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February 3, 1982.

Dear Tagak:

I am sending you this information so that you will have copies of everything we have done so far on the Resolutions and on the Proposal to get funding from the Territorial Government to get a Keewatin Regional Council started.

Louis Pilakapsi was out on the land so he did not sign them but he saw everything before it was typed and agreed to all of it. Since the plane was going over before he was coming back I had to get it to you unsigned.

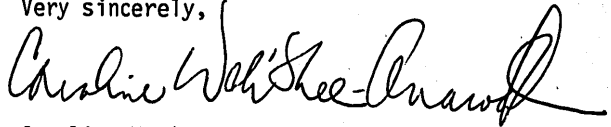
I will send you more information as we go along so you will know how we are coming along.

I am in the Hamlet Office and have been given some space in here to work so if you want to get hold of me you can phone 645-2895 in Rankin.

We are meeting this weekend with Frank Cserepy to present this proposal and we have just sent a copy to Mike Stilwell who is in Yellowknife this week.

I will let you know if we have any problems getting the funding, in case you can be of help.

Very sincerely,



Caroline Wah'shee-Anawak,
Executive Officer,
Keewatin Regional Body.

P.S. It might be of great assistance if you were to refer to both the Resolutions and to the attempts on our part to secure funding for a Keewatin Regional Council while you are speaking in Council during the next few weeks as many people may not be aware of these initiatives on the part of the Mayors. Please let us know if you do make reference to them.

February 4, 1982.

To: John Tinashlu
Lucassie Nakoolak
William Noah
Victor Sammuratok
Mark Kalluak
Eva Voisey
Louis Pilakapsi

I am sending you copies of all the resolutions that were made at the Mayors' Conference in Repulse Bay January 18-22. These resolutions are in English and Inuktitut.

I hope that you will read them and see if there are any changes that should be made. If you want to call me you can reach me at 645-2895 which is the Hamlet Office in Rankin Inlet.

It would be best if you could keep all the papers on the Mayors' Conference together in one file because I will also be sending you more material very soon. By keeping it all together it will be easy to bring it with you to the next Mayors' Meeting so we can review what has happened regarding action on each resolution.

I have also sent you a list of where these resolutions are going to be sent so you will know who is receiving them.

I would like to thank all the Mayors of the Keewatin for selecting me to work as Executive Officer for the Keewatin Regional Body. I will let all of you know what I am doing and will send you as much information as I can.

cc- Jagob Curley,
M.L.A.

Very sincerely,



Caroline Wah'shee-Anawak,
Executive Officer,
Keewatin Regional Body.

List of Suggestions as to where copies of the Resolutions should be sent.

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Resolution - Akaitcho Hall, Yellowknife

Minister of Education Keewatin Community Education Committees

Akaitcho Hall Keewatin M.L.A.'s Keewatin Superintendent of Education

Media Keewatin Hamlets Media

Resolution - N.W.T. Air

N.W.T. Air Air Transport Commission Ministry of Transport CalmAir

Chamber of Commerce Keewatin Hamlets K.I.A. Gov.t of N.W.T.

Keewatin M.L.A.'s Media

Resolution - Oil Spillage in Repulse Bay

Gov.t of N.W.T. P.O.L. Section Keewatin Hamlets Keewatin M.L.A.'s

Hunters and Trappers Association Keewatin Wildlife Federation Media

Resolution - Chesterfield Inlet Post Office Service

Canada Post Corporation Department of Communications Keewatin Hamlets

Gov.'t of the N.W.T. Keewatin M.L.A.'s Chamber of Commerce Media

Resolution - Keewatin Vehicle Purchases

D.P.W. Keewatin Hamlets Dept. of Local Government Keewatin M.L.A.'s

Dept. of Economic Development Keewatin Regional Director Media

Resolution - Housing Corporation Rental Scales

Housing Corporation Keewatin Hamlets Keewatin M.L.A.'s Media
Housing Associations Keewatin Regional Director Legislative Assembly

The above list indicates where Resolutions should be sent. If it is felt that other Departments, Agencies or Companies should also receive them, please let us know.

