

Municipal Affairs

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 443-2000, 29 March 2000

An Act respecting municipal territorial organization
(R.S.Q., c. O-9)

Amalgamation of Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie and
Village de New Glasgow

WHEREAS each of the municipal councils of Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie and Village de New Glasgow adopted a by-law authorizing the filing of a joint application with the Government requesting that it constitute a local municipality through the amalgamation of the two municipalities under the Act respecting municipal territorial organization (R.S.Q., c. O-9);

WHEREAS a copy of the joint application was sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Greater Montréal;

WHEREAS no objection was sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Greater Montréal and the Minister did not consider it advisable to request that the Commission municipale du Québec hold a public hearing or to order that the qualified voters in each of the applicant municipalities be consulted;

WHEREAS, under section 108 of the aforementioned Act, it is expedient to grant the joint application;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Greater Montréal:

THAT the application be granted and that a local municipality be constituted through the amalgamation of Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie and Village de New Glasgow, on the following conditions:

1. The name of the new municipality shall be “Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie”.

2. The description of the territory of the new municipality shall be the description drawn up by the Minister of Natural Resources on 17 November 1999; that description is attached as a Schedule to this Order in Council.

3. The new municipality shall be governed by the Municipal Code of Québec (R.S.Q., c. C-27.1).

4. The new municipality shall be part of Municipalité régionale de comté de La Rivière-du-Nord.

5. A provisional council shall hold office until the first general election. It shall be composed of all the members of the council of the former Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie at the time of the coming into force of this Order in Council. The quorum shall be half the members in office plus one. The mayor of the former Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie will serve as mayor of the new municipality until the first general election.

Throughout the term of the provisional council, the elected municipal officers shall receive the same remuneration as they were receiving before the coming into force of this Order in Council.

6. The first sitting of the provisional council shall be held at the public hall of the former Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie.

7. The first general election shall be held on the first Sunday in November 2001. The second general election shall be held in 2005.

The territory of the new municipality shall be divided into six electoral districts. The limits of the districts shall be identical to the limits of the six districts of the former Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie at the time of the coming into force of this Order in Council, with the exception of district number 2 into which is integrated the territory of the former Village de New Glasgow.

8. Éric Gagnon, secretary-treasurer of the former Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie, shall act as secretary-treasurer of the new municipality.

9. Any budget adopted by each of the former municipalities for the fiscal year during which this Order in Council comes into force shall continue to be applied by the council of the new municipality, and the expenditures and revenues must be accounted for separately as though those former municipalities continued to exist. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an expenditure recognized by the council as resulting from the amalgamation shall be charged to the budgets of each of the former municipalities in proportion to their standardized property value established in accordance with the Regulation respecting the equalization scheme (Order in Council 1087-92 dated 22 July 1992, amended by Orders in Council 719-94 dated 18 May 1994, 502-95 dated 12 April 1995 and

1133-97 dated 3 September 1997), as it appears in the financial statements of the former municipalities for the last fiscal year preceding the one during which this Order in Council comes into force.

10. If section 9 applies, the portion of the subsidy paid by the Government under the Programme d'aide financière au regroupement municipal (PAFREM) for the first year following the amalgamation, less the expenditures recognized by the council as resulting from the amalgamation and directly financed by that portion of the subsidy, shall constitute an amount reserved in the surpluses accumulated on behalf of the former municipalities for the benefit of the new municipality.

11. The subsidy granted under the Programme d'aide financière au regroupement municipal (PAFREM) shall be paid into the general fund of the new municipality, except an amount of \$7000 which is paid to France Massé, secretary-treasurer of the former Village de New Glasgow, as severance pay.

12. The terms and conditions for apportioning the cost of shared services provided for in intermunicipal agreements in effect before the coming into force of this Order in Council shall continue to apply until the end of the last fiscal year for which the former municipalities adopted separate budgets.

13. The working fund of the new municipality shall be constituted of the working fund of the former Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie as it existed at the end of the last fiscal year for which the former municipalities adopted separate budgets; the amounts borrowed from that fund shall be repaid out of the general fund of the new municipality.

14. Any surplus accumulated on behalf of a former municipality at the end of the last fiscal year for which the former municipalities adopted separate budgets shall be paid into the general fund of the new municipality.

15. Any deficit accumulated on behalf of a former municipality at the end of the last fiscal year for which the former municipalities adopted separate budgets shall be repaid by the proceeds of a special tax imposed on all the taxable immovables in the sector made up of the territory of that former municipality.

However, the council of the new municipality may use part or all the amount provided for the revitalization of the sector made up of the territory of the former Village de New Glasgow in accordance with section 23 to reduce any deficit on behalf of that former municipality.

16. From the first fiscal year following that for which the municipalities adopted separate budgets, the tax imposed under by-laws 544, 545, 547, 548, 554, 555, 568, 573, 597, 650, 651, 654 and 655 of the former Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie shall be replaced by a tax imposed on all the taxable immovables of the new municipality on the basis of their values as they appear on the assessment roll in effect each year.

17. The annual repayment of instalments in principal and interest of all loans made under by-laws adopted by a former municipality before the coming into force of this Order in Council and not referred to in section 16 shall be charged to the sector made up of the territory of the former municipality that made the loans, in accordance with the taxation clauses of those by-laws. If the new town decides to amend the taxation clauses of those by-laws in accordance with the law, those amendments may affect only the taxable immovables in the sector made up of the territory of that former municipality.

