

# GREATER MONCTON WASTEWATER COMMISSION APPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

DATE: Thursday – November 19, 2020 at 6:00pm
TransAqua Riverview Operations Centre

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Michel Desiardins, Chair

Yves Gagnon, Secretary (Virtual) Jennifer Dingman, Treasurer JP Ouellette, Commissioner

Brenda Dore Kidney, Commissioner Gerald Lundquist, Commissioner Kevin Rice, General Manager

#### ABSENT:

#### 1. Chairman's remarks and approval of Agenda

The Chair opened the public meeting.

#### Motion:

That the agenda be approved as modified to add Items 4.2, 4.3, 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3 from the Private Meeting to the agenda at Item 9 and remove Item 6.2.

Moved by: Jennifer Dingman

Seconded by: Brenda Dore Kidney MOTION CARRIED

### 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

#### 2.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – October 15, 2020

Motion: That the Minutes be approved as presented.

Moved by: Jennifer Dingman

Seconded by: Brenda Dore Kidney MOTION CARRIED



## 2.2 <u>Procès-verbal de la réunion ordinaire du 15 octobre 2020</u>

Motion: That the French Minutes be approved as amended to remove "juin" and

change "December 17" to "November 19".

Moved by: Yves Gagnon

Seconded by: Jennifer Dingman MOTION CARRIED

## 2.3 <u>Minutes of Ad-hoc Meeting – October 27, 2020</u>

Motion: That the Minutes be approved as presented.

Moved by: Brenda Dore Kidney

Seconded by: JP Ouellette MOTION CARRIED

# 2.4 <u>Procès-verbal de la réunion spéciale du 27 octobre 2020</u>

Motion: That the French Minutes be approved as presented.

Moved by: Yves Gagnon

Seconded by: JP Ouellette MOTION CARRIED

#### 3. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

None

## 4. Consent Agenda

K. Rice briefly reviewed the General Manager Report for November 2020. Discussion followed and various questions asked were clarified by K. Rice.

- 4.1 Items arising listed in Appendix 1
- 4.2 General Manager Report November 2020



<u>Motion</u>: That the Commission receive and file all Reports in the Consent Agenda.

**Moved by**: Jennifer Dingman **Seconded by**: JP Ouellette

MOTION CARRIED

## 5. Submissions by Commissioners

#### 5.1 <u>Chair Designations – Increasing Communications with the public</u>

Chair Desjardins submitted information to the Commissioners prior to this meeting suggesting that increased public awareness surrounding citizens who use their toilets as garbage cans. The Chair also suggests establishing a public event in collaboration with local environmental groups to celebrate the milestone surrounding the completion of the Upgrade Project and the removal of the causeway connecting Riverview to Moncton. Other comments included hiring a communications person, should the Commission lead the communications initiative, hire a communications firm, do a survey, continue with the 3 P's message (pee, poo and toilet paper only down the drain), apartment buildings don't get the water and sewer bills with any bill stuffers like the Sewer Do's and Don'ts Brochure. The Commission is requesting the GMWC Communications Strategy and Implementation Plan information at a future Commission Meeting. K. Rice suggests he will contact the NB Department of Education for the GMA to inquire about presenting at each school in our region annually for grade 5 or 6 students.

# 5.2 <u>Secretary Gagnon - Community Project Partnership with the City of Dieppe</u>

Secretary Gagnon met with the Dieppe Mayor and CAO who indicated Dieppe's interest in working together on a community project such as what is happening with the Riverview Light-Up program for the holidays. In due course in the New Year, the General Manager will contact the Dieppe CAO to discuss and set up a meeting if there is a positive response. An eventual meeting on this topic should also include, if available, the Commissioners representing Dieppe (Secretary Gagnon and Commissioner Ouellette) and Chair Designations.



#### 6. Business Matters

## 6.1 <u>2021 GMWC Operating and Capital Budget</u>

Motion: That the Commission:

- 1. Approve the GMWC 2021 Operating and Capital Budget;
- Approve the GMWC Chair and Secretary sign the appropriate GMWC 2021 Operating and Capital Budget documents; and
- 3. Direct the General Manager to submit the GMWC 2021 Operating and Capital Budget to Moncton, Riverview and Dieppe and the Province of New Brunswick.

**Moved by**: Jennifer Dingman **Seconded by**: JP Ouellette

MOTION CARRIED

Abstention: Yves Gagnon as he is not physically present – a requirement of the Clean Environment Act, Section 15.2 (16).

## 6.2 Redeemable Guaranteed Investment Certificates Decision

Motion: That the Commission approve the redeemable amount of \$15,297,026.55, including interest earned, in GICs to remain in the GMWC Operating Bank Account.

Moved by: JP Ouellette

Seconded by: Jennifer Dingman MOTION CARRIED

# 7. Consideration of Issues Separated from the Consent Agenda

No items

#### 8. Supplemental Agenda

No items



# 9. Items arising from the Private Meeting

<u>Motion</u>: That Items 4.2, 4.3, 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3 being the Motions from the Private Meeting be ratified.

Moved by: JP Ouellette

Seconded by: Gerald Lundquist MOTION CARRIED

#### 10. Information Items

10.1 Letter to NBDECC regarding changes to the 2020 GMWC Executive and Board changes

10.2 Non-potable Bulk Water Station Analysis

# 11. Adjournment

Motion: That the Public Meeting be adjourned.

Moved by: JP Ouellette

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm

Next meeting - December 17, 2020