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Greater Moncton Sewerage Commission AGM highlights 2013 achievements

RIVERVIEW, N.B. – The Greater Moncton Sewerage Commission (GMSC) held its 2013 annual general meeting (AGM) today at Riverview Town Hall.

“The GMSC had another very successful year from both the financial and operational perspective in 2013,” said Commission Chair Winston Pearce. “The dedicated team of volunteer Commission members and GMSC operational personnel came together to generate very positive financial results and meet operational requirements, while also setting the stage to deliver on a long-term strategy and a capital investment to upgrade our facility to ensure a more environmentally friendly outflow from our treatment plant.”

Commission Treasurer Chanel Michaud highlighted the \$4.8-million surplus generated in 2013 by the GMSC as well as the more than \$450,000 of interest earned on its investments as it prepares to undertake a major capital upgrade of its treatment facility.

Meanwhile, Commission Secretary Clarence Sweetland singled out the Commission’s decision to focus its efforts in meeting the recently enacted federal effluent and treatment regulations. He also noted the enhancements made to the GMSC’s organizational structure as well as the incorporation of the new General Manager and Director of Finance and Administration roles to help strengthen the organization and support the capital upgrade focus.

The Commission’s efforts to obtain government support and funding for its biological treatment upgrade were identified as key priorities for ensuring completion of this project by the 2020 deadline while allowing it to be undertaken in the most cost-efficient manner for the ratepayers of Dieppe, Moncton and Riverview.

The Greater Moncton Sewerage Commission (www.gmsc.nb.ca) was established in 1983 to support the wastewater collection and treatment needs of the Dieppe, Moncton and Riverview tri-community. Since then, it has developed a 35-kilometre collection network and a treatment facility to best deliver on this mandate. It has also become a leader in the reuse of biosolids through the generation of type “AA” compost (the highest grade currently achieved in Canada) as opposed to disposal in a landfill site. The organization is now positioning itself to further upgrade its facilities to provide an enhanced secondary treatment approach that will allow it to meet recently introduced mandatory federal regulations prior to the 2020 deadline.



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