KEEWATIN MAYORS CONFERENCE

Repulse Bay, N.W.T.

January 18 - 22, 1981

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List of suggestions regarding
names of those who should
receive copies of the
resolutions.

AGENDA

MAYOR'S CONFERENCE

Repulse Bay, N.W.T.

January 18 - 22, 1981

1. Formation of a Regional Body
Information on Development of B.R.C. & Central Arctic Council
Discussion with B.R.C. representatives
K.I.A. and Land Claims' response on creation of a Regional Body
General Discussion.
Definitions and clarifications of legal authority and power
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Lack of consultation with the communities
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Motions and the Results
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Resolution Regarding Oil Exploration in Hudson Bay

Passed at the Keewatin Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay, N.W.T.
January 18 - 22, 1982

WHEREAS: The Canadian Occidental Petroleum Limited, Ontario Energy Corporation, SOGEPET and the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources signed a five year Exploration Agreement which took effect on January 1, 1982.

AND WHEREAS: There was no consultation with any of the communities which will be affected by such Oil Exploration

AND WHEREAS: Consultation is most necessary regarding the effects such Exploration Activities would have on sea wildlife which remains the main source of traditional food for the communities

AND WHEREAS: The Energy Mines and Resources department went ahead and consented to the Agreement without consulting with the communities or without conducting an environmental study in the affected area

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Federal Government, and in particular, the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs and Energy Mines and Resources be approached and meet with Inuit Tapirisat of Canada, Keewatin Inuit Association and/or the Mayors of the Keewatin.

and

That the Keewatin Inuit Association inform Inuit Tapirisat of Canada & to confirm the meeting with the above-named Federal Government Departments.

Motion Moved By: Louis Pilakapsi , Rankin Inlet

Motion Seconded By: Charlie Tinashlu, Repulse Bay

Motion Concerning Petition Against Oil Exploration

Passed at the Keewatin Mayor's Conference held in Repulse Bay, N.W.T.
January 18 - 22, 1982

The Mayors Conference in Repulse Bay urges all the residents who can sign in the Keewatin Region to oppose the Oil Exploration which is going to be conducted in the Hudson Bay through the signing of a petition. This exploration will destroy the livelihood of the Inuit people who depend on the sea creatures for their daily diets.

We, the Mayors want support from the seven communities in the Keewatin Region.

Motion moved by: Paul Quassa, Rankin Inlet

Motion seconded by: John Tinashlu, Repulse Bay

Resolution Concerning Cost of Living and Food Prices

Passed at the Keewatin Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay
January 18 - 22, 1982.

WHEREAS: Inuit in the N.W.T. have increasingly felt the impact of rising prices for goods and essential services which continue to rise steadily and has caused great difficulties

AND WHEREAS: The majority of Inuit are existing outside the wage economy as hunters trappers and carvers and these activities do not generate enough of an income to cope with such a rise in the cost of living

AND WHEREAS: Inuit who are employed also find it extremely difficult to maintain an adequate standard of living

AND WHEREAS: The N.W.T. Legislative Assembly directs the Department of Social Services to carry out programs to assist those Inuit who cannot receive enough income through other sources to sustain an acceptable standard of living, but whose efforts and amounts paid out to people have not kept pace with the steady rise in the cost of living

AND WHEREAS: The food prices and prices for essential goods and services have increased every year causing the general cost of living to increase

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That Federal and Territorial Government Departments responsible concentrate on finding the means to subsidize food and essential service prices in the N.W.T. ✓

AND

That the Legislative Assembly Special Committee on the cost of living consider ways of subsidizing food prices and certain goods in the N.W.T.

