



CHAPTER 89

An Act to erect the municipality of the village of Rouyn
into a town municipality

[Assented to, the 1st of April, 1927]

WHEREAS the village of Rouyn was incorporated under Preamble.
the provisions of the Municipal Code;

Whereas rapid progress has been made up to the present
in that part of the Province and there is the prospect of a
considerable development in the near future;

Whereas, in order to attain its objects, the corporation
needs more ample powers and the extension of the territory
subject to its jurisdiction;

Whereas it desires to be erected into a town corporation
and to be governed, saving exceptions, by the provisions
of the Cities and Towns' Act;

Whereas it has prayed for the passing of an act to this
effect; and

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer contained in
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. The corporation of the village of Rouyn is erected ^{Incorporation.}
into a town corporation, under the name of "Town of ^{Name.}
Rouyn".

2. The Town of Rouyn shall be governed, saving the ^{Provisions}
exceptions herein, by the provisions of the Cities and ^{applicable.}
Towns' Act.

3. The territory of the Town of Rouyn shall comprise in ^{Territory}
the township of Rouyn—in reference to the primitive sub-^{comprised.}
division of said township—the following lots of land, to
wit:

a. The mining block forty-one (41) in whole, already subdivided—for a part—into building lots with streets and lanes bordering same, under numbers one (1) to two hundred and twenty-four (224) and in parts non-allotted under numbers two hundred and twenty-five (225) to two hundred and twenty-nine (229), all inclusively, according to a plan of survey made to such effect on the 25th of July, 1925, and kept since then in the registration division office of Temiscamingue, at Ville-Marie;

b. The part of the mining block eight (8) being to the south of Lake Tremoy (Osisko) and likewise subdivided into building lots with streets and lanes bordering same, under numbers one (1) to two hundred and eighty-one (281) and two hundred and eighty-four (284) to three hundred and thirteen (313), all inclusively, according to another plan of survey made to such effect on the 22nd of January, 1925, and now kept in the registration division office of Temiscamingue, at Ville-Marie.

R. S., c. 102, s. 30, replaced for town.

4. Section 30 of the said Cities and Towns' Act is replaced, for the town, by the following:

Wards.

“**30.** The territory of the town, as described in section 3 of its charter, shall be divided into six wards, whose limits shall be defined by by-law of the council, adopted by the majority of the members present. For the rest, the general law shall apply.

Idem.

The number of wards so established may only be increased after the annexation of new territory; but, in no event, may more than three additional wards be established by reason of territory so annexed”.

R. S., c. 102, s. 43a, added for town.

5. The following section is added, for the town, after section 43 of the said Cities and Towns' Act:

Annexations.

“**43a.** The corporation may, notwithstanding the provisions of sections 33 to 43, with the consent of the proprietors representing the majority in superficies of a territory adjoining the municipality which does not form part of an organized territory and with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, annex the said territory by simple resolution of its council.”

R. S., c. 102, s. 47, repl. for town.

6. Section 47 of the said Cities and Towns' Act is replaced, for the town, by the following:

Composition of council.
Aldermen.

“**47.** The town council shall be composed of a mayor and six aldermen.

Each alderman shall represent a ward of the town; he shall be elected by the electors of such ward.

When a new ward is formed, the number of members of the council shall, at the first following general election, be increased by one alderman to represent such ward; but the number of aldermen shall not exceed nine.” New ward.

7. Section 3 of chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, R. S., c. 116, 1925, as replaced by section 3 of the act 16 George V, chapter 34, is replaced, for the town, by the following: s. 3, re-placed for town.

“**3.** 1. Nevertheless, the municipality may grant to any such industrial or commercial establishment, for a period not exceeding ten years, a commutation of taxes, which commutation shall not be lower than twenty-five per cent of the annual taxes payable by the said establishment, by by-law approved by the electors who are proprietors of taxable immoveable property, and by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, in accordance with the provisions of law respecting the approval of loan by-laws, *mutatis mutandis*. Commutation of taxes to industrial or commercial establishments.

2. The Town of Rouyn may, notwithstanding the prohibitions of this chapter: Powers of the town.

a. Grant, on resolution of the council for a period of ten years, to any person, firm or corporation, having erected a hotel of at least thirty rooms, which is fireproof, a commutation or reduction of taxes, for municipal purposes, not to exceed fifty per cent of the tax otherwise exigible on the valuation of such hotel;

b. Guarantee the debts or obligations of any person, firm or corporation authorized by it to construct water-works to supply the town with water, but to the extent of fifty per cent only of the actual cost of construction.”

8. Section 128 of the said Cities and Towns’ Act is amended, for the town, by adding, after sub-paragraph a of subsection 1, the following paragraph: R. S., c. 102, s. 128, am. for town.

“Companies or corporations entered upon the valuation roll for the immoveable property held by each of them respectively, and subject to general or special assessment, may vote upon all by-laws submitted to the municipal electors who are property-owners, by a director or an employee, duly authorized by resolution of the board of directors. The resolution appointing such representative shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the town, at least eight days before that fixed for voting.” Companies or corporations entitled to vote.

9. Section 522 of the said Cities and Towns’ Act is replaced, for the town, by the following: R. S., c. 102, s. 522, re-placed for town.

“**522.** All land under cultivation or farmed or used as Taxation of

farming
lands, etc.

pasture for cattle, all uncleared land or wood lots, as well as all unexploited mining lands within the municipality, shall be valued at not more than one hundred dollars per acre and be taxed to an amount of not more than one per cent.

Additions to
roll in cer-
tain cases.

The council may cause to be added to the valuation roll, from time to time, by the assessors in office, on the valuation by them made, any portion of such land which has been detached therefrom as a building lot, or which is used in mining operations, and shall thus have become liable to taxation after the closing of the valuation roll, and may exact the said tax as upon all other lots entered on the said roll."

First general
election.

10. The first general election, after the coming into force of this act, shall take place on the first juridical day of February, 1928, and the present members of the council shall continue in office until such date.

Force and
effect of re-
solutions,
etc., of vil-
lage.

11. The resolutions, by-laws and undertakings of the council of the corporation of the village of Rouyn shall have force and effect, throughout the whole extent of the town, and be binding upon the latter until they have been repealed, amended or replaced.

Coming into
force.

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