

Northern Seward Peninsula AC Meeting  
Draft Minutes 6pm-7:30 pm  
September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Members present:

Nathan Hadley

Percy Ballot

Mona Washington

Clyde Ramoth

Percy Ballot: We need to write the Deering IRA a letter to get people to participate that want to be part of this group to encourage members that want to be on this AC.

Clyde Ramoth: Motion to approve the agenda

Agenda approved

Motion to approve meeting minutes

Meeting minutes approved

**Department Report:**

Board of Game deadline December 27, we need to have a meeting in Deering in December.

Percy wants to have the meeting in Kotzebue.

**Meeting Minutes**

Motion to approve December 12, 2012 minutes

Discussion: none

Question: All approve meeting minutes

**Old Business**

Proposal 4

Carmen Daggett: Inquires about any further comments from the AC about this proposal.

Clyde Ramoth: I spoke with people in Selawik and the use of animals during their migration is closer in nature to the Lower Kobuk than the Northern Seward Peninsula. People in Selawik are in support of this proposal. When we talk about game proposals with Deering and Buckland it is hard to agree with them because they do not experience things quite the same way as we do here in Selawik, Noorvik and Kiana. I think it will make it easier to make decisions if we are on the Lower Kobuk AC. The Lower Kobuk AC is welcoming us and all I hear is support for this proposal.

Percy Ballot: I know that we have worked really well with people from Selawik, we want to support their village in what is best for them.

Mona Washington: I support Selawik moving to the Lower Kobuk AC, if their fish and game uses are the same as Noorvik and Kiana then I support their movement to that AC.

Nathan Hadley: I support their movement because they live more around fresh water issues and we work more around saltwater related issues.

Mona Washington: Motion to support proposal #4

Mona and Nathan did not get proposal books. I need updated mailing addresses; Mona will email them to me.

### **Proposal 19**

Percy Ballot: requests Carmen Daggett to elaborate on proposal 19.

Carmen Daggett: Reads proposal and department comments.

Percy Ballot: I am not in support of any of these proposals. I think the advisory committee process is not the best, but it is good enough for me. There are people missing that should be here.

Carmen Daggett: Explains we should vote on each of these at a time.

Percy Ballot: I don't think that the boards should have requirements of knowledge for people serving on ACs. The knowledge of the land and of the animals should be enough.

Clyde Ramoth: I am not in support of these proposals.

Mona Washington: I don't support it because I think we would have a harder time finding committee members. When I read this proposal, I think "oh my gosh I need to get off this committee".

Clyde Ramoth: it is hard enough to get people to participate and have a meeting so, I am not in support of this proposal.

Motion to oppose 19,20,21

Motion carries to oppose proposals 19,20,21

### **Proposal 28**

Carmen Daggett: Reads proposal and department comments

Percy Ballot: Inquires if there are any comments on proposals 28 or 29?

Clyde Ramoth: I don't have a proposal book in front of me so I am going to defer on this proposal.

Percy Ballot: We have this process where we look at the proposals and deliberate on them here, that that is good enough for me.

Carmen Daggett: Explains how deliberations work and the role of them in the board process.

Percy Ballot: inquires about deliberations and the proximity to their game management unit.

Carmen Daggett: Explains proposal 29 specifies game management unit that will be discussed by the AC while in proposal 28 the deliberation participation will not be game management unit specific.

Clyde Ramoth: I am opposed to proposal 28. I feel like the timing is always the biggest obstacle in getting comments in prior to the board meetings.

Percy Ballot: Asks about who proposed these proposals.

Carmen Daggett: Proposal 28 was proposed by the Upper Tanana and Fortymile ACs, proposal 29 was proposed by Allen Barrett.

Clyde Ramoth: I am opposed to proposal number 28

Seconded: Nathan

Three support to proposal 28

One support proposal 28

### **Proposal 29:**

Clyde Ramoth wants to support to be allowed to discuss items regarding during GMU specific areas.

Motion to support proposal 29

None Opposed

### **Proposal 33**

Carmen Daggett: Reads proposals and department comments for proposal 33.

Percy Ballot: Requests information about all of the other ACs on how they voted on this proposal.

