

#### MERTARVIK RELOCATION PROJECT

# **Steering Committee #13**

### **Meeting Notes**

December 14, 2017 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Teleconference Line: 1-866-866-2244 ID: 1949418#

**Participants:** Newtok Village Council, Newtok Native Corporation, Denali Commission, State of Alaska, HUD, DOWL

#### 1. Introductions

Denise Michels, Sally Russle-Cox, Romy Cadiente, George Carl, Don T, Colleen, Barret, Paul C. Joel N., Mike W., Andrew John, Glen Price, John Andy, Albertina Charles, Jimmy Charles, Simeon Teddy Tom, Daylen.

2. Steering Committee Meeting #13 Notes – Page 3. Correction. Randy should have been the one following up with Bill Z, not Colleen.

## 3. Newtok Updates

- a. Newtok Village Council
  - i. A lot of good stuff going on. Started off with FEMA folks. Discussed slow moving disasters. Also discussed the HMP (\$2.5 million and PDM \$500k) grants, which they vowed to help us with. They understand it is in the que. We discussed the EIS. Essentially, they acknowledged that slow moving disasters is probably a response to. If we do not receive the HMP or PDM funding, Mike suggests that we submit a disaster of declaration for the four homes and the watering point, which is similar to a hurricane heading to the coast.
  - ii. Sally stated that Brian Fisher shared that the Newtok and Fort Yukon were sent to FEMA for review. Brian Fisher stated that the SOA is putting more than the 75%
  - iii. USDA they have an IT emergency grant. Can we submit? Colleen suggests treading carefully with USDA. There is a report out there NRCS that is probably two years old. It says that it is not an IT.
  - iv. DOD visit to the Pentagon. The community is in the que. The approach to the applicant that is in the que is different than those that are not in the que. We need to put together a marketing approach for packet.
  - v. Congressman Young offered to intervene with a reduced rate for barge shipping.
  - vi. USACE They get plus ups. For the last several years, they get plus ups. The plus ups get allocated based on USACE Priorities. They encouraged us to work with a local battalion to give a briefing of the project.
  - vii. DOWL take the work that we did for the MIP and extend out to 2021 and 2022.
  - viii. Andrew John reported out on the CVRF. Director provided verbal commitment to help out in the amount of \$1 million for their CVRF shop.



The CVRF building is to be construed in 2020. Andrew will work to get this in writing.

### b. Newtok Native Corporation

- i. Glen Price At one point when Larry Charles was in the corporation, we set up a non-profit relocation fund. Setting up a non-profit might be more attractive for folks. Might attract some national attention. Mike W. stated that they did have some discussions of the philanthropic options. We really do not want to set up a non-profit since the tribe is a non-profit. We talked to BCF to set up a go-fund account. Look into this.
- ii. Jimmy wants to meet with Geln Price to Mike W. NNC and NVC to discuss further details about the gravel sales agreement if there is going to be any discussion about.
- iii. Andrew Received a phone call from Japan congratulating about the work.

### 4. DOWL Status Report

- a. Barracks Report:
  - i. Bettisworth wants the schedule for final deliverable to be extended to February 15th.
- b. MEC RFP Results
  - i. Joel to take the lead on getting the PPA with USACE.
  - ii. Send Don A. the MEC RFP.
  - iii. Need to look into using the Bruce Grant for the training component of the MFC
  - iv. Don what are the precursors for the MEC? None.
- c. Crusher Repair RFP deadline 12/15
- d. Quarry Development
  - i. Mike W. quarry development plan has not been provided.
  - ii. Denise asked about GEI negotiating with Calista. Mike stated that it's just a back ground discussion. Mark was to discuss with Brice to see if Calista will even go forward.
  - iii. Our options are 1) Need to acquire the Calista Rock through negotiation.
    2) Or we find another rock deposit to be used. 3) Bring in rock from another source. Urgent need for barracks project. Denise will provide quantities for the Calista negotiations. Mike recommended that DOWL/NVC/NNC proceed. Calista has made it crystal clear that they do not want to develop the quarry because it would be in competition with Platinum.
  - iv. John Andy I Would like to see in black and white writing what the options are what areas we need to look into and discuss it firmly and understand it. If there is another area that we need to approach, I would like to see the list. Glen echo what Mike W. said, they were forward about.
  - v. Don stated that we need to have a quarry plan. We need to look at the alternatives, and provide recommendations.
- e. LTRP/TTSP Update



- 5. Agency Reports
  - a. State of Alaska
    - i. Sally will update the funding sheet.
    - ii. Sally mentioned that there is a website developed. She will update information as it becomes available.
    - iii. Sally will talk to Melisa about math for the Barracks.
  - b. Denali Commission
    - i. Barracks
      - 1. We have \$4.5 million identified for the barracks.
      - 2. The NVC will be approaching the state for matching funds for the barracks.
      - 3. We need to identify the other funding by February.
      - 4. Dewayne Cooper has been calling NVC requesting updates, and providing updates regarding other tribes.
    - ii. Power Plan B
      - 1. AEA is actively working to develop the Plan B. Module ~\$1.3
      - 2. We have a \$1 for the project.
      - 3. We need to identify the other \$300k.
      - 4. We plan to put it out to bid to build the module in February.
    - iii. IRT Do not consider IRT viable for 2018. Joel recommends that we have one contractor to do the shipping and procurement. DOWL will prepare the solicitation package. The NVC needs to consider this and put it in front of the NVC.
    - iv. Defense Logistics Don will take the lead on working with Defense Logistics and see what action items are needed.
  - c. HUD
  - d. BIA
- 6. Financial & Funding Issues
  - a. Master Budget (attached)
  - b. Accounting Services RFP deadline 12/15, scoring 18, selection meeting 19
  - c. Grant Applications
  - d. Funding Gaps
  - e. Budget Sheet Need to make the report out by project. What project, Funding amount, funding remaining, and funding needed.
- 7. Closing Comments