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MINUTES

WMAC(NS) TELECONFERENCE

November 3, 1998

Present:Lindsay Staples - Chair
Joan Eamer - Canadian Wildlife Service - Member- Government of
Canada
Carol Arey – Alternate Member -Inuvialuit Game Council
Nelson Green- Member -Inuvialuit Game Council
Brian Pelchat - Chief, Regional Management - Member -Yukon Territorial
Government
Aileen Horler - WMAC(NS) Secretariat

A. Wildlife Act Amendments

The Chair informed members that the Wildlife Act amendments legislation is to be introduced to the legislature on Thursday. It is important that the Council pass a resolution to show its support of the proposed amendments. The Chair asked members for comments regarding the draft of the resolution and letter he had written to Eric Fairclough, Minister, YTG Renewable Resources.

Members were in full agreement with the initiative to write to the Minister and to forward the Council's resolution. There were no suggested changes to the letter. All members endorsed the resolution. Carol Arey agreed to write a letter on behalf of the Aklavik HTC in support of the amendments.

Motion

to adopt Resolution 98-11.03- 'Resolution on Amendments to the Yukon Wildlife Act Pertaining to the Yukon North Slope' Moved: Carol Arey Seconded: Brian Pelchat Motion carried

B. Muskox meeting

The Chair reported that efforts are underway to organize the meeting in Alaska to discuss joint muskox management. The proposed date for the meeting is November 13. Carol reported that the Aklavik HTC would like to send a representative to the meeting, but doesn't currently have the funds. The Chair suggested that she talk to the Joint Secretariat to see if they can advance the money that is needed.

C. National EMAN meeting

Joan Eamer noted that the National EMAN meeting is scheduled to be held in Victoria in January. Funding assistance is available for airfares only. The Council has had representation at the past three annual meetings. Joan will be doing a presentation on the Community-based Ecological Monitoring Program and suggested that Carol Arey would be an appropriate Council representative, as she worked on this program and would be able to present with Joan. Carol replied that she was available to attend the meeting and would like to go. Members agreed that the Council would cover the costs of Carol's accommodation and meals.

WMAC(NS) Chair

Date

WMAC(NS) Secretariat

Date