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## **Community Liaison Committee (CLC) Touquoy/Beaver Dam**

**Meeting Date:** 2020-01-11

### **Committee Members**

#### **CLC Members and Represented Community**

Barry Prest (Mooseland)

Gary Leslie (Upper Musquodoboit)

Gilbert Fahie (Mooseland)

Richard Deale (Middle Musquodoboit)

Bryce Kennedy (Pleasant Harbour)

#### **Atlantic Gold Corporation (AGC) Representatives**

Laird Brownlie, General Manager

Dustin O’Leary, Communications Manager

Jennifer Adshade, Environmental Analyst

Melissa Nicholson, Environmental Superintendent

Ryan Keating, TMF Engineer in Training

Chrystal Fuller, Brighter Community Planning

#### **Absent**

Robin Webber (Lake Charlotte/Ship Harbour area)

Charles Brown (Musquodoboit Harbour)

Jim Millard, Manager Environment and Community

### **Items for Discussion**

1. Opening Discussion - Meeting called to order at 9:12 a.m.
  - a. Review and approval of previous meeting minutes:
    - Gary Leslie moved to approve the previous meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Richard Deale and the minutes were approved
  - b. Old business
    - The Committee received an update on the meeting that was held in Tangier in October 2019.  
**Action Item: AGC to follow up with HRM regarding the energizing of the streetlights**
2. Review of outstanding Action items
  - a. AGC to schedule an update from the Health and Safety Manager at an upcoming CLC meeting
    - AGC is transitioning to a new staff member into this role. The Health and Safety Manager may be available to attend the next meeting
  - b. AGC to propose a speed limit reduction to HRM
    - This item is being investigated by AGC’s Security department
  - c. AGC to provide a presentation on water quality and usage
    - The Committee received an update on Atlantic Gold’s water quality and water usage, provided by the TMF Engineer in Training

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- d. The Committee will research whether there is a precedent for Nova Scotia Environment taking over structures similar to the Scraggy Lake dam
    - There is no update on this Action item. **Action Item: This item will be carried forward.**
  - e. The Committee will draft a response letter to Deputy Minister Frances Martin and include the Minister of Environment, local MLA and MP
    - There is no update on this Action item. **Action Item: This item will be carried forward.**
    - AGC has commissioned a study of the dam on Scraggy Lake. AGC has also commissioned a study of the properties and land ownership around Scraggy Lake. **Action Item: Results will be presented when available.**
  - f. AGC to schedule a meeting to discuss the draft response letter to Deputy Minister Frances Martin on October 11, 2019
    - This meeting was held and this item is closed
  - g. AGC to investigate website revisions to change the Touquoy location from Middle Musquodoboit to Moose River Gold Mines
    - The website revisions are complete and this item is closed
  - h. Travel cheques to be issued to CLC members
    - All members received their cheques and this item is closed

### 3. Project Updates

- a. Touquoy
  - The Committee received an update on Touquoy operations.
  - The Committee inquired about the depth of the pit. AGC confirmed the current depth is approximately 75 m.
  - The Committee received an update from the Touquoy Environment department
  - The Committee inquired about the height of the dam. AGC confirmed the height and the schedule for dam raises.
  - The Committee inquired about the stability of the TMF at closure. AGC discussed the capping process.
  - The Committee inquired about the permitting process for disposing tailings in the Touquoy pit. AGC provided an update on the permitting status.
- b. Beaver Dam Haul Road
  - A representative from Brighter Community Planning provided an update on a new community engagement initiative at Beaver Dam in the vicinity of the proposed Beaver Dam mine site and haul road. The representative requested contact information for community/recreational groups that may be impacted by the Project. The Committee discussed the route for the proposed haul road. The Committee expressed the importance of AGC informing the public regarding the increase in traffic and how traffic will be managed. The Committee suggested contacting the Lemmon Hill ATV club located in Dean.

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- c. Beaver Dam Project Status
    - The Committee received a brief update on the status of the Beaver Dam project
  - d. Fifteen Mile Stream
    - The Committee received an update on the EIS process for Fifteen Mile Stream
  - e. Cochrane Hill
    - The Committee received an update on the EIS process for Cochrane Hill
4. New Business
- a. AGC confirmed that Friday afternoon tours are on-going
  - b. Feedback from the Community
    - A CLC member inquired regarding Atlantic Gold’s employee drug and alcohol testing policy. An update was provided and individual questions will be addressed in off line conversations.
5. Date and location of next meeting - April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 9 – 11am. A full tour and lunch will be provided.
6. Gary Leslie moved to adjourn at 11:07 a.m.

**Actions and Decisions Summary**

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