

chapter 23, as amended by the act 39 Victoria, chapter 47, 40, 43, 44, 45, section 16, and by the act 47 Victoria, chapter 87, section 14, ^{repealed.} are repealed.

10. The articles of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, incorporated by this act in the charter of the town of Joliette, shall remain in force for the said town as they now exist and so long as they are not repealed or amended for said town by name. 3 Ed. VII, c. 38, in force till repealed, &c.

11. The said council is specially authorized to procure by means of a loan redeemable at a stated term with interest not to exceed five per cent or by annuities, with or without a sinking fund, a sum not exceeding the amount required for the redemption or conversion of its consolidated debt, as well as for the consolidation of its floating debt amounting in all to \$249,203.00; and, in such case, may issue a sufficient amount of new debentures and dispose thereof on such conditions as may seem most favorable to it. Loan for certain purposes.

12. The council may, by mere resolution, and without other formality, issue, from time to time, and renew when necessary, so long as the loan authorized by the foregoing article is not effected, notes payable at such places and on such terms and conditions as it may deem expedient, for the amount of its present debt or for a portion thereof. Issue of notes upon resolution, &c.

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

CHAP. 93

An Act to consolidate and revise the charter of the town of Beauharnois

[Assented to 25th April, 1908]

WHEREAS, the corporation of the town of Beauharnois Preamble. has by its petition represented that it has become expedient to consolidate and revise the charter of the town, and to subject it to the operation of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, and to grant it certain powers not conferred by the said act; and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of such petition;

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

CONSTITUTION AND BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN

- Short title, &c.** **1.** This act shall be cited as "The charter of the Town of Beauharnois." The provisions of the said act shall not prejudice vested rights.
- Persons incorporated.** **2.** The inhabitants and ratepayers of the former corporation of the town of Beauharnois, and their successors, are and shall remain constituted a body politic and corporate under the name of "The Town of Beauharnois."
- Name.**
- Town municipality separate from county.** **3.** The town of Beauharnois is and shall remain separated from the county of Beauharnois, for municipal purposes.
- 3 Ed. VII, c. 38, to apply.** **4.** The town of Beauharnois shall hereafter be subject to the operation of the articles of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, except in so far as they may be inconsistent with the provisions of this act.
- 27 V., c. 24, &c., repealed.** The charter of the town of Beauharnois, 27 Victoria, chapter 24, as amended by the acts 38 Victoria, chapter 77, 56 Victoria, chapter 55, and 7 Edward VII, chapter 70, is repealed.
- Town succeeds to former corporation, &c.** **5.** The corporation hereby constituted succeeds to all the rights, privileges, obligations, property, claims and actions of the corporation under the acts repealed by the foregoing section.
- Present mayor, &c., remain in office, &c.** **6.** The present mayor and councillors of the town of Beauharnois, or their substitutes in case of a vacancy, shall remain in office until replaced under the provisions of this act.
- By-laws, &c., remain in force, &c.** **7.** The by-laws, resolutions, *procès-verbaux*, rolls, accounts for taxes and dues, ordinances, plans and other municipal acts and documents whatsoever, passed or consented to by the council of the town of Beauharnois, and now in force, shall continue to have their full effect, until annulled, amended, repealed or accomplished.
- Obligations, &c., not affected.** **8.** The notes, bonds, obligations, covenants, undertakings or contracts, subscribed, accepted, endorsed or consented to by the town of Beauharnois, shall continue to have their legal effect.
- Boundaries of town.** **9.** The territory of the town of Beauharnois is bounded as follows : on the north-east by the lots of land known and designated under numbers 48 and 54 of the official plan and book of reference of the parish of Saint Clément ; on the south-east by lots numbers 51, 125, 128 and 266 of the afore-

said official plan and book of reference; on the south-west by lots numbers 267 and 268 of the aforesaid official plan and book of reference; and on the north-west, by Lake Saint Louis.

10. The territory of the town of Beauharnois is divided into three wards, to wit : the North Ward, the Centre Ward and the South Ward :

Firstly.—The north ward shall comprise St. Lawrence street throughout its whole length, and all the streets leading to the river St. Lawrence, from the said St. Lawrence street and all lots fronting on the latter street, and also all the lots that may be comprised within the limits of the said town, from the river St. Louis to the western boundary of the said town.

Secondly.—The centre ward shall comprise Ellice street throughout its whole length, all the smaller streets leading from St. Lawrence street to Ellice street, and all the lots fronting on Ellice street.

