## MINING OVERSIGHT / LOCAL IMPACT COMMITTEE (MO/LIC) MEETING MINUTES # 15-2010

**November 10, 2010** 

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Committee Room # 1; 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor; Oneida County Court House;

Rhinelander, WI

PRESENT: Committee Chair David Hintz; Committee Members Tom Rudolph; Gary Baier; Peter Wolk; New Committee Member Mike Timmons; David Schatzley, Ex Officio; Forest Director John Bilogan; Forestry Secretary Cindy Eckardt; Planning & Zoning Director Karl Jennrich; Corporation Counsel Brian Desmond.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tom Evans; Manny Oradei; Natalene Cummings (Forest County Potawotomi); Alan Van Raalte; TAG Student.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER—Committee Chair Hintz called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m., noting that the meeting that had been properly posted in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

Chair Hintz introduced Mike Timmons to the MO/LI Committee. (Welcome Mike!)

APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA WITH THE ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS AT CHAIR'S DISCRETION—It was moved by Wolk, seconded by Rudolph, to approve the November 10, 2010 agenda, with the order of agenda items at Chair's discretion. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2010 MO/LIC MEETING—<u>It was moved</u> by Wolk, seconded by Rudolph, to approve the minutes of the September 29, 2010 MO/LIC meeting. Motion carried. (Mike Timmons abstained.)

UPDATE ON OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL—Corporation Counsel Brian Desmond distributed biographies on the following attorneys with legal expertise: Paul G. Kent; William P. Scott; William G. Thiel. Brian Desmond then asked the MO/LIC for direction. It was moved by Baier, seconded by Wolk, to set up a date to interview the 3 attorneys (Kent; Scott; Thiel). Furthermore, the MO/LIC directed Desmond to check with Ladysmith to see what legal counsel they had; and directed Brian Desmond and David Hintz to decide which attorneys to intereview. Motion carried.

Natalene Cummings stated that the Forest County Potawotomi used Godfrey Law Firm.

The MO/LIC decided that the best way to interview the attorneys (with mining expertise) would be in an interview every ½ hour, and that the entire MO/LIC could be involved in the interview process.

Gary Baier questioned if a DNR study would be appropriate before County Forest land withdrawal.

DRAFT LEASE PROPOSAL—Copies of the current lease proposal was distributed to the MO/LIC for review, and will also be sent to the attorneys to be interviewed.

LEASE / LEASING IDEAS AND CONCEPTS TO BE CONSIDERED ON FUTURE AGENDAS—attorney interviews; DNR County Forest land withdrawal process; Town of Lynne input; contact Gov. Walkers staff for input; contact Tim Tiffany and Jim Holperin for input.

UPDATE FROM MANNY ORADEI CONCERNING FOREST COUNTY'S WITHDRAWAL COSTS—Manny Oradei stated that Forest County never got that far, so there were no withdrawal costs or fees.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Alan Van Raalte liked the idea of interviewing the attorneys with expertise in mining. TAG member asked the estimated value of mining in Oneida County. Answer: \$2 billion gross. Tom Rudolph stated that he felt it would be the time to pursue Gov. Walker now for January 2011 concerning the Mining Impact Fund / Board and ask Gov. Walker to have the mining impact fund be put on his "to do" list.

BILLS / VOUCHERS / LINE ITEMS TRANSFERS (IF NECESSARY)—None.

SELECT DATE FOR NEXT MO/LIC MEETING—Friday, December 3, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., in Committee Room # 2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Court House, Rhinelander, WI

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS—Mining Attorney Interviews; DNR info on County Forest Land withdrawal process; Town of Lynne input; Gov. Walker's input; Tom Tiffany and Jim Holperin input.

ADJOURN—With business completed, it was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Wolk, to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m. Motion carried.

DAVID HINTZ	CINDY ECKARDT
COMMITTEE CHAIR	RECORDING SECRETARY