

REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING of the EDMUNDSTON City Council

Monday, April 14, 2008 Council Chamber, City Hall

Present:

Gérald Allain, Mayor

Réal Gervais, General Manager

Doreen Banville, Assistant Clerk Daniel Gagné, Assistant CAO

Councillors:

Ward 1:

Aldéo Nadeau

Réal Morneault

Ward 2:

Louis Lavoie

Ben Beaulieu

Ward 3:

Gérald Morneault

Don Moreau

Ward 4:

Charles Fournier

Michel Dubé

Mayor Allain called the meeting to order at 8:04. The Mayor recognized the eight Ryan brothers for their contribution to different wars.

It was moved by Don Moreau and seconded by Réal Morneault that the agenda be adopted as amended. Carried.

2008-042

Mr. Gerald Morneault moved that the minutes of the following meeting be accepted as presented:

March 17, 2008 – Regular public meeting

Seconded by Aldéo Nadeau.

Carried.

MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS:

STREET CLOSING - PORTION MGR NUMA PICHETTE BOUL -- BY-LAW 5-M

The Assistant Clerk proceeds with the 1st reading in its entirety and 2nd reading by title of By-Law No. 5-M.

Reception of comments and objections: a petition of 82 signatures and an objection letter were submitted to the municipal clerk. Many citizens succeeded to submit their opinion against the project of closing a portion of the boulevard and the sale of a parcel of land of Richelieu Park for the construction of an apartments building. Two more petitions were deposit to council for that issue.

STREET CLOSING - PORTION OF DE LA CAPITALE BOUL - BY-LAW NO. 5-L

The Councillor Charles Fournier got out of the room for this issue in order not to be in an interest conflict position. No objection was brought for By-Law No. 5-L.

The Assistant clerk proceeds with the 3rd reading of By-Law and the following motion was brought:

2008- 043 Mr. Réal Morneault moved that By-law No. 5-L, regarding the closing of a portion of boulevard de la Capital, is adopt.

Seconded by Aldéo Nadeau. Carried.

PEDDLERS AND TEMPORARY SALES BUSINESSES - BY LAW NO. 13R2008

The Assistant Clerk proceeds with 3rd reading by title of Municipal By-Law No. 13R2008 pursuant to section 12(1) of the *Municipalities Act* and the following motion was brought::

2008- 044 Mr. Aldéo Nadeau moved that municipal by-law No. 13R2008, regarding Peddlers and temporary sales businesses, be adopt. Seconded by Don Moreau. Carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY:

PLUVIAL SEWER ON PRIVATE PROPERTIES - NO. 23

2008- 045 Mr. Aldéo Nadeau moved that the administrative policy No. 23, regarding the pluvial sewer on public properties, be adopt. Seconded by Don Moreau. Carried.

A press release was submitted to explain this policy.

OTHER MUNICIPAL ISSUES:

ADMINISTRATIVE

PENSION PLAN - NEW GLOBAL FUND MANAGER

2008- 046 Mr. Réal Morneault moved that the services of JP Morgan be retained to perform as global share management for the Edmundston municipal employees retirement plan and that the actual manager McLean Budden be advise of the decision accordingly to the agreement modalities between parties. Seconded by Louis Lavoie. Carried.

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PLANNING AND LAND USE

TENDER CALLS

PAVING AND MUNICIPAL STREETS IMPROVEMENT

2008-047 Mr. Michel Dubé moved that the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to sign the documents between Edmundston and Clarence Daigle et Fils Ltd, sole bidder as of April 1st, 2008, regarding the paving and the municipal streets improvement for 2008.

Seconded by Réal Morneault.

Carried with 7 votes for and 1 vote against. (Ben Beaulieu)

FABRICATED MEMBRANE-COVERED EGINEERED STRUCTURE

2008- 048 Mr. Michel Dubé moved that the services of Tarp-Rite Inc. be retained for the supply of a fabricated membrane-covered engineered structure for the salt dome at the Public works and environment service.

Seconded by Réal Morneault.

Carried.

