

Grand'Mère passed before P. E. Blondin, N. P., under the number 1183 of his minutes on the 22nd May 1903.

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

C H A P. 68

An Act to amend the charter of the town of Megantic.

[Assented to 21st December, 1912]

WHEREAS the town of Megantic has by its petition represented that it wishes to obtain certain amendments to its charter, the act 7 Edward VII, chapter 77, for the purpose of obtaining the right to sell and supply light and motive power, produced by gas or electricity or otherwise in and without its limits, and for other purposes connected therewith, and Preamble.

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer to that effect 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 following section and articles are inserted in the act 7 Ed. VII, chapter 77, after article 18. 7 Ed. VII, c. 77, ss. 18a-18g added.

“ SECTION xa.

LIGHT, ETC.,

“ **18a.** The town is authorized by by-law approved in accordance with the provisions of articles 5609 and following of the Revised Statutes, 1909, to acquire, establish, manage and operate works intended for producing light and motive power, by means of gas, electricity or otherwise, for the public needs and for those of private individuals, corporations and adjoining municipalities and of private individuals and corporations within the limits of such municipalities. Acquisition &c., of works for lighting purposes.

To that end the town may acquire, possess and operate any water-power plant, electric system in operation, property, right of way, servitude and usufruct within a radius of fifteen miles from its limits and acquire, by expropriation if necessary, the right of way for poles and conduits, but, in the event of such poles and conduits being placed in a public road, the town must previously obtain the consent of the municipalities in control of such public roads. Acquiring, &c., of water power, &c.

Powers of
Quebec
Public
Utilities
Commission.

18b. In the event of the council of the municipalities refusing or omitting to give such consent, or in the event of the council of the town not agreeing as to terms and conditions with such municipalities regarding the exercise of such powers, the Quebec Public Utilities Commission shall have jurisdiction to authorize or refuse the exercise of such powers, and to prescribe the terms and conditions or both, subject, however, to the right of appeal enacted by the law respecting decisions of such Commission.

Law appli-
cable.

18c. The provisions of articles 5666 to 5674 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the present section *Xa*.

Sale of
surplus of
electric light.

18d. The council is authorized to sell by resolution, on such conditions as it may deem advisable, to private individuals, corporations and adjoining municipalities as well as to private individuals and corporations of such municipalities, and to use and derive revenues in the interest of the town from the surplus of light, electric energy and motive power which it does not need for the purposes mentioned in articles 5666 to 5675 of the Revised Statutes, 1909.

Provisions
applicable.

18e. Articles 6237 and 6252 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the town of Megantic.

Loans.

18f. The town is authorized, in order to pay any debts incurred or to be incurred in connection with the exercise of the powers granted by this section, to contract one or more loans not to exceed in the aggregate a sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent.

Are special
loans, &c.

The loan or loans contracted under this section shall be considered as special loans and shall not affect the ordinary powers of borrowing conferred by the general law.

Security
for loans.

18g. To secure the loan or loans contracted under this section, the council may give in favor of the lender, one or more hypothecs or privileges on the property which shall be acquired in the exercise of the powers conferred by this section, such as gas-works, electric works, machinery, materials, poles, pipes, and all accessories necessary or useful for the operation of its works.

Id.

The document establishing such hypothec or privilege shall be subject to the formality of registration."

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