



GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, January 29, 2014

PLACE: Community Room – Municipal Building

Rivière-Verte, NB

TIME: 7:00p.m.

MINUTES OF MEETING # 10

1.2. Attendance and call the meeting to order

The meeting came to order at 7:05p.m. Chairman, Mr. Pierre Michaud, welcomed everyone and he noted the presence of our invited guests.

Members attending

Blanchard, Doris

Caron, Francine

Cyr, Gérard

Desjardins, Allain

Dubé, Roland

Keeley, Richard

Labrie, Louis

LeBlond, Michel

Levesque, Roger

Martel, Alain

Michaud, Pierre, President

Nadeau, Alpha

Rioux, Cyril

Roy, Paul

Simard, Cyrille (from point 7 of the agenda)

Sirois, Jocelyn

St-Amand, Carmel, Vice-President

St-Jarre, Luc

Members absent

Somers, Nicole

Staff attending

Picard, François

Hudon, Pascal

Rioux, Nicole

Invited guests :

Mr. Bruno Cyr, Coordinator of regional emergency measures management

Mr. André Leclerc, Ph.D., Professor of Economics, UMCE

Members of the press:

D'Amours, Chantal, CJEM

Fournier, Gilles, Info Weekend

Department of Environment and Local government

Mayor of Baker Brook

Mayor of Saint-François

Mayor of Rural Community of Saint-André

Mayor of Saint-Hilaire

Mayor of Grand Falls

Representing the LSD

Mayor of Rivière-Verte

Mayor of Sainte-Anne de Madawaska

Representing the LSD

Mayor of Clair

Mayor of Lac Baker

Mayor of Drummond

Representing the LSD

Mayor of Edmundston

Representing the LSD

Mayor of Saint-Léonard

Representing the LSD

Deputy Mayor of Saint-Quentin

General Manager

Assistant Manager, Planning Services

Administrative Assistant – Head Office

3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No. 1

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Luc St-Jarre, seconded by Mr. Roland Dubé and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED To accept the agenda for the general meeting of January 29, 2014, as presented.
MOTION CARRIED

4. Minutes of general meeting of December 18, 2013 for approval

Motion No. 2

Upon motion duly made by Mrs. Francine Caron, seconded by Mr. Allain Desjardins and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED To accept the minutes of the general meeting of December 18, 2013 as distributed.
MOTION CARRIED

5. Minutes of Finance committee meeting of January 21, 2014

Motion No. 3

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Carmel St-Amand, seconded by Mr. Louis Labrie and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED To accept the minutes of the Finance committee meeting of January 21, 2014 as distributed.
MOTION CARRIED

6. Business arising from the minutes of meeting

None.

7. Correspondence Report

It was recommended that in the future to send the correspondence report by e-mail a few days before the meeting.

Motion No. 4

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Gérard Cyr, seconded by Mr. Paul Roy and with one abstention (Mr. Richard Keeley), it was

RESOLVED To accept the correspondence report as distributed. **MOTION CARRIED**

8. Motions

a) Terms renewal for the members of the Revision and planning committee

Motion No. 5

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Louis Labrie, seconded by Mr. Jocelyn Sirois and unanimously adopted, it was

MOVED TO accept renewal of the terms for Messrs. Alain Martel, Luc Sirois and Michel Laroche for a period of four years expiring on December 31, 2017.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Transfers of funds

Motion No. 6

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Roland Dubé, seconded by Mr. Allain Desjardins and following one abstention (Mr. Richard Keeley), it was

RESOLVED That for Planning and Inspection services, RSC#1 authorize transferring \$4,074.75 from account 29434 ES-2 and \$9,927.00 from account 29434 ES-3 to RSC#1's current account, folio 29434, to reimburse municipalities for permits for the months of October to December 2013. This transfer will be approved by two signing officers, including Messrs. François Picard and Carmel St-Amand, by Internet using the Caisse populaire's Accès D online system.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion No. 7

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Luc St-Jarre, seconded by Mr. Jocelyn Sirois and with one abstention (Mr. Richard Keeley), it was

RESOLVED That for Planning and Inspection services, RSC#1 authorize closing all of the Planning 7485 and Inspection 7496 services accounts at the Caisse populaire la Vallée and transferring the balances to RSC#1's current account 29434 to reimburse the LSDs for a total of \$53,622.00 after review and approval by the Province of New Brunswick of the financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2012 of the La Vallée District Planning Commission.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion No. 8

