



CHAPTER 140

An Act to ratify by-law No. 18 of the municipality of the parish of St. Louis de Gonzague, in the county of Beauharnois, and certain resolutions of the school commissioners and school trustees of the said parish

[Assented to, the 11th of April, 1935]

WHEREAS the municipality of the parish of St. Louis de Preamble.
Gonzague, in the county of Beauharnois, has, by its petition, represented:

That, on the 1st day of October, 1934, its by-law No. 18 was passed fixing at the annual sum of five hundred and thirty-one dollars and twenty-six cents, for a period of ten years, the total amount of municipal taxes payable by Beauharnois Light, Heat & Power Company and Beauharnois Land Company on all their taxable property and rights in said municipality, the provisions of which by-law the said companies shall be bound to accept when the school municipality of St. Louis de Gonzague shall have consented to the said by-law and shall have agreed to an annual tax for school purposes of one thousand two hundred and sixty dollars and thirty-six cents upon the said properties of the said companies for the same period and provided that the said by-law shall have been confirmed according to law;

That the said fixing of taxes has been made in view of the fact that the said companies had acquired a considerable amount of land within the municipal limits of the said municipality for a canal and hydro-electric power development, a large part of which land the said companies were required by the Government of the Dominion of Canada to cede and make over to said Government and did cede and make over the same on the 17th of September, 1932;

That, notwithstanding the said cession and transfer, the properties so ceded continued to be taxed against the said

companies pursuant to the valuation roll of the said municipality as taxable property belonging to the said companies which have continued to pay taxes on the properties so ceded as well as on the remainder of the properties of which they are still the proprietors;

That considerable time will be required for surveys of the property in order to distinguish and describe the portions of said properties remaining to the said companies, and the said by-law No. 18 was passed in order to avoid disputes and litigation which would probably arise with respect to amendments of the valuation roll and with regard to taxes and other matters between the said companies and said municipality;

That the said total municipal tax of five hundred and thirty-one dollars and twenty-six cents is the same amount as that imposed for taxes in the year 1933 against all the properties, including the parts of the same so ceded and transferred to the Federal Government;

That said by-law No. 18 was voted upon and approved by the elector-proprietors of the said municipality on the 25th of October, 1934;

That the school commissioners of the parish of St. Louis de Gonzague did, on the 5th day of November, 1934, pass a formal resolution adopting the above proposals and consenting to fix the taxes upon the properties of the said companies for school purposes at an annual sum of one thousand two hundred and sixty dollars and thirty-six cents for a period of ten years as aforementioned, which proposals and the fixing of said school taxes for the same period at the said sum of one thousand two hundred and sixty dollars and thirty-six cents were also approved and accepted by the school trustees of the dissentient school municipality of said parish by a resolution duly passed by the said trustees on the 12th of November, 1934;

That the said by-law further provides that the change in ownership resulting from the cession and transfer of parts of the properties of said companies to the Dominion Government, as aforesaid, shall be inscribed on the next valuation roll of the municipality to be prepared according to the provisions of the Municipal Code, and that the names of the said companies shall not be inscribed on said roll as being the owner of the lots or parts of lots so ceded to the Dominion Government;

That it is expedient and desirable both in the interest of the municipality and the ratepayers thereof that said by-law and resolutions should be confirmed; and

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. 18 of the municipality of the parish of Validation St. Louis de Gonzague, passed on the 1st of October, 1934, of by-law No. 18, etc., together with a resolution of the school commissioners of of parish of the said parish, passed on the 5th of November, 1934, to- St. Louis de Gonzague. together with a resolution of the school trustees of the dissentient school municipality of the said parish, passed on the 12th of November, 1934, are each and all of them hereby ratified, confirmed and rendered obligatory and shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the said municipality, and the said school commissioners and the said school trustees, and upon Beauharnois Light, Heat & Power Company and Beauharnois Land Company, and the successors and assigns of each.

2. This act shall come into force on the day of its Coming into sanction. force.