

Commission de services
régionaux de Kent



Kent Regional
Service Commission

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

**October 21st, 2021
6 :30pm
Zoom**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Pierrette Robichaud opened the meeting at 6:32 pm and welcomed everyone.

2. ATTENDANCE

- Pierrette Robichaud, Chair of the KRSC and Mayor of the Village of Rogersville
- Kris Morey, President of the LSD of Weldford
- Claude LeBlanc, Vice-Chair of the KRSC and President of the LSD of Wellington
- Jacques Cormier, President of the LSD of Saint-Paul
- Paul Lirette, President of the LSD of Saint-Charles
- Wayne Carpenter, Mayor of the Town of Rexton
- Tina Beers, President of the LSD of Harcourt
- Daniel Bourgeois, President of the LSD of Grande-Digue
- Marc Goguen, Mayor of the Rural Community of Cocagne
- Gisèle Fontaine, President of the LSD of Saint-Louis
- Éric Tremblay, President of the LSD of Saint-Ignace
- Aldéo Saulnier, Mayor of the Town of Bouctouche
- Stella Richard, Mayor of the Town of Richibucto
- Danielle Dugas, Mayor of the Town of Saint-Louis-de-Kent
- Jean-Pierre Richard, Mayor of the Village of Saint-Antoine
- Docile Cormier, President of the LSD of Carleton

ABSENCES

- Roger Richard, President of the LSD of Acadieville

OTHER

- Paul Lang, Executive Director of the KRSC
- Isabelle Godin, Assistant Executive Director of the KRSC
- Francine Arsenault, Administrative Assistant of the KRSC
- Francine Babineau, Translator
- Roger Pitre, EMO
- Roger Doiron, Health Committee President
- Sonia Mazerolle, Rural Settlement Coordinator - Kent County
- Nebi Nicholas, First Nation Waste Management Project Coordinator
- Bernard Richard, Le Moniteur Acadien
- Kenneth Losier, Business Consultant
- Jason Ouellette - ARCANB
- Members of the public

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

No declarations.

4. ADOPTION DE AGENDA

2021-097

It was moved by Aldéo Saulnier, seconded by Gisèle Fontaine, that the agenda be adopted as presented.

Motion carried

5. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 23RD, 2021

2021-098

It was moved by Jacques Cormier, seconded by Paul Lirette, that the minutes of the September 23, 2021 regular meeting be approved as presented.

Motion carried

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Amish project

Paul Lang explained that he and Gerard Thebeau will be traveling to Ontario for 7 days to meet with Amish and Menonite families. During their trip, they will meet 8-10 different groups. They have even been invited to stay with a Menonite family for 2 nights.

b. Health reform

Roger Doiron, Chairperson of the Health Committee, took the floor to make recommendations to the Board of Directors following the October 14th meeting. In the first recommendation, the committee would like to know the planning plan for closures. 1 - A planning plan for any eventual closures; 2 - A long term plan for the issue of maintaining and improving services at Stella-Maris Hospital; 3 - A request to be involved as a community in decisions made; 4 - A contingency plan to inform us about unusual or crisis situations (e.g. COVID). For the second recommendation, the committee wants to inform the population that there is currently a health committee that has been appointed and put in place by the KRSC.

2021-099

It was moved by Aldéo Saulnier, seconded by Jean-Pierre Richard, that a letter be sent to the Health Authorities and to the Minister of Health on behalf of the KRSC Board of Directors to inform them of the Health Committee's recommendations.

Motion carried

2021-100

It was moved by Jean-Pierre Richard, seconded by Paul Lirette, that a press release be prepared by the KRSC and sent to various media regarding the creation of the Health Committee in Kent.

Motion carried

Paul Lang mentioned that Martine McIntyre withdrew her name from the committee because she was in conflict of interest.

2021-101

It was moved by Gisèle Fontaine, seconded by Aldéo Saulnier, that the BOD accepts the nominations of the new members of the Health Committee: Marie-Paul Deveaux, Paul Demers, Joey Caissie and Pauline Hébert.