2008 INVESTMENTS PLAN (CAPITAL BUDGET)

GENERAL ACCOUNT

2008- 049 Mr. Michel Dubé moved that the 2008 investments plan for General capital account, be adopted as revised.

Seconded by Réal Morneault.

Carried with 7 votes for and 1 vote against. (Ben Beaulieu)

LOAN AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FOR GENERAL ACCOUNT

2008- 050 Mr. Michel Dubé moved that the municipality of Edmundston request from the Municipalities capital borrowing board the authorization to make a loan of a maximum amount of 1,130,000\$ for the following purposes:

Service	term	amount
Service of transportation	10 years	<u>1,130,000\$</u>
Total		1,130,000\$
Seconded by Réal Morneault Carried with 7 votes for and 1		. (Ben Beaulieu)

A press release was submitted to explain this issue.

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OPTIC FIBRE PROJECT – ADDITION TO CONTRACT				
2008- 051	Mr. Gerald Morneault moved that the contract, for the optic fibre project between Edmundston and Internetworking Atlantic Inc., be amended to add the installation of an additional optic fibre, linking to the Iroquois well site. Seconded by Don Moreau. Carried.			
ENERGY – TENDER CALL AND CONTRACTS ALLOCATION				
SCADA SYSTEM INSTALLATION				
2008- 052	Mr. Charles Fournier moved that Edmundston Energy retains the services of Groupe EMS Group Inc., lower bidder as of April 1 st , 2008, regarding the SCADA system installation. Seconded by Aldéo Nadeau. Carried.			
TURBINE #1 ALIGNMENT				
2008- 053	Mr. Louis Lavoie moved that Edmundston Energy retains the services of Canadian maritime engineering Ltd, lower bidder as of April 1 st , 2008, regarding the turbine #1 alignment located at 2 nd falls.			
Seconded by Réal Morneault. Carried. COOLING SYSTEM – MADAWASKA DAM				
2008- 054	Mr. Ben Beaulieu moved that Edmundston Energy retains the services of Black and McDonald., lower bidder as of April 1 st , 2008, regarding the cooling system. Seconded by Gerald Morneault. Carried.			
PROTECTION RELAY SUBSTITUTION - SUB STATION, 17th STREET				
2008- 055	Mr. Aldéo Nadeau moved that Edmundston Energy retains the services of Canadian Technical sales, according to the amount submitted as of April 1 st , 2008, regarding the protection relay substitution. Seconded by Louis Lavoie. Carried.			
GEOGRAPH	Seconded by Louis Lavoie. Carried. IICAL INFORMATION SYSTEM SOFTWARE			
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2008- 056 Mr. Réal Morneault moved that Edmundston Energy retains the services of ESRI Canada, according to the amount submitted as of April 1st, 2008, regarding the geographical information system software.

Seconded by Ben Beaulieu. Carried.

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MADAWASKA DAM MODERNIZATION

2008-057 Mr. Don Moreau moved that Edmundston Energy retains the services of Hatch Energy, according to the amount submitted as of April 9, 2008, regarding the Madawaska Dam modernization

Seconded by Michel Dubé, Carried.

A press release is submitted to explain the Energy services issues.

PUBLIC WORKS AND ENVIRONMENT

STAFFING

WATER AND SEWER COORDINATOR

2008- 058 Mr. Gerald Morneault moved that <u>Richard Daigle</u> be appointed to a permanent position for the municipality of Edmundston.

Seconded by Réal Morneault.

Carried.

ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR

2008- 059 Mr. Louis Lavoie moved that <u>Sébastien Duguay</u> be appointed to a permanent position for the municipality of Edmundston.

Seconded by Ben Beaulieu.

Carried.

A press release was submitted for these issues.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Next public meeting (ANNUAL)

 April 21, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.
- UCT 50th Anniversary on April 12

QUESTION PERIOD:

- > Streets paving for 2008
- General tender calls
- Municipal election
- Position of water and sewer coordinator

Councillor Réal Morneault moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Gérald Allain, Mayor

Doreen Banville, Assistant Clerk