

Federation of Lakes of Val-des-Monts
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Minutes of Meeting of December 17th 2008

Present: Bernard Mailhot (Councillor, MVDM), Sylvain Létourneau (Director urbanism and environment, MVDM), Michel Francoeur (Federation, lake St-Pierre), Claude Mondoux (Federation, lake St-Pierre), Grant Walsh (Federation, lake St-Pierre), Elizabeth Logue (Federation, lake McGregor), Claude Bergeron (Federation, lake Maskinongé), Andrew Henderson (Federation, lake Brassard), Patrick Fredette (Federation), Linda Brière (lake McArthur), Carole St-Pierre (lake Clair), Richard Labbé (Lake Bois Franc), Bill Muirhead (lake du Marbre), Laurent Bazinet (lake du Marbre), Suzanne Taschereau (lake Brassard).

ACTIONS	WHO (Who is responsible)	WHEN (Anticipated completion date)	STATUS
Board Administration:			
1. Federation Board meeting schedule is as follows; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. February 10 2009 2. April 14 2009 3. June 9 2009 4. August 11 2009 5. October 13 2009 6. December 8 2009 	Board	2009	Approved
Public Affairs Committee:			
1. The Federation ordered 1 500 tree saplings of 9 different species from the MRNF in order to distribute them to VDM lake associations in 2009.	P. Fredette	Spring 2009	Ongoing
2. MVDM could pay 50% of the production and printing costs of the new pamphlet for the MVDM New Resident Welcome Package. A discussion at MVDM Council is ongoing. CRÉO's "Blue-green algae - Guide for Outaouais residents" is complementary to the pamphlet, but is not brief enough to include it in MVDM's Welcome Package.	M. Francoeur A. Henderson B. Mailhot	Jan 13 th 2009	Ongoing
3. Instead of reaching every regional notary, we proposed to prepare an environmental welcome kit (welcoming letter, CREO's guide, pamphlet, list of VDM's Lake Associations) that the Federation could send to new residents living on a lakeshore. MVDM would inform the Federation on the arrival of new residents and the Federation would then inform the concerned lake Association.	P. Fredette A. Henderson B. Maillhot	2009	Ongoing
4. MVDM will proceed with the hiring of an inspector/environmental technician to work on the septic system inspections and environmental compliance. MVDM and the Federation will work together on a protocol for grey water inspection.	P. Fredette S. Létourneau	Spring 2009	Ongoing
5. The MRC will hire an additional resource to work on MAMR's program to prevent blue-green algae bloom. It will help planning the enforcement of corrective measures for non-complying septic systems.	MRC	2009	Ongoing
6. B. Olivier inspected around 400-450 septic systems of residences on the shores of St-Pierre, McMullin and Mud Bay. A detailed report of its inspected will soon be available.	B. Olivier	Spring 2009	Coming

