

## SUMMARY REPORT OF POSSIBLE MERGER OPTIONS

Shediac Bridge/Shediac River LSD Advisory Committee Meeting – July 27, 2021

Meeting held with the following members present: Michel Poirier, Vincent Gallant, Ricky Babineau and Catherine Bourgeois. The group reviewed the possible options below which outlined various combinations of LSD mergers.

<b>OPTIONS</b>	<b>Tax Rate</b>	<b>2021 TAX BASE</b>	<b>Viable Option Yes or No</b>
<b>Option 1</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Grande Digue, Shediac Cape	.4779	\$576,707,750	?
<b>Option 2</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Shediac Cape	.4299	\$292,298,000	?
<b>Option 3</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Grande Digue, Shediac Cape, Shediac	.3705	\$1,135,298,500	?
<b>Option 4</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Shediac Cape, Shediac	.7860	\$1,016,103,250	?
<b>Option 5</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Beaubassin Rural Community	.3968	\$532,019,600	X
<b>Option 6</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Beaubassin Rural Community Grande Digue	.4558	\$816,429,350	X
<b>Option 7</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Moncton/St. Philip, Grande Digue	.5004	\$1,055,591,300	X
<b>Option 8</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Moncton/St. Philip	.4637	\$771,181,550	X
<b>Option 9</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Grande Digue	.5026	\$449,624,250	?
<b>Option 10</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Grande Digue, Cocagne	.5000	\$220,230,650	No
<b>Option 11</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Wellington	.4700	\$216,474,800	No
<b>Option 12</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Shediac Cape, Grande Digue	.4700	\$576,707,750	No

<b>Option 13</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Shediac Cape	.4200	\$292,298,000	No
<b>Option 14</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Scoudouc, Scoudouc Road Grande Digue	.4688	\$582,995,500	?
<b>Option 15</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Scoudouc, Scoudouc Road	.4337	\$298,495,500	?
<b>Option 16</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Shediac, Grande Digue	.8375	\$1,173,429,500	X
<b>Option 17</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Shediac	.9648	\$889,019,750	X
<b>Proposal</b> <b>Option 18</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Scoudouc, Scoudouc Road Shediac Cape	.4608	\$425,579,050	?
<b>Option 19</b> Shediac Bridge/Shediac River Scoudouc, Scoudouc Road Shediac Cape, Grande Digue	.4487	\$709,988,750	?

Possible Merger Options:

Option #1

Option #2

Option #3

Option #4

Option #5

Proposed :

Option #2

Option #18

Option #4

Option #14

Option #19

## **NEXT STEPS**

- 1) Make arrangements to meet with the Town of Shediac, Michel will contact the Town Manager to schedule a meeting in the near future
- 2) Schedule a meeting with someone from Shediac Cape, Ricky and Rémi will try to contact a few people in the community to schedule a meeting ASAP
- 3) Schedule a meeting with a representation from the Scoudouc LSD Advisory Committee ASAP
- 4) Once meetings have been held the Committee will meet to review the findings from those meetings by week ending August 13, 2021
- 5) Catherine to follow-up with Minister Daniel Allain's office to find out when the public consultation meeting will be held
- 6) Michel to follow up with Daniel Bourgeois after their LSD meeting scheduled for July 27, 2021
- 7) Michel to write an email to Ryan Donaghy to express interest in amalgamating Shediac Cape, Scoudouc, Scoudouc Road, with Shediac Bridge/Shediac River and Grande Digue by week ending July 31, 2021

## **Meeting August 3, 2021 - Summary**

The Shediac Bridge/Shediac River LSD Committee today met to review the research done to date and discuss the next steps of the Committee in response to the Local Governance Green Paper.

