



Southwest New Brunswick Service
Special Board Meeting – August 9, 2022, 6:00 pm
Purpose of Meeting: To gain consensus on
direction of Economic Development for SNBSC

Commission Members, Guests & Staff Present:

Winston Gamblin – Harvey	Annette Townes - Alternate
Heather Hatt – LSD	John Detorakis – St. George
Dennis Blair – LSD	Glenn Hawkins– LSD
Sam Walsh - LSD	Ken Stannix – McAdam
Jim Tubbs – LSD	Bonnie Morse – Grand Manan
Allan MacEachern – St. Stephen	Wayne MacQuarrie - LSD
Adam Hatt – Black Harbour	Brad Henderson – St. Andrews
Hollis Bartlett – Staff	Ryan Donaghy – DOELG
Gerard Belliveau – Facilitator	Maurice Robichaud – Facilitator
Bill Campbell – CDEC	Kendall Kadatz – Future St. Stephen
Justin Hatt – Public	Al Craig – CDEC
Courtney - Public	

Call to order

Chair, K. Stannix called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Declaration of Quorum, Acknowledgement of Visitors

Live streamed via YouTube.

Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

Adoption of Agenda

22-26 It was moved by J. Tubbs and seconded by H. Hatt to accept the agenda as presented.

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Presentation Future St. Stephen

K. Kadatz gave an overview of Future St. Stephen's funding structure. He suggested the Commission hire a coordinator/collaborator to work with existing parties for a fruitful outcome for Economical Development. K. Stannix discussed the system for government grants that ultimately pits our communities against each other. The organization needs a person to have knowledge of these grants being available and work as a region on applications. M. Robichaud shared the approach used in other areas was to find the best delivery mechanism for Economic Development and Tourism. The cost can't be calculated until the delivery mechanism is decided.



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K. Stannix questioned the extension of Future St. Stephen to the other areas of the region. K. Kadatz noted it is possible but felt it should be something overseen by Commission staff.

Cost sharing service models are designed for catchment areas. R. Donaghy informed these services have not been part of the government's mandate since the Enterprise agencies were shut down. B. Henderson suggested a sub-committee be made up with all communities having representation.

Presentation CDEC (Synergie)

Al Craig gave a presentation suggesting all silos be torn down and all communities work together. The mission is a full spectrum of community economic development with a strategic plan with staff and contracted consultants. A locally driven board comprised of local community groups and business leaders. It is important to avoid duplication and to coordinate with federal and provincial governments.

A MacEachern expressed his opinion that economic development and tourism should be put together.

A Hatt questioned why each community can not have its own organizations. K. Stannix informed that isn't the case, we need to get that basic structure in place first. It's more of a support network to have in place.

G. Hawkins enforced the service commission's mandate is regional economic development, not each community.

J. Detorakis expressed this new facilitator's job is to gather government money from other government departments.

G. Belliveau cleared up a few issues. The regional mandate that's in place touches on four main areas. Memos of understanding should be signed with existing organizations. There needs to be one facilitator to manage data and have a regional strategy. When you work regionally, everyone wins.

22-27 It was moved by G. Hawkins and seconded by S. Walsh to defer the remainder of the agenda to the next meeting.

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Q&A with the Public

Next Meeting

Tuesday, August 16 @ 6:00 pm at the conference room at Hemlock Knoll, Lawrence Station, NB

Minutes were recorded via YouTube and transcribed by Claudette MacLean, Staff.



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Ken Stannix, Chair

Holly Bartlett, Executive Director