Moved by: John Arnaludjuak, Eskimo Point

Seconded by: Jack Kavitok, Rankin Inlet

Resolution Concerning CALMAIR

Passed at the Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay, N.W.T.
January 18 - 22, 1982

WHEREAS: The Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay officially invited the President of Calmair, ~~Morberg~~, to attend the Conference, to be presented by the Mayors the problem areas needed to be looked into and/or corrected by Calmair

AND WHEREAS: Calmair in ignorance or with complete disregard for our request sent in their ticket agent from Rankin Inlet to the Mayors Conference

AND WHEREAS: This has caused great dissatisfaction on the part of the Keewatin Mayors as they felt it useless to raise their concerns and enter into discussion of problem areas and receive answers on the level thought necessary with a guest who is merely a ticket agent.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that an apology letter be requested of Calmair and that it be sent to all Mayors in the Keewatin with respect to the inability of this airline to respond at the level warranted and the ignorance shown in delegating a much lesser authority to attend who lacked any form of decision making power.

AND

that the President of Calmair respond positively to the invitation to attend the next meeting of the Mayors

AND

that the Secretary of the Air Transport Committee be also invited to the next meeting of the Keewatin Mayors.

Moved by: Jack Kavito, Rankin Inlet

Seconded by: Mark Kalluaq, Eskimo Point

Resolution Concerning A Keewatin Regional Body

Passed at the Keewatin Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay
January 18 - 22, 1982.

WHEREAS: The Mayors of the Keewatin have discussed on a continuing basis, the creation of a Regional Body consisting of Mayors from the Keewatin Municipalities

AND WHEREAS: The Mayors feel that a stronger, more effective and united voice is required to meet the Municipalities' growing needs

AND WHEREAS: The Keewatin Mayors desire that this Regional Body would deal directly with the N.W.T. Legislative Assembly Executive Committee

AND WHEREAS: The Regional Government of the N.W.T., Keewatin Inuit Association and Keewatin Land Claims Committee are in full support of the formation of such a Regional Body

AND WHEREAS: The Mayors of the Keewatin wish to become a formally recognized political body.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mayors Conference call upon the Government of the N.W.T. to recognize officially, this Keewatin Regional Body.

AND

That the next meeting of Mayors be deemed to be the first meeting of the Keewatin Regional Council

AND

That a group of five Mayors be selected to draw up a proposed Constitution including rules and procedures which is to be then voted on at the Inaugural meeting of the Keewatin Regional Council.

AND

That an Executive Officer be hired on a Part-time basis to be later adjusted to full time when necessary, to co-ordinate the meetings and to provide administrative support. ✓

Moved by: William Noah, Baker Lake, N.W.T.

Seconded by: Peter Tapatai, Baker Lake, N.W.T.

Resolution Regarding Telephone System in the Keewatin

Passed as the Mayor's Conference held in Repulse Bay, N.W.T. on
January 18 - 22, 1983

WHEREAS telephone bills are always late due to the poor mail service and long distances to and from the billing Headquarters of the telephone company

and

WHEREAS Bell Canada has set up agents in various communities but this service has not improved over all service to the people of the Keewatin

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayors of the Keewatin Region in conference demand that Bell Canada establish an office in the Keewatin Region to improve service to the residents of this region. ✓

Moved by: Victor Sammurtok, Chesterfield Inlet

Seconded by:

Resolution Re Keewatin Regional Education Board

Passed at the Keewatin Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay
January 18 - 22, 1982.

WHEREAS: The Mayors Conference has discussed the problem relating to students attending community and high schools

AND WHEREAS: Problems were raised regarding students attending Yellowknife High School and a resolution was passed demanding an immediate inquiry into the living and working conditions within the Akaitcho Hall and Highschool facilities in Yellowknife

AND WHEREAS: Local Community Education Committees in the Keewatin find it necessary to take their concerns to organizations who possess more authority because the Education Committees feel they do not have enough power themselves to deal with issues. This situation makes it difficult for Education Committees to work together with other C.E.C.s in the Keewatin

AND WHEREAS: There is a Keewatin High School Education Board, dealing in planning for a High School in the Keewatin which will remain as a Board for a limit of 3 years.