### **OUR GOAL**

***What is the best proposal and the best suitable scenario for SHEDIAC BRIDGE/SHEDIAC RIVER to amalgamate with another LSD for future growth and to minimize potential increases for our property tax payers?***

- 1) After the meeting of the Grande Digue LSD Advisory Committee, their decision was that they would rather join the Shediac Bridge/Shediac River LSD instead of amalgamating with the Cocagne Rural Community. They are also in agreement with us to look at the possibility of amalgamating with Shediac Cape, Scoudouc and Scoudouc Road, to be discussed further.
- 2) Members of the Shediac Bridge/Shediac River LSD Committee will reach out to citizens of the Scoudouc and Shediac Cape and Scoudouc Road communities to set up a meeting to discuss possibilities of amalgamation with their respective communities. There are no active Committees currently in these communities
- 3) Possible proposal for proposed merger:
  - 1) To include
    - i. Shediac Bridge/Shediac River
    - ii. Shediac Cape
    - iii. Scoudouc
    - iv. Scoudouc Road
    - v. Grande – Digue
  - 2) To include the Town of Shediac

## LOCAL GOVERNANCE REFORM

### **RECOMMENDATION - Option #1**

Tax Rate: .04487

Tax Base: 709,988.750

Population: 5,474

Shediac Bridge /Shediac River

- Shediac Cape
- Scoudouc
- Scoudouc Road
- Grande – Digue

### **RECOMMENDATION - Option #2**

Tax Rate: .6749

Tax Base:1,433,794,000

Population: 12,138

- Shediac Bridge /Shediac River
- Shediac Cape
- Scoudouc
- Scoudouc Road
- Grande – Digue
- Shediac

## Meeting – August 17, 2021

At this meeting, reviewed Option 2 without Shediac.

### Possible Option

LSD COMMUNITY	POPULATION	TAX RATE	TASE BASE
Grande Digue	2263	.5740	284,409,750
Shediac Bridge/Shediac River	1098	.4312	165,214,500
Scoudouc	1084	.4244	112,220,550
Scoudouc Road	193	.4447	210,604,500
Pointe du Chene	716	.4662	173,404,500
Shediac Cape	838	.4286	127,083,500
TOTAL	6188 773 AVG	.4616 AVG	883,393,250 147,232,208 AVG

### Issues/Concerns

- ✓ Environmental issues
- ✓ Zoning issues
- ✓ Fire protection
- ✓ Commercial development
- ✓ Language issues
- ✓ Road management
- ✓ Location of municipal office

## Meeting September 8, 2021 –

Present Michel Poirier, Vincent Gallant and Catherine Bourgeois. We met to review the possible options we had identified at our last meeting and included the population in each LSD. See below:

### Possible Combination - Option 1

LSD COMMUNITY	POPULATION	TAX RATE	TASE BASE
Shediac Bridge/Shediac River	1098	.4312	165,214,500
Shediac Cape	838	.4286	127,383,500
Scoudouc Road	193	.4447	21,060,450
Subtotal	2129	.4347 AVG	313,358,450/ AVG 104,452,816
Scoudouc	1084	.4244	112,220,550
TOTAL	3213	.4322 AVG	425,579,000 AVG 106,394,750

## PROPOSAL / MANDATE

The Shediac Bridge/Shediac River LSD Advisory Committee firmly believes that Local/ RURAL authorities working with other knowledgeable LSD members is the solution to addressing RURAL needs; until we have a RURAL voice holding the government to such a standard, we will continue to struggle.

Points of interests such as:

- infrastructure
- commercial development
- environmental issues
- rural internet and cellular service
- zoning issues
- fire protection

<b>LSD COMMUNITY</b>	<b>POPULATION</b>	<b>TAX RATE</b>	<b>TASE BASE</b>
Shediac Bridge/Shediac River	1098	.4312	165,214,500
Shediac Cape	838	.4286	127,383,500
Scoudouc Road	193	.4447	21,060,450
<b>Subtotal</b>	2129	.4347 AVG	313,358,450/ AVG 104,452,816
Scoudouc	1084	.4244	112,220,550
<b>TOTAL</b>	3213	.4322 AVG	425,579,000 AVG 106,394,750