Thirdly.—The south ward shall comprise all the cross streets from Ellice street to the south-eastern boundary of the town, Hannah, St. George, St. Joseph, and St. Charles streets and all the remaining territory extending to the south-eastern boundary of the town.

ELECTION OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

11. The municipal council shall consist of a mayor and six aldermen : two representing the north ward ; two the centre ward and two the south ward. They shall be elected in the manner and for the period prescribed in this act.

12. The first general election of mayor and aldermen shall take place in 1910. The second general election shall take place in 1912 and subsequent elections shall afterwards take place every two years on the day fixed by the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903.

13. The nomination for the first general election shall be held on the twentieth day of January or following juridical day, if such day be a non-juridical day, and the voting, if necessary, on the first juridical day of February.

14. The returning-officer for the first general and subsequent elections, shall be the clerk of the town then in office.

15. The first session of the council shall be held in the town hall at the hour fixed by the clerk of the town within fifteen days following the coming into force of this act.

Id., s. 83, re-
placed for
town.

16. Article 86 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is re-
placed for the town by the following :

Delivery of
copies, &c.,
from municip-
al books,
&c.

“ **86.** The clerk is bound to deliver upon demand, on pay-
ment of the fees fixed by the council, to any person applying
for the same copies of or extracts from any book, roll, register,
document or other paper which forms part of the archives.”

Id., s. 97, re-
placed. for
town.

17. Article 97 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is re-
placed for the town by the following :

Delivery by
treasurer of
copies, &c.,
from books,
&c.

“ **97.** The treasurer is bound to deliver to any person ap-
plying for the same, on payment of the fees fixed by the council,
copies of or extracts from any book, roll, register, document
or other paper in his custody.”

Id., s. 107,
par. 10, not
to apply.

18. Paragraph 10 of article 107 of the Cities and Towns'
Act, 1903, shall not apply to the town.

Id., s. 110,
not to apply.

19. Article 110 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, shall
not apply to the town.

Id., s. 116,
par. 1, not to
apply.

20. Paragraph 1 of article 116 of the Cities and Towns'
Act, 1903 shall not apply to the town.

Id., s. 117,
replaced for
town.

21. Article 117 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is
replaced, for the town, by the following :

Payment of
taxes before
entry on
voters' list.

“ **117.** No person qualified to vote as proprietor, tenant or
occupant, is entitled to have his name entered on the electors'
list for any of the wards of the municipality who, on the first
of August preceding the completion of the list, is indebted
towards the municipality for any taxes or water-rates (special
taxes excepted).

Proviso.

This article deprives the proprietor of the right to be entered
on the list for the ward only in which such taxes become due.”

Id., ss. 168,
169, not to
apply.

22. Articles 168 and 169 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903,
shall not apply to the town.

Id., s. 170,
par. 3, not to
apply.

23. Paragraph 3 of article 170 of the Cities and Towns'
Act, 1903, shall not apply to the town.

Id., s. 171,
replaced for
town.

24. Article 171 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is re-
placed for the town by the following :

Attestation
of nomina-
tion papers.

“ **171.** 1. The returning-officer shall require the person or
one or more of the persons producing or filing as aforesaid
any such nomination paper, to make oath before him that he
knows or they know that the several persons who have signed
or have made their mark thereon are electors duly entitled to

vote and that they have signed or made their mark on it in his or their presence.

2. Such oath may be in the form I if the office of mayor be in question, and in the form I.1 if that of alderman, and the fact of its having been taken shall be stated on the back of the nomination paper.”

Form of oath.

25. Article 172 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, shall not apply to the town.

Id., s. 172, not to apply.

26. Article 173 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is replaced for the town by the following :

Id., s. 173, replaced for town.

“ 173. No nomination paper shall be valid and carried into effect by the returning-officer, unless it be made and delivered in conformity with the formalities prescribed by articles 166, 167, 170 and 171 inclusively.

Making, &c., of nomination paper.

But on accepting and having examined the same, the returning-officer must at once declare whether he considers it valid, and give effect to his declaration by entering thereon under his signature the word “ admitted ” or the word “ rejected,” with, in the latter case, the reasons for such rejection.

Returning-officer decides as to its validity.

The nomination paper may then be corrected or replaced by another nomination paper, so long as the delay has not expired.”

Corrections, &c., thereof.

27. Paragraph 2 of article 177 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, shall not apply to the town.

Id., s. 177, par. 2, not to apply.

28. The following article is added for the town after article 236 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903 ;

Id., s. added for town after s. 236.