7. A second report on the municipal complaints regarding the septic systems and the shoreline vegetation has been submitted. The follow-up and the conclusion of the complaints were not included.	S. Létourneau	December 2008	Done
8. An interim control bylaw has been adopted by the Mayors Council of the MRC des Collines-de-l'Outaouais in order to prohibit lawn mowing within the first 5 meters from the high water mark. The MRC is waiting for an approval signature by the MAMR which has asked that Hydro-Québec be allowed to work within those 5 meters.	MRC	2009	Ongoing
9. The dam between Lake Brassard and McGregor is in a bad shape. We are trying to find out who is the owner, who is responsible for the maintenance and what are the impacts on water quality. The Federation gave its support to Lake Brassard Association to work with MVDM in finding a solution.	A. Henderson	2009	Adopted
Environment Committee:			
1. The GeoConnections project has overcome the first stage and has collected a considerable amount of data on the MRC's lakes. We will publish an article in the local newspaper to publicize the priorities of the project.	P. Fredette	Winter 2009	Ongoing
2. In 2009, the EcoAction project of home visits on public awareness and shoreline vegetation will target Grand Lake. We will rely on a large scale publicity campaign coupled with the new bylaw prohibiting lawn mowing on the lakeshore.	P. Fredette	2009	Adopted
3. An example of a fishing ethic code has been shown. We will modify it to VDM's reality and distribute it to local fishermen. An article will also be included in the next "Echoes of our lakes". Some garbage bins could be placed at principal lake accesses for ice fishing in VDM.	P. Fredette E. Logue B. Mailhot	Winter 2009	Coming
Membership & Finance Committee:			
1. The Federation has received 112 000\$ from MVDM so far in 2008.	C. Mondoux	Dec. 2008	Adopted
2. The Federation congratulates and thanks MVDM for the continuity of the Green Fund adopted at its last budget.	Federation	Dec. 2008	Adopted
3. The Federation's 2009 financial estimates have been presented to MVDM (see appendix).	Federation	Dec 2008	Adopted
Communications Committee:			
1. An editorial team will be created to head the edition of the newsletter "Echoes of our lakes".	P. Fredette G. Walsh	Winter 2009	Coming
2. We will look at the possibility to restructure the Federation's website. We will create a link between MVDM and the Federation's websites.	P. Fredette	Winter 2009	Coming
3. The Federation received some cost estimates from regional businesses to change the message on the 307 and 366 road signs. The winning 4 078\$ contract with Eskalad will include the drawing of 2 or 3 sketches and the installation of the new signs in March or June	M. Francoeur	Winter 2009	Adopted

Other Items:			
1. We will look at the legal authorizations that are needed to cut the aquatic plants in a lake.	C. Mondoux P. Fredette	Spring 2009	Coming
2. A plaque will be given to Tom Barber, Federation's outgoing President, to emphasize its exceptional work within this organization.	T. Barber	Dec. 2008	Coming
3. Since he left for a provincial political career, we propose to elect Marc Carrière as a lifelong member of the Federation to honour his municipal work and his open-mindedness regarding VDM's environmental concerns.	M. Carrière	Dec. 2008	Adopted
4. A unanimously adopted motion has been proposed by Carole St-Pierre and seconded by Suzanne Taschereau to elect the following members to the Federation's executive Council: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President: Michel Francoeur • 1st Vice-President: Grant Walsh • 2nd Vice-Presidente: Elizabeth Logue • Treasurer: Claude Mondoux • Outgoing President: Tom Barber • Member: Claude Bergeron • Member: Andrew Henderson • Member: Linda Brière 	C. St-Pierre S. Taschereau	Dec. 2008	Adopted

NEXT FEDERATION BOARD MEETINGS:

February 10th 2009 @ 6pm at the municipality

**Fédération des lacs de Val-des-Monts
Budget 2009**

Dépenses

Gestion et Administration	80 000 \$
Porte-à-porte au service des lacs de VDM	48 000 \$
Projet GéoConnexion- Étude de capacité de support des lacs de la MRC	58 000 \$
Journée de la Qualité de l'eau	3 000 \$
Tests de la Qualité de l'eau	2 000 \$
Conférence et forum	500 \$
Échos de nos lacs (2 parutions par année)	14 000 \$
Campagne de sensibilisation (reboisement, fosse septique, tonte de gazon)	9 000 \$
Total projeté des dépenses	<u>214 500 \$</u>

Revenus

Municipalité de Val-des-Monts	118 500 \$
COMGA (pour les lacs affectés par les algues bleues en 2008)	5 000 \$
Environnement Canada- ÉcoAction	24 000 \$
Ressources Naturelles Canada- GéoConnexions	58 000 \$
Publicité Échos de nos lacs et affiches	4 000 \$
Retour de TPS et TVQ	4 000 \$
Adhésion	1 000 \$
Total projeté des revenus	<u>214 500 \$</u>

Déficit projeté	0 \$
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