FINANCE COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, September 24, 2013

PLACE: Four Points Sheraton

100, Rice Street Edmundston, NB

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF MEETING

1. Call to order

Chairman, Pierre Michaud, called the meeting to order at 5:10p.m., and welcomed the committee members.

Members attending	
Mr. Pierre Michaud, president	Mayor of Clair
Mr. Carmel St-Amand, vice-president	Mayor of Saint-Léonard
Member absent	
Mr. Luc St-Jarre	Representing the LSD
Staff attending	
François Picard	General Manager

2. Income statement

The General Manager presented an income statement from January 1, 2013, to June 30, 2013, and an estimate as at August 31, 2013.

The results for the four services were reviewed and discussed. Despite measures during the fiscal year to rectify certain problems with the 2013 budget, some operations may show a deficit at the end of the fiscal year.

It was suggested that the income statement be sent to Board members before the September 25, 2013, meeting.

3. Budget

The General Manager mentioned that we will be the fourth RSC to have presented a budget in September.

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For the September 25 presentation, he suggested that committee members present the executive summary of the 2014 budget as a comparison to the 2013 budget and identify the main points to be considered.

A copy of the entire 2014 budget will also be given to Board members with the related budget summary.

The GM presented a draft motion of intention to vote on the budget and proposed the date of November 13, 2013, in order to comply with the 45-day period. He also mentioned that he had received approval today from the Department of the Environment and Local Government to present the 2014 budget with a two-year transition period that would allow municipalities to adjust more easily to the increases, with the goal of uniform rates in 2015.

The committee proposed presenting both tables, the one called for in the *Regional Service Delivery Act*, based essentially on the tax base, and the one for the transition.

The General Manager told committee members that a meeting had taken place with the mayor of the Rural Community of Saint-André to evaluate the possibility of RCSA reconsidering RSC#1 North West's inspection service.

4. Adjournment

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FRANÇOIS PICARD
General Manager

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman at 8:30p.m.