

**GREATER MONCTON WASTEWATER COMMISSION
APPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

DATE: Thursday - February 19, 2015 - 3:00 pm
GMWC Riverview Operations Centre

IN ATTENDANCE: Win Pearce, Chair
Chanel Michaud, Treasurer
Clarence Sweetland, Secretary
Julie Thériault, Commissioner (**arrived at 4:00 p.m.**)
David Muir, Commissioner
George Somers, Commissioner (**arrived at 3:30 p.m.**)
Michael Asplet, Interim General Manager, GMWC

1. Chair's remarks and Approval of Agenda

1.1 Chairman's Remarks

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. He indicated that the photographer will be present at 4:30 p.m. to take the Commission photo in preparation of the 2014 Annual Report Brochure.

1.2 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed. To move Item 6.1 to the beginning of meeting as the representative of the Commission's audit firm, PWC is present.

It was **Moved By:** C. Michaud and **Seconded By:** C. Sweetland to approve the agenda as modified. **CARRIED**

2. Minutes of Meeting

2.1 Minutes of Meeting - 15 January 2015

The minutes were reviewed.

It was **Moved By:** C. Sweetland and **Seconded By:** D. Muir to approve the minutes as presented. **CARRIED**

2.2 Procès - Verbal de la réunion du 15 janvier 2015

It was **Moved By:** C. Michaud and **Seconded By:** J. Thériault to approve the minutes as presented. **CARRIED**

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Matters Arising - Appendix 1

All items are dealt with separately as agenda items or will be dealt with at future meetings.

4. Private Session

It was **Moved By:** C. Michaud and **Seconded By:** C. Sweetland that the meeting move to the Private Session. **CARRIED**

5. Capital Construction Program, Engineering Studies

5.1 Capital Projects

5.1.1 Gantt Chart - Schedule and Progress on 2015 Major Capital Projects

The Chart was reviewed.

5.1.3 Compost Project Status Report

The Status Report was reviewed.

5.2 Equipment and Contracts - Recommendations and Awards

5.2.1 Compost Pad #3 - Glycol Purchase RFQ - Update

M. Asplet advised that the RFQ closing has been delayed. This item to be discussed next month.

5.2.2 Compost Pad Controls RFP - Evaluation of Proposals and Recommendation

A memo from C. Allain dated February 16, 2015 was reviewed and discussed.

It was **Moved By:** J. Thériault and **Seconded By:** G. Somers that ADM Systems Engineering Ltd. be awarded the contract to implement Controls Work associated with the Pumping Systems and Pad No. 3 Compost Process Control in accordance with their proposal dated January 23, 2015, for the total amount of \$103,042.00 plus H.S.T. **CARRIED**

5.3 Engineering Studies/Reports

5.3.1 RV Anderson - Future Conveyance and Combined Sewer Overflow Strategy Update

The Status Report dated February 13, 2015 from C. Allain was reviewed. C. Allain reported that due to a late start, project deliverables are expected in March.

5.3.2 Collector System Hydraulic Modelling and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting

A memo dated February 10, 2015 from C. Allain was circulated and reviewed. Some discussion followed.

It was **Moved By:** J. Thériault and **Seconded By:** C. Michaud that the GMWC accepts the detailed proposal from R.V. Anderson dated November 6, 2014 for the quoted amount of \$20,500.00 plus H.S.T. It is further recommended that an additional amount of \$6,000.00 be added so management can deal with minor scope changes and additions. The amounts allocated for this work would come out of the budget item "CSO Screening at Pumping Stations" - \$232,715.00. **CARRIED**

6. Financial and Administration

6.1 PricewaterhouseCoopers presentation of the 2014 Audited Financial Statements

The Chair introduced Joelyn Bernard from PricewaterhouseCoopers to present the 2014 Financial Statements.

Ms. Bernard provided a "Draft" copy of the 2014 Audited Financial Statements to everyone present and asked that the copies be returned to

her following the presentation as they are not in final form. The document was reviewed and discussed and Ms. Bernard answered various questions and concerns that were presented by the Commission.

The final 2014 Audited Financial Statements will be finalized and given to the Commission next week, with final approval to take place at the March 19th meeting.

6.1.1 Prior Period Depreciation - @ 700k, down from 2M

This was discussed, explained and the reasons for it rationalized during the presentation of the Draft 2014 Audited Financial Statements.

6.2 Monthly Financial Report - January 2015 - Interim/Draft

To follow at March meeting.

6.3 Cost Sharing Agreements with Municipalities

6.3.1 Legal Opinion (in private package)

Discussed in the Private Session.

6.3.2 1985 Dieppe Agreement already in effect

A document entitled "A By-Law regulating the use of the sewerage systems of the Greater Moncton Sewerage Commission in the Town of Dieppe" was reviewed. Some discussion followed.

6.3.3 GMWC Management Recommendations

Executive Summary and GMWC Management Recommendations Stemming from the Technical Committee's Recommendations of June 11, 2014 was reviewed. As an aside, the Chair advised that C. Allain is now the Chair of the Technical Committee and P. Casas has been added as a member and will act as secretary.

6.3.4 Plans for 2015?

Some discussion took place concerning the direction that the GMWC is going to take in 2015 on the whole issue of Cost Sharing

Agreements with Municipalities. This item to be discussed further at future meetings.

7. Other - General

7.1 General Manager Report - January 2015

The report was reviewed.

7.2 PPP Canada Business Case Development Update

The Commission's main concern was with the upcoming KPMG recommendations re the P3 business case. Were sufficient alternatives being studied? The Chair was asked to contact KPMG and discuss, with the possibility of an additional meeting with them. More details to follow.

7.2.1 Cold water testing and P3 decision

Some concerns had been expressed that the P3 proponents may not support the Biological Nutrient Removal process. Following review of a Staff paper on the subject, the Commission's support of the process was reconfirmed.

7.3 Annual Report Progress - Tasks and Reports assigned to Commissioners and staff

Information item.

7.4 Feedback on Request for Support to Councils, MLA's, MP's, Province

7.4.1 Meeting with area caucus to overview Commission activities and projects - Update

Following a brief discussion it was agreed that C. Michaud will contact Peter Belliveau to arrange a meeting with the South-Eastern Caucus to discuss Commission Activities and Projects.

7.4.2 Request for Provincial funding and department support for upgrading projects

No new details at this time.

7.5 Gabbey Report - Commission Review

Discussion held in the Private Meeting.

8. Information Items

- 8.1 Payables - January 2015 Payables (to follow)
- 8.2 Committee Structure - 15 January 2015
- 8.3 Commissions List - Updated 6 February 2015
- 8.4 Times and Transcript Article - TransAqua Upgrade
- 8.5 Times and Transcript Article - Editorial P3
- 8.6 Times and Transcript Article - Letter to the Editor - New Brunswick CUPE
- 8.7 The Council of Canadians comment
- 8.8 Brian Cormier's response to the Council of Canadians comment
- 8.9 Article "Steam Machine Turns Poop into Clean Drinking Water"
- 8.10 Times and Transcript article "Moncton wastewater plant makes use of warm water"
- 8.11 Letter to Victor Boudreau
- 8.12 Letter to Roger Melanson
- 8.13 Letter to Robert Goguen

9. Next Meeting

- 9.1 March 19, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.
- 9.2 March 20, 2015 - Annual General Meeting

It was **Moved By:** J. Thériault to adjourn the general meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.