18. Any debt or gain that may result from legal proceedings, for an act performed by a former municipality, shall be charged or credited to all the taxable immovables in the sector made up of the territory of that former municipality.

19. A municipal housing bureau shall be incorporated under the name of "Office municipal d'habitation de la Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie".

That municipal bureau shall succeed to the municipal housing bureau of the former Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie, which is dissolved. The third and fourth paragraphs of section 58 of the Act respecting the Société d'habitation du Québec (R.S.Q., c. S-8), amended by section 273 of Chapter 40 of the Statutes of 1999, shall apply to the municipal housing bureau of the new Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie as though it had been incorporated by letters patent under section 57 of that Act also amended by section 273.

20. All the movable and immovable property belonging to each of the former municipalities shall become the property of the new municipality.

21. Rue Principale, located in the sector made up of the territory of the former Village de New Glasgow, shall be renamed Rue New Glasgow.

22. The new municipality will order the opening of Roches Noires and Lacasse streets located in the sector of the former Village de New Glasgow after the preliminary works to that opening are carried out by the owners involved and after they apply therefor to the municipality in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Code of Québec.

23. An advisory committee composed of five persons residing in the sector made up of the territory of the former Village de New Glasgow and of the mayor of the new municipality shall hold office until the first general election. Those persons shall be appointed by resolution of the council of the new municipality. The committee shall propose an architectural integration plan whose purpose is the preservation, restoration and maintenance of buildings in order to revitalize the sector made up of the territory of the former Village de New Glasgow to the provisional council.

The new municipality shall use an amount of \$125 000 for the revitalization of that sector over a period corresponding to the first five full fiscal years of the new municipality. The amount shall be reduced, where applicable, by the amount used to reduce the deficit accumulated on behalf of the former Village de New Glasgow in accordance with section 15.

24. This Order in Council will come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

MICHEL NOËL DE TILLY,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LIMITS OF THE TERRITORY OF THE NEW MUNICIPALITÉ DE SAINTE-SOPHIE, IN MUNICIPALITÉ RÉGIONALE DE COMTÉ DE LA RIVIÈRE-DU-NORD

The current territory of Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie and Village de New Glasgow, in Municipalité régionale de comté de La Rivière-du-Nord, comprising in reference to the cadastres of Mirabel, Paroisse de Sainte-Sophie and Village de New Glasgow, the lots or parts of lots and their present and future subdivisions, as well as the roads, routes, streets, islands, islets, lakes, water-courses or parts thereof, the whole within the limits described hereafter, namely: starting from the meeting point of the line dividing the cadastre of Paroisse de Sainte-Sophie from the cadastres of Canton de Kilkenny and of Paroisse de Saint-Lin; thence, successively, the following lines and demarcations: southeasterly and southwesterly, successively, part of the broken dividing line between the cadastre of Paroisse de Sainte-Sophie and the cadastre of Paroisse de Saint-Lin to the northeast side of the right-of-way of Chemin Grande Ligne bordering to the southwest lot 239 of the cadastre of Paroisse de Sainte-Sophie, that line crossing Chemin Abercromby, the Rivière de l'Achigan twice, Chemin de l'Achigan, Route 158 and Chemin de l'Achigan Sud that it meets; northwesterly, the northeast side of the right-of-way of the said road to the easterly extension of the dividing line between the cadastres of the parishes of Sainte-

Sophie and Sainte-Anne-des-Plaines; in a general southwesterly direction, the broken dividing line between the said cadastres to the apex of the western angle of lot 430 of the cadastre of Paroisse de Sainte-Anne-des-Plaines, that line crossing Chemin Grande Ligne and Montée Morel that it meets; southwesterly, successively, part of the southeastern line of lot 20 of the cadastre of Paroisse de Sainte-Sophie, the southeastern line of lots 21, 22, 23, 24 and 532 of the said cadastre then the southeastern line of lots 10-41 and 10-44 of the cadastre of Mirabel; northwesterly, successively, part of the southwestern line of lot 10-44, the southwestern line of lots 10-16, 10-17 and 10-19, all of the said cadastre, then the dividing line between the cadastres of the parishes of Sainte-Sophie and Saint-Jérôme, that line crossing Ruisseau Vigneault, Route 158, Montée de la Côte-Saint-André, Ruisseau Saint-André and Route 333 that it meets; northeasterly, the dividing line between the cadastre of Paroisse de Sainte-Sophie and the cadastres of Paroisse de Saint-Hippolyte and Canton de Kilkenny to the starting point, that line crossing Route 333, Lac Spino and Chemin McGuire that it meets.

The said limits define the territory of the new Municipalité de Sainte-Sophie, in Municipalité régionale de comté de La Rivière-du-Nord.

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Amalgamation of Village de Ripon and Canton de Ripon

WHEREAS each of the municipal councils of Village de Ripon and Canton de Ripon adopted a by-law authorizing the filing of a joint application with the Government requesting that it constitute a local municipality through the amalgamation of the two municipalities under the Act respecting municipal territorial organization (R.S.Q., c. O-9);