



**OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE EDMUNDSTON CENTRAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION INC. – BY LAW NO. 11-2008**

The Assistant Clerk proceeds with the 1<sup>st</sup> reading in its entirety and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading by title of By-Law No. 11-2008.

**FIRE PROTECTION – BY LAW NO 34**

The Assistant Clerk proceeds with the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading by title of By Law No. 34 and the following motion was brought:

**2008-003 Mr. Don Moreau moved that the Municipal By-Law No. 34 regarding the Edmundston Fire protection is adopted.**  
**Seconded by Louis Lavoie. Carried**

**2008 MUNICIPAL BUDGETS**

**OPERATING BUDGETS – PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION**

**GENERAL ACCOUNT**

**2008-004 Mr Gerald Morneault moved that the Edmundston Council accept the amount of \$23,343,027 to be the total municipal budget for the year 2008, that the amount of \$17,022,967 be the municipal mandate, and that the taxation rates be as follows:**  
**\$1.5950 per \$100 of assessment for Zone 1/Edmundston**  
**\$1.1925 per \$100 of assessment for Zone 2/Saint-Jacques**  
**\$1.4799 per \$100 of assessment for Zone 3/Saint-Basile**  
**\$1.4504 per \$100 of assessment for Zone 4/Verret**  
**\$1.635 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 Charles Fournier. Carried.**

**WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT**

**2008-005 Mr. Louis Lavoie 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 2008 include revenues of \$5,804,378 and expenses of \$5,804,378 and that \$598 be the annual fee for the entire territory.**  
**Seconded by Don Moreau. Carried.**

## **ENERGY ACCOUNT**

- 2008-006** 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 \$20,443,854 and expenses of \$20,443,854.  
Seconded by Michel Dubé. Carried.

Jeannot Raymond, Treasurer, proceeds with the presentation of the 2008 operating budgets summaries.

## **2008 INVESTMENT PLANS**

### **WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT**

- 2008-007** Mr. Don Moreau moved to adopt the 2008 Investment Plans for the Water and Sewer Account as presented.  
Seconded by Councillor Michel Dubé Carried.

## **LOAN AUTHORIZATION – WATER AND SEWER**

- 2008-008** Mr. Gerald Morneault 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 \$735,000 for the following purposes:
- | <u>Water and Sewer Department</u> | <u>Term</u> | <u>Amount</u>     |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Networks improvement              | 10 years    | <u>\$735,000.</u> |
| Total                             |             | <u>\$735,000.</u> |
- Seconded by Louis Lavoie Carried.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- Next public meeting – January 21, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.
- The Mayor thanks Mr. Jacques Ouellette from Le Madawaska newspaper for his dedication and wish him good chance in his new functions at Bathurst.

## **QUESTION PERIOD:**

Comments were brought towards the following issues:

- Assessment income from paper mill and concern if closing
- Prospector trail – site access

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- Parking on Canada road
- Snow removal
- Environment – report of the activities of the echo citizen committee and challenge for an equitable city.

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

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Gérald Allain, Mayor

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Doreen Banville, Assistant Clerk