Motion carried.

c. Immigration (Sonia Mazerolle)

In her report, Sonia Mazerolle announced that 28 newcomers moved to Kent between July and September 2021. Another 20 people should arrive by December 2021. She mentioned that there is also a new employee by the name of Lucianne Cormier who is serving the clients, which allows Sonia to work on the activities. Sonia has prepared a newsletter that talks about activities and an information session on winter and the issues (driving in winter). French conversation circles will start on November 3rd. She mentioned

that the Rural Settlement Centre is still looking for volunteers. She confirmed that housing is still difficult to find.

7. PRESENTATIONS – Newspaper Le Moniteur Acadien

Bernard Richard of Le Moniteur Acadien gives an overview of where the project is at. He mentions the viability study and talks about the different options available. Once an option is chosen, a business plan will have to be drawn up. He explains that ARCANB will be a source of support in the project. ARCANB will be able to develop an APP that would allow municipalities and LSDs to communicate with their citizens very quickly via their cell phones for example. Mr. Richard also spoke about the points of sale and possible financial assistance. Kenneth Losier, Business Consultant, mentioned that there was a positive interest in the survey that was distributed. Jason Ouellette, explained the new technology available and how the ARCANB could support and give a second life to our community information to reach not only the new audience but also those to come. A question period followed.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- September 22, 2021 – Ginette Doiron – Southeast Destination

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Finance – Administration – Human resources

2021-102

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Kent Regional Service Commission accepts that the tipping fees be \$119.00 per ton in 2022, of which \$80.00 per ton is for the South East Regional Service Commission and \$39.00 for the Kent Regional Service Commission and that the tipping fees for the communities of Elsipogtog and Indian Island be \$240.00 per ton.

Moved by : Danielle Dugas

Seconded by : Aldéo Saulnier

Motion carried

2021-103

Be it resolved that the Kent Regional Services Commission Board of Directors accept that the tipping fees be \$10.00 per ton in 2022 for ICI fees and \$6.00 per ton for C&D waste.

Moved by: Danielle Dugas

Seconded by: Gisèle Fontaine

Motion carried

2021-104

It was moved by Danielle Dugas, seconded by Paul Lirette, that the Kent Regional Services Commission accept that the total operating budget of the Regional Services Board for calendar year 2022 would include total revenues of \$4,508,252.00 and total expenditures of \$4,508,252.00 and that the total capital expenditure budget would include total expenditures of \$0.

Motion carried

b) Audit

Nothing to report.

c) Ad hoc committee – Kent Community Transportation

Paul Lang explained that at the last Transportation Committee meeting, the Community Inclusion Network passed a resolution to reduce the number of committee members on each side from 4 to 3 members. This was to ensure equitability at all times. In order to comply with the recommendation of the Transportation Committee, the BOD must make a resolution to reduce the number of members from 4 to 3 members.

2021-105

It was moved by Claude LeBlanc, seconded by Docile Cormier, to reduce the number of members of the Community Transportation Committee from 4 to 3 members.

Motion carried

10. REPORT ON COLLABORATIVE SERVICES ACTIVITIES

a) Planning

The construction report for September 2021 is circulated.

b) Solid waste

The September 2021 waste report is circulated.

c) Public safety

The minutes of March 25th, 2021 meeting are circulated.

Paul Lang explained that funds had been set aside for a community safety plan. Meetings were held with the CMNCP who has the expertise to work with us to prepare a community safety plan for the Kent region. They have submitted a proposal that is within the budget to prepare a safety plan and also the methodology they are adopting to prepare a community safety plan. The proposal will be provided to you at our next BOD meeting in November and at that time a motion will be needed to proceed with the signing of the contract.

On November 27 from 10:00 am to noon, the BOD will have a Zoom briefing with the CMNCP. They will explain how they do their work and if members have any questions about their process or methodology, they will be happy to answer them. After that, if the BOD decides to move forward with the safety plan, the 6 BOD members who are members of the Public Safety Committee would be the steering committee to work with the CMNCP to ensure that the work they do throughout the next year is on time and meets the expectations of the commission. According to their plan, we should receive a community safety plan by the end of 2022. We are also working in partnership with UdeM and their Criminology Department. They are considering making some of their expertise and time available for data collection. This could reduce costs and help the CMNCP.

d) Emergency measures

Paul Lang explains that the Board of Directors had asked to have a regional public safety plan for Kent communities in June 2021. The BOD can choose to adopt the proposal tonight or wait for the results of the White Paper.

