



ORDINARY MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, September 27, 2023

LOCATION: 36 Court Street, Suite 102 (CSRNO Office)

TIME: 4:30 p.m.

MINUTES # 75

1.2. Attendance and Opening of the meeting

Ms. Nicole Somers, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Members present

BEAULIEU, Bertrand

MARQUIS, Eric

LEVESQUE, Josée, Member of the Executive Committee

OUELLET, Jean-Pierre, Vice-President

ROUSSEL, Lise

SOMERS, Nicole, President

Mayor of the Regional Municipality of Grand Falls

Mayor of Edmundston

President of the North West Rural District

Mayor of the City of Haut-Madawaska

Mayor of the City of Vallée-des-Rivières

Mayor of the City of Saint-Quentin

Staff present

TERCIER, Céline

DION, Frédérick

CASTONGUAY, Marie-Eve

Session Secretary

Interim Chief Executive Officer

Chief Executive Officer

Guests

NADEAU, Michel

LEVESQUE, Tom

BUJOLD, Denis

Finance department

Regional Emergency Management Coordinator

Local Service Manager, Local Government

Guest absent

DELORME, Matt

AIM Network

3. Disclosure of conflicts of interest

Ms. Somers asked whether there were any conflicts of interest. No conflicts have been declared.

4. Approval of the agenda

Resolution No. 1

Following a motion duly moved by Mr. Eric Marquis, seconded by Mr. Bertrand Beaulieu and adopted unanimously, it was

RESOLVED That the agenda for the September 27, 2023 ordinary meeting be accepted .

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Minutes of meeting of the Ordinary Meeting of August 23, 2023, for approval

Resolution No. 2

Following a motion duly moved by Mr. Jean-Pierre Ouellet, seconded by Mrs. Josée Levesque and adopted unanimously, it was

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of August 23, 2023.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

a) Matters arising from the minutes

None

6. Presentation - Guest

Mr. Matt Delorme was not connected to Zoom and will be contacted again.

7. Correspondence report

Everyone had received the correspondence report by email in advance, and no questions were raised.

8. Report on activities regarding shared services

Everyone had received the activities report in advance.

Local Development

Resolution No. 3

Following a motion duly moved by Mrs. Lise Roussel, seconded by Mr. Eric Marquis and adopted unanimously, it was

RESOLVED To accept the bid from Stantec, in partnership with Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton, received for the call for tenders that closed on September 8, 2023, to carry out a development study for the area under CSRNO jurisdiction, for the amount of \$48,634 (professional fees) + \$2,133.60 (expenses), excluding applicable taxes, entirely funded by a provincial grant.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

Health

The Board of Directors agreed to begin to take actions under the grant received from the Department of Health, in particular to promote communities to health care workers and their families.

9. Chair's activity report

The Chair gave a short report on her activities since the last meeting this past July 26.

Resolution No. 4

Following a motion duly moved by Mrs. Lise Roussel, seconded by Mr. Jean-Pierre Ouellet and adopted unanimously, it was

RESOLVED To not receive Mr. Volpé and to advise him to present his dossier on road improvement to the person responsible with the Province, since the matter is not CSRNO's responsibility.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

10. CEO's activity report

The CEO communicates her activity report since her gradual return to work since September 5, 2023.

11. Administrative affairs, motions and proposals

Resolution No. 5

Following a motion duly moved by Mr. Bertrand Beaulieu, seconded by Mr. Eric Marquis and adopted unanimously, it was

RESOLVED To confirm the Board's vote in favor of ratifying the collective agreement for employees in the solid waste sector, made by email in August 2023.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

In Camera

Resolution No. 6

Following a motion duly proposed by Mrs. Lise Roussel, seconded by Mr. Bertrand Beaulieu and adopted unanimously, it was

RESOLVED That the meeting continues in camera.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

Closing of the closed session

Resolution No. 7

Following a motion duly moved by Mr. Bertrand Beaulieu, seconded by Mr. Eric Marquis and adopted unanimously, it was

RESOLVED That the in camera be concluded.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT OF THE CLOSED-DOOR SESSION

Resolution No. 8

Following a motion duly moved by Mr. Eric Marquis, seconded by Mrs. Josée Levesque and adopted unanimously, it was

RESOLVED To agree to use \$60,000 from a grant by the Department of Health received in 2023, to create an operating reserve in the 2024 budget in order to pay this sum to the Madawaska Airport next year maintain the air ambulance service in the territory governed by CSRNO. This will encourage the recruitment and retention of health care workers and their families in the region, consistent with our regional strategy.

For: 5

Against: 1

ADOPTED

Following the presentation of the 2024 budget summary, it was agreed to hold a Zoom meeting with the persons responsible for the budget, Marie-Eve Castonguay, Frédérick Dion and Michel Nadeau, along with the general managers and directors of finance of the municipalities in CSRNO, and Gail Dubé for the rural district, on October 3 at 11:00. After that meeting, the draft budget will be presented to the members of the municipal councils and the representatives of the rural district for adoption at the local level.

Resolution No. 9

Following a motion duly moved by Mr. Bertrand, seconded by Mrs. Lise Roussel and adopted unanimously, it was

RESOLVED To accept the draft 2024 budget, integrating the modifications formulated by the Board members in session, and to send it to the municipalities/district in the area for consultation and approval by the Board of Directors.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution No. 10

Following a motion duly moved by Mrs. Lise Roussel, seconded by Mrs. Josée Levesque and adopted unanimously, it was

RESOLUTE to accept the in-camera report.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

12. Other businesses

None

13. Next ordinary meeting of CSRNO

The next ordinary meeting of the Board will take place on October 25 at 4:30 p.m.

14. Adjournment

The meeting rose at 6h00 p.m.

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NICOLE SOMERS
Chairperson

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MARIE-EVE CASTONGUAY
CEO

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CÉLINE TERCIER
Session Secretary