

Minutes of the committee meeting of 2.8.2019

1. Meeting with representatives of the Vercorin Télécabine SA (Mr Perruchoud and Mr Glassey - Renato and Andreas)

The Board of Directors (BoD) of Télécabine SA does not currently foresee any change in the makeup of its BoD. The reason given is that it is preferable for the current BoD to complete the work begun concerning the construction of the Tracuit chairlift. The question of the renewal of the BoD will arise at a later date. We have expressed our wish to resume the discussion regarding having an R2 representative get a seat on the BoD. At this meeting, the discussion mainly concerned the new Tourism SA, the strategic committee/advisory commission and the Development Corporation (DC) (see point 3).

2. Status of payment of contributions

On 1.7.2019, there were 38 members who had not paid their dues. Currently, after the most recent reminder letter, only 15 members have not paid. Renato will once again check who has not paid their contributions on 1.9.2019 and Andreas will send a final reminder at that point in time.

3. Public limited company of tourism

(Discussion with Martine Perruchoud Hofstädter, representatives of Télécabine Vercorin SA and Alban Mathieu of the Société de Développement)

We are currently in a process, which is why, as is normal, facts change quite often and are not always clear.

A strategic committee/advisory committee of the Municipality is planned, a structure that brings together all the stakeholders of the municipality, including the R2s, and defines the tourism strategy for the Municipality or for the Tourism SA.

The operational body is the "SA du Tourisme" (Tourism Ltd Co) with a share capital of CHF 100,000 to 120,000. The following parties will be part of this SA and at the same time of its Board of Directors: Peak Resort, Télécabine SA, Mr Corvasce, the Commune and, in principle, the Société de Développement (SD), each with a share capital between CHF 15,000 and 20,000. For the time being, the only party, other than those mentioned, that has expressed an interest in joining is the R2 association. This SA will be responsible for the oversight of the Office of Tourism, whose tasks will certainly be expanded compared to the current situation.

The SD - their contributions of CHF 80 from their 180 members gives them revenues of about CHF 15,000 per annum - will be "relieved" of the collection of the tourist tax that will be collected by the SA of Tourism instead. The SD will be in charge of organizing/conceptualizing village activities (egg race, 2335 jazz cinema, 300-door parade, the coming home from the Alpine Pastures festival, the dérupe race, etc...), the execution of which will probably be assumed by the tourist office.

This SA of Tourism is expected to be launched in August or September of this year.

In accordance with the decision of our General Assembly of April 19th, we will formally request to be part of the SA of Tourism, including its Board of Directors..... obviously without guarantee that will achieve these aims. Andreas will go to the constituent assembly as a representative of the R2s and inform the R2 committee afterwards.

4. Meeting with the President of the R2s of Val Anniviers

Above all, it will be an informal meeting to better understand the problems and interests of an R2, given that the R2 in Val Anniviers has been in existence for several decades.

5. Tourist tax

Jacques has received a "new" version of the project at the end of June with final figures that correspond to what was initially proposed orally. This project has undergone some changes following its submission to the Valais Council of State (VCS). It can be considered that this regulation is currently legally compliant. It roughly implies a doubling of the tourist tax compared to the current situation. Jacques will provide us with the details of the project.

In addition, with regard to statistical data, during the month of July, a student was assigned by the Municipality to produce statistics from the municipal data to meet our request. Martine Perruchoud should send this data to me in the next few weeks.

It is very likely that the Commune will submit this project to the Primary Assembly in November and would like to have our opinion/feedback beforehand. Therefore, if everything goes as planned, we plan a GA on 19.10.2019 at 19.30 to take a formal position on this proposed tourist tax.

6. Tourism development charter

In the current state of thinking, this (the draft which Andreas has penned) is a working document that should serve as a tool for us to further discuss the Association's stance in terms of touristic development. It is envisaged to submit it to a general meeting in order to then draft a text that takes into account any comments, a text that may then be submitted to a formal vote.

This is a text that is addressed to the members of our association to define the tourism policy that we would like to see defended by our representatives in the various bodies where we sit.

As for the content, this text does not raise major objections and everyone agrees that it should be submitted to a GA, possibly to next year's statutory GA.

7. Meeting with the Municipal Authorities

We are trying to set up a committee meeting between Christmas and New Year (26, 27 or 28.12.2019 at the end of the day) to meet representatives of the municipality on this occasion.

8. Next committee meeting date, Saturday, October 19th:

- o 15.30 committee meeting at the bourgeoisie hall
- o 17.00 meeting with Mr. Matthys of the R2 Anniviers at the bourgeoisie hall
- o 19.30 AG at the multi-purpose room of Vercorin's school building

Sincerely and good summer, Andreas