INFORMATION SHEET



BOARD REMUNERATION

HOW ARE DIRECTORS (BOARD MEMBERS) WITH THE EASTERN REGIONAL SERVICE BOARD COMPENSATED?

The amount paid to Board members is set by the Provincial Government, and more specifically by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment under the *Regional Service Board Act*, 2012 (the Act), and subsequent regulations. According to Section 46 of the Act, Directors on the Board may receive remuneration at a rate to be set in a regulation by the Province as stated in Section 47.

The Board does not have the ability to set a per diem, or a rate of pay, for Board members unless that rate is the rate established by the Province. The rate used according to "Level I" of the "Guidelines for Rates of Remuneration for Boards, Commissions and Agencies" as set by the Public Service Secretariat, which was written in 1996. The rates established in this guideline have not changed in 22 years. Level I is the lowest rate in the guideline. This is the same rate that members of other Provincial Boards would receive, such as members of the Multi-Material Stewardship Board, Municipal Assessment Agency, NL911 Bureau Inc., WorkplaceNL (Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission Board of Directors), Regional Appeal Board and the Human Rights Commission. The rate for the Chairperson is \$190 per day and Board member is \$145 per day when conducting business on behalf of the Board (attending meetings, etc.).

The "Guidelines for Rates of Remuneration for Boards, Commissions and Agencies" is a document that is publically available from the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador. This document can be accessed on the Independent Appointments Commission website at the following link: https://www.iacnl.ca/about-abcs/

Government has over 200 agencies, boards and commissions and more detailed information with regards to these entities is available on the Independent Appointments Commission website.

GOVERNING LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS

The following section includes relevant excerpts from the *Regional Service Board Act, 2012,* followed by the regulation recommended by the Minister, and adopted by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council (Cabinet), in relation to Board remuneration:

SNL2012 CHAPTER R-8.1 REGIONAL SERVICE BOARDS ACT, 2012 Amended:

2014 cC-10.1 s64; 2015 c15

CHAPTER R-8.1

AN ACT RESPECTING REGIONAL SERVICE BOARDS IN THE PROVINCE

Remuneration and expenses

(Assented to June 27, 2012)

46. A board may, subject to regulations made under section 47,

- (a) pay to the chairperson and other members an annual salary or other remuneration that may be agreed upon by the board and determined by a 2/3 vote of all the members; and
- (b) by a vote of a majority of the members reimburse the chairperson and other members for reasonable expenses incurred by them in the conduct of board business.

Regulations

- **47.** (1) The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make regulations
 - (a) setting out a scale of remuneration for chairpersons and other members or officers of a board; (a.1) establishing the process for elections under paragraph 6(1)(b); and
 - (b) setting out rules as to the amount of reimbursement for expenses that may be paid out under paragraph 46 (b).
 - (2) Payments made under subsection (1) shall be made out of the funds of the board.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR REGULATION 101/11

Regional Service Boards Remuneration and Reimbursement Regulations under the Regional Service Boards Act (O.C. 2011-257)

(Filed November 15, 2011)

Under the authority of section 39 of the *Regional Service Boards Act*, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council makes the following regulations.

Dated at St. John's, November 9, 2011.

Robert Thompson Clerk of the Executive Council

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2. (1) The scale of remuneration for chairpersons and other members or officers of a regional service board shall be in accordance with Level I of the Guidelines for Rates of Remuneration for Boards, Commissions and Agencies as set by the Public Service Secretariat.

(2) Reimbursement for expenses for members of boards shall be in accordance with the Executive Travel Rules established by the Public Service Secretariat.