Carmen Daggett: Northern Norton Sound met the North Slope AC, Southern Norton Sound and Kotzebue Sound all opposed this proposal.

Percy Ballot:

Clyde Ramoth: Explains the variability in the proposal and incomplete information that is collected even in current surveys. There are 70% of the residents subsist and there has been questions about getting all of the necessary information from individuals to accurately reflect subsistence harvest.

Motion to oppose proposal 33

All opposed to proposal 33

Motion carries to oppose proposal 33

### **Proposal 34**

Carmen Daggett: Reads proposal and department comments.

Percy Ballot: 34, 35, 36 all deal with defining subsistence.

Carmen Daggett: Explains the similarities and differences for 34, 35, 36. I would be careful in lumping them together.

Mona: motion to oppose proposal 34

Seconded:

Question: Motion to oppose 34

All Opposed

### **Proposal 35**

Carmen Daggett: Presents proposal and department comments

Nathan: Inquires about how the other ACs voted on this proposal.

Carmen Daggett: I don't recall how the other ACs voted to this proposal.

Percy Ballot: I am totally opposed to this proposal. This is defining subsistence?

Carmen Daggett: This proposal is designed to define non-subsistence harvest. Re-reads definition of non-subsistence harvest.

Clyde Ramoth: Inquires if sport hunters and fisherman are considered subsistence.

Carmen Daggett: I believe they would be according to this proposal.

Clyde Ramoth: I don't agree with that I don't think that sport hunters and fisherman are subsistence hunters and fishers. They say that they eat them, but they just make them into a trophy and waste them. I am opposed to something like that.

Percy Ballot: If there are a good amount of resources for subsistence uses. This has the potential to affect the amount of resources that are available to people in an area for subsistence use right?

Carmen Daggett: Potentially.

Percy Ballot: Inquires if it includes game populations?

Carmen Daggett: it includes both Fish and Game.

Percy Ballot: Well fish and game belongs to Alaska residents, but we should have priority over the fish and game resources in our area over non-subsistence users.

Percy Ballot: I think any animal should benefit subsistence users.

Nathan Hadley: I oppose 35

Mona: motion to oppose proposal 35

Seconded: Nathan Hadley

All opposed to proposal 35

### **Proposal 36**

Carmen Daggett: Reads proposal and department comments

Clyde Ramoth: I will support whatever Buckland and Deering want to do because you guys have to deal more with Tier II hunts than we do.

Percy Ballot: If we oppose this, it keeps things as is for Tier II hunts. I guess it depends if you think it is important consider a persons living place.

Clyde Ramoth: Motion to oppose

Nathan Hadley: Seconded

All opposed to proposal 36

### **Proposal 37**

Carmen Daggett: Reads proposal and department comments regarding non-commercial

Clyde Ramoth: Inquires what the intent of this proposal is.

Carmen Daggett: Explains that the troopers are seeking something that is enforceable and definition allows them to work off.

Percy Ballot: Value varies depending on the participants and that should be considered. In our minds we can determine the value of the trade.

Clyde Ramoth: We have been trading for thousands of years and we should be able to determine the value of the resources ourselves. I can understand the younger generation may not to understand a fair determination of value.

Carmen Daggett: continues to read the proposal.

Mona Washington: How do the other advisory committees feel about this proposal.

Carmen Daggett: The Northern Norton Sound AC was split on this issue, but I think they ended up opposing it.

Clyde Ramoth: Mr. Chair I feel we are already over regulated.

Mona Washington: Motion to oppose 37

Seconded: by Clyde

Percy Ballot: I think we need put our foot down on this one. I think we will see this before again us I am sure.

All opposed to proposal 37.

Carmen Daggett: Makes comments about following Robert's Rules of Order, and making motions more clear.

Percy Ballot: Please send us an email on Robert's Rules of Order.

Marlene Moto-Karl: Joined conference.

Percy Ballot: We need to get representatives from Deering that want to participate in this meeting that want to be part of this group.

Percy Ballot: We will have another meeting sometime in December.

Carmen Daggett: The Joint Board will act on these proposals in October.

Meeting Adjourned 7:30 pm