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ONE - HUNDRETH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 692

House of Representatives, January 26, 1961

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Whitman of Woodstock.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to the West Paris Village Corporation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1921, c. 7. § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 7 of the private and special laws of 1921 is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. May raise money for public water system and attendant expenses. Said corporation is hereby invested with power at any legal meeting called for ~~the that~~ purpose, to raise such sums of money as may be sufficient for the purchase, repair and preservation of ~~one or more fire engines, engine houses, hose, buckets, ladders, or other apparatus for the extinguishment of fire, for the extension of the present hydrant system, and for organizing and maintaining within the limits of said territory an efficient fire department; also lighting its streets, maintaining a police force, and for the support of a library within the limits of said corporation; and for officers' salaries and expenses and such other current expenses as this act calls for a public water system and attendant expenses.'~~

Sec. 2. Rights, etc., of West Paris Village Corporation vested in the Town of West Paris. Upon the acceptance of this act, all real and personal property, or any interest therein, except real and personal property pertaining to the public water system then owned by West Paris Village Corporation, together with all accounts receivable, choses in action, and all other rights and benefits that may be either then due or payable to, or would accrue to, or for the benefit of the said West Paris Village Corporation but for this act, shall be and become the property of the Town of West Paris; said town being vested with all rights and powers of holding, disposing of or enforcing such rights so acquired.

Sec. 3. Contracts, etc., to be assumed by Town of West Paris. Upon the acceptance of this act as provided in section 4, all valid contracts, obligations and liabilities of said West Paris Village Corporation, except those pertaining to a public water system, shall be assumed and executed by the Town of West Paris.

Sec. 4. Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State. This act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the Town of West Paris at an annual or special town meeting held within one year after the effective date of this act, an appropriate article being inserted in the call for such meeting.

The town clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question; "Shall 'An Act Relating to the West Paris Village Corporation', passed by the 100th Legislature, be accepted?" The qualified voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting; provided, however, that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act equals or exceeds 20% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for Governor in said town at the next previous gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the Town of West Paris and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.