

with us, the said notary, and in our presence, these presents duly read.

(Signed) J. P. B. CASGRAIN,  
 " C. P. BEAUBIEN,  
 " CHARLES LAURENDEAU,  
 " A. W. STEVENSON,  
 " ALPHONSE VERVILLE,  
 " E. A. ROBERT, *President.*  
 " PATRICK DUBEE, *Secy.-Treas.*  
 " JOHN McDONALD,  
 " O. B. MACCALLUM,  
 " JEAN BAUDOIN, *N. P.*

True copy of the present minutes remaining in my office.

JEAN BAUDOIN,  
*N. P.*

CHAP. 85

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Three Rivers

[Assented to 9th February, 1918]

**W**HEREAS the city of Three Rivers has, by its petition, Preamble.  
 represented that it is in the interest of the rate-payers and of the proper administration of its affairs that its charter, the act 5 George 5, chapter 90, as amended by the acts 6 George V, chapter 45, and 7 George V, chapter 63, be again amended as hereinafter set forth, and that additional powers be granted it, as well as to the school board;

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.** Article 5299 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is replaced, R. S. 5299, replaced for the city.  
 for the city, by the following:

**"5299.** The corporation is represented and its affairs are administered by its council. Council to represent city.

If required by the majority of the council, the city clerk shall, within the thirty days following such requisition, submit to the municipal electors who have the right to vote at the election of mayor and aldermen for the city, Question may be submitted to electors.

and who are entered on the electoral list then in force, all questions concerning the city's system of representation and of administration.

Provisions applicable.

In such case, articles 5613 to 5622 inclusive of the Cities and Towns' Act shall apply to the voting on such referendum."

R. S., 5653, am. for the city.

When water-rates to be due.

**2.** The following paragraph is added, for the city, after paragraph 5 of article 5653 of the Revised Statutes, 1909:

"5a. The water-rates shall be due and payable as soon as the delays prescribed by the by-laws enacted under paragraph 5 have expired, without its being necessary to give any notice, and articles 5749 and 5750 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as replaced by the act 5 George V, chapter 90, sections 74 and 75, shall not apply in such case."

5 Geo. V, c. 90, s. 47, replaced.

Water-rates to be privileged debts.

**3.** Section 47 of the act 5 George V, chapter 90, is replaced by the following:

"**47.** The sums due the council for water supplied to the owner or tenant of any immoveable property in the city shall be privileged debts against such immoveable property, and may be charged to the owner of any such immoveable property, and be levied upon his property, saving the owner's recourse against his tenant, which shall be secured by the lessor's privilege."

Id., s. 90a, enacted.

Borrowing power not affected in certain case.

**4.** The following section is added after section 90 of the act 5 George V, chapter 90, to wit:

"**90a.** Loans for paving and macadamizing streets under existing or future acts shall not affect the borrowing power, if a special tax is imposed to pay for the cost of such paving or macadamizing."

Id., s. 55, am.

To acquire land for dwelling-houses.

**5.** The following paragraphs are added to section 55 of the act 5 George V, chapter 90, after paragraph 4 thereof:

"5. To acquire lots of land within the city limits, to build, on such lots or on lots owned by it, dwelling houses of reasonable dimensions provided with suitable improvements and destined to be leased or sold at moderate prices.

To aid companies in erecting houses, &c.

"6. To aid, in the manner mentioned in sub-paragraph *f* of paragraph 2 of this section, any incorporated company to acquire lots and to erect thereon or on others owned by it, dwelling houses for the same purposes as those mentioned in paragraph 5 above;

Loans, &c.

"7 To acquire, sell, convey or give lots of land within its limits to any company or corporation, for the purpose of building thereon dwelling houses or other structures,

the plans whereof must be approved by the city; and otherwise develop and improve the said lots for the greater benefit of the city of Three Rivers and of the inhabitants or occupants of such dwellings.

The aggregate amount of the loans for the above purpose shall not at any time be more than one hundred thousand dollars." Limit of loans.

**6.** Article 2728d of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as enacted by the act 5 George V, chapter 36, section 12, is replaced, for the commissioners, by the following: R. S. 2728d, replaced for the commissioners.

**"2728d.** Notwithstanding the provisions of articles 2728a and 2728b, the school commissioners may, pending the collection of the school taxes or assessments or monthly contributions, on mere resolution and without being bound to comply with the provisions of the said articles 2728a and 2728b, contract temporary loans, from time to time, by means of notes, for a period not exceeding six months, and on such terms and conditions as the school commissioners may deem expedient, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. Temporary loans.

This article shall not apply to loans already authorized."

**7.** The issue of debentures, to the amount of four hundred and eighty-five thousand dollars, by the School Commissioners of Three Rivers, under their resolution of the 15th of October, 1917, amended at their meeting of the 31st of December, 1917, and the said resolution, so amended, are declared good and valid for all legal purposes. Ratification of resolution and debentures.

**8.** Article 2730 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, replaced for the commissioners by the act 5 George V, chapter 90, section 121, is again replaced, for the commissioners, by the following: R. S. 2730, replaced for the commissioners.

**"2730.** To raise the moneys required for creating a revenue for the maintenance and administration of the said school board, the latter shall have the right to impose and levy the following taxes yearly: Annual taxes authorized.

1. Upon all immoveables, an annual tax not exceeding one dollar per one hundred dollars of the real value as entered on the city's valuation roll; On immoveables.

2. Upon all tenants in the municipality, an annual tax not exceeding four cents per dollar of the rent as entered on the city's valuation roll. Every person occupying an immoveable, or a portion thereof, of which he is neither On tenants and occupants.

owner nor tenant, is bound to pay such tax according to the yearly value entered on the said valuation roll.

This article shall not apply to persons or things exempt from taxes under article 2733.

Exception.

Conditions same as for municipal taxes.

If a by-law is passed by the city to compel proprietors to pay their tenants' taxes, the board may order that the school taxes imposed on tenants be collected in the same manner and on the same conditions as municipal taxes."

Special authorization to borrow.

**9.** The corporation of the city of Three Rivers is specially authorized to borrow the following amounts:

Fifty thousand dollars, to be exclusively used for the improvement and building of the waterworks;

Twenty-five thousand dollars, to be exclusively used for purchasing lots of land, for opening and widening streets, roads, public parks and playgrounds, and for improving the same;

Three hundred and five thousand dollars, to be used exclusively in consolidating the floating debt of the city, now existing;

One hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, to be exclusively used in aid of certain industries under section 55 of the charter;

Twenty-one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, to be exclusively used for grants to the patriotic fund or to any aid fund of the same nature;

Thirty-nine thousand two hundred dollars, to be exclusively used for the construction of the Grand'Mère-Shawinigan Falls-Three Rivers road.

Manner of effecting loan.

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the city is authorized to effect the said loans or any one of them by bonds or debentures of the city, issued by by-law with such details and conditions as may be determined.

No submission to electors.

The council may effect the above loans and those authorized by section 5 of the act 7 George V, chapter 63, without submitting the by-laws ordering the same to the electors who are owners of immoveables.

Coming into force.

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