



GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 31, 2016
PLACE: Community Room – Municipal Building
Rivière-Verte, NB
TIME: 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF MEETING # 20

1.2. Attendance and call meeting to order

The meeting came to order at 4:05 p.m. chairman, Mr. Pierre Michaud, he welcomed everyone

Members attending

Banville, Conrad
Caron, Francine
Cyr, Gérard
Desjardins, Allain
Dubé, Roland
Labrie, Louis
LeBlond, Michel
Levesque, Roger
Martel, Alain
Michaud, Pierre, Chairman
Ouellette, Renaud
Rioux, Cyril
Roy, Paul
Simard, Cyrille
Somers, Nicole
St-Amand, Carmel, Vice-President
St-Jarre, Luc

Absent

Martin, Brigitte

Staff attending

Picard, François
Rioux, Nicole

Guests from 4:00 p.m. to 4 :40 p.m.

Thériault, Normand

Nadeau, Réginald
Soucy, Paul-Émile
Thériault, Robert

Guest from 6:00 p.m. to 8:10 p.m.

Connie Courcy

Councillor for Lac Baker
Mayor of Baker Brook
Mayor of Saint-François
Mayor of the Rural Community of Saint-André
Mayor of Saint-Hilaire
Representing the Local Service District (LSD)
Mayor of Rivière-Verte
Mayor of Sainte-Anne de Madawaska
Representing the LSD
Mayor of Clair
Deputy mayor of Grand Falls
Mayor of Drummond
Representing the LSD
Mayor of Edmundston
Mayor of Saint-Quentin
Mayor of Saint-Léonard
Representing the LSD

Representing the LSD

General Manager
Administrative Assistant – Head office

President of *Coopérative d'investissement du
Nord-Ouest (COVESTNO)*
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Manager, policing contract,
Department of Public Safety

Darveau, Marie-Josée	Serg. Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)
Neilson, Annie	Serg. RCMP
Violette, Marc	Serg. RCMP
Observers	
Rinette Parent	Councillor – Village of Rivière-Verte
Daniel St-Germain	Councillor – Village of Rivière-Verte
Therrien, Evelyne	Secretary - Village of Rivière-Verte
Observers from 6 :00 p.m.	
Pascale Maltais	Secretary Treasurer - Village of Saint-Hilaire
Rino Morneau	Councillor - Village of Saint-Hilaire
Media (attending from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.)	
D'Amours, Chantal	CJEM-CKMV
Fournier, Gilles	L'Étoile – Édition Nord-Ouest
Goulet, Daniel	Info Weekend

3. Approval of agenda

The Chair read out the agenda in the notice of meeting.

Motion No. 1

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Roland Dubé, seconded by Mr. Gérard Cyr and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED to adopt the agenda for the general meeting of March 31, 2016, with the following additions:

Point 7. b) Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee of March 22, 2016, for approval

Point 9. Motions: For the planning sector and debenture for solid waste management and

Point 13. Other Business

- a) **Sale of Acadian Timber property**
- b) **Presentation of the work plan – 2016 objectives**
- c) **Establishment of the NWRSC regional recreation advisory committee**
- d) **Annual meeting**

CARRIED

4. Presentation: Coopérative d'investissement du Nord-Ouest (COVESTNO)

The Chair introduced the representatives of COVESTNO. Mr. Normand Thériault explained the investment corporation/cooperative's role and operations and the result of certain investments. Mr. Reginald Nadeau explained that COVESTNO is dedicated to creating a favorable climate for development in the region in order to create jobs and invest in processing local products. The fundraising has three levels: a) The builders have committed \$2,000/year for five years; b) funding of \$2 per capita has been requested from the municipalities; c) \$50/participant/year for five years has been asked for from the community.

The members of the Board asked the representatives several questions and encouraged them to continue their work.

5. Minutes of the general meeting of November 25, 2015, for approval

Motion No. 2

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

RESOLVED To accept the minutes of the general meeting of November 25, 2015, by adding to item 4. « A few questions were asked by the members of the board.». CARRIED

6. Minutes of the executive committee meeting of December 17, 2015 for approval

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 executive committee meeting of December 17, 2015, as circulated. CARRIED

7. a) Minutes of the executive committee meeting of February 4, 2016 for approval

Motion No. 4

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Roland Dubé, seconded by Mr. Roger Levesque and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED To accept the minutes of the executive committee meeting of February 4, 2016 as circulated. CARRIED

b) Minutes of the executive committee meeting of March 22, 2016 for approval

Motion No. 5

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Luc St-Jarre, seconded by Mrs. Francine Caron and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED To accept the minutes of the executive committee meeting of March 22, 2016 as circulated. CARRIED

8. Business arising from the minutes

None

9. Motions: Planning sector and debenture for solid waste management

Motion No. 6

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Gérard Cyr, seconded by Mr. Allain Desjardins and unanimously carried, it was,

MOVED For the planning sector,

- That NWRSC authorize transfers of funds to reimburse permits to the municipalities for October to December 2015. The transfers total \$4,979.75 from account 29434 ES-2 to NWRSC's current account, folio 29434. This transfer was approved on January 20, 2016, by two signing officers, including Messrs. Carmel St-Amand and François Picard by Internet using the Caisse populaire's AccèsD system.

Saint-Hilaire	\$ 87.50
Baker-Brook	\$ 205.00
Lac Baker	\$ 61.00
Clair	\$ 709,00
Rivière-Verte	\$ 416,30
Saint-François	\$ 440.00
Communauté Rurale de Saint-André	\$1,027.95
Saint-Léonard	\$ 976.60
Ste-Anne-de-Madawaska	\$ 225.00
Saint-Quentin	<u>\$ 831.40</u>
	<u>\$4,979.75</u>

- That NWRSC authorize a transfer of funds of \$6,050.00 from account 29434 ES-1 to NWRSC's current account, folio 29434. The following amounts will be returned to the municipalities to reimburse application fees for 2015:

ES-1	St-Hilaire	\$ 375.00
	Baker Brook	\$ 450.00
	Lac Baker	\$2,400.00
	Clair	\$ 275.00
	Rivière-Verte	\$ 925.00
	Saint-François	\$ 225.00
	Saint-Léonard	\$ 225.00
	Saint-Quentin	<u>\$1,175.00</u>
	Transfer of	<u>\$6,050.00</u>

This transfer will be approved by two signing officers, including Messrs. Carmel St-Amand and François Picard by Internet using the Caisse populaire's AccèsD system.

- That NWRSC authorize a transfer of funds of \$28,525.00 from account 29434 ES-1 to NWRSC's current account, folio 29434. This sum will be returned to the LSDs for application fees for 2015. This transfer will be approved by two signing officers, including Messrs. Carmel St-Amand and François Picard by Internet using the Caisse populaire's AccèsD system.
- That NWRSC authorize a transfer of funds of \$55,238.15 from account 29434 ES-2 to NWRSC's current account, folio 29434. This sum will be returned to the LSDs for construction permits issued in 2015. This transfer will be approved by two signing officers, including Messrs. Carmel St-Amand and François Picard by Internet using the Caisse populaire's AccèsD system.
- That NWRSC authorize a transfer of funds of \$1,598.23 from NWRSC's current account, folio 29434 to account 29434 ES-2, payments for permits paid via Interac. This transfer will be

approved by two signing officers, including Messrs. Carmel St-Amand and François Picard by Internet using the Caisse populaire's AccèsD system.

- That NWRSC authorize a transfer of funds of \$115 from account 29434 ES-2 to NWRSC's current account, folio 29434 for a NSF cheque. This transfer was approved on March 17, 2016, by two signing officers, including Messrs. Carmel St-Amand and François Picard by Internet using the Caisse populaire's AccèsD system.
- That NWRSC authorize reimbursement in the amount of \$9,389.00 to Ms. Lise Ouellette, Chair of the Acadia of the Lands and Forests Core Leadership Team; the amount collected by NWRSC for January to March 2016. **CARRIED**

Motion No. 7

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

MOVED THAT a letter be sent to the Department of Environment and Local Government indicating that NWRSC would like to see the revenues from construction permits and application fees from the LSDs returned to NWRSC or retained by NWRSC for local projects.
CARRIED

The GM explained to members that the truck used to collect recycling and the ¾-ton truck need to be replaced and that a debenture has to be applied for.

Motion No. 8

Upon motion duly made by Mrs. Nicole Somers, seconded by Mr. Luc St-Jarre and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED THAT for the solid waste management sector, the Northwest Regional Service Commission ask the Municipal Capital Borrowing Board for authorization to borrow the following sum for a capital expenditure for the term indicated: Environmental Health Services; the sum of \$350,000 over five years.
CARRIED

10. Correspondence Report

Motion No. 9

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Cyrille Simard, seconded by Mr. Louis Labrie and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED That the correspondence report from November 18, 2015 to February 12, 2016 be accepted as circulated.
CARRIED

11. General Manager's Report

Motion No. 10

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Allain Desjardins, seconded by Mr. Roland Dubé and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED That the general manager's report from November 26, 2015 to February 24, 2016 be accepted as circulated.
CARRIED

Point 12 will follow Point 13.

13. Other Business

The Chair congratulated Ms. Nicole Somers for being named *L'Acadie Nouvelle's* "Personality of the Year", and everyone applauded her.

a) Sale of the Acadian Timber property

Motion No. 11

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Cyrille Simard, seconded by Mr. Allain Desjardins and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED THAT a letter be sent to the province of New Brunswick to ask the government to study the possibility of acquiring the property of Acadian Timber. This would benefit our communities and ensure security for our jobs and sustainable economic development of our natural resources.
CARRIED

b) Presentation of the Work Plan – objective 2016: The Planning Department's work plan and objective were presented to members.

c) Establishment of the NWRSC regional recreation advisory committee: A meeting is scheduled for next April 6 or 7 at the Centre E.P. Sénéchal Centre.

d) Annual Meeting: The AGM will be on Thursday, April 28, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at the usual place. The Annual Report was distributed to members.

12. Presentation at 6:00 p.m.: Costs of policing services in 2016 with the Department of Public Safety in partnership with the RCMP and the Department of Environment and Local Government (ELGNB)

Sergeant Annie Neilson gave a presentation to members. She was accompanied by Sergeant Marie Josée Darveau and Sergeant Marc Violette. Sergeant Neilson explained that policing services are essential to citizens' quality of life and that excellent policing services are essential for safe communities. Community budgets are limited and the costs of policing services represent a major investment for all of them. The goal of the meeting was to show members what the RCMP is doing to optimize the return on the investment for every dollar spent on policing services. A discussion took place with members of the Board and a copy of the presentation will be emailed to them in a few days. A meeting will be planned with the GM and Sergeant Darveau to examine the possibility of establishing an advisory committee.

Ms. Connie Courcy, manager of policing contracts for the Department of Public Safety, described how costs are calculated. Members were obviously very interested and asked a number of questions. Her presentation was distributed to the members of the Board.

14. Adjournment

Motion No. 12

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Roland Dubé, it was

RESOLVED To adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

CARRIED

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PIERRE MICHAUD
Chairman

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FRANÇOIS PICARD
General Manager