

## REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING of the EDMUNDSTON City Council

Tuesday, December 16, 2008 Council chamber, City hall

Present:

Doreen Banville, Ass. Clerk

Real Gervais, General Manager Daniel Gagné, Assistant CAO

Me Marc Michaud, Assistant CAO

Councillors

Ward 1:

Aldéo Nadeau

Denis M. Pelletier

André Lang

Ward 2:

Gerald Morneault

Ben Beaulieu (Deputy Mayor)

Ward 3: Ward 4:

Jean Guy Marquis

Martin Albert Michel Dubé

The Deputy Mayor proceeds with the following recognitions: Contest winners of Christmas decoration: Eddy and Rachel McGuire of 575 Canada road and also Mr and Mrs Réginald Ruest of La Garderie Les Calinours

Deputy Mayor Ben Beaulieu called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m. in replacement of Mayor Martin who has been hospitalized.

It was moved by Gerald Morneault and seconded by Denis M. Pelletier that the agenda be adopted as revised. Carried

Disclosure of interest:: Denis M. Pelletier

2008 -135

Mr. André Lang moves that the following minutes be received for adoption as presented:

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Seconded by Martin Albert.

Carried

#### **MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS:**

# MUNICIPAL PLAN, AMENDMENT NO. 32.3, PROPERTY VICTORIA STREET

The Clerk, Me Marc Michaud, proceeds with the presentation of the amendment to the Municipal plan for the municipal property located on the corner of Victoria and Carrier street.

# BY-LAW RESPECTING THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE

The Clerk, Me Marc Michaud, proceeds with the 1st and 2nd reading by title of By law No. 4R2009 pursuant to section 12(1) of the Municipalities Act.

A press release was submitted to explain the amendments to the By-law.

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# BY-LAW RESPECTING APPROVAL OF THE OPERTING BUDGET FOR THE EDMUNDSTON CENTRAL BUSINESS DVELOPMENT CORPORATION INC.

The Clerk, Me Marc Michaud, proceeds with the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> by title of By-law No. 11-2009 pursuant to section 12(1) of the *Municipalities Act*.

#### **MUNICIPAL ISSUES**

#### **ADMINISTRATIVES**

## ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT, MONT FARLAGNE ROAD, ST JACQUES

2008- 136 Mr. Aldéo Nadeau moves that the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to sign the documents between Edmundston and Les Jardins de la Vallée Limitée, regarding and encroachment agreement for a sign installation on the right of way of Mont Farlagne road in St Jacques sector (PID 35241645).

Seconded by André Lang.

Carried

# SALE OF LAND, BÉRUBÉ STREET, ST JACQUES

2008- 137 Mr. André Lang moves that the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to sign the documents between Edmundston and Steven Côté, regarding the sale of a portion of land located on Bérubé road in the St Jacques industrial park (PID 35322015).

Seconded by Aldéo Nadeau.

Carried

FINANCES: TRANSFERS - RESERVE FUNDS

#### **GENERAL OPERATION FUND**

Purchase of wooden land

2008- 138 Mr. Jean Guy Marquis moves that the Treasurer or his assistant be authorized to make a transfer of a maximum amount of \$21,053.88 from the capital reserve fund to the general capital fund.

Seconded by Gerald Morneault.

Carried

#### Transfer – 2008 budget

2008- 139 Mr. Jean Guy Marquis moves that the Treasurer or his assistant be authorized to make a transfer of a maximum amount of \$200,000 from the operating reserve fund to the general exploitation fund.

Seconded by Gerald Morneault.

Carried

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#### WATER AND SEWER UTILITY FUND

#### **Iroquois Well Protection**

Mr. Jean Guy Marquis moves that the Treasurer or his assistant be 2008- 140 authorized to make a transfer of a maximum amount of \$100,000 from the Water and Sewer immobilization reserve fund to the Water and Sewer capital fund.

Seconded by André Lang.

Carried

## Canada N-B project – Iroquois Well protection

2008- 141 Mr. Jean Guy Marquis moves that the Treasurer of his assistant be authorized to make a transfer of a maximum amount of \$25,000 from the Water and sewer utility fund to Water and sewer Capital reserve fund. Seconded by André Lang. Carried

Infrastructure program – St Basile project

2008- 142 Mr. Jean Guy Marquis moves that the Treasurer or his assistant be authorized to make a transfer of a maximum amount of \$25,000 from the Water and sewer utility fund to the Water and sewer capital fund. Seconded by André Lang. Carried

# UTILITY FUND - ENERGY DEPARTMENT - OPERATION SURPLUS

2008- 143 Mr. Aldéo Nadeau moves that the Treasurer or his assistant be authorized to make a transfer of a maximum amount of \$250,000 from the Energy operating fund to the Energy operating reserve fund for the year 2008.

Seconded by Denis M. Pelletier.

Carried

A press release was submitted to explain the transfers of the reserve funds.

#### **PLANNING AND LAND USE**

The Councilor Pelletier leaves the room during the adoption of the following issue not to be in a conflict position.

# TENDER CALL, AIR CONDITIONING AND VENTILATION

2008-144 Mr. Gerald Morneault moves that the municipality retained the services of Beaulieu Plumbing & Mechanical Inc., being the lower bidder as of November 20, 2008, regarding the Air conditioned and ventilation system repairs for the City hall and the Energy department. Seconded by Aldéo Nadeau. Carried

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#### **ENVIRONMENT**

### STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

2008- 145 CONSIDERING THAT environment constitute a major issue to the different levels of governments;

CONSIDERING THAT the elaboration of an environmental policy was established as recommendation during the Citizens Carrefour 2002-2003

CONSIDERING THAT environment was an objective identified during the strategic planning of last financial year;

Be it resolved that the municipality of Edmundston promises to write and to implement an environmental policy and all other resources considered necessary for its implementation according to the following statement of principles:

- 1) Environment consists of the following dimensions: air, water, territory, energy and residual material and any lawful definitions to which the municipality is subjected;
- 2) environmental policy must take into consideration economic effectiveness and social equity during its elaboration to rank in the actual and future economic and social development matter;
- 3) environmental policy must pass through a political commitment, clear orientations and objectives, a common vision and the participation of the public;
- 4) environmental policy must include tools and orientations which will be integrate with other existent tools as a whole consistent and structured;
- 5) citizens of Edmundston have to participate in the elaboration of an environmental policy. In order to do that, organisms, firms, institutions of higher education and citizens working or having an interest in environment, will be invited to participate in the elaboration of the policy.

A press release is submitted to explain the issue and nominate the members of the new Environment committee.

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#### **VARIOUS**

#### **GENERAL INSURANCES**

2008- 146 Mr. Aldéo Nadeau moves that the recommendation of the Francophone Association for municipalities of N. B., in terms of general insurances, be accept as proposed for the insurance policy starting January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. Seconded by Gerald Morneault. Carried

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- Next public regular meeting January 20, 2009 at 8:00
- Invitation, Open doors on following Tuesday

## **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:**

Questions and comments were brought regarding the following issues:

- ➤ Complaint regarding the sale of Christmas trees on 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- > ATV Trails
- > Thanks for nomination of the Environment committee
- > Concern regarding the panoramic viewpoint on Carrier street
- > Repairs request on Des Chalets street, Saint-Basile

Adjournment moved by Gerald Morneault at 8:58 p.m.

Ben Beaulieu, Deputy Mayor

Doreen Banville, Assistant Clerk