MINING OVERSIGHT / LOCAL IMPACT COMMITTEE (MO/LIC) MEETING MINUTES # 9—2011

DATE:	October 6, 2011
TIME:	1:30 p.m.
PLACE:	Committee Room # 2—2 nd Floor—Court House
	Rhinelander WI

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

OTHER ATTENDEES THAT SIGNED ROSTER: Anna Mareno; Troy Benzer.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER—Committee Chair Hintz called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m., noting that the meeting had been properly posted in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law. (Recorder did not work, so these minutes were not recorded.)

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

APPROVE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2011 MO/LIC MEETING—<u>It was</u> moved by Timmons, seconded by Wolk, to approve the minutes of the <u>September 8, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.</u>

UPDATED ACTION PLAN—Chair Hintz distributed copies of the Draft MO/LIC Action Plan.

--Sufficient interest expressed to proceed: Dave Schatzley inquired as to what exactly is sufficient interest. Baier and Rudolph felt that there was sufficient interest for the MO/LIC and the County Board to proceed. It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Wolk, to formalize the approach to proceed with the bidding process. Motion carried.

--Planned public information session: public information sessions planned tentatively for February 2012. (Note updated target dates on the draft action plan, and the addition of Tom Evans name to review documents, maps, etc.)

INTEREST EXPRESSED BY ADDITIONAL MINING COMPANY—Chair Hintz explained that Tamerlane Ventures and Josephine Mining Corp had originally expressed interest, and most recently, Aquila Resources Inc (Menominee MI), had expressed interest. Tom Quigley, President CEO of Aquila Resources Inc, was present to answer any questions the committee may have. Mr. Quigley noted that Aquila Resources Inc stated that they are an exploration company. Mr. Quigley also handed out a portfolio on their company, and expressed interest in Oneida County's bidding process.

IF AVAILABLE, REVIEW REVISED ONEIDA COUNTY MINING DOCUMENTS, CONTRACTS, LEASES, BID PACKAGES, ETC—Chair Hintz distributed copies of the Status Report—Oneida County Mineral Agreement Revisions. And Attorney Bill Scott went over Status Report via telephone conference and noted that the documents are close to completion of review and noted key changes. The agreement documents will be ready in approximately 2 weeks for the MO/LIC to review. (A copy of the Status Report attached hereto and made part of these minutes.)

Forest Director Bilogan suggested to have Tom Evans review the documents as well. And reminded the MO/LIC about the County Forest land withdrawal process.

Note: Agreement provision—exclusivity rights, as related to Lynne deposit. Limit to parcels in conjunction with Lynne mining project. Nearby lands (not contiguous parcels).

UPDATE ON STATE LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS AND CONTACTS—Chair Hintz stated that he learned that Bridget Haggerty is Gov. Walker representative, and facilitator of State Legislative issues, including State Funds possible availability. Tracy, Iron County Environmental Consultant, stated that the Dept. of Revenue is the department in charge of reactivating the fund board, but it's a difficult process and even submission of grant requests are a long shot. He suggested talking to Sen. Holperin.

PUBLIC COMMENTS—Karl Fate stated that he hadn't received transcripts from meetings yet and felt that public meetings are necessary; Josephine Mining Corp. had discrepancies; Aquila Resources is an exploration company and had red flags associated with it such as independent financial information needed to be researched. Mr. Fate went on to state the following three reasons: opposition in Lynne township; environmental nightmare; meager and questionable interest.

BILLS / VOUCHERS / LINE ITEM TRANSFERS (IF NECESSARY)—<u>It was</u> moved by Schatzley, seconded by Wolk, to approve payment of the following voucher: Gonzalez Saggio & Harlan \$2,833.75. Motion carried. No line item transfers.

SELECT DATE FOR FUTURE MEETING—October 21, 2011 at 1:30 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS—Review draft documents; update action plan; discuss updating County Board on bidding process.

ADJOURNMENT—<u>It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Timmons, to</u> adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m. Motion carried.

DAVE HINTZ COMMITTEE CHAIR CINDY ECKARDT RECORDING SECRETARY