WHEREAS the Kent RSC Board of Directors asked the administration on June 24, 2021 to look into the possibility of establishing regional emergency measures plans.

WHEREAS the administration and the Emergency Measures Coordinator have met to discuss the different options to be presented to the Kent RSC Board of Directors.

WHEREAS the administration brings two recommendations in the report submitted to the BOD.

2021-106

Be it therefore resolved that the Kent RSC Board of Directors accept the report submitted by the administration as well as the two recommendations that follow.

Moved by : Tina Beers

Seconded by: Daniel Bourgeois

Motion carried

The Board adopted the proposal but suggested to wait until after the results of the White Paper before working on it.

e) Regional community infrastructures (Julie Payer Lafrance)

Nothing on this subject.

11. CHAIR REPORT

No report.

12. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (SEPTEMBER 16 TO OCTOBER 13, 2021)

SEPTEMBER 16 - Staff meeting in Richibucto

SEPTEMBER 16 - Solid Waste Orientation Session in Richibucto

SEPTEMBER 17 - MAC meeting in Dieppe

SEPTEMBER 20 - Meeting with Kevin Arseneau in Rogersville

SEPTEMBER 21 - DG CSR - CAO meeting in Richibucto

SEPTEMBER 22 - Cocagne RC meeting in Bouctouche

SEPTEMBER 22 - CMNCP Finance Committee by Teams

SEPTEMBER 22 - Sentencing Harmonization Project - Kent Region

SEPTEMBER 22 - Public Safety Committee meeting in Aldouane

SEPTEMBER 23 - Biweekly DG discussion by Teams

SEPTEMBER 23 - CMNCP Board meeting by Zoom

SEPTEMBER 23 - BOD meeting in Richibucto

SEPTEMBER 24 - Covid-19 update by Teams

SEPTEMBER 27 - Bouctouche Council meeting in Bouctouche

SEPTEMBER 28 - Meeting Marc Goguen and François Houde

SEPTEMBER 29 - MAC meeting by Webex

SEPTEMBER 29 - Community roundtable in Saint-Louis-de-Kent

OCTOBER 4 - Maritime Enforcement Services and KRSC meeting in Bouctouche

OCTOBER 4 - Zoom RAC meeting

OCTOBER 5 - Covid-19 Update by Teams
OCTOBER 5 - CMNCP AGM 2021 by Zoom
OCTOBER 7 - Teams Bi-Weekly ED Discussion
OCTOBER 7 - 45th NBMAA AGM by Zoom
OCTOBER 12 - Discussion of the KRSC CSWB Plan by Teams
OCTOBER 12 - Emergency Measures Document in Bouctouche

Paul Lang added that the meetings with MPs are part of the strategic plan and spoke a bit about the meetings that have taken place.

13. RESOLUTIONS

a. AFMNB

Paul Lang explained that the KRSC was approached by the Association francophone des municipalités du NB to develop a map of municipal assets in the region.

WHEREAS the AFMNB has approached the Kent RSC as well as other RSCs in the province to see if there would be an interest in participating in a pilot project for the integration of municipal data in a GIS environment.

WHEREAS the Village of Rogersville will be the first municipality in the region to also be part of this pilot project.

WHEREAS the Planning Department staff has met with the Project Coordinators at the AFMNB to see if the Kent RSC could benefit from participating in this program.

WHEREAS the Planning Department staff sees great relevance in the information gathered in this exercise and even sees the usefulness of implementing this type of initiative for all municipalities in the region.

WHEREAS the Kent RSC does not assume any monetary costs for the participation in this pilot project other than the time and expertise of the Planning Department staff.

2021-107

Be it therefore resolved that the Kent RSC participate in the AFMNB's request for funding from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities under its Municipal Asset Management Program to see this pilot project established in the Kent region.

Moved by: Danielle Dugas

Seconded by: Claude LeBlanc

Motion carried

14. NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

15. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

- A member of the public asked what consideration was given to the 4 names that had been submitted to the Executive Director of the KRSC by Maurice Maillet for the Health Committee? Paul Lang explained that these 4 names had been submitted for a temporary sub-committee that had been created at the beginning of the year to prepare a brief for the Minister of Health.

16. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

2021-108

It was moved by Aldéo Saulnier, that the adjournment be held at 8:22pm.

CHAIR

Executive Director/Clerk