

Commission de services  
régionaux de Kent



Kent Regional  
Service Commission

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

**November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
3 :00pm  
ZOOM**

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Aldéo Saulnier opens the meeting at 3pm and welcomes everyone.

## **2. ATTENDANCE**

- Aldéo Saulnier, Chairman of the KRSC and Mayor of the Town of Grand-Bouctouche
- Arnold Vautour, Mayor of the Town of Beaurivage
- Jean Hébert, Mayor of the Rural Community of Beausoleil
- Jean-Pierre Richard, Mayor of the Town of Champdoré
- Jimmy Bourque, Mayor of the Village of Nouvelle-Arcadie
- Lucie Martin, Representative of the Kent Rural District
- Tina Beers, Vice-Chair of the KRSC and Mayor of the Municipality of Five-Rivers

## **ABSENT**

- Jean-Charles Daigle, President, Kent Rural District rural

## **OTHERS**

- Paul Lang, CEO - KRSC
- Isabelle Godin, Assistant Executive Director - KRSC
- Francine Arsenault, Administrative Assistant - KRSC (Grand-Bouctouche)
- Micheline Léger, Regional Development Coordinator - KRSC
- Lynn Landry Caissie – Director of Finances - KRSC
- Yolande Chiasson, Interpreter
- Daniel Goguen, Manager - Environment and Local Government/Kent Rural District
- Members of the public

## **3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

Nothing to report.

## **4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

2023-167

It is moved by Jean-Pierre Richard, seconded by Jimmy Bourque, that the agenda be adopted as presented.

Motion carried

## **5. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 MEETING**

2023-168

It is moved by Jimmy Bourque, seconded by Arnold Vautour, that the minutes of the Regular meeting of September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023 be adopted as presented.

Motion carried

## **6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Nothing to report.

## **7. PRESENTATION**

No presentation.

## **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

- October 12, 2023 – DeAnna L. Hill, Assistant Commissioner – Commanding Officer J Division RCMP

## **9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **a. Finances – Administration – Human Resources**

The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of July 20<sup>th</sup> as well as the financial report dated September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 are circulated.

Lynn Landry Caissie reviews the financial report to September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and provides explanations.

#### 2023-169

It is moved by Arnold Vautour, seconded by Jean Hébert, that the September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 financial report be adopted as presented.

Motion carried

#### 2023-170

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Kent Regional Service Commission accept that the tipping fees be \$119.00 per ton in 2024, 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 : Arnold Vautour

Seconded by : Jean-Pierre Richard

Motion carried

#### 2023-171

Be it resolved that the Kent Regional Service Commission Board of Directors accept that the tipping fees be \$10.00 per ton in 2024 for ICI fees and \$6.00 per ton for C&D waste.

Moved by: Jean Hébert

Seconded by: Jimmy Bourque

Motion carried

#### 2023-172

It is moved by Arnold Vautour, seconded by Jean Hébert, that the Kent Regional Service Commission accept that the total operating budget of the Regional Services Board for calendar year 2024 would include total revenues of \$7,481,768.00 and total expenditures of \$7,481,768.00 and that the total capital expenditure budget would include total expenditures of \$716,706.00.

Motion carried

Lynn Landry Caissie gives some background before moving on to the motion.

WHEREAS the staff regularly review the policies and by-laws of the Kent RSC and make the recommendations to the committees;  
WHEREAS the Director of Finance joined the KRSC team since January 2023;  
WHEREAS the Board of Directors now consists of 7 members who therefore need to assist to additional meetings on several committees;  
WHEREAS the cost of living has significantly increased in the last twelve months.

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Be it therefore resolved that the Finance, Administration and Human Resources Committee recommend to the Board of Directors the adoption of the revisions to the Expenditures Policy as presented.

Moved by: Arnold Vautour  
Seconded by: Jimmy Bourque

Motion carried

**b. Audit**

Nothing to report.

**c. Health**

Health committee update (November 23)  
Learning community

**10. REPORTS ON COLLABORATIVE SERVICES ACTIVITIES**

**a. Planning**

The minutes of the Planning Review Advisory Committee meeting of August 29<sup>th</sup> and October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 as well as the construction report for October 2023, are circulated.

**b. Solid Waste**

The minute of the Solid Waste Management Committee of May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 as well as the October 2023 Solid Waste Report are circulated. Isabelle Godin gives some clarifications to the solid waste report.

