

Federation of Lakes of Val-Des-Monts

Minutes of Meeting of June 14, 2005

Present: Tom Barber (Chair, Grand Lake), Bernard Lamontagne (Past President, Lac St. Pierre), Sylvie Mercier (VP, Lakes McGlashan & Girard), Grant Walsh (VP, -Lac St. Pierre), Ginette Laramee (Secretary - Lake McArthur) Joyce Harpell (Lac Brassard), David Hogkin (PSLL- Rheaume), Jane Panet (Lake McGregor) Paul White (Lake McGregor), Paul Strigner (PSLL-Barnes), Alfred Laframboise (Lac McFee), Lisette Tremblay (Lac Letourneau), Michel-Gilles Fugere (Domaine St-Antoine), Marc Carrier (Mayor), Natalie Gingras (Director of Urban & Environmental Affairs - VDM).

ACTIONS	WHO (who is responsible)	WHEN (anticipated completion date)	STATUS
<p>Board Administration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minutes of previous meeting and the meeting agenda were approved. ▪ Next Federation Board meeting is scheduled for September 13 at 6pm at the Municipality. The schedule for the rest of the year will be determined at the next meeting. ▪ It was suggested that the Board should establish operating policies and procedures. This will be further assessed as part of incorporating the Federation (i.e., bylaws). 	<p style="text-align: center;">Board</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Board</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Board</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">June 14/05</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sept 13/05</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sept/05</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Completed</p>
<p>1. Public Affairs Committee</p> <p><u>New Items:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A proposal to establish a dependable funding source to fund new and ongoing environmental projects which would be managed by the Federation in collaboration with the MVDM was tabled. The proposed funding source would be in the form of an ‘environmental tax’ levied on all property owners based on the established property assessment mill rates. The objective is to establish an annual budget of \$150,000. <p>The Board approved the motion to support the establishing of an ‘environmental tax’ as outlined above. The motion was carried with two abstentions.</p> <p>The Public Affairs Committee will work with the Mayor’s office to refine the proposal and prepare it for review at MVDM council.</p> <p>The proposed ‘environmental tax’ will be presented at the annual water quality day being held on July 9th at the Hotel sur le lac (Lac St.Pierre)</p> <p><u>Carry Forward Items:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Municipality is reviewing the benefits and costs of adopting a program of mandatory septic system emptying done by the municipality on a systematic basis (i.e., every 1-2 years). 	<p style="text-align: center;">Public Affairs Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Board</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bernard</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Grant</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MVDM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">June 14/05</p> <p style="text-align: center;">June 14/05</p> <p style="text-align: center;">June/July</p> <p style="text-align: center;">July 9th</p> <p style="text-align: center;">May-Oct 2005</p>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Municipality will be starting a door-to-door recycling program to be implemented over the summer months with planned pick ups every 2 weeks starting around Sept/05. Each resident will be provided with a free recycling bin. ▪ The MVDM is working with the Province to clarify the definitions pertaining to the banning of fertilizers and will report back at the next meeting. ▪ The upcoming municipal elections are to be held on November 6th/05. Information on voter rights will be provided at the next meeting. 	<p>MVDM</p> <p>MVDM</p> <p>Bernard</p>	<p>June-Oct 2005</p> <p>Sept/05</p> <p>Sept/05</p>	
<p>2. Environment Committee: <u>New Items:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Environment Committee is planning to produce an information pamphlet/flyer on the availability and use of environmentally friendly domestic products. The flyer could be included in the December tax bills to property owners. ▪ The committee is also looking into what exists with respect to a land usage management plan for MVDM. ▪ The committee wishes to explore the issue of shoreline management. ▪ The committee will review the communications plan created by Andre Guibord. <p><u>Carry Forward Items:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The annual water quality day will be held on Saturday July 9th in collaboration with the municipality at the Hotel sur-le-lac (Lac St. Pierre). Further details will be outlined in the newsletter and on the new Federation website (www.federationdeslac.ca) 	<p>Slyvie</p> <p>Grant</p>	<p>Sept/05</p> <p>July 9/05</p>	
<p>3. Membership & Finance Committee: <u>New Items:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Board approved the motion to incorporate the Federation des lacs as a not-for-profit provincial organization. <p>The committee will inquire about using the MVDM as the address for incorporation. The Mayor will look into this.</p> <p>The committee will inquire as to the need for bylaws.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Archives: the committee would like to receive all information pertaining to the Federation that exists either electronically or in hard copy. Board members were asked to forward all materials to Duncan. 	<p>Board</p> <p>Duncan/Mayor</p> <p>Duncan</p> <p>Board</p>	<p>June 14/05</p> <p>June/July/05</p> <p>Sept/05</p> <p>Sept/05</p>	
<p>4. Communications Committee: <u>Carry Forward Items:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Federation's 1st newsletter was tabled and will be distributed to all 5000 municipal property owners. ▪ Advertising revenues will be solicited to offset some of the costs with the objective of rendering future Federation newsletters financially self-sufficient through advertising revenues from the newsletter and the highway signage. 	<p>Grant</p> <p>Grant</p>	<p>June/05</p> <p>Dec/05</p>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Federation website is now up and running and will be maintained on a regular basis. The Board extended its thanks to Adrian Jones for the excellent work he has done in developing and setting up the Federation website. (www.federationdeslac.ca) 	Grant	Ongoing	

NEXT FEDERATION BOARD MEETINGS:

September 13 @ 6pm at the municipality

All efforts will be made to schedule Federation Board meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of every 2nd month.

Proposed Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

If you have any other items that you would like the Board to consider for its next agenda, please forward them to Grant Walsh (724-4897) or at grwalsh@sympatico.ca no later than 2 weeks before the next meeting.