AND WHEREAS: The Local Education Committees are looking for a Regional Education Committee

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mayors Conference urge the formation of a Regional Keewatin Education Board, consisting of all Chairman of Community Education Committees in the Keewatin and that this Board will have more authority to press for action to solve problems to do with education for Keewatin people. ✓

Moved by: Tungola Sandy, Coral Harbour

Seconded by: John Tinashlu, Repulse Bay

Resolution Re Establishment of a Boundary Commission

Passed at the Keewatin Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay
January 18 - 22, 1982

WHEREAS: Historically the Inuit of the Keewatin have always used the land south and due west of Eskimo Point, and Baker Lake and this fact is supported by the Land Use and Occupancy study conducted by Inuit Tapirisat of Canada.

AND WHEREAS: In the memory of present day Inuit, no Dene have used the land north of the boundary proposed by the Inuit Tapirisat of Canada in the Nunavut Proposal

AND WHEREAS: There are no existing Dene camps in the area north of this boundary

AND WHEREAS: The Legislative Assembly in their Bill 20-81 (3), "An Ordinance to Provide for the Holding of Plebescites", recognizes that a resolution to the boundary dispute must be found early. In this Ordinance the paragraph 3 of Schedule "A" reads as follows:
"If the Government of Canada agrees to divide the Northwest Territories, the Legislative Assembly will also request that a Federal Boundaries Commission be appointed to consult with the people of the Northwest Territories and to recommend the exact boundaries of the new territory "

BE IT RESOLVED: That we, the Mayors of the Keewatin duly elected by our constituents fully support the establishment of this Boundary Commission to resolve the problem ✓

AND

Should the Boundary Commission be unable to resolve the Boundary dispute to our satisfaction, that the Supreme Court of Canada be the forum for the final resolution to this boundary dispute.

Moved by: Jack Kavitok, Rankin Inlet
Seconded by: Simeonie Natserk, Repulse Bay

Resolution Re Akaitcho Hall, Yellowknife

Passed at the Mayors Conference in Repulse Bay
January 18 - 22, 1982.

WHEREAS: The Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay discussed the problems associated with students attending highschool in Yellowknife

AND WHEREAS: Problems exist in the following areas:

- a) Students at Akaitcho Hall are being persuaded to use drugs and alcohol by their peers and by having easy access to it while living under conditions of minimum supervision ✓
- b) Students personal belongings are being stolen due to inadequate supervision and support from the staff ✓
- c) Traditional foods are not being supplied on a regular basis and when requests are made by students, the food when served is not edible ✓
- d) Other problems which cause students to drop out of school ✓

AND WHEREAS: If these problem areas are not corrected this could jeopardize the education of our children.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mayors of the Keewatin Region, in conference demand that the Minister of Education conduct an investigation into the situations described above immediately with an emphasis on resolving these problems to the satisfaction of the parents, students and local community authorities. ✓

Moved by: Louis Pilakapsi, Rankin Inlet

Seconded by: John Tinashlu, Repulse Bay

Resolution Concerning N.W.T. Air

Passed at the Keewatin Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay, N.W.T.
January 18 - 22, 1982.

WHEREAS: Calmair is requesting an appeal to the Federal Government to revoke the N.W.T. Air's Licence which is operating presently from Winnipeg to Rankin Inlet,

AND WHEREAS: it has been brought out strongly by the Keewatin Communities more than once about the dissatisfaction of the air schedules of Calmair and that since starting, N.W.T. Air has provided very good service to the Keewatin, ✓

AND WHEREAS: Calmair did not consult the Keewatin communities when they decided to make such an appeal to the Federal Government, ✓

AND WHEREAS: Communities are now getting more efficient services with N.W.T. Air mainly between southern suppliers and their communities, ✓

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mayors' Conference urge the Federal Government and the Air Transport Committee to consider this move by Calmair unacceptable to Keewatin Mayors, ✓

AND That the Mayors of the Keewatin Region are in full support of the route N.W.T. Air now has, ✓

AND That it be known that the Mayors may choose to approach the Air Transport Committee to present their dissatisfaction with the stand Calmair wishes to take and to declare their opposition to the manner in which Calmair operates. ✓

Moved by: Louis Pilakapsie, Rankin Inlet

Seconded by: Charlie Tinashlu, Repulse Bay.

