

FINANCE COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, April 29, 2015

PLACE: Four Points Sheraton Edmundston

100, Rice Street, Edmundston, NB

TIME: 4:00p.m.

MINUTES OF MEETING

1. Called the meeting to order

Chairman Pierre Michaud, called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m., and welcomed everyone.

Members attending

Mr. Pierre Michaud, Chairman Mayor of Clair

Mr. Carmel St-Amand, Vice-President Mayor of Saint-Léonard Mr. Luc St-Jarre Representing the LSD

Staff attending

François Picard General Manager

2. Nomination committee

The GM informed the members present that a nominating committee will have to be set up before the annual meeting. The GM asked to be advised when the committee is formed.

3. Day of reflection on local governance – RDS - Funds

The GM gave a report on what was being done with the abovementioned activity. Messrs. Jean-Guy Finn, André Leclerc and Frederick Dion confirmed that they would be speakers at the conference. As discussed at the Board of Directors meeting on March 23, an application for financial assistance was sent to the government authorities asking for \$5,500.

The GM emphasized that the success of this type of day is based largely on the participation of a large number of mayors, councilors, GMs and administrative assistants and representatives of local service districts. Mr. Doris Blanchard will be asked to pay for the LSD representatives who sit on advisory committees and to follow up with them about their participation. Anyone interested in local governance will be welcome.

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4. Job offer - Urban planner

The GM said that three candidates for this position would be interviewed on May 6.

5. Planning Review Committee

The GM mentioned that an email was sent on April 27, 2015, to the members of the Board of Directors to ask whether they would be supporting amendments to the map of the territory and the addition of new members to the Planning Review Committee.

To keep the committee operational and avoid delays in making decisions that come under this committee's jurisdiction, a motion was included in case the Board members were supportive.

6. Five-year plan for Solid Waste Services

Offers of service from Roy Consultants: The GM distributed offers of service to committee members and asked them to familiarize themselves with them for a future meeting.

The GM said that the offer of service concerning optimization of human resources for Solid Waste Services did not meet the Finance Committee's requirements and definitely will have to be revised.

He also suggested that the members might want to meet with the firm in question to clarify the work to be done. The director of Solid Waste Services would also be present.

7. <u>Financial statements as at December 31, 2014 – draft from Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton</u>

The GM advised the committee members that he had received that day a first version of the financial statements as at the end of December 2014 from RCGT and would make a copy for members of the committee.

For NWRSC's second year of operation, the 2014 balance sheet is positive and will certainly meet the Board members' expectations.

A meeting with Mr. Éric Long from RCGT is scheduled for May 7, 2015, so that he can make a presentation to the members of the Finance Committee.

8. Regional airport

The GM mentioned that the NWRSC committee had scheduled a first meeting with Aéroport Madawaska Airport for May 7, 2015, before the meeting with the accountants.

It will take place at 10:00 a.m. at the office of MMEDC (Madawaska Maliseet Economic Development Corporation).

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The Chair repeated that it was a very important meeting and that we should all look out for the benefit of the region and join together to find win-win solutions.

9.	<u>Adjournment</u>	

The meeting was adjourned by the pres	sident at 6:45p.m.
PIERRE MICHAUD	FRANÇOIS PICARD
President / Chairman	General Manager