



**Regular meeting of the Board of Directors
Kent Regional Service Commission**

**December 17th, 2020
6 :30pm
Richibucto**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Pierrette Robichaud calls the meeting to order at 6:31pm and welcomes everyone.

2. ATTENDANCE

- Pierrette Robichaud, Chair of the KRSC and Mayor of the Village of Rogersville
- Eugène Cormier, Deputy-Mayor of the Village of Saint-Antoine
- Maurice Maillet, President of the LSD of Sainte-Marie-de-Kent
- Albert Corcoran, Deputy-Mayor of the Town of Rexton
- Docile Cormier, President of the LSD of Carleton
- Roger Richard, President of the LSD of Acadieville
- Roland Fougère, Mayor of the Town of Bouctouche
- Gisèle Fontaine, President of the LSD of Saint-Louis
- Pierre LeBlanc, President of the LSD of Grande-Digue
- Tina Beers, President of the LSD of Harcourt
- Paul Lirette, President of the LSD of Saint-Charles
- Roger Doiron, Mayor of the Town of Richibucto
- Claude LeBlanc, Vice-Chair of the KRSC and President of the LSD of Wellington
- Jean Hébert, Mayor of the Rural Community of Cocagne
- Bruno Doucette, LSD of Collette, Substitute
- Danielle Dugas, Mayor of the Village of Saint-Louis-de-Kent

ABSENCES

- Jean-Charles Daigle, President of the LSD of Pointe-Sapin
- Kris Morey, President of the LSD of Weldford

OTHERS

- Paul Lang, Executive Director of the KRSC
- Isabelle Godin, Projet Coordinator of the KRSC
- Francine Arseneault, Administrative Assistant of the KRSC
- Francine Babineau, Translator
- Gérard Thébeau, Consultant – Amish project
- Marc Maillet, RCMP – Detective
- Jeff Johnson, RCMP – Staff Sargent
- Maxime Babineau, RCMP – Sargent
- Linda Patterson, Crime Prevention Association of New-Brunswick, via Zoom

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

Nothing to declare.

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

2020-075

It was moved by Roland Fougère, seconded by Danielle Dugas, that the agenda be accepted as presented.

Motion carried

5. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 19TH AND DECEMBER 2ND, 2020 MEETINGS

2020-076

It was moved by Paul Lirette, seconded by Claude LeBlanc, that the minutes of the November 19th, 2020 regular meeting be accepted as presented.

Motion carried

2020-077

It was moved by Maurice Maillet, seconded by Gisèle Fontaine, that the minutes of the December 2nd, 2020 special meeting be accepted as presented.

Motion carried

6. PRESENTATION OF THE CERTIFICATE TO MAXIME BABINEAU

The KRSC recommended Maxime for the certificate of recognition he will receive tonight. Pierrette Robichaud gives us a little history of Maxime Babineau's career. She thanks him for his excellent work and dedication and presents him with a certificate of merit. Ms. Linda Patterson of the New Brunswick Crime Prevention Association explains why they chose Maxime for this award.

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Strategic Plan

Pierrette Robichaud gives a little overview and explains that there is a duplication with tourism and the Cultural Coast. We will need to have a discussion in the coming months to discuss where KRSC is going with tourism by speaking with operators.

b. History Project

Nothing on this subject.

c. Health Reform

The Minister of Health sent a letter to a few members asking for their vision on health in NB. The Health Committee decided to send a letter on behalf of KRSC which includes the municipalities as well as the LSDs of Kent. The letter was prepared by Dr. Louis-Marie Simard and members of the Health Committee.

2020-078

It was moved by Roger Doiron, seconded by Paul Lirette, that a letter be sent to the Health Minister to express the vision of the KRSC and its members.

Motion carried

2020-079

It was moved by Roger Doiron, seconded by Roland Fougère, that Pascale Paulin be hired to develop a communication plan in the amount of \$3,680.

Motion carried

Paul Lang intervenes to ask Board members to submit a list of names and contact details of people in their community who are influential. These people will be able to help implement the communications plan

that will ensure that all citizens of Kent are aware of the challenges and the vision that should be presented to the Minister. We want to be better prepared when the time comes to face elected provincial officials.

