

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1758-2024, 11 December 2024

Amalgamation of Ville d'Amos and Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier

WHEREAS, pursuant to the first paragraph of sections 84 and 85 of the Act respecting municipal territorial organization (chapter O-9), each of the municipal councils of Ville d'Amos and Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier has adopted a by-law authorizing the filing of a joint application with the Government to constitute a local municipality by the amalgamation of the two municipalities;

WHEREAS the joint application was submitted to the Minister of Municipal Affairs;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 109 of the Act, the plan prepared by a land surveyor and referred to in section 87 must be approved by the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests before the order constituting the local municipality resulting from the amalgamation is made by the Government;

WHEREAS the plan has been approved by the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the first paragraph of section 107 of the Act, the Minister may recommend that the application be granted by the Government with or without amendment;

WHEREAS it is expedient to grant, without amendment, the joint application for the amalgamation of Ville d'Amos and Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier and to constitute the local municipality resulting from the amalgamation of the two municipalities;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the first paragraph of section 108 of the Act, the order constituting the local municipality resulting from the amalgamation must contain the particulars listed in that paragraph;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the first paragraph of section 110 of the Act, the order comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date indicated therein;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Municipal Affairs:

THAT the joint application for the amalgamation Ville d'Amos and Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier be granted without amendment, and that the local

municipality resulting from the amalgamation of the two municipalities be constituted, in accordance with the following provisions:

1. The name of the new municipality shall be “Ville d'Amos”.

2. The description of the territory of the new municipality shall be the description drawn up by the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests on 22 October 2024; the description is appended as Schedule “A” to this order in council.

3. The new municipality shall be governed by the Cities and Towns Act (chapter C-19).

4. The territory of the new municipality is comprised within the territory of the regional county municipality of Abitibi.

5. Until the term of office of a majority of the candidates elected at the first general election begins, the new municipality shall be directed by a provisional council composed of seven members of the council of the former Ville d'Amos, the mayor of the former Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier, and one member designated by way of a resolution of the council of that former municipality from among the members in office on the date of coming into force of this order in council.

One additional vote shall be granted, on the provisional council, to the mayor of a former municipality whose council has a vacant seat on the date of coming into force of this order in council, and for each seat on the provisional council held by a member of the council of that former municipality that becomes vacant after the date of coming into force.

If the office of mayor of the former Ville d'Amos is vacant, the mayor's votes are transferred to the councillor who, before the date of coming into force of this order in council, was the deputy mayor of the former Ville d'Amos. If the deputy mayor is not a member of the provisional council, the votes are transferred to a member chosen by and from among the members of the provisional council who were members of the council of the former Ville d'Amos.

If the office of mayor of the former Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier is vacant, the mayor's votes are transferred to the member of the former Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier who is a member of the provisional council.

If the two offices on the provisional council held by the representatives of the former Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier are vacant, a by-election must be held to fill both offices. Only persons who would be eligible pursuant to the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities (chapter E-2.2), if the by-election were held to elect members to the council of the former Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier, may be candidates for those offices.

The number of vacancies for the office of council member of the provisional council, in addition to the office of mayor who acts as the deputy mayor, may not exceed 3. A by-election must be held to fill any vacant office exceeding that number. For the purposes of the by-election, only persons who would be eligible pursuant to the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities, if the by-election were held to elect members to the council of the former Ville d'Amos, may be candidates for those offices.

6. The mayor of the former Ville d'Amos shall act as mayor of the new municipality. The deputy mayor shall be designated at the first sitting of the provisional council.

7. The first sitting of the provisional council shall be held at 7:30 p.m. in the city hall of the former Ville d'Amos, at 182, 1^{re} Rue Est, Amos, on the second Monday that is a business day following the date of coming into force of this order in council.

For a period of four years beginning on the date of coming into force of this order in council, the schedule of council sittings shall include, each year, at least one sitting in the community hall of the Saint-Maurice-de-Dalquier sector, and two sittings in the sports complex hall of the former Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier.

