

MINUTES OF THE 23 MARCH 2022 MEETING OF THE INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE (IAC) ON THE RESTORATION OF THE OCCIDENTAL MINDORO RIVERS AND ITS TRIBUTARIES

Conducted via Zoom

On 23 March 2022 at 2:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Hon. Governor Eduardo B. Gadiano
OIC, DENR MIMAROPA – RED Laura Mylene Claudio
DENR MIMAROPA - ARD Vince Tugao
EMB - RD Joe Amil M. Salino
EMB MIMAROPA – Atty. Yuri Jurado
DPWH - Atty. James Corwin S. Custodio
MGB MIMAROPA – Grace G
MGB – RD Edwin Mojares
Occidental Mindoro Legal Officer – Atty. Tirso Augustus Abeleda II

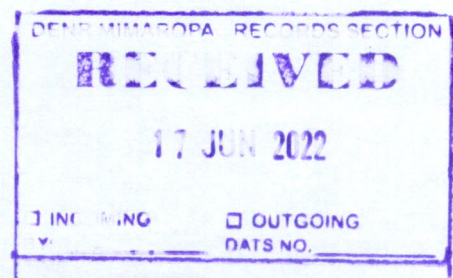
ALSO PRESENT:

Consultant, Office of the Governor of Occidental Mindoro – Regina Unson
IAC Secretariat – Atty. Xavier Alexen R. Aseron

The Hon. Governor Eduardo B. Gadiano (Hon. Gov. Gadiano) called the meeting to order and presided over the same. Atty. Xavier Aseron (Atty. Aseron), the IAC Secretariat, recorded the minutes of the meeting. PGOM Secretariat started the meeting with a prayer.

The Hon. Gov. Gadiano then enumerated the agenda for the meeting as follows:

1. Status of Dredging Plans of Amnay River, Paluan River, Mompong River, Baclaran River and Pagbahan River
2. DPWH Letter dated February 9, 2022 in relation to proposed IAC resolution No. 14 series of 2022
3. Status of PERCC, Bird's Nest and Vikings
4. Other issues and Concerns



The presented agenda was unanimously approved by the IAC members present and no objections were raised.

The meeting then proceeded with the adoption of the minutes of the 11 January 2022 meeting of the Inter-Agency Committee on the restoration of the Occidental Mindoro Rivers and its Tributaries (IAC Committee). The Hon. Gov. Gadiano just pointed out that the last minutes should have reflected the 29 December, 2021 minutes and asked for its correction.

Upon motion duly made by Atty. Custodio and seconded by RD Mojares, the IAC members who were present unanimously approved the following resolution:

“RESOLVED, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, that the IAC members present unanimously voted that the Previous Minutes of the IAC Meeting held on 11 January 2022 has been duly approved.”

Hon. Gov. Gadiano proceeded to initiate discussions regarding item number one in the agenda. Atty. Custodio mentioned that the status of the dredging plan for Salagan, Paluan, and Mongpong river are referred to the planning and design department of DPWH last 2021, it is still for review. Meanwhile for Amnay and Busuanga rivers, it is being approved with the Central Office but it is still under review because it was observed that there are deficiencies. Atty. Custodio also gave updates regarding the applicants: Joint venture of Melekon Contractors, Inc. and Silverwolves Construction Corp. passed the technical and financial review but has yet to be assigned a specific large river, same goes for Pacific Concrete Products, Inc. They have yet to pass their dredging plan. Bluemaxx Tradelink Inc. (Bluemaxx) on the other hand has a request to include the offshore/river delta in their dredging activity but said request was denied because their dredging plan did not include the offshore area they are requesting. Discussions then proceeded to the coverage area of the river dredging zone. The different members discussed about Bluemaxx's coverage of the offshore area. It was stated that Bluemaxx's application is not covered by DAO 2020-12, which is the reason why it cannot include the offshore area in its dredging zone. Gov. Gadiano stated that a letter will be given to Bluemaxx to coordinate with the DENR, EMB and other government agencies with regard to dredging the mouth of the river and the possible requirements.

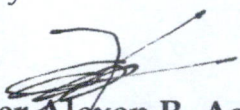
Gov. Gadiano then proceeded to discuss the second agenda, regarding the DPWH Letter dated 9 February 2022 in relation to proposed inter-agency resolution No. 14 series of 2022. Gov. Gadiano stated that a letter will be sent to St. Gerard asking them which of the proponents are they really in a joint venture with.

For the third agenda, Gov. Gadiano stated that the status of PERCCC, Bird's nest and Vikings has already been resolved.

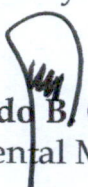
Gov. Gadiano then proceeded to the fourth agenda, other issues and concerns. The letter of Bird's Nest Resource Corporation was discussed. It was stated that Bird's Nest should just refile their application to meet the requirements. Atty. Custodio discussed that Vikings also had a letter stating that they changed partners and that the vessel they pledged has been changed. Atty. Custodio stated that R.V. Laborte Builders (Laborte) has not yet complied with their financial requirements and they haven't submitted their new partner. Atty. Custodio also stated that the documents that Laborte submitted are doubtful and still under review, newer and more updated documents are requested from Laborte.

There being no other matters to discuss, Gov. Gadiano adjourned the meeting.

Prepared by:


Atty. Xavier Alexen R. Aseron
IAC Secretariat

Attested by:


Eduardo B. Gadiano
Occidental Mindoro Governor