

Ministry of Transport, Energy and Tourism
FASNETT 3rd Boarding Meeting Minutes.
Dr Sir Tomasi Puapua Convention Center
Vaiaku, FUNAFUTI.
29th October, 2019

Presents;

1. Levan Bouadze RR UNDP Pacific Office
2. Kevin Petimi Team Leader RSD
2. Siemai Apinelu Assistant Secretary MPWIE
3. Mafalu Lotolua TEC General Manager
4. Tele Siamua Ag Director of Energy
5. Kalepou Tili Kaupule Funafuti.
6. Seveleni Kapua UN Programme Coordinating Officer
7. Reuben Kausea Department of Environment
8. Paul Petueli DBT
9. Ioane Timaiio DRD
10. Silaati Tofoola MFED
11. Peau Taasi PMU
12. Sulufaiiga Uota PMU

1. The meeting was opened by welcome remarks from the Chairperson Ms Siemai Apinelu followed by remarks from Levan Bouadze Resident Representative UNDP Pacific Office in Suva who also declare official open of the meeting followed with a prayer by Sulufaiiga Uota.
2. Chairperson Siemai has started the discussion of the agenda.

Annual Work Plan 2020

- 3.1 Mafalu proposed for the Board to approve, if the AWP 2020 could be the first item to discuss because Tele and himself are travelling on today's flight to Suva.
- 3.2 The Board approves; Mafalu's proposal for item on AWP 2020 to be discussed first since Tele and himself are travelling on today's flight. And DOE and TEC a the two main implementing parties of the project.
4. Mafalu has proposed for the budget to be increased, in this way. He suggested for the big ticket item such as Floating Solar Photovoltaics to be included in the next year AWP. In this way the Project's delivery accelerates well by its second year, and we are left with smaller ticket items for the final two years of the Project.

4.1 The Board approves the proposal PMU to make changes to the AWP 2020 i.e inclusion of big ticket items to accelerate the delivery. Additionally he also suggested to include some funds for the DBT in relation to financing of EB equipment.

5.1. The delay in the activities delivery; there is a need for a Project Coordinator as stipulated in the Project Document. Mafalu proposed for a Coordinator to be recruited to work along in the delivery of the activities.

5.2 The Board approves the proposal for a Coordinator to be recruited to oversee the technical side of the project.

5.3 Paul made a proposal for FASNETT PMU to work together with DBT in relation to the Public Awareness on RE and EB. In this regard they will advocate for the lending windows exist in the Bank, as way of encouraging the public to utilize the funds. The Board approves this proposal.

5.4 Mafalu has also suggested if PMU and FASNETT to communicate with Cook Is and Palau's existing programs on EB finance. They have a very effective plan where the public access it well.

6.1 Mid Term Review was planned for September-October 2020. Mafalu proposed if it could be shifted to 2nd QRT of 2020. MTR is very important to enable PMU to locate our position in our delivery since the start of the project. The Board approves MTR to be shifted to 2nd QRT of 2020.

6.2 This is a reminder from Kevin, if the delivery goes well the Board can meet to work upward. The necessary consultations required to be delivered this year should be delivered by end of the next month.

In the same manner, the chair has also reminding TEC, DOE and DBT to work closely and in harmony for effective results.

Funaoia Stand Alone Solar System

7.1 Update from the Project is funded under India Development Fund; the project is to install a solar stand-alone solar system on Funaoia, and there is also VHF to be installed along the solar stand alone .

- At the moment it is designing phase and almost complete, it will go out for tender for installation.
- Expected time for installation will be end of next month or early next year.
- Electricity and refrigeration can be powered by this Stand Alone system.
- Kaupule Nukufetau is the main contact for this project.
- Chair was asking for TOR of this project, and she was reminded that the project is entirely managed by the Board of TEC.

- Business venture on the islet are vegetables gardening and pigery and local oil production. The Chair has asked TEC GM if a report from what has happened on the islet to be shared, the Kaupule when once asked for a report, however when asked they assumed everything.

2nd Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting has to be chaired by Kevin since Chair Madame is attending to something urgent.

8.1 Silati proposed for the minutes to have page numbers on.

8.2 PMU delay in activities to be well monitored.

8.3 The Board members approve the minutes and adopted with provision to 6.1 for remote community; Niulakita is no longer included in the list. Because there is only one off-grid box budgeted for in the Pro Doc and this will be Funafala, Funafuti.

8.4 PMU is reminded to communicate property diligence well to the communities, what would be the benefits the communities are getting from the Government investment in this project. So during the public awareness programs it is good property diligence should be made clear to the communities.

CDI Water treatment

9.1 Sulfaiga proposed for the Board to approve CDI, this is a water treatment which used low carbon to be installed along the off grid box. Some description of the technology has been shown on the wall. The Board approves this to replace the desalination that to go along with the off grid box.

Presentation by PMU

10.1 Revision of budget as per the advice from country officer. A proposal made to re look into this and to be tabled on the discussion to take place on Monday on Skype.

AOBs

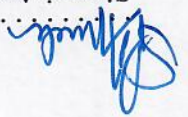
Paul; proposed the Board meeting with stakeholders before the files are distributed some 2 days prior of the meeting.

Silati; Report monthly/quarterly to be copied to the Planning office.

Chair: She reminds PMU for the board papers to be ready for the board members a week before.
And she thanks everyone for making themselves available for the meeting.

Meeting closed at 1.25 pm

Siemai Apinelu/Kevin Petimi
Chairperson/s



Date

8th January 2020