8. PRESENTATION - AMISH – GÉRARD THÉBEAU, CONSULTANT

Mr. Gérard Thébeau, consultant for the Amish project, gives us a presentation on what the Amish are looking for in order to be able to settle in a region. He gives a little history of our region. He tells us about his experiences as an agronomist and what Amish families could contribute to our region. An Amish community is normally made up of about 30 families and wants about 100 acres per family. They need a lot of land but with a fairly short radius as they often use a horse and buggy to get around. When the Amish move somewhere, they are there for the long haul. Mr. Thebeau traveled to Prince Edward Island to visit an Amish community to learn more about their needs and how to attract them. He made contacts and land was identified in Cails Mills and Acadieville. A soil assessment had to be done, letters of support had to be obtained from different groups in agriculture and others. It's a long process. The Amish are very comfortable with manufacturing and when they visited, they had the chance to tour Imperial Sheet Metal. Mr. Thebeau succeeded in making an arrangement with the Amish that they could work away from their farm. They were happy to see the job opportunity. One of their concerns was that they do not speak French and would like to be accepted in our region. The project is going well and the board will be kept informed of progress or any other development.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

- November 19, 2020 – Larry Parly, Manager, Lands Environment and Natural Resources
- November 26, 2020 – Laureanne Stewart, Kent Community Transport
- December 3, 2020 – René Boudreau, Assistant Deputy Minister, Department of Health

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Finance – Administration – Human resources

2020-080

It was moved by Roger Doiron, seconded by Roland Fougère, that the meeting goes in camera as per section 68(1) of the Local Governance Act.

Motion carried

2020-081

It was moved by Pierre LeBlanc, seconded by Paul Lirette, that the assembly returns to the regular meeting.

Motion carried

2020-082

It was moved by Roger Doiron, seconded by Paul Lirette, that the Board of Directors remunerate its Executive Director in 2021 at level 4, step 4 according to the employee remuneration policy.

Motion carried

2020-083

It was moved by Roger Doiron, seconded by Paul Lirette, that the amendments concerning the remuneration of the members of the Board of Directors in the policy on expenses be accepted by the members of the BOD for its adoption.

Motion carried
1 Nay – Eugère Cormier

2020-084

It was moved by Gisèle Fontaine, seconded by Pierre LeBlanc, that the Communication policy 21-01 be accepted by the Board of Directors for its adoption.

Motion carried

2020-085

It was moved by Danielle Dugas, seconded by Paul Lirette, that the Board of Directors accepts to transfer the sum of \$ 50,000 in the reserve fund of the general operating fund of the Solid Waste Service according to article 101 of the Law on local governance and its by-law 97-145 and if the council wishes to withdraw its funds that a resolution must be passed.

Motion carried

2020-086

It was moved by Danielle Dugas, seconded by Roland Fougère, that the Board of Directors accepts to transfer the sum of \$ 600 into the general operating reserve fund of the Local Planning Service according to article 101 of the Law on local governance and its by-law 97-145 and if the council wishes to withdraw its funds that a resolution must be passed.

Motion carried

2020-087

It was moved by Danielle Dugas, seconded by Eugère Cormier, that the Board of Directors accepts to transfer the sum of \$ 500 in the general operating reserve fund of the Regional Collaboration Service according to article 101 of the Law on local governance and its by-law 97-145 and if the council wishes to withdraw its funds that a resolution must be passed.

Motion carried

b) Audit

Nothing on this subject.

c) Economic Development

Nothing on this subject.

d) Ad hoc committee – Kent Community Transportation

Pierrette Robichaud gave an account of the RIC pilot project. She explains that the RIC applied for funds to the province and they were approved. The KRSC still works with the RIC for public transport. Paul Lang adds that there was a small issue in transport in June 2020 and that discussions with the RIC had ceased. Since the election of the new Board in September or October, discussions have resumed and the RIC is working very closely with the KRSC to establish a business plan to be presented in May 2021. The funds already received are used to make the business plan and work continues.

11. REPORT ON COLLABORATIVE SERVICES ACTIVITIES

a) Planning

The minutes of the Planning Advisory Committee from October 26th and the construction report are circulated.

b) Solid Waste

The minutes of the Solid Waste Management Technical Committee from the September 24th, 2020 meeting are circulated.

c) Public Safety

The Public Safety Committee meeting took place last night, December 16th, 2020. Maurice Maillet suggests that some board members should have a meeting with Maxime Babineau to discuss what has been done since the closure of the Bouctouche detachment. He is concerned that the visibility of the RCMP appears to have diminished in South Kent since the closure. He would like to know if we have the same service from the centralization in Richibucto?

d) Emergency Measures (Roger Pitre)

Roger Pitre was not here to give his report.

e) Regional Community Infrastructures

Nothing on this subject.

