

**6. EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION TO THE PROVINCE FOR RECOGNITION OF
THE REGION'S POLICY IN MEETING WORKFARE TARGETS**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Regional Council congratulate and express our appreciation to the Provincial Government for recognizing the Region's successful efforts in placing social assistance clients in permanent jobs and counting these successes as part of our workfare targets; and,

FURTHER THAT this motion be forwarded to the Provincial Minister of Community and Social Services (and Francophone Affairs) John Baird.

DOCUMENTATION

1. Extract of Draft Minute, Community Services Committee meeting of 1 June 00, is attached and includes a record of all votes.

Extract of Draft Minute
Community Services Committee
1 June 2000

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Dick Stewart, Commissioner of Social Services, provided Committee with the encouraging news that the provincial government recently announced that it will recognize community placements that result in permanent jobs as being counted towards workfare targets.

Commissioner Stewart noted that the official guidelines will be forwarded to members as soon as they are received from the province. He added that the likelihood of meeting the targets provided by the province are much more obtainable with this policy change.

Councillor A. Loney suggested that a motion be passed by Committee and Council expressing appreciation to the province for making this change.

Councillor M. McGoldrick-Larsen suggested that the Department release the information as a “good news” story.

Moved by Councillor Loney

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