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OF THE

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CHAP. 77. Land damages, how adjusted. SECT. 6. If the land of any individual or corporation is taken under this act, and the parties cannot agree on the damages occasioned thereby, they shall be estimated, secured and paid in the manner provided in case of land taken for railroads.

First meeting, how called.

Officers and by-laws. SECT. 7. The first meeting of this corporation may be called by any one of the persons named in this act, by giving to the others interested, notice of said meeting seven days prior to said meeting, in said notice, naming the time, place and purposes of said meeting. At such meeting, officers may be chosen, by-laws adopted, and any other corporate business transacted.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 2, 1881.

Chapter 77.

An act to incorporate the Monson Village Corporation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

Territory and corporate name.

Power and purpose.

Franchises of school district

merged in corporation. SECT. 1. The territory in the town of Monson, comprising the center school district of said town, together with the inhabitants thereon, is hereby created a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Monson Village Corporation, with all the rights and privileges provided by the laws of the state, relating to corporations.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized and vested with power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to raise money to defray the expenses of a police, and all other necessary regulations for the better security of property, and the promotion of good order and quiet within its limits, for the purchase and repair of engines, and all other apparatus for the construction of reservoirs and aqueducts to supply water, for the erection and repair of suitable engine houses, for organizing and maintaining an efficient fire department, for the improvement of streets, sidewalks and public grounds, and for the support of schools.

SECT. 3. The organization, rights, powers and duties now held and exercised by said center school district, under the laws of this state, are hereby merged and vested in, and

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shall be held and exercised by the corporation hereby estab. CHAP. 77. lished, and there shall be no other or separate organization Said corporation shall have all Further rights and liabilities. thereof as a school district. the rights and powers, and be subject to all the liabilities of other school districts; and in addition thereto, may establish and maintain a system of graded free schools, subject to the provisions of section twenty-six of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, so far as the same are applicable.

SECT. 4. Any money raised by said corporation for the Assessment of purposes aforesaid, shall be assessed upon the property and polls within the territory aforesaid, by the assessors of said corporation, in the same manner as is by law provided for the assessment of town taxes. And said assessors may copy the last valuation of said property by the assessors of the town of Monson, and assess the tax thereon; or if the corporation shall so direct, may correct said valuation, or make a new valuation thereof, according to the principles established by the last state tax, and assess the tax on that valuation.

SECT. 5. Upon a certificate being filed with the assessors collection of tax. of said corporation by the clerk thereof, of the amount of money raised at any meeting for the purpose aforesaid, it shall be the duty of said assessors, as soon as may be, to assess said amount upon the polls and estates of the persons residing on the territory aforesaid, and upon the estates of non-resident proprietors thereof, and list of the assessment so made, to certify and deliver to the collector, whose duty it shall be to collect the same in like manner, as county and town taxes are by law collected by towns, and to pay over the same to the treasurer of said corporation, who shall receive the same, and pay it out by order or direction of the corporation, and keep a regular account of all moneys received and paid out, and exhibit the same to the assessors whenever requested, and said corporation shall have the same power to direct the mode of collecting said taxes as towns have in collection of town taxes.

SECT. 6. The officers of said corporation may consist of omcers and their a supervisor, clerk, treasurer, collector, assessors, fire wardens, school committee and such other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws of said corporation, and said officers shall severally have exclusively all the power and authority within the limits of said corporation, that similar officers now have or may have, chosen by towns.

CHAP. 77. By-laws may be

adopted.

Officers to be chosen annually. SECT. 7. Said corporation, at any legal meeting thereof, may adopt a code of by-laws, not repugnant to the laws of this state, for the efficient management of the municipal affairs of said corporation.

SECT. 8. All the officers of said corporation shall be chosen by ballot, and sworn to the faithful performance of their duties, the first election to be at the meeting of the legal voters of the corporation called to accept this charter, and the annual election of officers shall be in the month of April.

SECT. 9. The clerk shall keep a record of all the doings and proceedings at the meetings of said corporation.

SECT. 10. The collector and treasurer shall each give bonds in such sums as the corporation or the assessors may order, and not less than double the amount of the taxes raised as aforesaid, to the inhabitants of said corporation, for the faithful performance of their duties; and said bonds shall be approved by the assessors and clerk, and kept by the clerk.

SECT. 11. J. F. Sprague, L. C. Flint and A. D. Sherman, or either of them, are authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation, by posting like notices in two public places within the limits of said corporation, the posting of said notices to be seven days before the time of holding said meeting, and all subsequent meetings shall be called and notified in like manner by the assessors.

SECT. 12. All persons liable to be taxed for polls residing in the limits of said corporation, shall be legal voters at any meeting of said corporation.

SECT. 13. At the meeting prescribed in section eleven of this act, the legal voters shall vote by ballot on the question of accepting this charter, and if a majority shall vote in favor of its acceptance, then it shall take effect, and the corporation shall proceed to organize and choose its officers.

SECT. 14. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor, but shall not be binding on said corporation unless accepted by them as hereinbefore provided.

Approved March 2, 1881.

meetings. Bonds of collector and treasurer.

Records of

First meeting, how called.

Legal voters.

Acceptance of charter and organization.

Not binding unless accepted.