Resolution Concerning Oil Spillage in Repulse Bay

Passed at the Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay, N.W.T.
January 18 - 22, 1982

WHEREAS: There was an oil spill in Repulse Bay estimated at
approximately 80,000 gallons

AND WHEREAS: The Community of Repulse Bay retrieved as much of the
oil as possible before it reached the sea and through
whose efforts 20,000 gallons were collected

AND WHEREAS: This 20,000 gallons saved is no longer allowed for the
use of aircraft or heating fuel due to the fact it is
classed as insufficient for these purposes

AND WHEREAS: This fuel has been requested by a local person and has
been refused by the Government of the N.W.T.'s P.O.L.
Section

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mayors Conference request that this fuel,
saved by the people of Repulse Bay in the approximate
amount of 20,000 gallons be turned over to the Local
Hunters and Trappers Association for the purpose of
using it for Outpost Camps only. ✓

Moved by: John Tinashlu, Repulse Bay, N.W.T.

Seconded by: Simeonie Natserk, Repulse Bay, N.W.T.

Resolution Regarding Post Office in Chesterfield Inlet

Passed at the Keewatin Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay
January 18 - 22, 1982.

WHEREAS: The Mayors Conference discussed problems and concerns regarding the Post Office service in Chesterfield Inlet and the Mayors understand the concern that is felt by the people of Chesterfield Inlet

WHEREAS: The Post Office in Chesterfield Inlet does not offer full service in the following areas:

- 1) The people of Chesterfield Inlet cannot make out a money order nor can they receive C.O.D.s
- 2) Whenever parcels or letters containing money are sent to relatives they are often lost
- 3) Lack of a full range of services is hurting private business in the Hamlet

BE IT RESOLVED That the Mayors of the Keewatin Region request immediate attention be given to this problem and that full postal services be reinstated in Chesterfield Inlet by Canada Post Corporation as soon as possible.

Moved by: Louis Pilakapsi, Rankin Inlet

Seconded by: Mark Kalluak, Eskimo Point

Resolution Re Keewatin Vehicle Purchases

Passed at the Keewatin Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay
January 18 - 22, 1982.

WHEREAS: The Mayors of the Keewatin Region recognize that the present vehicles being purchased by the N.W.T. Government are not sufficient due to inadequate specifications for this region and the Conference recognizes the need for a good mobile vehicle fleet in the Keewatin Region

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mayors of the Keewatin Region urge the N.W.T. Government to purchase more adequately specified vehicles for this region than those presently used

AND That the Mayors of the Keewatin take part in the decision-making of the final choice of selection of such mobile units

AND That a request be made to the Minister of Economic Development and Tourism to inquire into the possibility of funding being made available for a private contractor to purchase a mobile vehicle fleet to be used on major construction projects throughout the Keewatin Region.

Moved by: Lucassie Nakoolak, Coral Harbour

Seconded by: Jack Kavitok, Rankin Inlet

February 4, 1982.

TO: Keewatin Mayors

FROM: Caroline Wah'shee-Anawak,
Executive Officer,
Keewatin Regional Body.

I am sending you copies of a Budget for February 1 to May 1 that we are presenting to the Department of Local Government which asks for money to begin work on setting up a Regional Council for the Keewatin.

A copy has been given to Frank Cserepy of Local Government and to Mike Stilwell, Regional Director. We will be hearing from them next week whether funds will be given to us.

I will contact you as soon as possible to let you know what is happening on this budget.

If you want to contact me, I am working in the Hamlet Office in Rankin Inlet, who have given me a space in which to work on these items.

Very sincerely,



Caroline Wah'shee-Anawak,
Keewatin Regional Body,
Executive Officer.

CC:
Jagor Cunley.

Resolution Re Canada Post Corporation

Passed at the Keewatin Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay,
January 18 - 22, 1982.

