



**REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
of the EDMUNDSTON City Council**

**Monday, January 15, 2007
Council Chamber, City Hall**

Present: Gérald Allain, Mayor Réal Gervais, Chief Adm. Officer
 Marc Michaud, Assistant CAO Daniel Gagné, Assistant CAO
 Doreen Banville, Assistant Clerk

Councillors:

Ward 1:	Aldéo Nadeau	Réal Morneault
Ward 2:	Louis Lavoie	Albert W. Martin
Ward 3:	Gérald Morneault	Don Moreau
Ward 4:	Charles Fournier	Michel Dubé

Mayor Allain called the meeting to order at 8:00. The Mayor recognized Mr. Michel McSween for his nomination as volunteer of the year by Soccer N.B.

It was moved by Michel Dubé and seconded by Don Moreau that the agenda be adopted as revised. Carried.

**2007-001 Mr. Gerald Morneault moved that the minutes of the following meeting be accepted as presented:
 December 18, 2006 – Regular public meeting
 Seconded by Aldéo Nadeau. Carried.**

**MUNICIPAL BY-LAW NO. 11-2007
APPROVAL OF THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE EDMUNDSTON CENTRAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION INC. FOR YEAR 2007**

The Assistant clerk proceeds with the 3rd reading by title of By Law No. 11-2007 and the following motion was brought.

**2007-002 Mr. Louis Lavoie moved that By Law No. 11-2007 regarding the operating budget for the Edmundston Central Business Development Corporation Inc. for the year 2007, be adopted.
 Seconded by Michel Dubé. Carried.**

**MUNICIPAL BY-LAW NO. 24R-2007
SCHEDULE A – WATER AND SEWER RATES**

The Assistant Clerk proceeds with the 1st and 2nd reading of By-Law No. 24R-2007.

AMENDMENTS TO THE EDMUNDSTON (ZONE 1) ZONING BY-LAW

The Assistant Clerk proceeds with the 1st reading in its entirety and 2nd reading by title of the following by-laws:

- **GESTION VERRET INC. – LE MONTAGNARD STREET** No. 67.Z1.105
- **SIGNS, AMENDMENTS FOR FACIA SIGNS** No. 67.Z1.106
- **EDMUNDSTON, 30TH AVENUE –** No. 67.Z1.107
- **PLAZACORP PROPERTYHOLDINGS INC. – 34TH AVENUE** No. 67.Z1.108

No objection was brought towards the 4 above mentioned by-laws.

RPB CONSTRUCTION LTD, PERRON ST. EXT. No. 67.Z1.102

**2007- 003 Mr. Charles Fournier moved that the motions No. 2006-110 and 2006-111 as of September 11, 2006 be rescinded and that the 3rd reading of Municipal By-Law No. 67.Z1.102 regarding the amendment to the Zoning By-Law for the property belonging to RPB Construction Ltd on Perron street, be cancelled.
Seconded by Don Moreau. Carried**

The Assistant Clerk proceeds with the 3rd reading in its entirety of revised By-Law No. 67.Z1.102 and the following motion was brought:

**2007-004 Mr. Charles Fournier moved that the By-Law No. 67.Z1.102 regarding a portion of the property belonging to RPB Construction Ltd on the extention of Perron street, be adopted.
Seconded by Don Moreau. Carried.**

OTHER MUNICIPAL ISSUES:

ADMINISTRATIVE

2007 OPERATING BUDGETS

Treasurer Jeannot Raymond presented the details of the 2007 Budgets and the following motions were brought:

GENERAL ACCOUNT

**2007-005 Mr Louis Lavoie moved that the Edmundston Council accept the amount of \$22,402,873 to be the total municipal budget for the year 2007, that the amount of \$16,331,688 be the municipal mandate, and that the taxation rates be as follows:
\$1.5950 per \$100 of assessment for Zone 1/Edmundston
\$1.1463 per \$100 of assessment for Zone 2/Saint-Jacques
\$1.4591 per \$100 of assessment for Zone 3/Saint-Basile
\$1.4018 per \$100 of assessment for Zone 4/Verret
\$1.1262 per \$100 of assessment for Zone 5/ Mad. LSD**

The Council orders and states that the mandate be levied by the Minister of Local Government on the real estate property appraisal that are taxable under the provisions of the *Assessment Act* and that are on the territory of the Edmundston Municipality.

Seconded by Michel Dubé. Carried.

WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

2007-006 Mr. Gerald Morneault moved that the Edmundston Council decide that pursuant to section 189(4) of the *Municipalities Act*, the total operating budget for the Water and Sewer department for the year 2007 include revenues of \$5,212,809 and expenses of \$5,212,809 and that \$548 be the annual fee for the entire territory.

Seconded by Michel Dubé. Carried.

ENERGY ACCOUNT

2007-007 Mr. Aldéo Nadeau moved that the Edmundston Council decide that pursuant to section 189(4) of the *Municipalities Act*, the total operating budget for the Energy Department for the year 2007 include revenues of \$19,025,488 and expenses of \$19,025,488.

Seconded by Michel Dubé. Carried.

A press release is submitted by the Mayor explaining the main issues of the 2007 operating budgets.

HUMAN RESSOURCES – NOMINATION OF FIRE DEPT LIEUTENANT

2007-008 Mr. Gerald Morneault moved that all nomination of Mr. Réjean Jalbert be revoked and that he be nominated to a permanent position of Lieutenant under the CUPE local 60/Fire dept., for the Edmundston (Zone 1) Fire Department.

Seconded by Don Moreau. Carried.

DOWNTOWN PROPERTY ACQUISITION

2007-009 Mr. Louis Lavoie moved that the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to sign the documents between Edmundston and Napoléon and Patricia Pelletier regarding the acquisition of a property located between Lynott and Church streets in Edmundston (PID # 35138056).

Seconded by Michel Dubé. Carried.

A press release is submitted by the Mayor to explain the transaction.

ENERGY

NEW ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

2007-010 Mr. Don Moreau moved that the new organizational structure of the Edmundston Energy department be adopted as presented.
Seconded by Michel Dubé. Carried.

GENERAL INFORMATION


- Next public meeting – January 29, 2007 at 8:00 p.m.

QUESTION PERIOD:


Comments were brought towards the following issues:

- Acquisition of St Leonard airport
- Unsightly property near the Turgeon Park
- High speed and reduced visibility on Squateck street
- Bad condition of Vimy street
- Complaints regarding the arcade activities on Ferry street

Councillor Réal Morneau moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:16 p.m.



Gérald Allain, Mayor



Doreen Banville, Assistant Clerk