

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SENATE.

No. 135.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED
AND NINETY-ONE.

AN ACT creating the Oxford Village Corporation.

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

SECTION 1. The territory embraced within the limits of
2 school district number three, in the town of Oxford,
3 together with the inhabitants thereon, be, and the same
4 hereby is created a body politic and corporate, by the
5 name of the Oxford Village Corporation.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby invested with
2 power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to
3 raise such sums of money as may be sufficient for the pur-
4 chase, repair and preservation of one fire engine, engine
5 house, hose, buckets, ladders, or other apparatus for the
6 extinguishment of fire ; for the construction of reservoirs

7 and aqueducts for the procuring of water, and for organ-
8 izing and maintaining within the limits of said territory an
9 efficient fire department.

SECT. 3. Any money raised by said corporation, for
2 the purposes aforesaid, shall be assessed upon the prop-
3 erty and polls within the territory aforesaid, by the
4 assessors of said corporation, in the same manner as is
5 provided by law for the assessment of county taxes, and
6 said assessors may copy the last valuation of said prop-
7 erty by the assessors of the town of Oxford, and assess
8 the tax thereon, if the said corporation shall so direct,
9 may correct said valuation, or make a new valuation
10 thereof, according to the principles of the valuation estab-
11 lished the present year, and assess the same on that
12 valuation.

SECT. 4. Upon a certificate being filed with the assessors
2 of said corporation by the clerk thereof, of the amount of
3 money raised at any meeting for the purposes aforesaid,
4 it shall be the duty of said assessors, as soon as may be,
5 to assess said amount upon the estates and polls of per-
6 sons residing on the territory aforesaid, and upon the
7 estates of non-resident proprietors thereof, and the assess-
8 ment to certify and deliver to the treasurer or collector of
9 said corporation, whose duty it shall be to collect the
10 same in like manner as county and town taxes are by law
11 collected by towns, and said corporation shall have the
12 same power to direct the mode of collecting said taxes as
13 towns have in the collection of town taxes.

SECT. 5. The officers of said corporation shall consist
2 of a clerk, treasurer, assessors, collector, fire wardens, and
3 such other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws

4 of said corporation; which said fire wardens shall have,
5 exclusively, all the power and authority, within the limits
6 of said corporation, that fire wardens now have, or may
7 have, chosen by towns in town meeting.

SECT. 6. Said corporation, at any legal meeting thereof,
2 may adopt a code of by-laws for the government of the
3 same, and for the efficient management of the fire depart-
4 ment aforesaid, provided the same are not repugnant to
5 the laws of the state.

SECT. 7. Either of said corporators is hereby authorized
2 to call the first meeting, by issuing a warrant directed to
3 some member of said corporation, requiring him to notify
4 the members thereof to assemble at some suitable time and
5 place in said Oxford village, by posting up notices in two
6 public places within said village seven days at least before
7 the time of said meeting.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force after
2 the same shall be accepted by two-thirds of the voters
3 present at a meeting of said corporation, called agreeably
4 to the seventh section of this act.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 28, 1891.

Pending first reading, laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary.*