

KINGS RSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING Community Services Building, 1067 Main Street, Sussex Corner Wednesday, 6:30 pm, January 31, 2024

Board Members Present:
Peter Price – Kings Rural
Vicki Gaunce – Butternut Valley
Charity McDonald – Valley Waters
Marc Thorne – Sussex
Tim Wilson – Sussex
David Titus – Butternut Valley
Gordon Keirstead – Kings Rural
Randy McKnight – Valley Waters

Staff: Andrea Davis-Hourihan – CEO Kings RSC Katlin Burpee -Solid Waste Director Pam Kaye – Recording Secretary

Public –
Frank Jopp
Wayne Wilkins
Roxanne McKnight
Joanne Lucas
Richard Pearson

Chairperson Marc Thorne opened the meeting at 6:30 and called for approval of the agenda. Motion by Director Gaunce and seconded by Director McDonald to approve the agenda for January 31, meeting. Motion carried (8-0)

Conflict of Interest - none

Motion to approve the minutes of last meeting December 19, 2023, made by Director Keirstead, seconded by Director Price. Motion carried (8-0).

Correspondence

- a) Valley Waters- fossil find, asking for \$2000 CEO will review budget to find money in tourism pillar and bring back to next meeting.
- b) RCMP J Division Quarterly Report- Director Wilson made a motion to file the report, seconded by Director McKnight

New business:

a) Recommendation from the Solid Waste Committee – Kaitlin Burpee gave overview of Circular Materials program

Director Keirstead made a motion that Kings RSC be a receiving and transporting facility for Circular Materials, subject to final approval of the contract, seconded by Director Gaunce. Motion carried (8-0)

b) Recommendation from the Community Development Committee Director Wilson made a motion that the board of the Kings Regional Service Commission approve the MOU as amended on January 15, 2024, and execute the signed agreement as soon as possible, Seconded by Director Titus. Motion carried (8-0)

Terms of Reference for Regional Sport, Recreation, Infrastructure and Culture Committee Director Keirstead made a motion to approve the terms of reference for Regional Sport, Infrastructure and Culture Committee, seconded by Director Wilson. Motion withdrawn as it needs amended.

Kings Regional Strategic Plan

Director Wilson made a motion to approve the Kings Regional Strategic Plan, seconded by Director McKnight. Motion carried (8-0).

Questions from the public:

Richard Pearson curious about financials of circular waste. Large companies pay into fund for cycle of packaging materials.

Are tipping fees going to be reduced? – circular materials will do collection of blue bags themselves, plus will pay transfer station to use facility creating new revenue stream.

Frank Jopp circular materials is nonprofit financial statements are private – can request from Recycle NB.

How clean are these bags is key role. What kind of Inspection and Enforcement powers will they have and can they fine people.? Yes, powers will be given by Recycle NB, they will be putting rejection stickers on bags.

Recreation committee – cannot follow minutes? Minutes have not been approved yet. Is committee looking after library and does Town of Sussex own the library?

Marc answered that the library is owned and operated by entities other than RSC – e.g. Library operates with provincial staff, financial statements, strategic plans, external audits, complete disclosure of financial aspect of facility to RSC. Committee cannot defund facility. He also gave a history of the ownership of the library. There were two mortgages for library, one paid for by villages and lsds and second by fundraiser. The town took on second mortgage and paid off as no money had been raised. Deed is registered to town of Sussex, but St. John regional library has oversight of library, town of Sussex primarily pays expenses of building, staff is provincially funded. The board of library is autonomous, they have own budget. Recreation Board agreed to recognize library as regional facility. Point of legislation is not for RSC to take ownership of regional facilities.

Next meeting – Feb 28 at 6:30

Director Gaunce motioned to adjourn at 7:19 pm.

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Marc Thorne, Chairperson

Pam Kaye, Recording Secretary

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