WHEREAS: The present Regional Post Office is located in Churchill and past performance has shown the people of the Keewatin that personnel there do not understand the unique problems encountered in mail delivery in the North

AND WHEREAS: A lot of mail seems to be lost in Churchill or misdirected to other communities thereby causing delay and hardship to Keewatin residents

AND WHEREAS: There now exists direct air service from Winnipeg to Rankin Inlet which could carry mail directly from the south and handle mail destined for the north

BE IT RESOLVED That the Regional meeting of the Mayors of the Keewatin urge the Canada Post Corporation to establish a Regional Post Office in Rankin Inlet as soon as possible offering the full range of Postal Services. ✓

Moved by: William Noah, Baker Lake

Seconded by: Louis Pilakapsi, Rankin Inlet

PROPOSAL

Submitted on behalf of the

Mayors of the Keewatin

Regarding A Resolution passed at the Mayors Conference held in Repulse Bay, January 18 - 22, 1982 dealing with the formation of a Keewatin Regional Council.

The Resolution calls for:

- a) Official recognition of the Keewatin Regional Body by the Government of the N.W.T.
- b) That the next meeting be deemed to be the first meeting of the Keewatin Regional Council
- c) That a group of five Mayors come together to draw up a proposed Constitution including rules and regulations which can voted upon at the Inaugural meeting of the Keewatin Regional Council.
- d) That an Executive Officer be hired on a Part-time basis to be later adjusted to a full-time basis when necessary, to co-ordinate the meetings and to provide administrative support.

It is felt that in order to achieve the official status of that of a Regional Council that item d) is necessary as soon as possible. A person is required to research and prepare information relating to the actual set-up of the Council and to have such information ready for the meeting of the five Mayors as outlined in item c).

This person will be given the responsibility of furthering the aims of the Mayors by following through on the distribution of minutes and resolutions from the January Mayors Conference.

In addition they will be expected to ensure that the various groups and organizations to whom minutes are sent and from whom action is requested, to such resolutions and to follow-up communications in this area.

The five Mayors outlined in the attached resolution will require that research be done in how to go about setting up a Regional Council it will be necessary to have a person who will confer by phone and meet with representatives from other Regional Councils prior to these five Mayors coming together in order that they may be presented with basic information and a suggested framework for organization to react to and comment on.

It will be necessary to have on-going communication by letter and phone with the Mayors of the Keewatin so they may be kept aware of progress being made on the above issues and at present, no funding exists to allow for such a person. It would be unfortunate if any one Hamlet had to bear the cost of communications, office space, travel, or salary especially in this initial stage.

Therefore, outlined below is a Proposal detailing the necessity of receiving funding to allow us to proceed in formally establishing such a Regional Council.

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| 1. Salary for one person to serve the Mayors of the Keewatin in the above manner | 13 weeks @ \$492.40/week | \$ 6,401.20 |
| 2. Stationary and Postal Expenses | | 1,000.00 |
| 3. Phone installation, rental charge and Long Distance charges | | 1,000.00 |
| 4. Rental of Office Space | | 1,200.00 |
| 5. Travel to confer with other Regional Councils and Resource People | | 5,800.00 |
| 6. Photocopying expenses | | 250.00 |
| 7. Commitment of funds by the Gov't. of N.W.T. to cover co-ordinating and travel, honourarium and translation expenses for meeting of | | |

the Five Mayors to draw up a proposed Constitution and for April meeting of Keewatin Mayors.

8. Interpreter/Translation expenses for material produced by Executive Officer named in 1. \$500.00

9. Miscellaneous

10. Financial Recording and Control - 3 hours per week @ 12.65 x12 weeks To be done by Hamlet of Rankin Finance Administrator \$455.40 We would like to submit this proposal to you on the understanding that an agreement may be reached to cover the above expenses and that this agreement be in effect until May 1, 1982 at which time you will again be approached by us and asked to enter into an agreement regarding funding from May 1, 1982 onward, according to the wishes of the Mayors of the Keewatin.

We would appreciate an early reply to the above proposal so that we may be satisfied that preparation can be underway to actually establish a Keewatin Regional Council so that progress on this particular resolution can be shown.

