

Sixty-Second Legislature.

No. 120.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE,

AN ACT creating the Phillips Village Corporation.

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

SECTION 1. The territory embraced within the 2 limits of School District Number Three in the town 3 of Phillips, together with the inhabitants thereon, 4 be, and the same hereby is created a body politic 5 and corporate by the name of the Phillips Village 6 Corporation.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby invested with 2 power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose, 3 to raise such sums of money as may be sufficient 4 for the purchase, repair and preservation of one or 5 more fire engines, engine houses, hose, buckets,

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6 hooks, ladders, or other apparatus, for the extin-7 guishment of fire; and for organizing and main-8 taining, within its limits, an efficient fire depart-9 ment.

SECT. 3. Any money raised by said corporation 2 for the purposes aforesaid, shall be assessed upon 3 the property and polls within the territory, by the 4 assessors of said corporation in the same manner 5 as is provided by law for the assessment of county 6 and town taxes, and said assessors may copy the 7 last valuation of said property by the assessors of 8 the town of Phillips, and assess the tax thereon, if 9 said corporation shall so direct, and may abate any 10 tax by them so assessed, the tax on polls not to 11 exceed the sum of one dollar to any one person in 12 one year.

SECT. 4. Upon a certificate being filed with the 2 assessors of said corporation by the clerk thereof, 3 of the amount of money raised at any meeting for 4 the purposes aforesaid, it shall be the duty of said 5 assessors, as soon as may be, to assess said amount 6 upon the polls and estates of the persons residing 7 on the territory aforesaid, and upon the estates of 8 non-resident proprietors thereof, and lists of the 9 assessments so made, to certify and deliver to the 10 collector, whose duty it shall be to collect the same

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11 in like manner as county and town taxes are by 12 law collected, by towns, and to pay over the same 13 to the treasurer of said corporation, who shall re-14 ceive the same and pay it out to order or direction 15 of the corporation, and keep a regular account of 16 all moneys received and paid out, and exhibit the 17 same to the assessors, whenever requested; and 18 said corporation shall have the same power to 19 direct the mode of collecting said taxes, as towns 20 have in the collection of town taxs.

SECT. 5. The officers of said corporation shall 2 consist of a clerk, treasurer, assessors, collector, 3 fire wardens, and such other officers as may be 4 provided for in the by-laws of said corporation; 5 which said fire wardens shall have, exclusively, all 6 the power and authority within the limits of said 7 corporation, that fire wardens now have or may 8 have, chosen by towns in town meeting.

SECT. 6. Said corporation, at any legal meeting 2 thereof, may adopt a code of by-laws for the gov-3 ernment of the same and for the efficient manage-4 ment of the fire departments aforesaid; *provided*, 5 the same are not repugnant to the laws of the 6 State.

SECT. 7. All the officers of said corporation 2 shall be chosen by ballot, and sworn to the faithful

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3 performance of their duties; the first election to 4 be at the meeting of the legal voters of the cor-5 poration, called to accept this charter, and the 6 annual election of officers shall be in the month of 7 March.

SECT. 8. The collector and treasurer shall give 2 bonds in double the amount of the tax so raised, 3 to the inhabitants of said corporation, which bonds 4 shall be approved by the assessors and clerk.

SECT. 9. S. D. Davis and Seward Dill, or either 2 of them, are hereby authorized to call the first 3 meeting of said corporation, and to notify the 4 legal voters thereof to meet at some suitable time 5 and place within the limits aforesaid, by posting 6 up notices in two public places within said limits 7 seven days, at least, before the time of said meet-8 ing; and either of said persons are authorized to 9 preside at said meeting until after its organiza-10 tion, and until after a moderator shall be chosen 11 by ballot and sworn, and at all meetings of the 12 corporation a moderator shall be chosen in the 13 manner, and with the same powers as in town 14 meetings.

SECT. 10. All persons liable to be taxed for polls, 2 residing in the limits of said corporation, shall be 3 legal voters at any meeting of said corporation. SECT. 11. This act shall take effect when ap-2 proved by the Governor, so far as to empower the 3 first meeting of said corporation to be called, and 4 if this charter shall be accepted at said first meet-5 ing of said corporation by a majority of the legal 6 voters of said corporation, then the same shall take 7 and have complete effect in all its parts. But 8 there shall be but one such meeting called in each 9 year for such purpose. 1 • ٠ . **.**

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IN SENATE CHAMBER, February 23, 1885.

On motion by Mr. YOUNG, laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

C. W. TILDEN, Secretary.