8. By-law VA-1276 of the former Ville d'Amos concerning the internal management of council sittings applies to the provisional council until amended or replaced.

9. By-law VA-1173 concerning the remuneration of elected municipal officers of the former Ville d'Amos applies to members of the provisional council until amended or replaced.

10. Every member of the council of the former Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier whose term of office is truncated by the amalgamation is entitled to receive compensation equal to ten months' remuneration, comprising the basic remuneration and the expense allowance, provided for in by-law 304 concerning the

remuneration, allowances and reimbursement of expenses of elected municipal officers of the former Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier.

11. The director general of the former Ville d'Amos shall act as the director general of the new municipality.

The clerk of the former Ville d'Amos shall act as clerk of the new municipality.

The treasurer of the former Ville d'Amos shall act as the treasurer of the new municipality.

12. The poll for the first general election shall be held on 2 November 2025.

13. At the first general election and at every by-election held before the second general election, only persons who would be eligible pursuant to the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities, if the by-election were held to elect members to the council of the former Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier, shall be eligible for Office 6.

14. The procedure for allocating the cost of a pooled service provided for in an intermunicipal agreement that was in force before the coming into force of this order in council shall apply until the end of the last fiscal year for which separate budgets are adopted.

15. The period specified in section 474 of the Cities and Towns Act for preparing and adopting the first budget of the new municipality and providing for revenues at least equal to expenditures shall be extended until 31 January 2025.

16. If a budget was prepared and adopted by a former municipality for the fiscal year during which this order in council comes into force:

(1) the budget shall remain applicable;

(2) the expenditures and revenues of the new municipality for the remainder of the fiscal year during which this order in council comes into force shall continue to be accounted for separately for each former municipality as if the amalgamation had not taken place;

(3) an expenditure arising from the amalgamation and recognized by the council of the new municipality shall be borne by each of the former municipalities in the proportion of 93% by the former Ville d'Amos and 7% by the former Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier;

(4) the amount paid for the first year of the amalgamation under the Programme d'aide financière au regroupement municipal, once the expenditures recognized by the council pursuant to paragraph 3 and financed out of that amount have been deducted, shall constitute a reserve to be paid into the general fund of the new municipality for the first fiscal year for which it prepares and adopts a budget for the whole of its territory.

17. Any surplus accumulated by a former municipality at the end of the last fiscal year for which separate budgets were adopted shall be used for the benefit of taxpayers in the sector formed by the territory of that former municipality, either to repay the loans contracted by that former municipality or to perform work in the sector.

18. Where applicable, the accumulated deficit of each former municipality at the end of the last fiscal year for which separate budgets were adopted shall be borne by all the taxable immovables in the sector formed by the territory of that former municipality.

19. The working fund of the new municipality shall be constituted of the working fund of the former Ville d'Amos as it existed at the end of the last fiscal year for which separate budgets were applied.

20. The repayment of the loans contracted pursuant to by-laws adopted by a former municipality before the coming into force of this order in council shall continue to be borne by the taxable immovables concerned, in accordance with the provisions of the by-laws which impose a special tax or mode of tariffing.

Any change in the financing of a by-law referred to in the first paragraph may apply only to immovables located in the sector formed by the territory of the former municipality whose council adopted the by-law.

21. A tax by-law shall be adopted by the provisional council after the adoption of the first budget of the new municipality.

The new municipality must divide its territory into sectors for the imposition of the general property tax in accordance with Division III.4.1 of Chapter XVIII of the Act respecting municipal taxation (chapter F-2.1). Despite the first sentence of the first paragraph and the second paragraph of section 244.64.11 of the Act, the territory of the new municipality shall be divided into two sectors, each corresponding to the territory of one of the former municipalities.

22. The amount of government financial assistance allocated to each of the former municipalities before the date of coming into force of this order in council under the Gas Tax and Québec Contribution Program shall be used for the benefit of the sector formed by the territory of the former municipality that applied for the assistance.

