



Regular Meeting

January 25, 2024

Meeting minutes of the Open Session of the Board of Directors of Fundy Regional Service Commission held on Thursday, January 25, 2024, held virtually online via Microsoft Teams.

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Bedford called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM

2. Record of Attendance

Jim Bedford	Vice-Chair, Fundy St. Martins
John MacKenzie	Deputy Mayor, Saint John
Nancy Grant	Mayor, Rothesay
Brittany Merrifield	Mayor, Grand Bay-Westfield
Robert Doucet	Mayor, Hampton
Ray Riddell	Fundy Rural District Alternative Representative

OTHERS

Phil Ouellette, Chief Executive Officer, FRSC

Cassie Silhanek, Recording Secretary, FRSC

GUESTS

Marc MacLeod, General Manager, FRSC

ABSENT

Libby O'Hara	Chairperson, Quispamsis
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3. Approval of the Order of Business

Chairperson Bedford called for approval of the agenda.

Motion: To approve the January 25, 2024, Agenda.

Moved: Director Doucet

Seconded: Director Grant

Vote: *Motion Carried*

4. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

None.

5. Verbal Update – EIA Session

CEO Ouellette spoke about the in-person EIA information session held and indicated there were about 120 residents that attended this session. Director MacKenzie and Chair O’Hara attended, with a statement read out at the meeting on behalf of Mayor Merrifield, that was said to have set the tone for the meeting in a positive way.

Director Riddell entered the meeting at 9:07 AM.

Director MacKenzie complimented the FRSC team for a successful meeting and acknowledged the letter by Mayor Merrifield being a great way to set the tone and stated that this was a very respectful meeting.

Director Merrifield will circulate her letter to the Board and mentioned that she feels the people of the region have been heard on this issue.

Director Grant agrees that an increase in composting is critical for the region but that reducing the size of compost carts to smaller size may not be conducive to this task and asks everyone to keep in mind the size of the bins moving forward.

Motion: To receive and file this update.

Moved: Director MacKenzie

Seconded: Director Grant

Vote: *Motion Carried*

6. 2024 Municipal Capital Borrowing Application

Marc MacLeod, General Manager of the FRSC, spoke about the open report stating that he recommends the motion be approved to meet the timelines for future purchases and application deadlines.

Motion:

Be it resolved that, the Fundy Regional Service Commission submit to the Municipal Capital Borrowing Board an application for authorization to borrow \$7,014,000 for a capital expense for the following purposes, amounts and terms:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
NAME OF FUND: Solid Waste Services		
TYPE: Environmental Health Services (General)		
Waste Containment Cell	4 Years	\$5,900,000
Flare Refurbishment	5 Years	\$65,000
Leachate Truck	5 Years	\$275,000
Solar Powered Water Pumps	5 Years	\$157,000
Rock Truck	5 Years	\$617,000
<u>Total:</u>		\$7,014,000

Moved: Director MacKenzie

Seconded: Director Grant

Vote: *Motion Carried*

7. Letter of Support – Envision Saint John

CEO Ouellette spoke about the Local Immigration Partnership and its connection to Envision Saint John.

Motion: That the Board direct CEO Ouellette to submit the attached letter of support for Envision Saint John’s proposal to the “Settlement and Resettlement Assistance Program: Call for Proposals 2024” funding.

Moved: Director MacKenzie

Seconded: Director Grant

Vote: *Motion Carried*

8. Adjournment

Chairperson Bedford called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 9:24 AM.

Moved: Director MacKenzie

Vote: *Motion Carried*

APPROVED (date) _____

Jim Bedford, Vice-Chairperson

Cassie Silhanek, Recording Secretary