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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 805

House of Representatives, February 28, 1967

Referred to Committee on Public Utilities. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Edwards of Stockton Springs.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Board of Trustees of Searsport Water District.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1947, c. 75, § 7, amended. The last 2 paragraphs of section 7 of chapter 75 of the private and special laws of 1947 are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The first board of trustees shall be appointed within 10 days after the acceptance of this Act by the voters of said district, one to serve until the first annual meeting of the district, one until the 2nd and one until the 3rd such meeting. Thereafter, one member shall be appointed at the time of each annual meeting to serve for a term of 3 years. As soon as convenient after their appointment the trustees first appointed shall hold a meeting at some convenient place in the district to be called by any member thereof in writing designating the time and place and delivered in hand to the other 2 members not less than 2 full days before the meeting, provided that they may meet by agreement and waiver without such notice. They shall then organize by the election of a chairman and clerk from their own number, adopt a corporate seal and bylaws, and perform any other acts within the powers delegated to them by law.

Following each annual meeting of the district the trustees shall elect from their own number a chairman and a clerk and, not necessarily from their own number, a treasurer, to serve until the next annual meeting of the district and until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

The trustees from time to time may choose and employ and fix the compensation of any other necessary officers and agents, who shall serve at their pleasure. The treasurer shall furnish bond in such sum and with such sureties as the

trustees shall approve, the cost thereof to be paid by the district. Members of the board of trustees shall be eligible to any office under the board. The trustees, as such, shall receive as compensation for their services, an amount to be determined by them not to exceed \$100 each per year, but the trustee who serves as clerk shall receive an additional compensation not to exceed \$50 per year, and the treasurer may be allowed such compensation as the trustees determine.

The trustees shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties as such, which shall include the duties of any member who shall serve as clerk or clerk pro tem.

The trustees shall make and publish an annual report, including a report of the treasurer, and such report may be included in, and published as part of, the annual town report of the Town of Searsport.

A complete report of the activities of the district shall annually be rendered to the Town of Searsport by the board of trustees of said district, including a financial report.

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1947, c. 75, § 8, amended. The 4th sentence of section 8 of chapter 75 of the private and special laws of 1947 is amended to read as follows:

~~Ten~~ Five per cent of the voters qualified to vote in such meeting shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 3. P. & S. L., 1947, c. 75, § 9, amended. The first sentence of section 9 of chapter 75 of the private and special laws of 1947 is amended to read as follows:

After the meeting for acceptance of this charter, the trustees shall have the same powers and perform the same duties as otherwise are exercised and performed by the ~~selectmen of towns~~ registrar of voters in municipalities in correcting and preparing lists of the persons qualified to vote in said district, or the trustees may appoint in writing, for such term as they may determine, a qualified person resident in said Town of Searsport to perform such duties, and for that purpose they or he shall be in session at the place designated for holding the meeting ~~between the hours of 10 o'clock in the forenoon and 12 o'clock noon on the secular day next before the date of every meeting, and also 2 one-half hours~~ hour before the opening of the meeting, and notice thereof shall be given in the call of the meeting.