

Federation of Lakes of Val-des-Monts
www.federationdeslac.ca

Minutes of Meeting of August 14, 2007

Present: Tom Barber (President – Federation), Jean Lafrenière (Councillor MVDM), Bernard Mailhot (Councillor MVDM), Patrick Fredette (Coordinator – Federation), Carole St-Pierre (Lake Clair), Claude Mondoux (Lake St-Pierre), Michel Francoeur (Lake St-Pierre), Paul Strigner (PSLL), Linda Brière (Lake McArthur), Elizabeth Logue (Lake McGregor), Majorie Poirier (COBALI – CRE Laurentides), Bob Neville (Lakes Girard et McGlashan), Kathy Lauzon (Lake de la Perdrix)

ACTIONS	WHO (Who is responsible)	WHEN (Anticipated completion date)	STATUS
<p>Board Administration:</p> <p>1. Federation Board meeting schedule is as follows;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 09 2007 • December 10 2007 **MONDAY NIGHT INSTEAD OF TUESDAY** 	Board		Approved
<p>Public Affairs Committee:</p> <p>1 MRC is currently in negotiations with Gatineau with respect to the septic system draining program to be managed by the municipality. It is still anticipated that the program will start in the summer 2008. The program plans to empty septic systems every 3 years and have special arrangements for residences with holding tanks as well as island property owners.</p> <p>2 The issue of how to inspect “grey water” was raised. We will ask B. Olivier, inspector in environment at MVDM, to participate to the next Federation’s meeting to explain the issue. The inspection of every grey water system seems to be a heavy task for a single inspector.</p> <p>3 A letter was sent to ask the MVDM and the MRC to incorporate the “lake carrying capacity model” it into its future planning models.</p> <p>4 Members of the Federation will meet with the new director of urbanism and environment of VDM, Mr. Sylvain Létourneau, to inform him of the role of the Federation, to establish a better working relationship and to promote collaboration.</p> <p>5 The welcome pack of MVDM to new residents should include information related to the lake’s water quality and the bylaws that they have to respect.</p> <p>6 A letter will be sent to MVDM to ask that they give a better answer to the resident’s complaints and give more follow-up on them.</p>	MVDM	2008	
	Federation B. Olivier	October 07	
	Federation	June 2007	Approved
	Federation MVDM	September 2007	
	Federation MVDM	Ongoing	
	Federation	Fall 2007	Adopted
<p>Environment Committee:</p> <p>1. The project “Door to door for Lake St-Pierre” has started. The Federation hired Julie Caron Beaugard to give personalized visits to St-Pierre lake dwellers regarding environmentally-sound practices and shoreline restoration. Around 40 visits were done so far.</p>	Federation Lake St-Pierre	2007	Ongoing

2. Another meeting will be held between members of McGregor Lake and VDM regarding the public ramp project. The project will be extended into the summer of 2007 with some minor modifications. The data on the number of users will be available in the fall 2007.	Lake McGregor	Summer 2007	
3. Lake St. Pierre is actively looking for options on the management of its public access ramp for consideration by the MVDM for 2008. The municipality of VDM is also exploring alternatives with the Ministry of Transportation of Québec to try and meet their requirements on road safety.	Lake St. Pierre VDM	Ongoing	
4. A simplified version of the bylaw pertaining to the use of fertilizers should be proposed in next fall.	MVDM	Fall 2007	
5. A report will be written on the situation of the lakes of VDM regarding the tests on Total Phosphorus. It will give the methodology for a thorough analysis of the Total Phosphorus concentration and the estimated costs to do it.	Patrick	Fall 2007	Adopted
6. The lake associations have access to the prices of the Federation for their E. coli analysis. They have to give the Federation's quote # at Caduceon.	Federation	Ongoing	
7. The Federation wish to accompany MVDM if it introduces a bylaw regarding the prohibition of lawn mowing on the shoreline.	Federation	Ongoing	Adopted
8. The MRC bylaw on the waterways management is locally applied by an employee of MVDM who needs to intervene if there is a danger for the security of residents and material goods.	MRC MVDM	Ongoing	
Membership & Finance Committee:			
1. A motion was approved to have 2 signatures on all Federation cheques over \$500 and 1 signature on cheques under \$500. The signing authorities are to be the officers of the Federation.	Board	Ongoing	Approved
2. A letter and a budget forecast will be sent to MVDM in order to assure the finance of the Federation in the next years.	Federation	Fall 2007	Approved
Communications Committee:			
1. A grant submission of 2 800\$ presented to Heritage Canada for the translation of the document « La gestion des lacs au cœur du développement de Val-des-Monts » has been accepted. The translation is ongoing and should be available on the Federation's website this fall.	Patrick	Fall 2007	Adopted
2. The next issue of the Federation's newsletter will be published in the fall 2007.	Federation	Fall 2007	
3. Majorie Poirier, from COBALI and CRE Laurentides, presented their organizations and a kit for the monitoring of a lake's health. It can be downloaded at http://www.crelaurentides.org/trousse/ .	Majorie Poirier	Ongoing	
Other Items:			
1. A thank you letter was voiced to the MRC who provided 557 tree seedlings to residents of VDM as part of a government tree planting program.	Federation	June 2007	
2. The Water Quality Day held on July 14 th received around 100 participants and some regional medias covered the event.	Federation	July 14/07	

NEXT FEDERATION BOARD MEETINGS:

October 9th 2007 @ 6pm at the municipality