



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

**Monday, February 18, 2008
Council Chamber, City Hall**

Present: Gérald Allain, Mayor Réal Gervais, General Manager
 Doreen Banville, Assistant Clerk Marc Michaud, Assistant CAO
 Daniel Gagné, Assistant CAO

Councillors:

Ward 1:	Aldéo Nadeau	Réal Morneau
Ward 2:	Louis Lavoie	Ben Beaulieu
Ward 3:	Gérald Morneau	Don Moreau
Ward 4:	Charles Fournier	Michel Dubé

Mayor Allain called the meeting to order at 8:00. The Mayor recognized the Edmundston Hospital Foundation volunteers works.

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

**2008-021 Mr. Gérald Morneau moved that the minutes of the following meeting be accepted as revised:
February 4, 2008 – Regular public meeting
Seconded by Louis Lavoie. Carried.**

MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS:

MUNICIPAL PLAN – BY-LAW NO. 32.2

The Assistant Clerk proceeds with the 1st and 2nd reading by title of By-Law No. 32.2 pursuant to section 12(1) of the Municipalities Act. No objection was brought.

ZONING – BY-LAW NO. 33

The Assistant Clerk proceeds with the 1st and 2nd reading by title of By-Law No. 33 pursuant to section 12(1) of the Municipalities Act. No objection was brought.

OTHER MUNICIPAL ISSUES:

ADMINISTRATIVE

MADAWASKA AIRPORT INC. – LEASE AGREEMENT

- 2008- 022 Mr. Gerald Morneau moved that the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to sign the documents between Edmundston and Madawaska Airport Inc. regarding the lease agreement of the St Jacques Airport.
Seconded by Charles Fournier. Carried

A press release is emit to explain that issue

PLANNING AND LAND USE

TENDER CALL – SIGNS ON POST

- 2008- 023 Mr. Ben Beaulieu moved that the services of Enseigne Pattison Sign Group, sol bidder as of December 18, 2007, be retained, regarding the acquisition of signs on post for the St Basile Arena and St Jacques Palladium.
Seconded by Louis Lavoie. Carried

TENDER CALL – ELECTRICITY GENERATION SYSTEM

- 2008- 024 Mr. Gerald Morneau moved that the municipality retained Atlantic Tractros & Equipment Ltd services, being the lower bidder as of November 28, 2007, regarding the supply of an electricity generation system.
Seconded by Don Moreau. Carried

FEDERAL GAS TAX PROGRAM

- 2008- 025 Mr. Charles Fournier moved that the document entitled Five-year capital Plan (2006-2010) for the transfer of federal gas tax revenues, be adopt as presented.
Seconded by Michel Dubé. Carried

- 2008- 026 Mr. Charles Fournier moved that the municipality of Edmundston make a request to the Municipal Capital Borrowing Board to change the purpose, under the Council order 07-97, for the interim financing of 771,902 \$ relating originally from the Water and Sewer Environmental Capital fund to the General Capital fund for transportation.
Seconded by Michel Dubé. Carried

INVESTMENT PLAN - GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT

2008- 027 Mr. Louis Lavoie moved to adopt the 2008 Investment Plan for the General Capital Account as presented.
Seconded by Gerald Morneauult. Carried.

GENERAL ACCOUNT LOAN AUTHORIZATION

2008- 028 Mr. Aldéo Nadeau moved that the Municipality of Edmundston submit to the Municipal Capital Borrowing Board an application for authorization to borrow money in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the following purposes:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Administration Department	5 years	\$80,000
General Administration Department	10 years	\$155,000
Protective Department: EMO	10 years	\$140,000
Community Planning Department	10 years	\$220,000
Recreation and Culture Department	10 years	\$290,000
Transportation Department	5 years	\$100,000
Transportation Department	10 years	\$1,015,000
Total		\$2,000,000

Seconded by Gerald Morneauult. Carried.

A press release is emitted to explain the issue.

GENERAL INFORMATION


- Next public meeting – March 17, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.

QUESTION PERIOD:

Comments were brought towards the following issues:

- Comments from the President of the Echo citizens committee
 - Thanks of the posting of the Environment Coordinator
 - Equitable city
 - Plastic bags abolition
 - Invitation to an Environmental conference on February 27.

Councillor Réal Morneauult moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:23 p.m.


Gerald Allain, Mayor


Doreen Banville, Assistant Clerk