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**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
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**Peel Watershed Planning Commission**  
**Meeting #12 Minutes**  
**February 1, 6-7, 2008**  
**By Teleconference and in YLUPC Boardroom**  
**Whitehorse, Yukon**

Meeting #12, February 1, 6-7, 2008

**In Attendance:**

**Peel Watershed Planning Commission**

Albert Genier – Chair  
 Ray Hayes  
 Steve Taylor  
 David Loeks  
 Peter Kaye  
 Marvin Frost (February 6-7)

**Support Staff**

Brian Johnston – Senior Planner  
 Kathleen Zimmer – Office Administrator

February 1, 2008 – by Teleconference

**Agenda Item #1: Welcome and Review of Agenda**

<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
Meeting began at 6:20 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian thanked all Commission members for attending by teleconference at the last minute. Members were not able to attend in person due to weather. The meeting will be continued on February 6 – 7, 2008 in Whitehorse depending upon travel arrangements and weather.</li> <li>• Commission members reviewed the agenda items # 1-5.</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #1: Welcome and Review of Agenda</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<p><b>Motion #1:</b>  <b>To accept the agenda as presented.</b></p> <p><b>Moved: 1<sup>st</sup> Steve Taylor    2<sup>nd</sup> Ray Hayes    All in Favour    Passed by Consensus</b></p>	

<b>Agenda Item #2: Draft Work Plan and Budget</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian reviewed the Work Plan and Budget for 2008/2009 with the Commission.</li> <li>• The Commission queried if enough time was given for the Parties’ review given that the North Yukon Planning Commission experienced significant delay in this area.</li> <li>• Brian commented that he is still searching for a writer for the Oil and Gas chapter but may be able to write other chapters himself. He would consequently incur overtime.</li> <li>• The Commission commented that to write a work plan that assumes overtime means the Commission is under funded and pressed to meet timelines but that is the reality.</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion #2:</b>  <b>To accept the Work Plan and Budget for 2008/2009 as presented.</b></p> <p><b>Moved: 1<sup>st</sup> Steve Taylor    2<sup>nd</sup> Albert Genier    All in Favour    Passed by Consensus</b></p>	

<b>Agenda Item #3: Joint Commission Letter (In camera)</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<p><b>Motion #3:</b>  <b>To approve distribution of joint statement to parties and council.</b></p> <p><b>Moved: 1<sup>st</sup> Steve Taylor    2<sup>nd</sup> Peter Kaye    All in Favour    Passed by Consensus</b></p>	

<b>Agenda Item #4: Prep for TWG and SLC Meeting</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian reviewed the key messages. The public has a keen interest in this planning process and it is vital the Commission do a good job.</li> <li>• This process needs champions and that has not been evident to date.</li> <li>• The Commission would like briefing notes prepared for Chiefs &amp; Councils.</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #5: Review of Actions</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Actions from previous minutes reviewed. All completed.</li> </ul>	

February 1, 2008 adjourned 9:10 pm

February 5, 2008 began at 7:10 pm

<b>Agenda Item #6: Review Agenda</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission reviewed items 6-21</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion #4:</b>  <b>To approve the agenda as presented with the addition of # 18, other items for review.</b></p> <p><b>Moved: 1<sup>st</sup> Albert Genier    2<sup>nd</sup> Peter Kaye    All in Favour    Passed by Consensus</b></p>	

<b>Agenda Item #7: Introduction of New Commission Member</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission members welcomed Ray Hayes to his first full board meeting.</li> <li>• Ray gave a brief background of his professional experience.</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #8: Review and Approval of Previous Minutes</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<p><b>Motion #5:</b>  <b>To accept Meeting # 11 Minutes, October 10-11, 2007, as presented.</b></p> <p><b>Moved: 1<sup>st</sup> Marvin Frost      2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Taylor      All in Favour      Passed by Consensus</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Actions items that were incomplete:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ MacKenzie River Basin Board enquiries</li> <li>○ Tenure Planning</li> <li>○ Hats</li> <li>○ Reclassification</li> <li>○ 10 year review comments</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Motion #6:</b>  <b>To accept Special Meeting # 7 Minutes, December 3, 2007, as presented.</b></p> <p><b>Moved: 1<sup>st</sup> Ray Hayes      2<sup>nd</sup> Albert Genier      All in Favour      Passed by Consensus</b></p>	<p>1. Brian to contact outfitters directly with a few targeted questions.</p>

