



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

**November 17th, 2022
6 :30pm
ZOOM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Pierrette Robichaud opened the meeting at 6:32 p.m. by welcoming everyone.

2. ATTENDANCE

- Pierrette Robichaud, Chair of the KRSC and Mayor of the Village of Rogersville
- Daniel Bourgeois, President of the LSD of Grande-Digue
- Docile Cormier, President of the LSD of Carleton
- Éric Tremblay, President of the LSD of Saint-Ignace
- Gisèle Fontaine, President of the LSD of Saint-Louis
- Paul Lirette, President of the LSD of Saint-Charles
- Roger Richard, President of the LSD of Acadieville
- Stephan Richard, Deputy mayor of the Village of Saint-Antoine
- Stella Richard, Mayor of the Town of Richibucto
- Tina Beers, President LSD of Harcourt
- Wayne Carpenter, Mayor of the Village of Rexton

ABSENCES

- Aldéo Saulnier, Mayor of the Town of Bouctouche
- Claude LeBlanc, Vice-Chair of the KRSC and President of the LSD of Wellington
- Danielle Dugas, Mayor of the Village of Saint-Louis-de-Kent
- Jacques Cormier, President of the LSD of Saint-Paul
- Jean-Pierre Richard, Mayor of the Village of Saint-Antoine
- Kris Morey, President of the LSD of Weldford
- Marc Goguen, Mayor of the Rural Community of Cocagne

OTHER

- Paul Lang, Executive Director of the KRSC
- Isabelle Godin, Assistant Executive Director of the KRSC
- Francine Arseneault, Administrative Assistant KRSC Bouctouche
- Claudie Ringuette, Recreation Planning Coordinator
- Daniel Goguen, Local Services Manager, Environment and Local Government
- Yolande Paulin, Translator
- Lucie Martin, Representative LSD of Baie Sainte-Anne (Zoom)
- Members of the public

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

Nothing to declare.

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

Motion carried

5. IMPERIAL KENT NORTH CENTER AGREEMENT

a. Motion do *repeal* the agreement for the Imperial Kent North Center

WHEREAS a cost-sharing agreement for general operations of the Imperial Kent North Center was concluded in 2018 between the Town of Richibucto and the Kent RSC, with the Village de Saint-Louis-de-Kent, the Village of Rexton and the Local Service Districts of Pointe-Sapin, Carleton, Saint-Louis, Saint-Ignace, Aldouane, Saint-Charles, Richibucto, Cap-de-Richibucto and of Weldford;

WHEREAS in anticipation of the commencement of *An Act Respecting Local Governance Reform, 2022* (S.N.B. 2022, c. 31) and the directives issued from the Department of Environment and Local Government, the current cost-sharing agreement for the sub-regional recreation facility, the Imperial Kent North Center, must be repealed;

WHEREAS the boundaries of the new entity of the Town of Beaurivage effective January 1, 2023 will have an impact on the allocation of operating costs between the sub-regional entities of the Village of Five Rivers and the Kent Rural District, and also within the new entity of the Town of Beaurivage;

WHEREAS the repeal of the current agreement is conditional upon the adoption of the new agreement.

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Be it therefore resolved that the Board of Directors of the Kent RSC request that the cost-sharing agreement for general operations of the Imperial Kent North Center be repealed in order to allow for the adoption of a new agreement.

Moved by: Paul Lirette

Seconded by: Éric Tremblay

Motion carried

b. Motion to *adopt* the new agreement for the Imperial Kent North Center

WHEREAS a cost-sharing agreement for general operations of the Imperial Kent North Center was already in effect since 2018 between the Town of Richibucto and the Kent RSC, with the Village de Saint-Louis-de-Kent, the Village of Rexton and the Local Service Districts of Pointe-Sapin, Carleton, Saint-Louis, Saint-Ignace, Aldouane, Saint-Charles, Richibucto, Cap-de-Richibucto and of Weldford;

WHEREAS the 2018 agreement has been conditionally repealed to allow for this agreement to be concluded in anticipation of the commencement of *An Act Respecting Local Governance Reform, 2022* (S.N.B. 2022, c. 31) and the directives issued from the Department of Environment and Local Government.

WHEREAS, the general basis of the previous agreement has been retained;

WHEREAS the Town of Richibucto will continue to provide recreational services at its sub-regional recreation facility, commonly known as Imperial Kent North Center, for the benefit of the residents of the local governments and the local service districts in its vicinity;

WHEREAS the Town of Richibucto agrees to continue to ensure the management of the facility and to be accountable to the communities contributing financially to the facility;

WHEREAS the Town of Richibucto is willing to enter into this new cost-sharing agreement that would include oversight provided through the communities contributing financially to the facility;

WHEREAS the responsibilities of the Town of Richibucto, the Imperial Kent North Advisory Committee and the Kent RSC have been adapted to respect the new local government structures and taxing authorities of the former local service districts as a result of the reform, effective January 1, 2023;

WHEREAS the Kent Regional Service Commission remain responsible for facilitating and enforcing this agreement;

WHEREAS at the time of the conclusion of the current agreement, the residents of the former participating local service districts listed in Schedule A of the new agreement, and the Village of Rexton expressed to

the Minister their desire to have access to and use of the sub-regional recreation facility and their willingness to pay the Town of Richibucto for such access and use by their residents;
WHEREAS the fixed tax rates for each of the local governments and taxing authorities concerned by this agreement remain the same as in the previous agreement;
WHEREAS the Town of Richibucto remains financially responsible for the debentures and related capital costs;
WHEREAS this cost sharing agreement will be in effect from January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2028, inclusive.

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Be it therefore resolved that the Board of Directors of the Kent RSC adopt and sign a 5-year agreement with the Town of Richibucto.

Moved by: Gisèle Fontaine

Seconded by: Paul Lirette

Motion carried

6. REDISTRIBUTION OF ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES

a. Provincial Electoral Boundaries Commission

WHEREAS the readjustment of provincial electoral boundaries is done every 10 years in New Brunswick;
WHEREAS the electoral quotient selected by the Provincial Electoral Boundaries Commission is 11,714 voters;
WHEREAS the Kent region had an increase in population during the last census and this could justify the addition of an electoral district in the Kent territory;
WHEREAS the proposal submitted follows the geographic boundaries of the Kent RSC.

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Therefore, be it resolved that the proposed recommendation be submitted to the Provincial Electoral Boundaries Commission and that a presentation be made to the Commissioners when the public hearings are held later this fall.

Moved by : Éric Tremblay

Seconded by: Paul Lirette

Motion carried

7. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

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It was moved by Paul Lirette, that the adjournment be held at 7:13pm.

CHAIR

Executive Director/Clerk