Total of budget for Feb. 1 - May 1 \$16,606.60

KEEWATIN REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

"The United Voice of the Keewatin Municipalities"

Below is a brief summary of why funding is required in the areas mentioned in the Budget Proposal.

1. **Salary:** Funding for an Executive Officer must be set at a level which will attract personnel with the required skills. Since no benefits or Settlement Allowance is being offered and the term of employment requiring funding is at this time from February 1 to May 1, it is necessary to offer the equivalent of Pay level 28 Step 1 (\$25,605.00) based on 1980 Pay Scales. Anything lower may serve as a deterrent to people interested in the job but who require security not at this time available.

Therefore the sum of the equivalent of three months salary at this Pay Level is required.

2. **Stationary and Post Expenses:** A great deal of materials will be mailed out to the seven Keewatin Communities as a result of the Mayors Conference including minutes, resolutions, replies to resolutions as well as sending all this material out in two languages which doubles the amount sent. In addition, on-going communications, reporting to Mayors and distribution of research done on administrative, legal, developmental reading materials and copies of other Regional Councils minutes, legislation and K.R.C. structure suggestions result in heavy mailing expenses. In addition purchasing of paper, envelopes, typewriter, cartridges (or type balls), stamps office chair, desk and one shelf are included in this expense. While we are at present grateful for the loan of a Government Typewriter, it does not work properly and also it may be requested back for other service. Similarly, a proper desk on which to type and work and accompanying chair is necessary as no such items exist at this time.
3. **Phone Installation, rental charge and Long Distance Calls:** There is a need to keep separate the calls placed by the Executive Officer on behalf of the Keewatin Regional Council from those of the Hamlet of Rankin Inlet for professional and bookkeeping purposes. This necessitates installing a phone and keeping a separate record of all long distance expenses incurred on it. The need to place such calls to Mayors and to those people with whom the Keewatin Regional Council deems it necessary to communicate and in situations where correspondence by mail would be time-consuming is recognized and included as an expense in this budget.
4. **The Mayor of the Hamlet of Rankin Inlet has suggested that the Executive Officer work within the Hamlet Office** so that direction and consultation can be given and carried out efficiently. The Hamlet wishes to make available such a work space for the Executive Officer and a set Office Space Rental Fee is outlined in the budget.
5. **Travel to confer with other N.W.T. Regional Councils and Resource People:** It is deemed necessary to undertake the following trips with regard to formation of the K.R.C.:

As outlined on Page # 1 of the Budget Rational, such close and valuable working relationships such as with the Baffin Regional Council necessitate travelling to meet with BRC officials in Frobisher and attendance at their Regional Council meeting to be held in Igloolik. In addition the Central Arctic Council meeting will also require an exchange of delegates as well. The need for an Executive Officer to travel to both the first meeting of Five Mayors and the April meeting in Baker Lake of the entire group of Mayors is also included in these figures.

All these trips detailed above comprise the total travel to be done within the three months budgeted for. We have included the cost of air fare, hotel accommodation and meals and incidental expenses following the guidelines for such travel in the Hamlet of Rankin Inlet By-law #36 as a reference point.

6. Photocopying Expenses: As outlined in No. 2, Stationary and Post Expenses, there will be a great deal of material to be sent to the seven communities relating to the K.R.C. The Hamlet of Rankin Inlet is agreeable to having their new photocopying machine used at the rate of 15¢ per copy. At this time we foresee approximately \$80.00 per month for use of this machine.
7. Government of the N.W.T. Commitment to fund the cost of Interpreters, Simultaneous Translation, Air Fare for Support Staff deemed necessary and Equipment for Regional Council Conferences in addition to covering the cost of travel for the delegates. This commitment is very important as we have not budgeted for these services as they are of short duration and require equipment and skilled personnel that we would not otherwise require.
8. Interpreter/Translation Expenses: The variety of material produced and collected will be of little value if it is not translated in an accurate and concise manner. Good translators and typists are difficult to find and those who do exist are quite busy. This item is most important as many Mayors do not speak English. The amount outlined in the budget allows for typed translation for material that is being sent to the Mayors or material that is being readied for the two meetings of the Mayors before May 1.
9. Miscellaneous: Because this is the first time the Mayors have ever tried to take it upon themselves the responsibility for setting up a Regional Council it is impossible to list all items and expenses that may be incurred. Therefore we are agreeable to a formula being worked out that would allow for expenses not yet identified above to be given consideration funding.