23. The new municipality may replace the zoning by-law, conditional use by-law or incentive zoning by-law applicable in its territory despite section 110.10.1 of the Act respecting land use planning and development (chapter A-19.1). The following provisions do not apply to a by-law adopted for that purpose:

(1) the second sentence of the second paragraph and the third and fourth paragraphs of section 126;

(2) the second paragraph of section 127;

(3) sections 128 to 133;

(4) the second and third paragraphs of section 134;

(5) sections 135 to 137.

A by-law referred to in the first paragraph must be approved, in accordance with the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities, by the persons eligible to vote in the whole of the territory of the new municipality.

This section applies only if the by-law concerned comes into force within four years from the coming into force of this order in council.

24. The new municipality must, in accordance with the schedule determined by the director general's office, maintain a service point open 24 hours per week in the territory of the Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier for a period of four years from the date of coming into force of this order in council.

25. An amount of \$15,000 per year shall be included in the budget of the new municipality for the project of the local development agent for the territory of the Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier for a period of four years from the date of coming into force of this order in council.

THAT this order in council come into force on 1 January 2025.

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SCHEDULE “A”**OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TERRITORY OF VILLE D'AMOS, IN THE REGIONAL COUNTY MUNICIPALITY OF ABITIBI**

The territory of Ville d'Amos, in the regional county municipality of Abitibi, following the amalgamation of Ville d'Amos and Municipalité de Saint-Félix-de-Dalquier, comprising, with reference to the original survey of the townships of Dalquier, Duvernay and Figuiery and the cadastre for the village of Amos, the lots or parts of lots and their present subdivisions and, with reference to the cadastre of Québec, the lots or parts of lots and their successor lots, as well as the highways, roads, streets, railway rights of way, islands, lakes, and watercourses or parts thereof within the boundaries described hereinbelow, namely: Starting from the apex of the northeastern corner of lot 39 of Rang 10 of the cadastre of the township of Duvernay; thence, successively, along the following lines and demarcations with reference to the cadaster of the said township and the cadastre of Québec, in a generally southerly direction, the eastern boundary of lot 39 of Rang 10, the eastern boundary of lot 5 613 706 (Highway 395) and the eastern boundary of lot 39 of Rang 9 to the apex of its southeastern corner; easterly, part of the boundary between Rang 8 and Rang 9 to the intersection with the eastern boundary of lot 53 of Rang 8; in a generally southerly direction, the eastern boundary of lot 53 in Rang 8, Rang 7, Rang 6, Rang 5, Rang 4, Rang 3 and Rang 2 to the intersection with the northwestern boundary of lot 4 005 234 of the cadastre of Québec (Chemin du lac la Paix); southwesterly, the northwestern boundary of lots 4 005 234 and 4 005 238, to the boundary between Rang 1 and Rang 2; westerly, part of the said boundary to its intersection with the boundary between the townships of Dalquier and Duvernay and, with reference to the cadastre of Québec, with the eastern boundary of lot 3 552 789; southerly, the eastern boundary of lots 3 552 789 and 3 552 788 to the southeastern corner of the said lot 3 552 788; westerly, the southern boundary of lots 3 552 788 and 3 552 787 and part of the southern boundary of lot 3 371 272; southerly, the eastern boundary of lot 2 977 588 to its southeastern corner; in a generally westerly direction, the southern boundary of lots 2 977 588, 2 977 576 and 3 118 478 to the northeastern corner of lot 2 977 581; in a generally southerly direction, the eastern boundary of lots 2 977 581, 3 118 563 (railway), 6 345 900, 2 977 577, 3 118 422 (Highway 386), 2 977 586 and 2 977 583 to its southeastern corner; easterly, the northern boundary of lot 3 118 357 (Chemin Veillette) to its northeastern corner at the intersection of lots 4 005 769 and 4 005 184; in a generally southerly direction, the eastern boundary of lots 3 118 357 (Chemin Veillette), 2 977 593 and 3 118 601 (6^e-et-7^e Rangs Ouest),

