

**MINING OVERSIGHT / LOCAL IMPACT COMMITTEE (MO/LIC) MEETING
MINUTES # 2—2012**

DATE: February 13, 2012
TIME: 1:30 p.m.
PLACE: Committee Room # 2—2nd Floor—Court House
Rhineland WI

PRESENT: Committee Chair Dave Hintz; Committee Members Peter Wolk; Mike Timmons; Gary Baier; David Schatzley; Tom Rudolph. John Bilogan, Forest Director. Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel. Karl Jennrich, Planning & Zoning Director.

OTHER ATTENDEES: Alan & Sharon VanRaalte, Paul Herder; Nate Gulden, Roman Ferdinand, Tina VanZile, Kriste Strasberg, Kathleen Kelly, Bryan Hoover, Marcus Nesemeier.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER—Committee Chair Hintz called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m., noting that the meeting had been properly posted in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA WITH THE ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS AT CHAIR’S DISCRETION—It was moved by Baier, seconded by Wolk, to approve the current agenda with the order of agenda at Chair’s discretion. Rudolph abstained. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES OF January 30, 2012 MO/LIC MEETING—It was moved by Baier, seconded by Timmons, to approve the minutes of the January 30, 2012 meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Paul Header, Educational Outreach for Aquila Resources, presented information about Aquila’s tie with HudBay Minerals. Aquila is the exploration arm of their partnership and HudBay is the mining arm. The Lynne venture would be an alliance with HudBay; HudBay would fund the first \$2 million of exploration. Header gave an overview of HudBay’s financial strength.

DATE TO MEET WITH LDF TRIBAL COUNCIL Brian Hoover appeared for the tribe to discuss the Committee’s future meeting with the Council. It was agreed that the Council should meet with the new committee; a date will be determined after elections. In April, Forestry Dept will be responsible for MO/LIC. Brian suggested an open, public meeting, possibly in Lynne. Alternatively, the meeting could be held in Minocqua Woodruff or at Lac du Flambeau. They would also like some project background information.

THE COMMITTEE MAY CONSIDER A MOTION TO ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 19.85 (1)(E) DELIBERATING OR NEGOTIATING THE PURCHASING OF PUBLIC PROPERTIES, THE INVESTING OF PUBLIC FUNDS, OR CONDUCTING OTHER SPECIFIED PUBLIC BUSINESS,

WHENEVER COMPETITIVE OR BARGAINING REASONS REQUIRE A CLOSED SESSION—Corporation Counsel, Brian Desmond, recommended closed session to discuss the still incomplete documents, as there are financial ramifications. It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Schatzley, to enter into Closed Session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a Closed Session. (Review Oneida County Mining Agreements). Roll Call Vote: all aye. Motion carried.

THE COMMITTEE WILL RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AND MAY RATIFY ANY MATTER(S) DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION—It was moved by Timmons, seconded by Rudolph, to return to Open Session. Roll Call Vote: All aye. Motion carried. No action taken in closed session.

ACTION PLAN UPDATES At next meeting of Oneida County Board, seek full County Board endorsement to proceed with bidding process.

PUBLIC COMMENTS—

Alan VanRaalte - Royalties to the county are not enough to correct potential environmental problems. The mining company should seek insured bond held to address unforeseen cleanup.

Karl Fate – It is questionable that polluted water could be cleaned at all. This process should stop and county should hold hearings on the resolutions. There needs to be more public scrutiny.

Paul Header – Mining company has to post a reclamation bond. In addition, they may be required to create an irrevocable trust for future reclamation needs.

Kathleen Kelly – Water is of major importance for tourism industry as well. Fish are sensitive to sulfide compounds and loss of fish could decrease related business.

BUDGET / BILLS / VOUCHERS / LINE ITEM TRANSFERS—

No Budget, Bills, Vouchers or Line Item Transfers presented.

SELECT DATE FOR FUTURE MEETING—Date pending County Board's action on the endorsement request.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING—

Transition to new joint committee

If County Board approved, start bidding process

ADJOURNMENT—It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Timmons, to adjourn the meeting at 2:43 p.m. Motion carried.

DAVE HINTZ
COMMITTEE CHAIR

Jill BRADLEY
RECORDING SECRETARY