As stated earlier it is our desire that this budget cover the period of February 1 to May 1. After the first meeting of the Keewatin Regional Council it will be determined by the Mayors how they wish to proceed from there and the Government of the N.W.T. will be approached with a proposal to fund the Keewatin Regional Council from May 1 onward.

We respectfully submit this budget and ask that while reviewing our request that you keep in mind the fact that we endeavoured to keep expenses to a minimum attempting to undertake a great deal of work in a limited amount of time. We sincerely believe that in order for the Keewatin Regional Council to be established in the best way, that we must take the time to confer with other Regions and put in the time to study, travel and learn from them how we can function as a strong and united voice in the Keewatin Region.

Submitted on behalf of Keewatin Mayors

BUDGET RATIONALE

For many years now representatives of Keewatin Settlement and Hamlet Councils have expressed a need for the creation of a body that would represent their interests and allow them to speak on certain issues as a co-ordinated, united voice. As far back as the Keewatin Council Conference held in Coral Harbour in 1975 and the Repulse Bay Council Conference held in 1976 Hamlet and Settlement spokesmen voiced their dissatisfaction with the fact that they only met once per year and that funding and lack of organization meant that when an issue arose that might affect other communities it often was dealt with by communities on an individual basis rather than as a common concern.

It was noted that communities in the Baffin Region were, at that time also discussing this problem and it was with great interest that people in the Keewatin viewed the attempts on the part of Baffin people to form a body, set up on a Regional basis to meet these needs.

Baffin Island communities' attempt to find ways of structuring such a body are of immense value to Keewatin people and the lessons they have learned along the way and the years of careful thought and study could greatly enhance the effort being made now to establish a sound, efficient and responsible Keewatin Regional Council.

It is with this respect for their achievement in mind that we feel it to be urgent and necessary to undertake the setting up of a close working relationship in which we may closely examine the process undertaken, the structure devised and familiarize ourselves with key developmental, administrative, financial and legislative processes.

The Baffin Regional Council had made available to us two representatives who were to address the Mayors' Conference in Repulse Bay. Unfortunately due to weather this was not possible. However in two exchanges made by telephone this month they again expressed a willingness to offer their time and place at our disposal their personnel and facilities and the benefit of their knowledge, hindsight and future expansion designs and plans. Baffin Regional Council elected personnel also expressed a desire to exchange delegates for Regional Council Conferences and lend us personnel should further clarification be necessary.

Such an offer of support and assistance necessitates travel between the Keewatin and the Baffin Region to accomplish the above and promises to aid the Keewatin establishment of such a Council.

Discussion centering on how Baffin first began convinced us that delays and frustration they encountered could be avoided by proceeding directly to the stage of employing an Executive Officer possessing the ability to undertake the work necessary in the formation stage. We were told they wish they had proceeded in this manner also and regret that one and one half years elapsed before they succeeded in accomplishing this. Hence we have incorporated into our proposal funding and support items to enable such a person to operate at peak capacity to work effectively in this crucial fledging stage who can absorb as much as possible and present concise information to the meeting of the five Mayors as outlined in the Regional Council Resolution on which they will make decisions in principle to be then discussed during the April meeting of the first Keewatin Council Conference for refinement and formal acceptance.

Being fully aware that such a proposal is based on the belief that we are creating a separate and unique body and having Baffin advise us that other methods such as secondment of positions, partial secondment of personnel or benefits and or individual negotiations with various departments for this first phase which they undertook were time-consuming and frustrating, we decided to request these funds directly for this interim three month period and have included a framework and bookkeeping mechanism for describing the use and accounting for the use of these funds.

We believe this to be the most expeditious manner in which to proceed and serves also to demonstrate our desire to act in such a professional and responsible manner.

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