



Northern Association of Community Councils Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park, 1405 St. Mathews Ave.

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday November 30, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

Present:

Board of Directors

Reg Meade, President
Glenn Flett, Northern Chairperson
Harold Fleming, Western Chairperson
Ken Spence, Western Vice-Chairperson
Doug Popowich, Western Secretary/Treasurer
Eric Olson, Eastern Chairperson
Helgi Einarsson, Eastern Vice-Chairperson
Wanda Mowatt, Eastern Secretary/Treasurer
Sheryl Matheson, Northern Vice-Chairperson
Freda Parenteau, Northern Secretary/Treasurer

Regrets

Staff Nichelle Lavoie, Executive Director
Wendy So, Administrative Assistant

1.0 Call to Order – at 9:06 A.M

2.0 Approval of Agenda
Moved by W. Mowatt, Seconded by G. Flett **CARRIED**

3.0 Delegations

4.0 Approval of Board Minutes from October 13th, 2023
4.1 *Moved by G. Flett and seconded by H. Einarsson that the minutes from Oct 13th, 2023 be accepted with changes.* **CARRIED**

5.0 Concerns to Executive Board
Board suggested to receive agenda prior to meeting
Include in email communications
ACTION: N. Lavoie will send email introduction to communities and partners

6.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of Oct 13th, 2023, Board Minutes
UPDATE: NMCCB – Alternate Director for NMCCB has been nominated

Adjourn for Coffee Break 10:15 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

7.0 Correspondence
7.1 **Reply to Revenue Canada**
Moved by H. Fleming and seconded by E. Olson that the reply be approved. **CARRIED**

Moved by H. Fleming and seconded by E. Olson that N. Lavoie and S. Matheson to link myCRA to NACC CRA account. **CARRIED**

7.2 **Sherridon Community Council – Camp Lake Town Hall Open House**
S. Matheson will look into zoom availability and share link prior to meeting. R. Meade and G. Flett will go to NACC Office to attend meeting via Zoom.

7.3 **Canad Inns - Corporate information for year 2024**
Information noted and N. Lavoie will sign and return to Canad Inns

ACTION: N. Lavoie will sign and return corporate information to Canad Inns
ACTION: N. Lavoie will research and prepare reference information and proposal for Board to determine Board's budget for 2024

7.4 **MNR – Letter to NACC Executive Director**
Information noted.

Adjourn for Lunch Break 11:44 A.M. – 1:04 P.M.

8.0 Reports:

8.1 **Executive Director**
Executive Director had an introduction call with MNR

9.0 Financial

9.1 Financial Year-To-Date Budget Compare

9.2 Profit/Loss (Income Statement)

9.3 Approval of General Ledger
Moved by H. Fleming, Seconded by G. Flett **CARRIED**

9.4 Approval of Cheque Detail
Moved by H. Fleming, Seconded by G. Flett **CARRIED**

9.5 Approval of Bank Reconciliation
Moved by H. Fleming, Seconded by G. Flett **CARRIED**

9.6 Approval of Visa Reconciliation
Moved by H. Fleming, Seconded by G. Flett **CARRIED**

9.7 Approval of Petty Cash Reconciliation
Moved by H. Fleming, Seconded by G. Flett **CARRIED**

10.0 Reports:

10.1 **Western Chairperson** **Harold Fleming**

- Attended interviews of executive director and hired executive director
- Became alternate board member of NMCCB

10.2 **Western Vice-Chairperson** **Ken Spence**

- Own community, in the process of having 2 cottage subdivision within boundary. Permanent residence of cottage association. With the number of cottage association outnumber, could lead to positive outcomes. 28 from community attended meeting to vote where 24 voted yes.

10.3 **Western Sec/Treasurer** **Doug Popowich**

- Watership district area meeting

- Trappers training section, received lots of support for NACC to make it happened with 22 participants attending the training.
- Water system break down in community which fixed at a managed cost. Northern Affairs has no record of the system. Would like to remind other township may have water system built at about the same time which may have similar issue. In waterhen, the system is falling about, lost 100,000 gallons of water and spent 7,000 to have the system fixed in 2 hours.