<b>Agenda Item #10: Director’s Report</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian reviewed the Director’s report with the Commission and highlighted the following:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Thoughts on how to engage the First Nations and other groups.</li> <li>○ A letter received from YLUPC regarding the PWPC YESAB submission regarding the Wernecke Winter Trail. YLUPC criticized the Commission for the submission. The Commission response will be that it is not the job of YLUPC to supervise the correspondence of the Commission. There are provisions in the UFA and YESA Act for the Commission to provide comments while in the midst of the planning process.</li> <li>○ Proposed changes to the Quartz Mining Act.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>1. Brian to write response letter to YLUPC.</p> <p>2. Brian to enquire about consultation on Quartz Mining Act.</p>

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm

February 6, 2008 began at 9:10 pm

<b>Agenda Item #11: Follow-up from TWG and SLC Meeting</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<p>SLC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission members who attended the SLC meeting thought that it went well and that Brian made a good presentation.</li> <li>• The SLC members had expressed an interest in seeing the Plan Principles before they are released to the public.</li> <li>• The Commission commented that keeping YG and First Nations on schedule will be a challenge.</li> <li>• Ron Cruikshank did caution that the Commission didn't have the budget requested yet and, that YLUPC would be submitting comments to the Parties on the Budget and Work Plan.</li> <li>• The Commission remarked that, as far as PWPC is concerned, it was made clear at the SLC meeting that they were supportive of the work plan and budget, as is, and that no modifications would be required.</li> </ul> <p>TWG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steve Taylor remarked that THH Chief and Council is behind the Commission, and as the next planning region, they are watching this process closely.</li> <li>• Brian had presented the Work Plan and Budget to the TWG, but felt that it was only appropriate for discussion at the TWG, as an information item, but that the real decisions on the work plan schedule and budget would occur at the SLC level.</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item 12: Data Collection Update</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission has collected a lot of data. Printing of maps, showing the various data layers, has begun.</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #13: Resource Assessment</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John Ryder has produced a very good Table of Contents template.</li> <li>• It is estimated that the RA will include 54 maps</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #14: Plan Principles Discussion (In Camera)</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission reviewed and discussed a draft discussion paper on the Plan Principles. After some further discussions and revisions, the discussion paper will be released to the Parties for review before being made available to the public.</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #15: North Yukon Planning Commission Presentation</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission inquired about the process and pitfalls of the North Yukon Planning Commission experience. They wanted to know about plan approval and implementation and ongoing role of Commissions to monitor the plan. Shawn Francis, coordinator for the NYPC responded that these were all unknown and that the Parties may decide that there is not a role for the Commission after a recommended plan is submitted.</li> <li>• The Commission discussed various other aspects of the plan and commended the NYPC for their hard work and dedication. They noted that the NYPC have broken a lot of ground for the work of the PWPC.</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #16: Conservation Priorities Presentation</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Don Reid and Sam Skinner presented a summary of the methodology and interim results of the conservation priorities assessment.</li> <li>• The Commission commented on the good use of Traditional Knowledge in the analysis.</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #17: Scenarios Analysis</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Don Reid presented a possible strategy for undertaking the scenarios analysis in two phases: a) integration of conservation values, and b) integration of all resource values.</li> <li>• The scenarios phase will involve a lot of interaction between the Commission members and the staff, as the members guide the decisions that go into the scenarios modeling. This will mostly be done through PWPC workshops with staff and Commission members.</li> <li>• There was a short discussion about the possibility of using ALCES modeling to examine potential scenarios in areas of potential land use conflicts. No decision was made as to whether it will be used by the Commission.</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #18: Other Items</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<p>Reclassification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission agreed that a second letter should be sent to the YLUPC, insisting that YLUPC follow the motion from the October PWPC meeting, and that it be retroactive to the date of the motion.</li> </ul> <p>Payment of Don Reid</p> <p><b>Motion #7:</b>  <b>To approve payment of the Wildlife Conservation Society invoice for Don Reid’s time.</b></p> <p><b>Moved: 1<sup>st</sup> Dave Loeks    2<sup>nd</sup> Albert Genier    All in Favour    Passed by Consensus</b></p> <p>Commission Member Payment Protocol</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As pre-approved by Commission.</li> </ul>	<p>3. Brian to set up meeting with YLUPC.</p>

<b>Agenda Item #19: Correspondence</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brian reviewed the correspondence.</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #20: Financial Update</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kathleen reviewed the finances and anticipated year end surplus</li> </ul>	

<b>Agenda Item #17: Next Steps</b>	
<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action Item</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conservation scenarios workshop March 8-9, 2008</li> </ul>	

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 PM

**Approval of Meeting #12 Minutes – February 1, 6-7, 2008**



Albert Genier,  
Chair



Brian Johnston,  
Coordinator / Land Use Planner

Date: