



GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, April 28th, 2021

LOCATION: Videoconference

“ZOOM”

TIME: 6 :30 p.m.

MINUTES OF MEETING # 47

1.2. Attendance and call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. Mr. Jean-Pierre Ouellet, Chair of the Board, welcomed everyone, especially to our guest Mr. Éric Long, Associate, CA, Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton.

Members attending

OUELLET, Jean-Pierre, president
CHOUINARD, Louis
BOSSÉ, Jules
ROY, Paul
LEVESQUE, Josée
MARTEL, Alain
SIMARD, Cyrille
LEVESQUE, Marcel
DESCHÊNES, Marcel
ROUSSEL, France
ST-AMAND, Carmel
SOMERS, Nicole
LEVESQUE, Roger, Vice-Chair

Mayor of Haut-Madawaska Community
Mayor of Lac Baker
Representing the LSD
Representing the LSD
Representing the LSD (District de services locaux)
Representing the LSD
Mayor of Edmundston
Mayor of Rural Community of Saint-André
Mayor of Grand Falls
Mayor of Drummond
Mayor of Saint-Léonard
Mayor of Saint-Quentin
Mayor of Sainte-Anne-de-Madawaska

Members absent

LEBLOND, Michel

Mayor of Rivière-Verte

Staff attending

BELLEFLÉUR, Lise
THIBODEAU, Johanne
PRADO, Adrian
CASTONGUAY, Marie-Eve
DUFOUR, Catherine

Executive Assistant
Financial Director
Territorial Analyst – Research and Sustainable Development
Executive Director
Planning Director

Guests

LONG, Éric

Associate, CA, Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton

3. **Disclosure of interest**

None was declared

4. Approval of agenda

Motion No. 1

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

RESOLVED That at the request of a member the agenda of the general meeting of April 28th, 2021 be accepted presented.

CARRIED

5. Minutes of the General meeting of March 17th, 2021, for approval

Motion No. 2

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Carmel St-Amand, seconded by Mr. Paul Roy and unanimously carried, it was **RESOLVED To accept the minutes of the General meeting of March 17th, 2021.**

CARRIED

5. a) Business arising from the minutes

i) Follow-up: Host organization – RIC-NO
Follow-up: AFMNB

Ms. Castonguay gave a short update on these two ongoing matters. The NWRSC is still working on becoming the host organization for RIC-NO. We are in communication to obtain their financial statements / budget and other necessary documentation. When the matter will have progressed further, another official update will be given. As for the AFMNB, no concrete follow-up is possible at the moment because we are still in discussions to gather the information we need to move forward.

6. Presentation of the 2020 Financial Statements

The Chair invited Mr. Éric Long of Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton to present the Financial Statements.

Motion No. 3

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Marcel Deschênes, seconded by Mr. Eric Marquis and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED To accept the financial statements on December 31, 2020, of the Northwest Regional Service Commission, as presented by Mr. Éric Long, with a budget surplus for the year of \$ 728,396 and an accumulated surplus at the end of the year of \$ 9,494,121.

CARRIED

7. Motions : For the Planning Services for approval

Motion No. 4

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Nicole Somers, seconded by Mr. France Roussel and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED

Planning Sector

- That the CSRNO authorize a transfer of funds to reimburse permits to the municipalities and LSDs for January to March 2021. The amount of the transfer is \$886.90 from account 29434 ES-2 to the CSRNO's current account, folio 29434. The difference between the total reimbursement of \$7,239.90 and the transfer of \$886.90 is due to the number of payments made by credit and/or debit card that are deposited directly into the CSRNO's current account. This transfer was approved on April 20th, 2021, by two signing officers, Mrs. Marie-Eve Castonguay and Mrs. Johanne Thibodeau, via internet using the Caisse populaire's Accès-D system.

That the NWRSC authorize a transfer of funds to reimburse permits to the municipalities and LSDs for October to December 2020, in the following amounts:

• Village of Lac Baker	\$ 721.00
• Community of Haut Madawaska	\$ 736.00
• Village of Ste-Anne-de-Madawaska	\$ 194.90
• Town of Saint-Quentin	\$ 2,838.00
• DSL	\$ 2,750.00
	<u>\$ 7,239.90</u>

CARRIED

8. Correspondence Report

Motion No. 5

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Eric Marquis, seconded by Ms. Nicole Somers and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED To accept the Correspondence Report.

CARRIED

9. Motion to ratify for approval

Solid Waste sector - Bids

Motion No. 6

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Marcel Deschênes, seconded by Mr. Alain Martel and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED, as voted by a majority via email, that the CSRNO go ahead with Conrad Lavoie et Fils Ltée, the lowest bidder, to construct the clay membrane for the amount of \$192,980.00.

That the CSRNO proceed with F.R. Liners, the lowest bidder, to construct the geosynthetic membrane for the amount of \$407,995.60.

The standards and requirements for construction of cell # 10 shall be followed.

CARRIED

10. Amendment - Unsightly premises – Agreement between the NWRSC and its members

Following the last meeting, the CSRNO saw fit to modify the agreement in the second paragraph as follows: Following the demolition of a property deemed unsightly or dangerous, the CSRNO may bury the debris and residues, free of charge, until " to a maximum of 2-3 residential buildings or **the equivalent of 300 tonnes** per member, per calendar year.

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Nicole Somers, seconded by Mr. Marcel Deschênes and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED that, on a voluntary basis, the municipalities and LSDs will have the option to landfill debris from unsightly premises that have been demolished, without cost, up to a maximum of two or three residential buildings or the equivalent of 300 tonnes per member per calendar year.

The CSRNO accepted the agreement – incentive, landfilling at no cost, as presented.

11. Other Business

a) CSRNO's next board meeting

The CSRNO's next board meeting will be on June 23rd, 2021 at 6h30.

Mr. Marcel Deschênes and the members took the opportunity to thank Mr. Tom Levesque for being always there for people in the community and for always having answers to our questions and concerns.

The Chair also wished to spotlight and express gratitude for the contribution of Mr. Carmel St-Amand, Mr. Michel Leblond and Mr. Roger Levesque, who are leaving us because they have decided not to run in the next elections. "Our sincere thanks for giving your time to your citizens, and we wish you a happy retirement from municipal politics."

12. Adjournment

Motion No. 8

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Marcel Deschênes unanimously carried, it is

RESOLVED To adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

CARRIED

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JEAN-PIERRE OUELLET
Chair

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ROGER LEVESQUE
Vice-Chair

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LISE BELLEFLEUR
Session secretary