10.4 **Northern Chairperson**

Glen Flett

- Norway House upgraded infra structure at a costs 6.2 millions
- Attended SFMC meeting, couldn't go to the meeting and attended via zoom
- Attended Thompson Airport Authority and approved budget for building a new terminal building
- Norway House is still in negotiation with province on land component of flood agreement
- Participated in a couple of Thompson Regional Airport Authority meetings
- Participated in Community Futures North Central meeting
- Welcome new Executive Director to the Board
- Thank you Wendy for the hardwork

10.5 **Northern Vice-Chairperson**

Sheryl Matheson

- CSO program, most community are writing letters that were not supporting the amalgamation program of RCMP, officers are shared, for example, Sherridon is sharing RCMP officer with Cranberry and communities are far apart.
- Rocky Lake called with garbage dump issue where Rocky Lake is not NACC but INR look after them. Unfortunate NACC cannot do anything for them. Teamed up with MKO, if you have a large indigenous base in community, they offer services, where Sherridon got brand new snow suits from MKO funding for kids. Happy to share contacts of MKO to other Board members.
- I am new to NACC Board and thank you Glen for calling and helping.

10.6 **Northern Sec/Treasurer**

Freda Parenteau

- Attended a couple of Moose Lake council meetings. Moose Lake Council passed a resolution for Freda to work with CAO to setup elections
- D division of RCMP come in and talk about gangs at the schools
- Cormorant take up grants, for example putting benches in public places, through NHFI, purchased 15 garden bags, OFC grants for upgrading alarms, upgraded bear proof recycle bins, planted trees in public places, electrical upgrades for campers, opened up 31 beds in hospital

10.7 **Eastern Chairperson**

Eric Olson

- Attended interviews of Executive Director
- Welcome Nichelle and thank Wendy
- Attended meeting of watershed district
- Went to Dauphin Office to understand changes after election
- Purchased AED, which will be kept in firehall
- Purchasing an established cemetery
- Premier sent letter about reinstating the Crownland which are good news

10.8 **Eastern Vice Chairperson**

Helgi Einarsson

- Attended 2 meetings, one at Lake Winnipeg Indigenous fishermen Incorporated and had discussions about natural resources to work with the province to get the conservative going. Whitefish optimization program on Lake Winnipeg has been cancelled. There was a consultation and informal Q&A at St Martin

- Fresh water fish annual meeting, provincial conservation is also in attendance. Drop in white fish and fishing communities now need to understand struggles of fishermen.

10.9 **Eastern Sec/Treasurer** **Wanda Mowatt**

- Matheson Island ferry problem, broke down 2 times in 2 days
- Talked to Lorri Monkman about Pine Dock where everything is good
- Berens River, difficult to get reserve funds and was asked to wait until after election where is still unable to get reserve funds and new equipment after elections. Also have issue with the 6% salary increase in CAO due to reserve funds issue.

10.10 **President** **Reg Meade**

- Attended interviews
- Attended meeting with research board
- Attended meeting of Artic Gateway at Meadow Portage and discussed about the disposal of railroad tires all along the shoreline
- Will attend another meeting of Artic Gateway on December 12

Moved by F. Parenteau and seconded by W. Mowatt for Reg Meade to attend meeting of Northern Manitoba roundtable and report after attending where expenses will be reimbursed by NACC.

Motion to accept Board Reports.

Moved by G. Flett and Seconded by E. Olson

CARRIED

11.0 Unfinished Business and General Orders

12.0 New Business

12.1 Govfox Investigation Report

Board of Directors discussed on final draft received. N. Lavoie will prepare draft reply to send to Cheryl Christian of GovFox to express dissatisfaction of the Board of Directors.

E. Olson moved and seconded by H. Fleming to have N Lavoie preparing a draft reply to C. Christian of GovFox in relation to Investigation Report.

13.0 Next Meeting

The next Executive Board Meeting is scheduled for **January 19th, 2024**

The next Full Board Meeting is scheduled for **February 29th-March 1st, 2024**

14.0 Adjournment – at 2:14 P.M.