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Louis Labrie, seconded by Mr. Gérard Cyr and with 2 abstentions (Messrs Richard Keeley and Cyrille Simard), it was

RESOLVED that for waste management services, RSC#1 authorize closing all of the Solid Waste services 6292 accounts at the Caisse populaire du Madawaska and transfer the balances to RSC#1's current account 29434.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion No. 9

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Michel Leblond, seconded by Mr. Roland Dubé and with one abstention (Mr. Richard Keeley), it was

RESOLVED That for waste management services, RSC#1 authorize writing off the non-recoverable accounts already funded in full in previous years:

• #181 Couturier Entreprises Limitée	\$ 3,930.58 bad debt
• #140 Couturier Vidangeur	\$11,705.85 bankruptcy
• #207 MRS Metal Recycling Services	\$ <u>1,127.72</u> bankruptcy
Total	<u>\$16,764.15</u>

MOTION CARRIED

Motion No. 10

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Allain Desjardins, seconded by Mrs. Francine Caron and with one abstention (Mr. Richard Keeley), it was

RESOLVED That for waste management services, RSC#1 authorize opening two Canadian accounts at the Royal Bank of Canada.

- Capital reserve fund - waste
- Capital reserve fund – Biogas

MOTION CARRIED

9. Presentation by André Leclerc, Ph.D., Professor of Economics, UMCE

Our guest, Dr. André Leclerc, is a professor of Economics at UMCE and holds the Caisses Populaires Acadiennes Chair in Management of Co-operatives at U. de Moncton. He discussed regional collaboration and stated that any organization that allows municipalities to collaborate represents an important economic development tool. Municipalities are major economic players and will always be a support for development initiatives. According to Dr. Leclerc, a new generation of entrepreneurs are defining themselves and they need to be afforded the means to develop. As players, municipalities will play an increasingly important role provincially. Since 2007, municipal spending and investments have grown by an average of 5.9% per year. Municipalities are responsible for all sorts of issues. At the RSC level, these include public safety, land-use planning, waste management, etc.

From his point of view, municipalities need to show the public that regional collaboration is both possible and positive. This collaboration already exists in the business world and needs to be demonstrated in the municipal sphere. We need to find ways to build scenarios and develop a winning environment for everyone around the table.

Dr. Leclerc challenged members to build a service delivery model for land-use planning and emergency measures and find a model that will allow them to continue to work together. There isn't just one solution, but multiple solutions for service delivery based on individual expertise in each of the services. Members will have to be patient, because you can't invent regional collaboration in two weeks. First you need to establish a climate of trust, and success and cooperation are what will establish it. The great advantage of the RSC model is that risks are shared. Dr. Leclerc's presentation will be emailed to members in a few days.

10. Presentation by Mr. Bruno Cyr, Coordinator of regional emergency measures management for RSCs 1 and 12

According to Chairman Pierre Michaud, each municipality has to endorse an emergency measures plan by 2015. The municipalities have to set objectives and timelines. The chairman introduced Mr. Bruno Cyr, who has been in office since 2013. Mr. Cyr said that he gained experience in his new job rapidly, relating all that has happened from December 21 to today, including the ice storm, the train derailment in Plaster Rock, flooding in the southern part of the province and the derailment in Saint-Basile.

In his presentation, Mr. Cyr explained the powers of the Department of Public Safety and stated that we need an emergency plan to protect New Brunswickers.

Mr. Cyr listed the powers of the municipalities. In the emergency measures planning process, municipalities first need to adopt a municipal bylaw. They have to appoint a permanent committee of council and appoint a coordinator of emergency measures management and the planning committee. The coordinator has to have training to fulfill his or her role in the case of a disaster. After these steps, the municipality can consult Mr. Bruno Cyr to complete the emergency measures plan, which has to be ready for May 2015 and reviewed annually. The municipal plans will become part of the regional plan. A copy of Mr. Cyr's presentation will be emailed out shortly. The RSC's role in this matter is that of facilitation.

11. Other Business

None

12. Adjournment

Motion No. 11

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Louis Labrie, it was

RESOLVED To adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

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Pierre Michaud
President / Chairman

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François Picard
General Manager