

set forth in paragraph 1 of article 4341 of the Revised Statutes, 1909.

17. The *curé* may call a meeting of the trustees by registered letter addressed to each of them, at least one clear day before such meeting. Meeting of trustees.

Such meetings shall be held in the same way as church-wardens' meetings, and the proceedings shall be entered in the minute book of the *fabrique*. The quorum at such meetings shall be three. Quorum.

In the event of an equal division of votes, the *curé* shall, in addition to his vote as a trustee, have a casting-vote as chairman. Casting vote.

18. The trustees may appoint a secretary, and pay him a salary, and they shall, at their own expense, get such officer a security bond of at least two thousand dollars. Appointment of secretary.

19. Accounts must be rendered and approved before the first day of December of each year. Approval of accounts.

20. Nothing in this act shall be interpreted as restricting the general powers of the *fabrique* for contracting loans. Powers of fabrique not restricted.

21. When the final account is rendered by the trustees, the *curé* and church-wardens in office shall be substituted for the trustees, and shall have all the rights, powers, privileges and obligations conferred upon the trustees by this act. Substitution of trustees.

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

CHAP. 146

An Act respecting the *curé* and Churchwardens of *l'œuvre et fabrique* of the parish of Saint Irénée, Montreal

[Assented to, 14th of February, 1920]

WHEREAS the *curé* and churchwardens of *l'œuvre et fabrique* of the parish of Saint Irénée, Montreal, in the diocese of Montreal, have, by their petition, represented that, since the year 1900, the said *fabrique* has built two churches and sacristies, the former having been destroyed by fire, a presbytery and other dependencies, purchased lots required for the purposes of the said *fabrique* and con- Preamble.

tracted therefor a debt of about one hundred and seventy thousand dollars, on which it has since paid a sum of about fifty thousand dollars;

That in order that the assessment and taxes required for the payment of the said debt and other expenses of the said *fabrique* be less burdensome, it is necessary to derogate from the general act respecting *fabriques*, to enable the *fabrique* to levy annually on the properties of Catholics, and within a more extended term than that prescribed by the general act, the moneys required to pay the debt of the said *fabrique*;

That the free-holders, at a general meeting held on the 26th of October, 1919, unanimously approved the above petition;

That, moreover the above petition was also approved, on the 8th of November 1919, by the Ordinary of the diocese of Montreal;

And whereas the petitioners have prayed for the passing of an act for this purpose, and 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:

Trustees incorporated.

Name.

Loan authorized.

Form of loan.

1. The *curé* of the parish of Saint Irénée, Montréal, and the three churchwardens of *l'œuvre et fabrique* of the said parish, legally elected, are, for all the purposes of the said act, incorporated under the name of "Trustees of the parish of Saint Irénée, Montréal".

2. The abovementioned trustees are authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty thousand dollars to pay the debts of the said *fabrique*, and to give and effect as a guarantee for the said sum the immovables of the said *fabrique*, as well as any act of apportionment established by the said trustees; the conditions of the loan shall be approved by the Ordinary.

3. The above-mentioned loan may also be effected for a term not exceeding forty years, by contract or notarial deed of obligation, by promissory notes or by means of debentures with a sinking-fund; it may also be repayable by annuities, if deemed expedient.

If the loan be effected for a term of less than forty years, new loans may be effected and new debentures issued from time to time; but the proceeds of such loans or debentures shall be applied to the payment of the previous loan or loans or previously issued debentures.

4. The trustees may levy every year during a period not exceeding forty years, by allotment or assessment, on all immoveables belonging to Roman Catholics residing or not in the said parish, and on all companies formed solely of Roman Catholics, a sum sufficient to pay the capital, interest and sinking-fund or annuities, as the case may be, the cost of levying the said assessment, of negotiating the loan, the secretary's salary and all other expenses incurred in passing this act; such sum, however, shall never exceed twenty cents per hundred dollars annually, and, moreover, provided that the immoveables of the said free-holders and the said owners shall be affected, and the said freeholders and the said owners themselves shall be responsible only to the extent of the payments for assessments then due.

Special
assessment.

5. The said act of apportionment or assessment shall be based upon the municipal valuation rolls of Montreal and Westmount, in force for the immoveables of the said parish of Saint Irénée, on the first of December preceding the maturity of each of such payments.

Based on
municipal
valuation
rolls.

6. A new assessment roll shall be made every year, and it shall not be submitted for homologation by the civil commissioners appointed and acting in accordance with the Revised Statutes, 1909.

New roll
every year.

7. This assessment roll must be deposited, on or before the first of May of each year, at the secretary's office, where the interested parties may take communication of the same, at the hours appointed by the trustees. It shall be homologated by the trustees on the day and at the hour fixed by them, after public notice read publicly and posted at the parish church doors, at least eight days beforehand.

Deposit of
roll.

Homologation.

Such homologation shall have the same effect as the homologation by the civil commissioners acting in accordance with article 4335 of the Revised Statutes, 1909.

Effect of
homologation.

8. The assessment to be levied every year shall become due and exigible on the first day of July of each forthcoming year; and the first payment shall be exigible on the first day of July, 1920.

Due date of
assessments.

9. Payments made within fifteen days of their becoming due, shall benefit by a rebate of three per cent, if the trustees deem it advisable; and all payments not made within thirty days from their becoming due, shall bear interest at six per cent per annum.

Rebate for
prompt
payments.

Interest.

- Employment of proceeds. **10.** The moneys from assessments, loans and generally all moneys to be used in paying the debt and works above mentioned, shall be deposited in a chartered bank chosen by the trustees, and may be withdrawn only upon the joint signatures of the *curé* and senior churchwarden.
- Suits. **11.** Suits may be taken in the trustees' name for the recovery of any sums in the act of assessment in the manner set forth in article 4341 of the Revised Statutes, 1909.
- Insurance of buildings. **12.** The trustees shall insure the said buildings against fire and all other dangers of destruction, and may effect this out of the assessments; and the insurance policies may be transferred as additional security for loans to the lenders or their trustees.
- Meetings of trustees. **13.** The *curé* may call a meeting of the trustees by letter addressed to each of them, at least two clear days before such meeting.
 These meetings shall be held in the same way as churchwardens' meetings, and the proceedings shall be entered in the minute book of the *fabrique*. The quorum at such meetings shall be three.
 In the event of an equal division of votes, the *curé* shall, in addition to his vote as a trustee, have a casting-vote as chairman.
- General powers. **14.** All powers, rights and obligations contained in the general act respecting corporation trustees shall apply to the trustees of this parish, except when such rights and obligations are inconsistent with this act.
- Secretary. **15.** The trustees may appoint a secretary, and pay him a suitable salary, and they shall, at their own expense, get for such officer a security bond of at least two thousand dollars.
- Accounts. **16.** Accounts must be rendered and approved on or before the first day of February of each year.
- Interpretation of act. **17.** Nothing in this act shall be interpreted as restricting the general powers of the *fabrique* for contracting loans.
- Coming into force. **18.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.
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