on January 13th and 14th.



Michael O'Neill
Acting Secretary

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COMITÉ CONSULTATIF DE L'ENVIRONNEMENT KATIVIK
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AVIS DE CONVOCATION

Le 4 juin, 1998

Veillez prendre note que la 78e réunion du Comité consultatif de l'environnement Kativik se tiendra le **9 juin** prochain à Québec, au bureau du M.E.F., Direction régionale du Nord-du-Québec, 150 est boul. René-Lévesque, 8e étage, salle 8.01. La rencontre débutera à 9:30 et l'ordre du jour suivant vous est proposé :

- 1) Ouverture de la réunion et adoption de l'ordre du jour ;
- 2) Adoption du compte rendu de la 77e réunion ;
- 3) Affaires découlant de la 77e réunion et correspondance :
 - Rapport du BAPE sur la gestion des matières résiduelles solides(Chapitre 10.3)
 - L'éolienne de Kuujjuaq
 - Projet de modification des Annexes 1 et 2
 - Nettoyage des sites miniers abandonnés
 - La classification des rivières du Québec
 - Budget et secrétariat
- 4) Varia ;
- 5) Date et lieu de la prochaine réunion.

Le secrétaire par intérim,



Michael O'Neill



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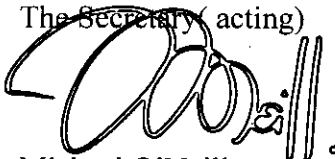
NOTICE OF MEETING

Cancelled no quorum.
September 8th, 1998

Please take note that the 78th meeting of the Kativik Environmental Advisory Committee will be held on September **17th and 18th** at Makivik Corporation's Lachine office, located at 650, 32nd Avenue, 6th floor, Lachine. The meeting will start at 9:30 and the proposed agenda is as follows :

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PRELIMINAIRE

The Secretary (acting)

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MEMO

To : KEAC members
From : Michael O'Neill, interim Secretary
Object : Conference call
Date : April, 28th, 1998

Kindly be advised that a conference call is planned for **Wednesday April 29th, at 9 :00 a.m.**

The conference has been requested by Yves Désilets, KEAC interim chairman, in order that the members approve the KEAC 1996-1997 Annual Report as well as the Committee's paper on the classification of rivers, as dicussed at the 77th meeting in Kuujjuaq.

Each of you will be reached at his usual number.

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