to its intersection with the boundary between Rang 6 and Rang 7 of the cadastre of the township of Figuiery; westerly, the boundary between Rang 6 and Rang 7 of the cadastre of the township of Figuiery and, with reference to the cadastre of Québec, the southern boundary of lots 2 979 133, 2 977 448 and 5 704 143, part of the southern boundary of lots 2 977 419 and 2 977 137, the southern boundary of lot 3 118 493, part of the southern boundary of lot 4 471 326, the southern boundary of lots 2 976 451, 2 976 441, 2 976 425, 2 976 402, 2 976 395, 2 976 386, 2 976 380, 3 118 529, 3 118 587, 3 506 405 and 3 526 126, and part of the southern boundary of lot 2 976 207, extended across the public highways and watercourses it encounters, to the intersection with the eastern boundary of lot 3 552 951; southerly, the eastern boundary of lots 3 552 951 and 3 546 556 to the southeastern corner of lot 3 546 556; westerly, the southern boundary of lots 3 546 556, 3 546 555, 3 546 554, 3 546 553, 3 546 552 and 3 546 551 to the southwestern corner of lot 3 546 551; northerly, the western boundary of lots 3 546 551, 2 976 207, 3 118 609, 2 976 213, 2 976 214, 3 118 292 (Route de l'Aéroport), 2 976 069 and 2 976 222 and its extension in Lac Beauchamp to its intersection with the westerly extension of the boundary between lots 2 976 263 and 4 283 190; easterly, the said westerly extension of the boundary between lots 2 976 263 and 4 283 190, the northern boundary of lots 2 976 263, 3 118 283 (Chemin du lac Beauchamp), 5 238 412, 3 546 777 and 3 546 778, and part of the northern boundary of lot 3 546 779 to the intersection with the western boundary of lot 3 371 668; northerly, the western boundary of lots 3 371 668, 3 371 845 (railway), 3 371 925 (Chemin St-Viateur), 3 369 757, 3 371 929 and 3 371 927 (Chemin du Cimetière-des-Ukrainiens), part of the western boundary of lot 3 369 758 and its extension across Lac Gauvin, the western boundary of lots 5 057 988, 3 371 828 (Highway 111), 3 369 759, 3 369 771, 3 369 795, 3 614 778, 3 616 117, 3 616 102, 3 710 536 (7^e-et-8^e Rang Ouest), 3 616 188, 3 616 176 and 3 616 177, across all lakes and watercourses encountered to the northwestern corner of lot 3 616 177; easterly, the northern boundary of lots 3 616 177, 3 614 781, 3 616 178, 3 616 179, 3 616 180 and 3 616 181 and part of the northern boundary of lot 3 616 183, extended across the watercourses it encounters to the southwestern corner of lot 3 615 535; northerly, the western boundary of lots 3 615 535 and 3 615 533 of the cadastre of Québec, extended across the watercourses encountered, to the northwestern corner of lot 3 615 535; easterly, the northern boundary of lots 3 615 535, 3 614 790, 3 614 799, 3 614 800, 3 614 815, 3 616 096, 3 614 839, 3 614 840, 3 614 841, 3 616 097, 3 614 865, 3 614 866, 3 614 867, 4 514 036, 4 514 037, 3 615 103, 3 710 530 (Highway 109), 3 615 104, 3 616 100, 5 608 982, 3 615 196, 3 615 197, 3 615 214, 3 615 215, 3 615 216, 3 615 229, 3 616 101, 3 371 624,

3 371 651, 3 371 663, 3 893 517, 3 552 850, 3 552 851, 3 371 719, 3 552 844 and 5 615 077 and, with reference to the cadastre of the townships of Béarn, Castagnier, Dalquier and Duvernay, the boundary between the townships of Béarn and Dalquier and the boundary between the townships of Castagnier and Duvernay, across all the lakes and watercourses encountered, to the apex of the northeastern corner of lot 39 of Rang 10 of the cadastre of the township of Duvernay, to the point of commencement.

The said perimeter defining the territory of Ville d'Amos, in the regional county municipality of Abitibi.

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