**c. Public Safety**

Paul Lang attended the Canadian Crime Prevention Association Conference in Regina a few weeks ago, where the Atlantic region was very well represented. Training on "Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design" could possibly be offered in Kent or New Brunswick. A meeting between Paul Lang, Miguel Allain, Jean Goguen and the trainer is scheduled for next week. The program is accredited by the Western Association of Planners and could also be used by municipal recreation directors and general managers. As an example, when a park is created, the training would help choose the best place to put bathrooms, trees, cameras, etc., in the park.

**d. Economic Development**

Paul Lang explains the motion before the vote.

WHEREAS the Kent Regional Service Commission has created an Economic Development Committee composed of elected officials and business people;  
WHEREAS the Economic Development Committee is made up of a maximum of 2 members of the Board of Directors who are stakeholders in the field;

WHEREAS the 2 members of the Board of Directors chosen at this meeting will know the duration of their mandate following the first meeting of the committee where an election for the presidency of the committee will take place and the determination of the mandates of each member;  
WHEREAS the Board of Directors can appoint other people according to the sectors identified in the committee's terms of reference and that an election would take place for the coveted positions.

#### 2023-174

Therefore, be it resolved that Mauril Bastarache be appointed to the **Economic Development Committee** as a fisheries contractor for a period to be determined at the first meeting of the Committee and that his term of office be determined as adopted by the Board of Directors of the Kent Regional Service Commission.

Moved by : Jean Hébert

Seconded by : Jean-Pierre Richard

Motion carried

Mennonites came from November 4 to 8, 2023 to make offers to purchase a number of properties in the Acadieville area. The lawyers spoke to each other and tentative agreements were reached with a number of owners. If all goes well, there could be initial construction as early as 2024, followed by family relocations. They have also asked our consultant about other properties for sale in the area. As soon as the sales are finalized, we'll have to work with the municipality of Nouvelle-Arcadie to publish monthly "Did you know" articles in their local newspaper, to start informing the community about the arrival of these people.

#### **e. Tourism Promotion**

A few weeks ago, Marie-Paul Robichaud attended the Salon VR Québec with Destination Southeast and someone from the Town of Grand-Bouctouche. Feedback was very positive. The format of the show has changed a little to allow more dialogue and exchange with show participants. The Akadi Lumina attraction was certainly part of the discussion. We could end up with people from Quebec who want to visit the Lumina and camp in our region.

#### **f. Community Development**

Kent Region is the first region in the province to accept the Regional Resiliency Plan for fiscal year 2024. Funds of \$50,000 are received annually. A portion of these funds is included in our budget. Channele Daponte and Stéphanie Caissie worked very hard to prepare an action plan to obtain these funds, and it paid off.

#### **g. Regional Transportation**

The minutes of the Regional Transportation Committee meetings of September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022, June 21<sup>st</sup> and September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 were circulated.

The Regional Transport service is doing very well. Four new drivers have been added in the last month. However, demand exceeds the number of drivers. A promotion was made to the Club d'âge d'or de St-Antoine and a seniors' group in Cocagne. This has helped to attract new drivers. Each municipality is strongly encouraged to promote the program. Isabelle presented a table of statistics, dated September 2023, to give an idea. A detailed table will be presented at the December 21<sup>st</sup> Board meeting.

Paul Lang explains that the strategy includes the possibility of purchasing 2 electric vehicles to enable volunteers who would like to do voluntary work but not use their own vehicle. So this is a project with FCM that was scheduled to start in February 2024 but has been pushed back to summer 2025.

#### **h. Recreation Planning**

The minutes of the Recreation, Sport and Culture Committee meetings of July 17<sup>th</sup>, July 28<sup>th</sup> and September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 are circulated.

A new program called "Physical Literacy for Communities" will be implemented in the region's municipalities. Funding has been received from this organization. A meeting will be held with all recreation directors in the region to explain how the program works and how it should be implemented. The Étoile de l'Acadie school in Nouvelle-Arcadie and the Clément-Cormier school in Grand-Bouctouche have already indicated their interest in implementing the program at the school level. It's a start, but the program will be implemented throughout Kent. Half a resource will be hired to work with the communities to implement the program.