“ 236a. Every person who having been elected or appointed to the office of mayor or alderman of the town, shall refuse or neglect to accept such office or to perform the duties thereof for any portion of the period for which he has been so elected or appointed, shall incur a penalty of fifty dollars.”

Penalty for refusal to accept aldermanship, &c.

29. Article 301 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is replaced for the town by the following :

Id., s. 301, replaced for town.

“ 301. The council sits at the town hall or any other place chosen for that purpose by resolution of the council, either temporarily or permanently, within the limits of the municipality. ”

Place of sitting of council.

30. Article 302 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is replaced for the town by the following :

Id., s. 302, replaced for town.

“ 302. The council meets at least once a month in general or ordinary session to despatch the business of the municipality,

Meetings of council.

and holds its sessions on the days and at the hours which it determines by by-law."

Id., s. 358, replaced for town. **31.** Article 358 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is replaced for the town by the following :

Requisition for poll. " **358.** Six electors who are owners of immoveable property and qualified to form part of such meeting, may require that a poll be held to ascertain whether the by-law is approved or not.

Fixing date of polling. Upon such requisition the mayor or other person presiding shall, within the following eight days fix a day for the poll."

Id., s. 360, replaced for town. **32.** Article 360 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is replaced for the town by the following :

Polling hours " **360.** The poll is held on one juridical day, from eight o'clock in the morning to five o'clock in the afternoon."

Id., s. 398, par. 5, replaced for town. **33.** Paragraph 5 of article 398 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is replaced for the town by the following :

Payment of water-rate by instalments, &c. " 5. To provide that the water rate shall be due and payable by instalments and beforehand and within such delays as it may deem proper to fix."

Id., s. added after s. 452. **34.** The following article is added for the town after article 452 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903 :

Correction of valuation. " **452a.** If the council is of opinion that the valuation of a taxable immoveable or thing is below its true value in such manner as to prejudicially affect the other rate-payers, it may after notifying the proprietors, amend the roll by fixing, itself, the figure it deems right and reasonable as representing the value of such taxable immoveable or article, saving the right of appeal provided for in article 459.

Id., s. 472, replaced for town. **35.** Article 472 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, is replaced for the town by the following :

Prescription of taxes. " **472.** The arrears of municipal taxes are prescribed by five years."

Id., ss. 474, 475, replaced for town. **36.** Articles 474 and 475 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, are replaced for the town by the following :

Taxation of town lots, &c. " **474.** The council may impose and levy annually on every town lot or part of lot with all the buildings thereon erected, if any there be, a sum not exceeding one cent on the dollar of the real value, as established by the valuation roll ; provided all special or other taxes imposed upon the immoveable property shall not exceed one cent on the dollar of the total value as shown on the valuation roll."

37. Article 478 of the Cities and Town's Act, 1903, is replaced for the town by the following : Id., s. 478, replaced for town.

“ **478.** The council may impose and levy on all male inhabitants of the age of twenty-one years and over, who have resided in the municipality during six months, and who are not liable to the payment of any other tax in virtue of this act, an annual tax of one dollar.” Poll tax.

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

CHAP. 94

An Act to amend the charter of the town of St. Laurent

[Assented to 14th April, 1908]

WHEREAS the town of St. Laurent has by its petition represented that its charter the act 56 Victoria, chapter 59, as amended by the act 1 Edward VII, chapter 51, does not meet the requirements of the said municipality and that it is especially necessary to make the Cities and Towns' Act, 1903, as well as other special provisions apply to the said town of St. Laurent; and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer to that effect contained in the said petition ; Pr amble.

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

1. The act 56 Victoria, chapter 59, as amended by the act 1 Edward VII, chapter 51, is repealed. 56 V., c. 59, repealed.

2. The town of St. Laurent shall hereafter be governed by the Cities and Towns' Act 1903, except as to matters respecting which the present law might derogate therefrom or contain provisions inconsistent therewith. 3 Ed. VII, c. 38 to apply.

3. The town shall comprise the following territory, to wit : that portion of the said parish of St. Laurent bounded on the north-east by the remaining and unsubdivided part of lot No. 251 of the hypothecary cadastre of the parish of St. Laurent, (the portion of No. 251 included within the limits of the said municipality being taken in a straight line from the north-west side towards the north-west dividing line of lot No. 250 and bounded on the north-east by the dividing line between lot No. 251 and the lot now owned by Joseph Groux, junior, and bearing the official No. 252); by Côte Sainte Marguerite, Boundaries of town