



EXTRODINARY MEETING

DATE: Monday, October 17, 2022

LOCATION: 36 Court Street, Office 102, Edmundston & ZOOM

TIME: 6 :30 p.m.

MINUTES OF MEETING # 62

1.2. Attendance and call meeting to order

Mr. Jean-Pierre Ouellet, Chairman of the Board, opens the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and welcomes everyone.

Members attending

OUELLET, Jean-Pierre, Chairperson
PELLETIER, Roseline (zoom)
ROUSSEL, Lise
LEVESQUE, Josée
GIRARD, Sylvie
DESCHÊNES, Marcel
DUBÉ, Carmon
LEVESQUE, Marcel (zoom)
MARTEL, Alain (arrives at 6h37)
SOMERS, Nicole
ROY, Paul

Mayor of Haut-Madawaska Community
Mayor of Lac Baker
Mayor of Saint-Léonard
Representing the LSD
Mayor of Sainte-Anne-de-Madawaska
Mayor of Grand Falls
Representing the LSD
Mayor of Rural Community of Saint-André
Representing the LSD
Mayor of Saint-Quentin
Representing the LSD

Members absent

MARQUIS, Eric
PARENT, Lisa, Vice-Chair
ROUSSEL, France

Mayor of Edmundston
Mayor of Rivière-Verte
Mayor of Drummond

Staff attending / 36 Court Street

THIBODEAU, Johanne
PRADO, Adrian
CASTONGUAY, Marie-Eve

Financial Director
Territorial Analyst – Research and Sustainable Development
Executive Director

Guests

SOUCY, Michel

Transition Facilitator

3. **Disclosure of interest**

None was declared

4. Approval of agenda

Motion No. 1

Upon motion duly made by Mrs. Lise Roussel, seconded by Mr. Paul Roy and unanimously carried, it was
RESOLVED That the agenda of the general meeting of October 17, 2022, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

5. Discussion - Local governance reform – Existing Mandates and Mandates to come

Mr. Ouellet mentioned that this meeting was further to a closed-door session of Board members held this past October 5 in Saint-Léonard.

Ms. Nicole Somers gave a short background report. The objective of this meeting was to be nice to the next people who are going to sit around the CSRNO table, the discussions being related to the reform and the contributions for local development and new goals.

At that meeting, there was a discussion about making a study of all the services provided by CSRNO and the human resources serving the whole territory. The resources will have to be combined to see how to share services and reduce costs while obtaining affordable, high-quality services for all the municipalities.

Ms. Somers said that she had spoken to Mr. Ryan Donaghy from the Province and that he had said that there would be funds available for this study.

Mr. Michel Soucy said that since certain priorities are already covered by grants from the Province or an association, the study might not be needed.

Ms. Castonguay summarized the sources of funding received for community development, economic development and transportation.

Ms. Johanne Thibodeau, Director of Finance, printed and distributed updated copies of the table of contributions to all the Board members, and emailed a copy to Ms. Pelletier and Mr. Levesque.

With respect to cost-sharing for regional infrastructure, Mr. Soucy indicated that the only thing that had been suggested was the sports complex in Edmundston. The transition committee refused, so the request was sent to the Minister. The City of Edmundston asked the Minister to reverse the decision and added the Centre Jean-Daigle and the Centre des Arts (Petite Église).

Mr. Michel Soucy gave his report as discussed. The Minister and his team will review the request.

6. **Adjournment**

Motion No. 2

Upon motion duly made by Mrs. Lise Roussel unanimously carried, it is

RESOLVED To adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

CARRIED

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JEAN-PIERRE OUELLET
Chair

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MARIE-EVE CASTONGUAY
Executive Director

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ADRIAN PRADO
Session secretary