#### **11. CHAIR REPORT (SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> TO NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2023)**

September 28 - KRSC Board meeting - Beaurivage  
October 3 - Health Committee - Beaurivage  
October 11 - Tourism meeting - Grand-Bouctouche  
October 12 - Learning Community meeting - Beaurivage  
October 13 - GRC Certificates - Beaurivage  
October 16 – Photos at MFR school - Beaurivage  
November 1 - Meeting with KRSC Executive Director – Grand-Bouctouche  
November 4 - Presentation on territorial development - Beaurivage

#### **12. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT (SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> TO NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2023)**

September 21 - Meeting with Roger Doiron  
September 21 - Kent Learning Community Meeting - Teams  
September 21 - Meeting with Marc Mazerolle, Public Works - Grand-Bouctouche  
September 25 - Meeting with Christine and Majella (UdeM) regarding RSC research project  
September 25 - Meeting with Dan Austin  
September 26 - Meeting with CAOs of municipalities and KRSC CEO - Grand-Bouctouche  
September 26 - Presentation to CAOs by Nathasha Goguen of ACOA  
September 26 - KRSC Executive Committee meeting - Grand-Bouctouche  
September 28 - Meeting with Gérard Thébeau re Mennonites  
September 28 - RSC CEO meeting - Zoom  
September 28 - CMNCP AGM - Zoom  
September 28 - KRSC Board meeting - Beaurivage  
September 29 - MAC meeting - Fredericton  
October 3 - Kent Learning Community meeting - Beaurivage  
October 4 - KRSC Chair and CEO meeting - Grand-Bouctouche  
October 4 - CPANB Conference - Teams  
October 4 - Crime Prevention Conference Planning - Teams  
October 4 – Meeting with the Rexton Health Foundation (van) - Five Rivers  
October 5 - RSC CEO meeting - Zoom

October 12 - Municipal PPP task force - Zoom  
 October 12 - Meeting with Monique Boucher - CAO of Nouvelle-Arcadie  
 October 12 – Planet Youth presentation - Centre communautaire Sainte-Anne-de-Kent  
 October 13 to 15 - AFMNB Conference - Moncton  
 October 13 - Bien Vieillir Chez Soi meeting - Beausoleil  
 October 17 - Map meeting with OMUNB - Beaurivage  
 October 17 - CEO, Chair and Vice-Chair meeting - Beaurivage  
 October 18 - Okidoo meeting - community and collective transportation - Teams  
 October 19 - RSC CEO meeting - Zoom  
 October 19 - KRSC Executive Committee meeting - Beaurivage  
 October 23 to 25 - CMNCP23 - Conference: Community Safety. Together for Change - Saskatchewan  
 October 26 & 27 - CMNCP Strategic Planning - Saskatchewan  
 October 30 - Dispatch RFP final review meeting - Zoom  
 October 30 - NB Municipal Governance and Administration meeting - Zoom  
 October 31 - CPC Planning Committee meeting - Teams  
 November 1 - KRSC Chair and CEO meeting - Grand-Bouctouche  
 November 1 - RSC research project with UdeM - Zoom  
 November 1 - KRSC budget presentation - Champdoré  
 November 2 - KRSC staff meeting/Team building - Beaurivage  
 November 2 - KRSC budget presentation - Nouvelle-Arcadie  
 November 4 - Territorial development training - Beaurivage  
 November 4 - Meeting with Mennonites  
 November 6 - Mentoring session for UdeM administration students - Moncton  
 November 7 - RSC presentation to geography students UdeM - Moncton  
 November 7 - Meeting with Roberta McIntyre Performance Indicator – Working NB - Beaurivage  
 November 7 - KRSC budget presentation - Communauté rurale de Beausoleil

### **13. RESOLUTIONS**

#### **a. By-law enforcement service - development**

The municipalities of Champdoré and Grand-Bouctouche confirm their participation and accept the terms and conditions of the contract.

### **14. NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

### **15. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

- Mario Tardif of l'Acadie Nouvelle asks where the Mennonites coming to Acadieville will come from, how many new people in the area and when will they settle? *Paul Lang replies that three families are currently interested in settling here, and they're coming from Lucknow, Ontario. We're expecting them around 2025.*

**16. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING**

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It is moved by Jean-Pierre Richard, that the adjournment be held at 4:22pm.

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CHAIR

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Executive Director/Clerk