12. CHAIR REPORT (November 13 to December 10, 2020)

November 19 - Board of Directors

November 24 - Immigration meeting with MAGMA via zoom

November 28 – Discussion on Local governance

November 30 – Interview with CJSE – Buy Local

November 30 – Health Committee via zoom

December 1 – Meeting Executive Director and myself via zoom

December 2 – BOD with Minister Daniel Allain via zoom

December 3 – Health Committee via zoom

December 9 - Immigration meeting with the Multicultural Council of NB via zoom

December 9 – Health Committee via zoom

13. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (November 13 to December 10, 2020)

NOVEMBER 13 – Social Pediatric meeting in Shediac

NOVEMBER 17 – Conference call for Hospital

NOVEMBER 17 – SCHL and COOP meeting in Richibucto

NOVEMBER 17 – Chair and Executive Director meeting in Rogersville

NOVEMBER 18 – Successful Regions Working Group by Teams

NOVEMBER 19 – York University Workshop

NOVEMBER 19 – CMNCP Board meeting by Zoom

NOVEMBER 19 – COVID-19 Update by Teams

NOVEMBER 19 – RIC Kent and Social Pediatric meeting in Richibucto

NOVEMBER 19 – Meeting with Maurice Maillet, Pierrette Robichaud and Claude LeBlanc in Richibucto
NOVEMBER 19 – BOD meeting in Richibucto with Minister Holland on Zoom
NOVEMBER 20 – Community Transport group meeting by Teams
NOVEMBER 23 – CPSSE BOD by Zoom
NOVEMBER 24 – Kent Resiliency by Zoom
NOVEMBER 24 – Rexton council meeting in Rexton
NOVEMBER 25 – Small Town Need a New Approach by Zoom
NOVEMBER 25 – Meeting with Guy – Kouchibouguac Resort in Bouctouche
NOVEMBER 26 – Amish by Zoom
NOVEMBER 26 – ED bi weekly chat by Zoom
NOVEMBER 26 – Meeting KRSC and Deputy Minister Gérald Richard by Zoom
NOVEMBER 27 – Intern Rosie Brideau
NOVEMBER 27 – Meeting with Ginette Doiron in Bouctouche
NOVEMBER 27 – Zone 1 briefing by Zoom
NOVEMBER 27 – KRSC 100 jobs and housing project with François Houde in Bouctouche
NOVEMBER 28 – Discussion group on local governance by Zoom
NOVEMBER 30 – CPSSE council meeting
NOVEMBER 30 – Kent Health meeting by Zoom
DECEMBER 1 – Chair and Executive Director meeting by Zoom
DECEMBER 1 – AFMNB meeting
DECEMBER 2 – Successful Regions Working Group by Teams
DECEMBER 2 – Social Pediatric meeting by Zoom
DECEMBER 2 – BOD meeting with Minister Daniel Allain by Zoom
DECEMBER 3 – York University Workshop
DECEMBER 3 – Health Kent meeting by Zoom
DECEMBER 6 – Social Pediatric meeting by Zoom
DECEMBER 7 – Project Kent meeting by Teams
DECEMBER 7 – Career projects with schools and KRSC by Zoom
DECEMBER 7 – Meeting with Roger Doiron
DECEMBER 8 – COMAQ workshop by Zoom
DECEMBER 9 – CMNB and KRSC meeting by Zoom
DECEMBER 9 – COMAQ workshop by Zoom
DECEMBER 9 – Municipal Orientation Committee 2021 by Teams
DECEMBER 9 – Kent Health Committee by Zoom
DECEMBER 9 – Social Pediatric meeting by Zoom
DECEMBER 10 – York University workshop
DECEMBER 10 – ED bi weekly chat

14. MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS

Nothing to report.

15. NEW BUSINESS

a. Immigration

Regarding immigration, Pierrette Robichaud explains that the KRSC is looking to establish a permanent and non-satellite office in the Kent South East region. The BOD will be kept informed as it occurs.

Immigration is a very important file in our region for the next few years and it is one of the files that Minister Allain wanted to give to the commissions.

16. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nothing from the public.

17. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

2020-088

It was moved by Roger Doiron that the adjournment be at 8:17pm.

PRESIDENT

Executive Director/Clerk